#### **BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**

### MINUTES

# February 22, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at 8:10 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees stated that the meeting complied with the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting having been made to all members of the Council by personal service on January 3, 2011 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 3, 2011.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Rose Heck, Councilman Justin A.

DiPisa, Councilwoman Sonya Buckman, Councilman David Gonzalez, Councilwoman

Pamela J. Link, Councilman John

Dingertopadre, Councilman

Russell A. Lipari

Absent: None

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**: Mayor Heck led in the Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**: Mayor Heck gave the Invocation as follows:

"My prayer this evening is for all the families who have lost loved ones, we offer our condolences and prayers, and also ask God to give our State officials the wisdom to come up with a sensible budget with the least amount of finger pointing and name calling and ask God to give us here on the Council the strength to do what we have to do in this coming year with all the difficult times for the residents of Hasbrouck Heights, young and old alike, that we make good choices and come up with good ideas to continue for our town to grow in a very positive way. Amen."

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1) Invitation from Rev. Dianna L. Smith, Pastor of the First Reformed Church to Join in a Mardi Gras Celebration March 8<sup>th</sup>
- 2) Letter from PSEG Offering Update on Issues Important to Company, Customers and Communities

# COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd):

3) Letter to Mayor Heck from U.S. Senator Robert Menendez

4) Invitation to Mayor and Council from NJ Dept. Of Transportation to Joint Pre-Construction Public Information Center Re: S. Summit Avenue over I-80 Bridge Deck and Route 17 Northbound

Item #3 was requested to be read into the record (Copy attached).

On a motion by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Link and unanimously carried, the foregoing Communications were accepted.

**PETITIONS:** None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (February 8, 2011 Regular Meeting, Closed Session

and Work Session)

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Minutes were approved.

#### **BILLS:**

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$284,792.50 specified in the schedule hereto annexed, have been examined and approved by the Finance Commissioner, or his Deputy; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the accounts listed for payment of the claims;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the claims be paid and checks be issued on the funds and accounts indicated on the attached schedule.

Signed Pamela J. Link Commissioner of Finance

On a motion by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was adopted.

#### **REPORTS:**

**POLICE AND LAND USE:** Under Police, Commissioner DiPisa as submitted by Chief Colaneri reported the Police Department news included that the 9-1-1 system which

**POLICE AND LAND USE (cont'd):** was damaged during a lightening storm in October will be replaced with the latest version available. The Borough's insurance carrier agreed to pay for the entire upgrade. He sadly noted that former Police Chief Bruce Werner had passed away, noting that he was a dedicated police officer, relentless investigator, and accomplishments included bringing computers to the Detective Bureau and internal record keeping and dispatching. He will be missed by many. Word has been received of the upcoming construction of the Summit Avenue bridge over Routes 17 and 80. The contractor will be working with the Borough to create a safe and successful array of detours. On Feb. 10 at 8 a.m. on the southside of Terrace Avenue the Police in conjunction with the B.C. Police apprehended two perpetrators, a juvenile woman and a man from Essex County, for a minor accident who escaped on foot. It resulted in a school lock down and reverse 9-1-1. The incident occurred at 8:30 a.m. and the two were apprehended by 10:30 a.m. Year to date parking violations are 381, moving violations 80, for a total of 461.

**RECREATION & PARKS:** Under Recreation, Commissioner Buckman reported there are a few new and exciting things that are happening this winter in the Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department.

Our last week of Recreation Youth Basketball Clinics are scheduled for this Saturday 2/26/11 10 am at 24 hour fitness all children completing the 8 week program will be receiving trophies this weekend. The recreation department would like to thank Malcolm Lash of Next Level Sports and the 24 hour fitness team for another great season. Our recreation center is open on most Friday and Saturday nights from 7pm-10pm. The center is available for all boys and girls in the 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades. The cost of the center is \$30.00 and you can register your child at the center when it is open. The Recreation Department and the Recreation Wrestling Team would like to thank the HH Police Department, Wood-Ridge Police Department, Bergen County Police Department as well as the HH Ambulance Squad for their quick response on Sunday 2/20/11 at our Annual District Championship Tournament when two individuals from out of town got into a scuffle during a match. Detective Joe Rinke, also a volunteer wrestling coach did an excellent job at controlling the crowd until Police arrived. The police and the HH Recreation Wrestling coaches did a great job at making sure all the children were safe and the combatants were isolated from causing any injuries to the children and spectators. The Recreation Youth Basketball League is about almost finished, we have 2 week left in our recreation league, and 3 weeks left in our traveling season. Recreation Softball will be drafting teams this week for girls in 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades. The teams will begin practice the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of March and continue to practice and play games until late May, We still offer free adult basketball and volleyball through the winter months to check the schedule call (201) 288-4143. Of course we still have a very involved Senior Schedule all programs are held in our Senior Center located at 320 Boulevard. For a free schedule of events call (201) 288-4143 and hit #3 key, or stop by the center or recreation office and pick up a schedule. Under Parks, Commissioner Buckman reported the Department of Public Works has used the rear parking lot of Woodland Park to stockpile snow that was removed from many areas throughout town. The DPW

