

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 23, 2023
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING NO. 3**

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held on January 23, 2023, and was called to order by Mayor Krenzel at 7:00 PM with the following Council Members in Attendance:

Mayor and Council Roll Call	Present	Absent	Excused Tardy
<i>Mayor John M. Krenzel</i>	X		
<i>Council President Tony Ciulla</i>	X		
<i>Councilwoman Donna Balazs</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Peter Guindi</i>	X		
<i>Councilman James Gurchensky</i>	X		
<i>Councilwoman Julie Meira</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Jason Oliveira</i>	X		

Also attending this meeting were Business Administrator Arthur Londensky, Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga, and Deputy Police Chief John McKenna.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 231 OF PUBLIC LAW OF 1975, NOTICE OF THIS MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING, 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER OR REMOTELY VIA ZOOM HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE HOME NEWS TRIBUNE ON JANUARY 6, 2023, POSTED ON THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING BULLETIN BOARD, THE BOROUGH WEBSITE, AND THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING AT 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Krenzel lead the salute to the Flag and a moment of silence.

PROCLAMATION

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION 2023-64

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ENTRANCE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 permits the exclusion of the general public from a meeting of the Governing Body under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River are of the opinion such circumstances presently exist.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey, that the public be excluded upon the hereinafter specific subject matter and that such subject matter to be so discussed is as follows:

- Contract Negotiations
- Litigation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such record of the above discussion will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.

Adjourn to Executive Session at 7:02 pm

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

Reconvene to Public Session at 7:08 pm

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2023-1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARY RANGES OF CERTAIN BOROUGH OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION I.

An ordinance fixing the salary ranges of certain borough officers and employees in the Borough of South River is hereby amended as follows:

TITLE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Mayor	\$0.00	\$6,000
President Borough Council	\$0.00	\$5,000
Member of Borough Council	\$0.00	\$4,500
Borough Administrator	\$40,000	\$170,000
Deputy Borough Administrator	\$5,000	\$50,000
Executive Assistant	\$27,000	\$70,000
Data Entry Clerk	\$1,000	\$3,600
Qualified Purchasing Agent	\$1,000	\$10,000
Executive Assistant – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$25.00/hr
Borough Clerk	\$50,000	\$95,000
Deputy Borough Clerk	\$25,000	\$70,000
Public Works Director	\$45,000	\$125,000
Utility Manager	\$40,000	\$85,000

Director of Finance/CFO	\$40,000	\$150,000
Deputy Director of Finance	\$40,000	\$80,000
Tax Collector	\$10,000	\$85,000
Deputy Tax Collector	\$40,000	\$65,000
Tax Assessor	\$10,000	\$50,000
Meter Reader – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$20.00/hr
Webmaster/Communication	\$1,000	\$6,000
Animal Control Officer – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$35.00/hr.
Planning Board Secretary	\$1,000	\$10,000
Board of Adjustment Secretary	\$1,000	\$10,000
Zoning Officer	\$10,000	\$25,000
Construction Official	\$12,000	\$100,000
Deputy Construction Official	\$3,000	\$15,000
Code Enforcement Officer	\$25,000	\$65,000
Sub-Code Official	\$30,000	\$75,000
Building, Plumbing, Electrical, Fire Inspector	Minimum Wage	\$45.00/hr
Chief of Police	\$120,000	\$220,000
Deputy Chief of Police	\$115,000	\$210,000
Captain	\$115,000	\$190,000
Lieutenant	\$110,000	\$171,000
Sergeant	\$100,000	\$160,000
Patrolman	\$55,000	\$150,000
Special Police Sergeant	Minimum Wage	\$25.00/hr
Class I Officer	Minimum Wage	\$25.00/hr
Class II Officer	Minimum Wage	\$35.00/hr
Class III Officer	\$20.00/hr	\$45.00/hr
Head Dispatcher	\$40,000	\$85,000
Dispatchers	\$30,000	\$75,000
Crossing Guards	Minimum Wage	\$31.00/hr
OEM Coordinator	\$0.00	\$2,500
Deputy OEM Coordinator	\$0.00	\$1,500
Fire Official	\$5,000	\$40,000
Fire Inspector	Minimum Wage	\$20.00/hr
Fire Inspector - Licensed	\$3,000	\$40,000
Grant Coordinator	\$1,000	\$10,000
Board of Health Secretary	\$1,000	\$5,000
Registrar of Vital Statistics	\$1,000	\$5,000
Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics	\$1,000	\$5,000
Municipal Alliance Coordinator	\$1,000	\$5,000
Dog Census Taker	Minimum Wage	\$20.00/hr
Bus Driver – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$35.00/hr
Clerical – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$35.00/hr
OOA Director	\$20,000	\$95,000
Court Administrator	\$25,000	\$90,000
Municipal Magistrate	\$10,000	\$30,000
Court Reporter – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$25.00/hr
Parks and Recreation Director	\$25,000	\$65,000
Parks and Recreation Director – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$40.00/hr.
Recreation Coordinator	\$5,000	\$55,000
Recreation Coordinator – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$30.00/hr.

