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## Saturday drop-off of Recycling and Vegetative Waste only will resume

Saturday June 13th 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
at the DPW Complex 220 Highland Cross.

## From the desk of Mayor Frank Nunziato

I'd like to start out by saying how proud I am of Rutherford for its show of peaceful solidarity at Sunday's protest. The march and speeches were a beautiful example of how many voices can come together as one to affect positive change. I'd like to thank Chief Russo and the Rutherford Police Department for their dedication to our town and participation on Sunday. Resident Jasmyne Mena did a wonderful job of organizing the protest. When Jasmine advised Chief Russo and myself of her intent to organize the protest I was struck by her thoughtfulness and respectfulness about both the protest and her hometown.

Rutherford has been a shining example of how citizens should conduct themselves during this pandemic and I know we are all looking forward to resuming the lifestyle we typically enjoy here. I'm pleased to announce that Wednesday June 17th will be the first Dining Under the Stars evening where we can responsibly gather to enjoy the weather while supporting our local businesses. As an added bonus James McGill and Co. will be performing on Park Avenue from 7-9pm. Please visit the Borough website and social media for updates on what restaurants and businesses will be participating on Wednesday.

While you're enjoying a meal on Park Ave, please notice the Military Banners that are lining the street. I'd like to thank Councilman Mullahey and Purchasing Assistant JiHee Bagnuolo for making resident Anne Irving's vision come to fruition. Please take a moment to honor those who have chosen to serve our country.

As things reopen, please continue to be safe and responsible. I look forward to seeing you around town and please remember to support our local businesses.

Thank you,  
Mayor Frank Nunziato

The Borough of Rutherford Presents:

## Dining Under the Stars 2020

COVID-19 Economic Support to Celebrate the Reopening of Rutherford Businesses!

Our FIRST Dining Under the Stars of 2020 will take place

**Wednesday, June 17th**  
**5 -10pm**

### Upcoming Meetings Via Zoom

(please see the calendar on the Borough website for Zoom login information)

#### Board of Adjustment

7:00pm Tuesday June 16

#### Civil Rights Commission

6:30pm Wednesday June 17

#### Planning Board

When

7:00pm Thursday June 18

## Councilman Ray Guzman

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This past Sunday was a historical day for Rutherford. Residents gathered in support of our nations black community. I supported and marched in this event as I believe in equal justice for all. This march was a well organized, peaceful, uplifting and touching event. The speakers were passionate and driven to have their voices heard while the crowd respectfully listened. As I looked around at the crowd of protesters, I was amazed how everyone was practicing social distancing and wearing their masks while listening to the messages of unfair equality taking place in our country. I couldn't help but notice the great lengths our Police Dept. went through to assure safety for all and I was happy to learn our Police Chief would speak to the words that inequality has no home in Rutherford. I was filled with emotion and so very proud once again with our community. Proud that the People of Rutherford continuously stand out as a model community. I'm so very fortunate to be living and raise a family here. Thank you Rutherford!

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## Councilman Mark Goldsack

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### Finance

**Ordinance Passed on 2nd Reading** - Capital Ordinance authorizing various capital improvements throughout the Borough in the amount of \$650,000.

**Ordinance Passed on 2nd Reading** - Bond Ordinance authorizing various capital improvements throughout the Borough in the amount of \$2,500,000.

[The ordinances can be found by clicking here and viewing the agenda for the 6/8/20 meeting.](#)

These ordinances authorize the Borough to fund improvements to roads, parks, and various other Borough buildings and assets including the Library and KIP Garage. These ordinances also authorize the Borough to purchase and refurbish vehicles for the Department of Public Works and the Fire Department. Although we recognize that we are slowly working our way out of the recent pandemic, and there has been and still exists economic uncertainty, we are confident in the fiscal position of the Borough and believe that the improvements authorized by these ordinances serve the best interests of the residents of the Borough both in the short and long terms. We believe it is necessary to continue to responsibly invest and improve in those Borough assets that our residents make use of now, will use in the future, and allow our employees to serve the residents to the best of their abilities.

### Community Events

**Farmer's Market** - The Council voted to delay the start of the Farmer's Market until July. The Borough was recently issued guidance by Bergen County outlining the health and safety requirements as it pertains to Farmer's Markets. It is our intention to meet with the coordinator and formulate a plan that will allow us to move forward with the Farmer's Market while at the same time protecting the health of our residents. We are committed to seeing the Farmer's Market happen. We know how much our residents enjoy it and we also recognize that our farmer's need our support. We look forward to working with the coordinator and formulating a plan that will benefit both our residents and the vendors involved.

## Councilwoman Maria Begg-Roberson

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On June 5th, Mayor Frank Nunziato joined 70 mayors all over the country in recognizing "Wear Orange Day". The Mayor and Council wore orange in honor of the lives of people in America affected by gun violence. Wear Orange highlights the voices of Americans who demand an end to gun violence.

In 2013, a 15 year old, Hadiya Pendleton, was shot and killed in Chicago just one week after performing at President Obama's second inaugural parade in 2013. After Hadiya's death, the Wear Orange movement was born in an effort to create change regarding the growing epidemic of gun violence in the United States.

The color orange has a long history in the gun violence prevention movement. Orange signifies safety and is worn by hunters in the woods to ensure their well-being. Thank you to Mayor Nunziato for supporting this important effort to end gun violence.

## Council President Tom Mullahey

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At our last meeting, the Council approved the contract to begin the Orient Way Pedestrian Safety Crosswalk Project. The project was started by Mayor Nunziato when he served on the Council. I'm happy to carry it out with him.

After listening to residents' concerns, the Council unanimously voted down an ordinance establishing an employee only parking area around Lincoln Park. Instead, we revamped the plan the work around construction of the new police department.

The Council also approved the expansion of outdoor dining/retail in connection with the on-going COVID-19 public health emergency.

## Councilwoman Stephanie McGowan

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**Flag Day Salute** This year, the Borough is working with the Rutherford Elks Lodge #547, The Veteran's Alliance and various Rutherford Scout Troops to hold a Flag Day tribute on Sunday, June 14th at 1pm in front of Borough Hall. Councilman Guzman and I have worked with all of these organizations to plan a socially distant ceremony honoring this special day and Old Glory. Please remember that anyone who attends should keep a social distance of 6 feet and wear a face covering.

**Thank You, RUTHERFORD!** Once again, I want to extend my sincerest appreciation to all of our residents that continue to observe social distancing, wear face coverings in public, rally to find ways to thank members of our community for their incredible service and sacrifice.