RECREATION AND PARKS (cont'd): filled that lot in a short period of time and was in need of other areas to stockpile with limited space and more removal yet to be done. A front end loader started to place the snow throughout the woods located at the rear of the park. Fortunately there have not been any snow fall since February 2 and it looks like we made the snow fit successfully. Reservations for picnics are starting to come in for the use of the Woodland Park pavilion and facilities. Last year there were over fifty (50) picnics in the park. As Library liaison, she reported total circulations to date showed a small decrease from last year from 9,295 versus 9.439, in large part due to the weather. There were 7,611 items discharged, 30 new patrons 25 adults and five juveniles, to date there are 7,911 card holders, with 8,817 people walked through the doors this month. On March 10 a free seminar is planned on medication and food, what is good and what is bad, how to prevent food and medication interactions, foods that protect your immune system and ways to enhance nutrition. Guest speaker is Councilman DiPisa, a pharmacist and educator.

STREETS, SANITATION & TRANSPORTATION: As Commissioner, Councilman Gonzalez reported since the last month's report there were two more snow storms for a total so far of seven storms. January 26 was a two-part storm which started out dropping 4-inches during the front part with a lapse in between then another 14 inches fell at the tail end of that event. Again, after plowing the DPW removed snow on the Boulevard Business district, churches, schools, and borough parking lots. Bergen County was billed \$2,680 for services rendered on County roads that are within the borough. The next storm on February 2 was an ice event which brought out salt spreading trucks and eventually the roads were plowed. The County was billed \$1,060 for that storm. After that event DPW Superintendent Bill Spindler, Police Chief Mike Colaneri, and Traffic Officer Lt. Tom Archer met to evaluate the safety of the roads throughout the town due to the huge amount of snow that fell causing the narrowing of the roadways and some streets impassable. They prioritized which roads would have the snow removed first and the list was as follows: 1) School crossings guard stations. 2) Walking School Bus (Burton Avenue), 3) 11All school drop-off zones, 4) All teacher parking, 5) Lincoln School: Burton – between Bell & Paterson, 300 block of Paterson Ave., 300 block of Ottawa Ave., 6) Euclid School: Burton – between Henry & Raymond, 200 & 300 block of Henry Street, 7) Public Safety Bldg.: Emergency Vehicles access, 200 block of Hamilton Ave., 300 block of Hamilton Ave., 8) 200 block of Kipp Ave. 9) 200 block of Washington Pl., 10) 200 block Franklin Ave, 11) Four culde-sacs and 12) Ten dead-end streets. The list was given to DPW Asst. Supt. Jim Schneider to enact and complete. Potholes were attended to during the last part of January using what is called "cold patch." This material is cold asphalt mix used during the severe winter months because the asphalt plants are not operational. This is temporary patch since the freezing temperatures eventually erode the patch. The DPW went out this past week during the warm spell and used the hot asphalt mix now that the asphalt plant is open. The DPW spent three days attending to there long list of areas in need of repairs. On Presidents' Day, the DPW salt spreading trucks were called upon at 3:30 a.m as snow fell pre-dawn. The entire fleet was then set-up with STREETS,

**SANITATION & TRANSPORTATION (cont'd):** chains and plows as they were taken off weeks before to complete snow removal throughout town and to start pothole repairs. This storm left us with another 4-inches of snow which was plowed. Bergen County was billed for their share of the storm amounting to \$1,100 for services rendered by the DPW. Vehicle Repairs:

(1) John Deere Loader 444G – replaced transmission control valve. (2) Three snow plows needed completed sets of cutting edges, remove & replaced. (3) Four complete sets of snow chains were manufactured by the DPW & placed on trucks. (4) Bob Cat – complete service of machine. (5) Dump Truck #204 – replace air brakes & cylinders. Under Recyling, he reported the Recycling Container would be in the parking lot on Central and Boulevard on March 5 from 7 a.m. to 12 noon. He reminded residents there is no garbage pickup on holidays.