Recreation Coordinator – Assistant Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$30.00/hr.
Director of Summer Recreation	Minimum Wage	\$30.00/hr
Advisory Board Secretary	\$1,000	\$5,000
Recreation – Part Time	Minimum Wage	\$30.00/hr
First Aid/Supervisor	\$15.00/hr	\$30.00/hr
Umpires	\$20.00/game	\$50.00/game
Basketball Official	\$25.00/game	\$50.00/game
Soccer Official	\$25.00/game	\$50.00/game
Hockey Official	\$25.00/game	\$50.00/game
Volleyball Official	\$20.00/game	\$60.00/game
Flag Football Official	\$20.00/game	\$60.00/game
Wrestling Referee	\$50.00/match	\$85.00/match
Aerobics, Yoga, Zumba, Soccer, Cheerleading, Youth Agility, Basketball, Quilting, Volleyball Instructor	\$30.00/class	\$90.00/class
Softball Coordinator	\$800/season	\$900/season
Summer Recreation Counselor	Minimum Wage	\$20.00/hr
Parking Enforcement Officer	Minimum Wage	\$30.00/hr
Meter Collector/Repairman	\$1,000	\$8,000
Leadperson	\$20.00/hr.	\$45.00/hr
Equip. Operator	\$20.00/hr.	\$43.00/hr
Heavy Truck CDL A Driver	\$20.00/hr.	\$40.00/hr
Sanitation Driver	\$20.00/hr.	\$40.00/hr
Parks Maintenance	\$17.00/hr.	\$37.00/hr
Mechanic	\$17.00/hr.	\$44.00/hr
Lead Mechanic	\$20.00/hr.	\$47.00/hr
Laborer “A”	\$15.00/hr.	\$37.00/hr
Meter Reader	\$15.00/hr.	\$20.00/hr
Custodian	\$20,000	\$50,000
Accountant	\$10,000	\$50,000
Clerk, Sec’y & Clerk	\$20,000	\$55,000
Comp.Tech.Adm.Asst/Special Projects	\$20,000	\$65,000
Admin. Asst. Deputy Court Administrator	\$20,000	\$60,000
Bus Driver	\$20,000	\$50,000
Chief Lineman “A”	\$30.00/hr.	\$60.00/hr
Chief Lineman “B”	\$30.00/hr.	\$55.00/hr
Journeyman	\$30.00/hr.	\$53.00/hr
Apprentice	\$20.00/hr.	\$45.00/hr
Water-Sewer Utility Supervisor	\$20.00/hr	\$55.00/hr
Water-Sewer Treatment Operator	\$20.00/hr	\$50.00/hr
Water-Sewer Equipment Operator	\$20.00/hr	\$53.00/hr
Water-Sewer Laborer	\$20.00/hr	\$40.00/hr
C2 Collections/Wastewater	\$1,000	\$10,000

SECTION 2. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause of provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption, and publication according to law.