FINANCE, SOCIAL SERVICES & PUBLIC FACILITIES: Under Finance, Commissioner Link reported the Current Fund cash balance at January 31, 2011 was \$3,204,318.26 and at December 31, 2011 was \$2,100,909.93 which represents an increase of \$1,103,408.33. The entire balance was invested and earning approximately 0.50%. Cash receipts for the month of January totaled \$4,198,134.06 of which \$3,858,521.62 was for Current Taxes, \$67,279.31 was Delinquent Taxes and \$272,333.13 was Miscellaneous Revenues. Cash disbursements for the month of January totaled \$3,094,725.73 of which \$1,919,582.75 was for Local School Taxes, \$598,227.98 was for Salaries and \$550,915.00 was for Other Expenses. She continued that the process for formulating the 2011 Municipal Budget continues. The CFO completed and submitted the Annual Debt Statement which was due January 31, 2011 and Annual Financial Statement which was due February 10, 2011. The Annual Financial Statement indicates that the surplus at December 31, 2010 was \$1,088,609.07 and at December 31, 2009 was \$1,352,975.51, which represents a decrease of \$264,366.44. A decrease in surplus balance has a direct impact on the 2011 anticipated revenues. The tax collection rate for 2010 was 98.50% and for 2009 98.82%, a reduction of .32%. This reduction in collection rate must be watched very closely since it has a direct impact on anticipated revenues and ability to generate surplus. The Borough collects taxes for Municipal, School and County purposes, even if the Borough does not collect 100% of taxes levied we are required to pay 100% of the amount due to the School and County. The introduction date for the 2011 budget has been extended from February 10 to March 11 in order to accommodate the Governor's budget presentation. Under Social Services, she reported the food pantry is open on Monday mornings from 9am-11am for Hasbrouck Heights residents in need. Anyone in need can register by calling Rob Brady at (201) 288-4143. Thank you to the generous volunteers that help stock and supervise the food pantry. Thus far, for the first three weeks of February, there were 75 visitors to the Food Pantry who received food and a food store gift card each week. We would like to especially thank the following for their most generous donations of food or gift cards: Corpus Christi Brown Bag Sunday and Meals with a Mission, St. John the Divine for \$60 in gift cards, Lincoln and Euclid School Staff for \$300 in gift cards, Mr. And Mrs. Derko, Judy Margues, Pertuz Family, Jeanine Dattalico, Phylis FINANCE, SOCIAL SERVICES

**& PUBLIC FACILITIES (cont'd):** Burman, Albert Camiscoli, Tom White, Martin Basner, First Reformed Church, Al Kinsley, Anthony Gulino, Ed Gumbrecht and Margaret Tryneski. The response from the residents and friends of Hasbrouck Heights continues to be outstanding and very much appreciated. If you would like to donate, the items most needed are toothpaste, mouthwash, soaps, toiletries, detergents, coffee, tea, and all paper products. Please no pasta or vegetables as these are in abundance. Donations may be dropped off at the Borough Clerk's office from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Under Public Facilities, Commissioner Link reported that at the Borough Hall, the circulation pump that distributes heat throughout the building was replaced and the system is fully operational. A transformer that controls the alarm system at the Franklin Avenue Sanitary Sewer Pump Station was replaced and that system is operational. The DPW was called on by the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Education to help with several tasks. Our tree truck was needed to replace light bulbs on the lamp post located at the High School parking lot and a tree crew was needed to cut and remove a large pine tree limb that was knocked down by the ice storm and blocking the sidewalk on Paterson Avenue. The schedule of meetings was as follows: Community Room – 18; Caucus Room – 6 and Council Chambers – 4.