Council President Ciulla motioned to waive the full reading; seconded by Councilman Guindi. All in Favor. The Clerk read Ordinance 2023-1 by title only. Mayor Krenzel opened the floor for public hearing of Ordinance 2023-1 only.

Being no public came forth, Councilwoman Balazs motioned to close public hearing of said Ordinance; seconded by Councilman Guindi. All in Favor.

Adopted 1-23-23

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

ALYSSA GUGLIETTI, RMC

ORDINANCE 2023-2

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, CHAPTER 193 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" BY AMENDING SECTION 193-31.1, SCHEDULE IIA "HANDICAPPED PARKING" THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, that Chapter 193 of the Code of the Borough of South River entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" be amended by amending Section 193-31.1, Schedule IIA as follows:

SECTION 1. Schedule IIA. HANDICAPPED PARKING

Street	Side	Location
High Street	East	72 Feet North of Roosevelt Street, extending 22 feet thereof

SECTION 2. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption, and publication according to law.

Council President Ciulla motioned to waive the full reading; seconded by Councilman Guindi. All in Favor. The Clerk read Ordinance 2023-2 by title only. Mayor Krenzel opened the floor for public hearing of Ordinance 2023-2 only.

Being no public came forth, Councilman Guindi motioned to close public hearing of said Ordinance; seconded by Councilman Gurchensky. All in Favor.

Adopted 1-23-23

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

ALYSSA GUGLIETTI, RMC

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2023-3 by title only.

ORDINANCE 2023-03

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

WHEREAS, the Local Government CAP Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriation, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2023 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$475,642.48 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2023 budget year, the final appropriations of the Mayor and Borough Council shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$475,642.48 and that the CY 2023 municipal budget for the Borough of South River be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with the said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption, and publication according to law.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on January 23rd, 2023, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 13th day of February, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the Council Chamber of the Criminal Justice Building located at 61 Main Street, South River, New Jersey, and/or virtually via Zoom meeting code 826 6082 9597: password: 000000 at which time all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning this ordinance.

Introduced 1-23-23

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

ALYSSA GUGLIETTI, RMC
MUNICIPAL CLERK

DEPARTMENTAL/PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Engineers Report (Borough Engineer Koch was not present)

- **NJDOT 2020 and 2021 Local Aid Projects and the Curb and Sidewalks Program**
 - The Borough received a \$580,000.00 grant from the NJDOT for the 2020 Roadway Improvements, and a \$475,575.00 grant from the NJDOT for the 2021 Roadway Improvements
 - **NJDOT 2020 Roadways**
 - First Street (New Street to Leonardine Avenue)
 - Claremont Avenue (James Street to David Street)
 - Obert Street (Main Street to Jackson Avenue)
 - Gordon Street (Main Street to Washington Street)
 - Clayton Court;
 - Wilcox Street Drainage Repairs (Darrow Street to Edgewood Street)
 - We issued an updated Punch-list for the project.
 - **NJDOT 2021 Roadways**
 - Albourne Street (Cleveland Ave. to Wilbur St);
 - Ferris Street (Cleveland Avenue to Darrow Street)
 - We issued an updated Punch-list for the project.

- **NJDOT 2022 Local Aid Program**
 - The borough received a \$457,410.00 grant for Appleby Avenue, Morningside Avenue, and 5th Street. The contractor has performed the concrete work at the Municipal Building. Depending upon the weather, they plan to return in late February or early March.
- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Aid Program**
 - We applied for Leonardine Ave. from the OBT to Grand Ave., Prentice Ave. from Willett Ave. to Sheldon Ave. & Beryl St. from Cleveland Ave. to Wilcox Ave. According to the NJDOT PMRS site the borough has received a \$681,405.00 grant. We issued a letter concerning same.
- **2020 Electrical Substation Maintenance**
 - The contractor is working on the SCADA system installation. They may be able to start commissioning it next week.
- **Well No. 2 Replacement**
 - The Contractor is working on the punch list.
- **Water Treatment Plan Upgrades**
 - The contractor is ordering the required equipment and materials for the backwash air gap and the backflow valve.
 - We are working on the design and bid documents for the Sodium Hypochlorite Storage Improvements.

Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga

- Speaks on Ordinance 2023-3.
- Speaks on resolutions on the agenda.

Councilwoman Meira questions if all the money has been spent from the bond from last May. CFO Zanga states there is about \$30,000 left out of \$200,000. Discussions ensue regarding water work and the money used for water. Discussions ensue between BA Londensky and Councilwoman Meira regarding Main Street. Councilman Oliveira would like to know if there can be an agreement worked out with the County and BA Londensky answers.

Councilwoman Meira would like to know how much money was made last year with the field use at the parks. CFO Zanga states he will find out and let council know.

Borough Attorney Wyatt arrived at 7:11.

Deputy Police Chief John McKenna

- The Police Department is still in need of a full time Dispatcher and Substitute Crossing Guards. Anyone that is interested in the dispatcher position can go online and obtain an application.

Borough Clerk

- Everything is ready for the upcoming Board of Education Referendum on January 24th.

Mayor Krenzel speaks on the upcoming Board of Education Special Election.

Borough Attorney Andrea Wyatt

- No report

Borough Administrator Londensky

- No report

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Councilman Guindi

- Municipal Alliance is having a meeting on January 26th at 6pm.

Councilwoman Balazs

- Free Rabies Clinic is Saturday, March 25th. 12pm-2 pm for dogs and 2 pm-3 pm for cats.
- The Board of Health is looking into revitalizing Operation Ram. This is for any overseas service men and women that are active to receive care packages.
- Frost on the Pumpkin will be October 29th. There is discussion on having the route changed to not utilize school property.
- South River Day is planned for June 17th.
- Cultural Arts and Heritage is planning their summer programs.

Council President Ciulla

- South River has a new Facebook and Instagram account.

Councilman Oliveira

- Parks and Recreation will be running an Under Armour flag football in the spring, along with many other programs. Be on the lookout for flyers.
- Easter Egg Hunt is in the works. This will hopefully be implemented at one of the parks.
- Exercise programs will be offered soon.

Councilman Gurchensky

- The OOA has been working on their programs. Nothing has been published yet.

Councilwoman Meira

- The Library Board has a meeting tomorrow, January 24th. There was a full house at the beginning of the 100th Celebration for the Library.
- The Board of Education has their Special Election tomorrow. Go out and vote. January 30th is the next Board of Education meeting.
- Thank you for adding resolution 2023-81 for the Shade Tree Commission.

Mayor Krenzel

- Resolution 2023-77 will be pulled from the agenda.
- Resolutions 2023-81 and 2023-82 will be added to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Krenzel opened the floor for Public Comment.

Richard Byrne, 11 Bissett Place, Mr. Byrne thanks Council President Ciulla for the introduction for the Sustainable Jersey Grant that is due on January 10. The grant is being worked on. Mr. Byrne speaks on the preschool bond issue. Mr. Byrne speaks on waiving the interest on the delinquent balances. Mr. Byrne speaks on a zoning permit issue.

Being that no one else came forward for public comment, Mayor Krenzel requested motion to close. Councilman Guindi motioned to close; seconded by Councilman Gurchensky. All in Favor.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

- Environmental/Shade Tree Commission Junior Members: Audrey Bruden
Gabriel Neyra

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS 2023-65 TO 2023-82 (resolution 2023-77 will be pulled)

“Whereas Resolution 2023-01 authorizes the Borough Council to utilize a Consent Agenda to adopt various resolutions of a routine and noncontroversial nature at one time. Now Therefore, Be It and It is Hereby Resolved that the below listed resolutions are hereby adopted by the Borough Council in whole as if the same were individually acted upon”.

The Borough Clerk read the resolution titles on the consent agenda.