**FIRE:** Under Fire, Commissioner Dingertopadre reported there were 26 fire calls, 120 ambulance calls, 8 non-emergency calls for a total of 144. Calls to Teterboro were 21. The Fire Department is using the Hook & Ladder from Bergen County. The Department attended the funeral services of former Police Chief Bruce Werner.

**HEALTH:** Under Health, Commissioner Lipari read from a report from the Mid Bergen Regional Health Commission that a study conducted on the H1N1 outbreak of 2009/2010 found the most common way the disease spread was through a child's network of friends. Exemptions for immunization requirements are growing rapidly in New Jersey during the past few years. Bergen County schools and day care facilities had the highest proportion of religious exemptions in the State. The State guidance documents for public schools stated that school officials cannot question religious beliefs as long as the parent's request contains religious or religion. Public health advocates feels this new rule gives parents an easy way out which results in fewer immunizations which lead to more outbreaks of contagious diseases. The State legislature is looking into reversing this rule. During the month of January the Health Department collected fees of \$13,807.00. A total of 70 vending machines were licensed. 710 Dog Licenses were issued. 23 Health Inspections were performed by the Environmental Health Specialist. Along with various spot checks and complaints. Under Vital Statistics the Registrar issued 191 certified transcripts collecting \$2,865.00, certifying 93 non-resident death certificates and 11 resident certificates. Three marriage licenses were issued and the Health Department was notified of one birth record during the month of January. The Board of Health Members would like to remind all dog owners that their 2010 dog license has expired on Jan 31, 2011. Reminder letters have been mailed to the residences that haven't renewed their dog license and

**HEALTH (cont'd):** an additional \$10.00 late fee must be included with the annual \$12.00 fee for an altered dog or \$15.00 fee for a non-altered dog. Failure to license your pet is a violation of Borough Code 124-6 and will result with a summons, court appearance and fine. Please advise the Health Department if you no longer have your pet by calling (201) 288-1636. The Teterboro Animal Shelter will be issuing free Rabies Vaccines to all dogs and cats of Bergen County residents, please call (201) 229-4600 for scheduled dates.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Heck began her report by asking for a moment of silence in memory of former Police Chief Bruce Werner, Dr. Roy Perham and Alice Coviello Bruno, a long time active member and volunteer in Hasbrouck Heights.

Chief Werner served this Borough as a dedicated Police Officer till his retirement in 1998. We extend our deepest sympathies to his wife Jean and their children. Flags will fly at half staff in his memory. I had the honor of recommending him as Chief when I served as Mayor in 1993. Bruce was a man of honor and dedication to duty and respected by his fellow officers and Police Chiefs. This morning's service was very moving and it was a testament to the Chief as he was escorted by family and friends; Police Motorcyclists and Cars from neighboring towns and Bergen County plus Hasbrouck Heights Engine Co. # 1 Pumper, where he once served as a volunteer. The procession numbered close to 50 vehicles.

Dr. Roy Perham died at the early age of 52. His family was a well known respected one in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights. I personally knew and worked with Roy. He was a volunteer member of my Assembly Staff, working with me in the area of Child Abuse and Neglect and Juvenile Justice. He served for many years on the Child Abuse and Neglect Task Force working to find ways to help all those children in need. I recently asked him to serve on the Mayor's Research Committee and he was happy to do so. I will miss this very talented and learned man who gave of his time and energy to help those in need.

<u>Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 9 am,</u> Mike Kronyak and I met with Wolfgang Albrecht in the Caucus Room today. We spoke of a number matters including the May 15<sup>th</sup> Street Fair.

Numerous meetings were cancelled and re-scheduled during the months of December and January due to snow and ice storms and had to be rescheduled; our regularly scheduled weekly Finance meetings being among them.

<u>Jan 31<sup>st</sup>, Monday:</u> left at 8 am to attend the Grand Opening of the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Light Rail Station in Bayonne. Sen. Menendez and Congressman Sires participated in the Ceremony. New Jersey Transit Executive Director Jim Weinstein acted as the MC and gave its history. My work as the Chair of the Assembly Bi Partisan Light Rail Panel and the current Chair of the New Jersey Assn. of Railroad's Light Rail Panel along with that

**MAYOR'S REPORT (cont'd):** of Former Assembly Speaker/DCA Commissioner Joseph Doria and Republican Minority Leader Alex Decroce who served on the Panel were also recognized. Through my chairmanship at NJ ARP Light Rail Panel I have continued that work over the years to bring the Hudson Bergen Light Rail into Bergen County.