**RESOLUTION 2023-65
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION RESERVE TRANSFERS WITHIN THE 2022 BUDGET
DURING THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR**

WHEREAS, 2022 bills and claims have been presented for payment this year, which was more than was anticipated on the financial records at year end; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59 provides that all unexpended balances carried forward after the close of the year are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments, or contracts incurred during the preceding fiscal year, and allow transfers to be made from unexpended balances which are expected to be insufficient during the first three months of the succeeding year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the transfers be made between the 2022 Budget Appropriation Reserves as follows:

CURRENT FUND

	Amount From:	Amount to:
Special Police – Other Expenses	\$5,000.00	
Group Health Benefits	\$20,000.00	
Police – Other Expenses		\$5,000.00
Building and Grounds – Other Expenses		\$20,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and the Auditor of the Borough of South River.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 23rd, 2023.

Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2023-66
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN UTILITY REFUNDS**

WHEREAS, the official utility records of the Borough of South River, New Jersey show certain refunds which include electric, water and consumer deposits and overpayments; and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Utility Revenue recommends that the following refunds should be made to the consumer noted herein below listed; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Collector of Utility Revenue is hereby authorized to make the following refunds and adjustments indicated below and any attached list.

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>PAYABLE TO:</u>	<u>REASON:</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CHECK</u>
66-999-979-924 WATER	SALVATORE & DIANA RAZZANO 36 LEONARDINE AVE SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	OVERPAYMENT	\$900.00

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 23, 2023.

Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-67

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVING OF INTEREST ON DELINQUENT UTILITY BALANCES IN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, P.L. 2021, C317 requires the Borough, at a minimum, to offer a 12-month payment plan and prohibit from charging residential customers interest, fees, or charges for arrearages from March 9, 2020 through March 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, in a continued effort to aid residents, the Borough waived interest, for all customers, on delinquent balances for water and electric through December 31, 2022 per resolution 2022-122 and will continue to waive interest through June 30, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That interest for delinquent water and electric balances is hereby waived through June 30, 2023.
2. That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough Administrator and Borough CFO.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balasz</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 23, 2023

Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-68

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF 2023 SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint the following to positions for the 2023 Spring/Summer Recreation Department Employees effective as of January 23, 2023.

Employees: Basketball

Eric Clays (First Aid/Supervisor) \$25.00/game

Employees: Volleyball

Brandon Russo \$50.00/class

Malcolm Cumberbatch \$50.00/class

Referees: Basketball per Game

Gregory Patton \$40.00/game

Ralph Johnson \$40.00/game

Lee Cadel \$40.00/game

Dennis Lupo \$40.00/game

Youth Agility Instructor

Brandon Russo \$50.00/class

Malcolm Cumberbatch \$50.00/class

Tennis Instructor

Paul Bricklin \$40.00 per class

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-69

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER
TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the PEPPM Cooperative, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in the Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, duly considered participation in the PEPPM Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

This Resolution shall be known and may be cited as the PEPPM Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Borough of South River.

Pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5), the Mayor and the Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into the PEPPM Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-70
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN UTILITY REFUNDS

WHEREAS, the official utility records of the Borough of South River, New Jersey show certain refunds which include electric, water and consumer deposits (CD); and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Utility Revenue recommends that the following refunds should be made to the consumer noted herein below listed; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Collector of Utility Revenue is hereby authorized to make the following refunds and adjustments indicated below and any attached list.

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>PAYABLE TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CHECK</u>
65-999-004-870 CD	CARL HILL PO BOX 944 EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ 08816	\$200.00
65-999-006-532 CD	EDWIN ORTEZ IZAGUIRRE LILIANA ARROYO 19 PARRISH DR	\$130.20

VERNON, NJ 07462

65-999-007-896 CD	ASHLEY MARRERO & PEDRO CRUZ JR 6 RIDGE TOP TER WASHINGTON, NJ 07882	\$159.96
65-999-006-130 CD	JOAO SANTOS & CYNTHIA FLORES MARTINEZ 29 FERRIS ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$75.58
65-999-001-892 CD	JULIO MENDEZ & MARCIA SINCHI 61 MERCER ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$127.13
65-999-008-088 CD	LINDA ROVI 10 LARCH DR OLD BRIDGE, NJ 08857	\$133.45
65-999-930-293 CD	ST.ANN PHARMACY INC	\$132.40
65-999-930-293 ELEC PREVIOUS	54 MAIN ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$271.24
65-999-003-512 WATER PREVIOUS	STUDIO LORENA FONTECELE C/O LORENA FANTECELE 153 WHITHEAD AVE SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$66.31

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2023-71
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LATE FEE WAIVER OF PET LICENSING**

WHEREAS, state law and Borough Code 108-22 require rabies vaccination of dogs and cats before a license may be issued.

WHEREAS, in an effort to aid the Borough’s residents the Borough Council desires to waive the late registration fees set forth in Borough Code § 155-6(A-C) and to resume on April 1, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That late registration fees imposed by Borough Code § 155-6(A-C) are hereby waived and will resume on April 1, 2023.
2. That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough CFO.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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**RESOLUTION 2023-72
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the January 1, 2023 Reorganization Meeting Minutes are approved.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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 Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2023-73
 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the January 9, 2023 Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes are approved.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>					X	
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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**RESOLUTION 2023-74
 PROPERTY TAX REFUND**

WHEREAS, the following property listed below applied for tax exempt status under the provisions for a total disabled veteran status in accordance with N.J.S.A 54:4-3.30 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor reviewed and approved the application for the remainder of the 2022 tax year and the 2023 tax year; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is recommending a partial refund taxes for the 4th quarter 2022 (based on the date of application).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector refund partial taxes for the 4th quarter 2022 in accordance with the following schedule:

Block	Lot	Property Location	Amount
363.07	5	Gregory & Christine Marple 3 Terry Avenue South River, NJ 08882	\$881.30 – Refund (4 th quarter 2022)

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-75
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONERS FOR THE
BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as member of the Economic Development Commission:

Chris Scozzari, Regular Member

Term 1/1/2023 to 12/31/2027

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-76
APPOINTMENT OF A PART TIME MUNICIPAL COURT EMPLOYEE

I, John M. Krenz, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Brittany Lynch, to the position of Part-Time Municipal Court employee effective as of February 7, 2023, at a rate of \$20.00/hr.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-78

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A CAMERA SYSTEM AT WILLETT AVENUE SUBSTATION VIA THE PEPPM COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM UNDER CONTRACT 528897-284 AND NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT T1316-A80802

WHEREAS, there exists a need to purchase and install a Camera System by the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey at Willett Avenue Substation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River is a member of the PEPPM Cooperative Pricing System under contract 528897-254 and also under State Contract T1316-A80802; and

WHEREAS, Office Solution Inc. is the vendor of the Camera System under the PEPPM Cooperative Pricing System and State Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has advised that funds are available in account 3-03-55-502-202; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to the provision of *NJSA 40A:11-11(5)* in the amount of \$51,842.40 to Office Solution Inc.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that the appropriate Officials are hereby authorized to sign those documents necessary for the purchase of and install of a Camera System for Willett Avenue Substation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said resolution is now of record and on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk and available for public inspection.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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**RESOLUTION 2023-79
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS LIST**

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that all bills, claims and statements against the Borough, in the total amount of \$1,992,124.16 and previously paid claims in the amount of \$2,512,684.48 listing attached, have been duly itemized, audited, approved and signed by the proper officers of the Borough, be and the same are hereby ordered paid.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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**RESOLUTION 2023-80
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF CULTURAL ARTS AND HERITAGE COMMISSIONER**

I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as member of the Cultural Arts and Heritage Commission:

Robyn Prasek, Term: 1/23/2023 – 12/31/2027

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-81
Resolution of Support from the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River Authorizing the Sustainable Jersey Grant funded by PSEG

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, South River strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments; and

WHEREAS, South River is participating in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, and they have created a grant program called the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants funded by PSEG;

THEREFORE, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River has determined that South River should apply for the aforementioned Grant.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, State of New Jersey, authorize the submission of the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant funded by PSEG.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			

<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-82

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION LOCAL 62

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has reached an Agreement with the Police Benevolent Association Local 62 with regard to a final negotiated settlement of a new contract for the period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2026 between said union and the Borough of South River.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the said Agreement with Police Benevolent Association Local 62 for the period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2026 is approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the Borough of South River.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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**Councilwoman Balazs abstained from voting on resolution 2023-73.