Tuesdays, 11:30a.m. Finance Committee Chair Pam Link, Deputy Chair Justin DiPisa, Borough Administrator Michael Kronyak and I meet regularly with a meeting or two having to be held at night due to weather and time constraints. We listened intently to the Governor Christie's Budget Address today and were happy to learn that the \$100,000 in State Aid left in State Aid after \$279,000 was cut last year will stay the same. No cuts. What a relief that is. With the continued increases in Pension and Health Benefits and the 2 % CAP, the Borough is looking at some big cuts that we will have to look at in this year's budget. We have been moving toward adding new Revenues, but do not believe they will be in place for this year's budget. We are still trying.

<u>Tuesday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 10 am:</u> Met with the Teterboro Airport Manager and one of its tenants. We discussed coming changes in the Customs Site at the Airport and if it will impact Hasbrouck Heights. A follow-up meeting is planned.

<u>7 pm</u> A brief Police Committee Meeting was held with Commissioner Justin DiPisa, Chief Colaneri and Borough Administrator Michael Kronyak. Under discussion was the 9-1-1 system.

Wednesday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 9 am: Attended the New Jersey Transit Meeting and was accompanied by Freeholder Chairman Pro Temp John Mitchell who presented a letter asking them to come to Bergen County to discuss the Northern Extension of the Hudson Bergen Light Rail System. I also gave the Deputy Commissioner of the Dept. of Transportation a letter from Police Chief Michael Collaneri outlining his concerns regarding the proposed closing of the Summit Avenue Bridge into Hackensack from March 4, 2011 through July 2011. That resulted in several calls between me and the Deputy Commissioner setting up a more in depth communication between Hasbrouck Heights and the D.O.T.

<u>4 p.m.</u> Attended the Bergen County Freeholders Meeting as Chair of the New Jersey Assn. of Light Rail Panel presenting a power point of the proposed Northern Extension of the Hudson Bergen Light Rail into Bergen County. NJ-ARP Director and Panel Member Jack May participated with me in that presentation. Freeholder John Mitchell was appointed by Chairman John Driscoll to work with me to pursue the matter.

<u>7 p.m.</u> Attended the Reorganization meeting of the Southwest Community Development Block Grant Committee in East Rutherford with Business Administrator Mike Kronyak. I was re-elected Chair and Joseph Crifasi was re-elect Vice Chair.

# MAYOR'S REPORT (cont'd):

<u>Feb. 11thTuesday, 7:30 a.m.:</u> attended the League of Municipalities Mayors' Breakfast Meeting held at the Arena Diner. Discussion of cost saving measures was the topic of the day. Several speakers addressed matters of importance in these areas. Hasbrouck Heights is already using many of the shared services that were recommended.

<u>Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – 11 a.m.:</u> Officiated at the Grand Opening of a new business at 166 Franklin Avenue. Councilman Russell Lipari and I congratulated them on behalf of the Mayor and Council. The business caters to Children and is called "Color With Me."

Feb. 16, Wednesday, 8:30 Am.: Councilwoman Pamela Link and I were joined by Saddle Brook Mayor Karen Chamberlain as we left for Trenton at 7 a.m. to attend the League of Municipalities Mayors' Legislative Day in the State House. 200 Mayors went to Trenton to ask for help in being able to deal with the 2% Budget CAP and listened to DCA Commissioner Lori Grifa. There was a Panel Discussion moderated by Jim Hooker of NJN News. Senate President Steve Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Sheila Oliver, Republican Leader Alex DeCroce and Assembly Budget Chairman Lou Greenwald along with several mayors were members of the Panel. It was an informative meeting and also gave us the opportunity to speak with Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno. We returned to Bergen County at approximately 3 pm.

<u>Feb. 17, Thursday, 8:30 am,</u> Held a Mayor's Business Community Committee Meeting. In attendance were Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees, Borough Finance Officer Mike Kronyak, Cliff Witmyer of Cliff Hanger Productions, Bill Lenox, of Lenox Towing; Sam owner of Be Jay Drugs, Ray Vorisek of Heights Florist/President of the Chamber of Commerce; Joe Costa of IHOP; Fritz Rethage of the Gazette Newspaper, Ron Kistner representing The Hekemian Apartments; Vicky Ollert of TD Bank; and Peter Gallo III.

Letters have gone out to all the sponsors and I also have been reaching out to new people to sponsor the May 15, 2011 Street Fair. A breakdown of amusements was discussed along with the need for Concert Stages, etc. Cliff reported that many new vendors had already reached out to him, asking if they could participate. Billboards will go up earlier this year. A sub committee was formed to reach out to Police Chief Colaneri and to discuss the possibility of extending the blocks closed off for the event. A report will be forthcoming.

<u>10 am.</u> Mike Kronyak, Police Chief Colaneri, Lt. Thomas Archer, head of the Traffic Bureau and I met with Contractors Fletcher Creamer and Joseph Sanzari in relation to the work to be done on the Summit Avenue Bridge. Detours and safety measures were discussed and agreement as to the need for extra manpower at the schools during the initial weeks of the project was reached. Another meeting will be held that will include the Dept. of Transportation. I was asked and agreed to contact the D.O.T. Deputy Commissioners.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT (cont'd):**

My special thanks to Bill Spindler and Jim Schneider of the D.P.W. and to Police Chief Colaneri and his department for all of the work they have done during the recent snowstorms. I must say, wherever I go, in the Shop Rite, K-Mart on the Boulevard, people stop me to say how proud they are to live in Hasbrouck Heights and how grateful they are to the D.P.W. So a big thanks from all those people and from all of us on the Council. THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE!

I continue to meet on Saturdays in the Library from 10 am to noon. As a reminder I also receive information through the various departments and the calls made to the Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees at 201-288-0195, and the Borough Administrator Mike Kronyak at 201-288-7209. You may also write to HOT LINE REPORTS, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604.

That completes my report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 36. Authorizing Renewal of Licenses for Commercial Enterprises in the Business of Selling Motor Vehicles
- 37. Authorizing an Agreement with the County of Bergen Department of Health Services for Animal Control Program
- 38. Correction to Certifying Submission of Expenditure of Taxes Paid Pursuant to P.L.2007, Chapter 311
- 39. Raffle License for Hasbrouck Heights Lions Club
- 40. Authorizing Issuance of Requests for Proposal to Install, Maintain and Operate a Flat Panel Cellular Telephone System on the Roof of the Public Safety Building
- 41. Raffle License for Corpus Christi Church
- 42. Raffle License for Gilda's Club Northern New Jersey

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Consent Agenda Resolutions were approved (Copies attached).

**RESOLUTIONS:** None

# Borough of Hasbrouck Heights - 2/22/2011

**APPOINTMENTS:** Emergency Management - 3 Years:

Chief Michael J. Colaneri

Dr. Roger Szanto
Capt. William Mergo
Capt. Patricia Godfrey
Lt. Harry Johnson
Ofc. Brian Donohue
Joseph A. Costa
Vincent L. Costa
Robert DeNigris
Susan Paul
Michael Jarvis
Eric S. Neumuller
Dr. Michael J. Sanzari

Karen Fels Paul Fels

Maria Wojciechowski

On a motion by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Appointments were approved.

# ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2252:**

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$175,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR PHASE IV OF THE BOULEVARD STREET SCAPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM IN THE SUM OF \$150,000.00, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$5,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF A FURTHER PORTION OF THE COST THEREOF BY THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$20,000.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BOND LAW" as introduced this date be and the same is hereby passed on first reading and the Borough Clerk be directed to advertise notice of public hearing on said Ordinance to be held at the regular meeting of the Borough Council on March 8, 2011.

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction was approved.

# ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION (cont'd):

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2253:**

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$215,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESURFACING OF BURTON AND COLLINS AVENUES BETWEEN WILLIAMS AVENUE AND ROUTE 46 INCLUDING ANY NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF THE SUM \$81,000.00 PROVIDED BY A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$15,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF THE COST THEREOF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BOND LAW BY THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$119,000.00" as introduced this date be and the same is hereby passed on first reading and the Borough Clerk be directed to advertise notice of public hearing on said Ordinance to be held at the regular meeting of the Borough Council on March 8, 2011.