**Councilman Guindi abstained from voting on purchase orders 22-00297, 22-02585, 22-02586, 22-02587, and 22-02588.

**Council President Ciulla abstained from voting on purchase orders 22-02585, 22-02586, 22-02587, 22-02588, 22-03273, and 22-03286.

AGENDA SESSION

- Tandem/Stacked Parking:

Councilman Guindi speaks on a project that came before the Planning and Zoning Board last year. It was a new facility that would take over the old PNC. Within the project, the parking spots were not sufficient. The developer stated if the Borough has stacked parking it would have worked. Stacked parking be one parking spot to a room and that parking spot would hold two cars. Multiple towns have this ordinance. Councilwoman Meira asks what the ordinance would be and Councilman Guindi states the ordinance would allow the Council to allow developers to have stacked parking. There is no such ordinance in South River and there must be an ordinance to allow this type of parking. Mayor Krenzels asks if this would be under zoning and if a variance can be granted. Borough Attorney Wyatt states she will speak with Bruce Koch and Todd Bletcher and see where such parking can be made possible. Discussions ensue regarding this matter.

- Tow Rates:

This ordinance would affect the towing companies and not the residents. South River is the lowest tow rates in Middlesex County. Today's standard should be \$150-\$175 and South River is at \$95-\$110. There are about 8 towing companies on the list. Borough Attorney Wyatt states rates can be proposed and an ordinance can be drafted up.

- Tree Ordinance:

Borough Attorney Wyatt gives an update on the tree ordinance. The Environmental Commission requested a couple of changes to the ordinance. Borough Attorney Wyatt discusses the changes.

- Deputy Business Administrator:

Council President Ciulla states in the ordinance the Deputy Business Administrator is the CFO. The part timer would be the Assistant to the Business Administrator for special projects. The duties are being looked over and hopefully another update can be provided at the next council meeting. Councilwoman Meira makes a comment regarding the BA's current administrative assistant and BA Londensky answers. The current Administrative Assistant does not have the expertise in special projects. Discussions ensue regarding the creation of the position. The position would be advertised just like any other position.

Councilwoman Meira and Council President Ciulla discuss the Tree Ordinance. Councilman Oliveira makes a comment to Borough Attorney Wyatt regarding the Tree Ordinance.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS (For the Good and Welfare of the Borough)

Councilwoman Meira

- Good luck to Recreation Cheerleading at their competitions.
- Please vote in the upcoming Board of Education Election.
- The upcoming months are slow, support your local businesses.

Councilman Gurchensky

- Thank you to all our public safety officers.
- Please continue to drive slowly and safely.
- There will be a breakfast at the VFW hosted by the Knights of Columbus on Sunday, February 12th.

Councilman Oliveira

- There will be Softball Little League. Registration can be done through their Facebook and sign ups at the schools.
- Vote in the School Election.

- Would like to have a discussion at the February 27th meeting regarding Cannabis. Possibly having a referendum at the General Election regarding dispensaries.

Councilman Guindi

- Vote in the upcoming School Election.
- Be watchful of seniors.

Councilwoman Balazs

- Thank you to our first responders.
- Congratulations to the Boys Basketball team. They are 14-1.

Council President Ciulla

- The EDC will be moving the location for its meetings. Once it is established it will be posted on the borough website.

Mayor Krenzel

- The Library kickoff celebration was a success.
- Please support South River teams.
- Go online to our local channel 12. They spoke about the new pharmacy coming to South River.
- February 13th is the next Council Meeting.
- Be careful walking. If you wear dark clothing at night, people may not be able to see you.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business; Mayor Krenzel requested motion to adjourn. Councilman Guindi motioned to adjourn; seconded by Council President Ciulla. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Guglietti

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Borough Clerk