On a motion by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman Dingertopadre, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction was approved.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2254:**

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE TOTAL SUM OF \$300,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM INCLUDING NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE 2010 CAPITAL BUDGET, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$15,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF THE COST THEREOF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BOND LAW BY THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$285,000.00" as introduced this date be and the same is hereby passed on first reading and the Borough Clerk be directed to advertise notice of public hearing on said Ordinance to be held at the regular meeting of the Borough Council on March 8, 2011.

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction was approved.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2255:**

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE TOTAL SUM OF \$140,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PAVILION IN WOODLAND PARK, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF A

# ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION (cont'd):

# ORDINANCE NO. 2255 (cont'd):

GRANT FROM THE BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND IN THE SUM OF \$69,500.00, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$7,500.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF A FURTHER PORTION OF THE COST THEREOF BY THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$63,000.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BOND LAW" as introduced this date be and the same is hereby passed on first reading and the Borough Clerk be directed to advertise notice of public hearing on said Ordinance to be held at the regular meeting of the Borough Council on March 8, 2011.

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction was approved.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2256:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE THE REMAINING PORTIONS OF HILLSIDE DRIVE AND FOURTH STREET, ALL AS THE SAME WERE HITHERTO LAID OUT WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS" as introduced this date be and the same is hereby passed on first reading and the Borough Clerk be directed to advertise notice of public hearing on said Ordinance to be held at the regular meeting of the Borough Council on March 8, 2011.

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction was approved.

ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING: None

### **MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:**

Mayor Heck asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

Mayor Heck invited anyone from the public wishing to speak to please come forward.

Jean Lindquist, 211 Field Avenue, which is located at the corner of Franklin and Field Avenues. Referring to the last meeting when Mr. Nazzaro representing the Board of Education inquired about the ordinance amendment regarding signage on the Depken Field fence. She wanted to state for the record that they did not want any advertisement signs along Franklin Avenue, which devalue their home, cheapen the area and they

# **MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC (cont'd):**

were already dealing with the "pit", bright lights for area food establishments, the highway billboard signs and sex shop on Route 17. They were residents for 50 years. They liked looking at the beautiful field. She also thought it would be a safety hazard for those driving up and down Franklin Avenue.

Nancy Ellebracht, 510 Franklin Avenue, a resident since March 1991, in relation to what Jean was saying, was hoping that the signs would not be advertising onto Franklin Avenue. Since the reconstruction of the intersection with the lights, she cannot get in and out of her driveway, with traffic backed up. There were two horrible accidents in the last year. During Football season, they must deal with busses parking on Franklin Avenue, which also make access to her driveway a hardship. She asked why they couldn't park in the Swim Club parking lot. Also, she contacted the Board of Education when Junior Football uses a portable speaker sound system with speakers facing toward her house which is very loud. Mayor Heck said she had met with someone on this, and Junior Football was spoken to. This was the first she was hearing about the busses and asked that it be brought to the attention of the Traffic Bureau, asking Mr. Kronyak to follow through.

Borough Attorney Chandless regarding the location of signs, said it was anticipated they be inside. When the Mayor and Council gave an exemption from the zoning restriction, it provided that they must approve the placement, with the Police Chief signing off on safety. It has been said that signs at the intersection would be dangerous. Ms. Lindquist questioned the size and was told it was at the discretion of the BOE, subject to approvals.

When Ms. Lindquist said she loved looking into the field, Mayor Heck noted that the fence that it was suggested by Franklin Avenue neighbors to replace it with solid fencing. Councilman DiPisa, a resident of Oldfield Avenue, experienced all that was discussed, noting that three years ago when the BOE asked to put up signs to raise funds, it was never intended to put signs on the interior or exterior fencing on Franklin Avenue. It was discussed using double faced signs on Route 17 on both sides and on the spur coming onto Franklin. The Chief was not in favor of signs on the outside of the fencing for safety reasons. Mr. Kronyak said originally it was thought to put up wrought iron fencing. There were limited funds to do it, so black chain link fence was suggested with plantings. The residents would be included in discussions and were thanked for their input.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Heck asked for a motion to close the public portion which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried.

### **MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

At 9:15 p.m. Mayor Heck asked for a motion to adjourn which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman DiPisa and unanimously carried.

I, ROSE MARIE SEES, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are to the best of my knowledge a true account of the Regular Meeting held on February 22, 2011.

Rose Marie Sees, Borough Clerk