

**BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**

**MINUTES**

**March 8, 2011**

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on March 8, 2011 at 8:07 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ.

Mayor Heck declared the meeting in Session and 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 Russell A. Lipari

Absent: Councilman John Dingertopadre

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

**INVOCATION:** The Invocation was given by Councilman DiPisa as follows:

*Prayer for World Peace* "Lord, we pray for the power to be gentle; the strength to be forgiving; the patience to be understanding; and the endurance to accept the consequences of holding to what we believe to be right. May we put our trust in the power of good to overcome evil and the power of love to overcome hatred. We pray for the vision to see and the faith to believe in a world emancipated from violence, a new world where fear shall no longer lead men to commit injustice, nor selfishness make them bring suffering to others. Help us to devote our whole life and thought and energy to the task of making peace, praying always for the inspiration and the power to fulfill the destiny for which we and all men were created."

**PRESENTATION:** Certificates to HHSA - 2010 SBSL U-10 Girls Champions:

Mayor Heck, Recreation Commissioner Buckman and Deputy Recreation Commissioner DiPisa presented Certificates of Accomplishment to the following: Kate

**PRESENTATION (cont'd):**

Bothe, Kylie Crecco, Alyssa Demone, Amanda Gasparino, Kelly Innis, Olivia Licini, Olivia Marinelli, Erin Murphy, Julia Murphy, Emma Nichols, Helen Nigro, Renee Perdomo, Lamari Schuler, Daniella Smith, Natalie Stefanelli; and Coaches Rita Perdomo, Debra Demone, Francesco Licini and Rob Bothe.

Certificates to HHSA 2010 NCSA U-12 Girls Champions

Mayor Heck, Recreation Commissioner Buckman and Deputy Recreation Commissioner DiPisa presented Certificates of Accomplishment to the following: Michelle Artuso, Sarah Bailey, Alexis Blanco, Brianna Blanco, Nicole Blanco, Tori Buckman, Hannah Christensen, Gabriella Cruz, Amanda DeJulia, Jessica Gaffney, Jessica Gasparino, Madeline Kalmowitz, Micah Nollora, Ciara Perfetti, Michelle Schwartz, Alyssa Volpe, Rachel Weber, Melanie Wexler; Coaches Phil Artuso and Frank Gasparino.

Certificates to HHSA 2010 SBSL U-12 Girls Champions

Mayor Heck, Recreation Commissioner Buckman and Deputy Recreation Commissioner DiPisa presented Certificates of Accomplishment to the following: Sarah Bailey, Tori Buckman, Hannah Christensen, Amanda DeJulia, Jessica Gaffney, Jessica Gasparino, Madeline Kalmowitz, Kayla Lisa, Sydni Masiello, Kasey Otazu, Kate Palmieri, Erin Scannell, Victoria Vizzachero, Rachel Weber, Sheridan Wheeler; Coaches Mike Christensen, Dean Masiello, Andrew Gaffney and Frank Gasparino.

Certificates to HHSA 2010 SBSL U14 Girls Champions

Mayor Heck, Recreation Commissioner Buckman and Deputy Recreation Commissioner DiPisa presented Certificates of Accomplishment to the following: Hannah Bailey, Megan Bischoff, Ornella Borsani, Heather Clifford, Kerry DeAngelo, Destiny Foster, Natalie Garcia, Melissa Hartley, Bianca Magsino, Shannon Matthews, Stefanie Pagan, Melanie Parisi, Marissa Pinto, Tiffany Rodriguez, Diana Torres, Gabriella Tuzzo, Jennifer Varga, Rianna Volpe; Coaches Frank Pinto and Rose Pagan.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Letter from Carol Minimi, Sponsorship Chairman for *Relay for Life*
2. Letter from Gordon Deno, CEM Commission Chair congratulating Dr. Roger J. Szanto who earned recognition from the International Association of Emergency Managers
3. Resolution from Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders asking every resident to display an American

**COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd):**

Flag on Monday, April 4, 2011 in honor of Army Spec Ryan A. Gartner of Dumont

4. Receptor Evaluation Form and Supporting Documentation for Hasbrouck Heights Citgo, 502 Terrace Avenue

5. Receptor Evaluation Forms for Exxon -- 423 Route 17 South, 321 Grandview Boulevard, 468 Route 17 Northbound and 24 Route 17 North

6. Public Hearing of 2012 State Budget Proposal at Montclair State University on March 16, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

Mayor Heck asked if anyone wished to have any item read into the record. Items #1, 2, 3 and 6 were requested to be read into the record. (Copies attached) She then asked for a motion to accept all correspondence which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried.

**PETITIONS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *(February 22, 2011 Regular Meeting)*

Mayor Heck requested a motion to approve the foregoing Minutes which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Minutes were approved.

**BILLS:**

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$2,329,101.75 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 Councilwoman Pamela J. Link  
Commissioner of Finance

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

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- CONSENT AGENDA:**
43. Payroll
  44. Authorizing Renewal of Bond Anticipation Note
  45. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
  46. Authorizing Release of Letter of Credit for TD Bank
  47. Approval of 2011/2012 Licenses for Commercial Sale of Certain Motor Vehicles
  48. Designating the Month of March as "Women's History Month"
  49. Raffle License for Lincoln School PTA
  50. Authorizing Cancellation of Old Checks
  51. Authorizing Redemption of Tax Title Lien #2010-0001, Block 7, Lot 38
  52. Authorizing Contract with Certain Approved State Contract Vendor for Purchase of one 2010 Ford F-150 Truck for Department of Public Works Utilizing Proceeds from Recycling

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

**RESOLUTIONS:** None

**ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2257:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that an Ordinance entitled: "**AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE REPLACEMENT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT VESTA PALLAS 911 SYSTEM, TO APPROPRIATE THE TOTAL SUM OF \$150,000.00 THEREFOR AND TO APPLY TO THAT APPROPRIATION INSURANCE PROCEEDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$134,500.00 AND THE SUM OF \$15,500.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND**" as introduced this date be and the same is hereby passed on first reading and

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2257 (cont'd):**

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 22, 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:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2252:**

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2252 which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak on this ordinance, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Buckman and unanimously carried.

**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”** be now passed on second and final reading and the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Ordinance, same to be published in The Observer, a newspaper circulating and published in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

On a motion by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Public Hearing was approved.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2253:**

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2253 which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

**ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING (cont'd):**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2253 (cont'd):**

There being no one wishing to speak on this ordinance, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Link and unanimously carried.

**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”** be now passed on second and final reading and the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Ordinance, same to be published in The Observer, a newspaper circulating and published in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

On a motion by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Public Hearing was approved.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2254:**

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2254 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak on this ordinance, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiPisa and unanimously carried.

**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”** be now passed on second and final reading and the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Ordinance, **ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING (cont'd):**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2254 (cont'd):**

same to be published in The Observer, a newspaper circulating and published in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Public Hearing was approved.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2255:**

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2255 which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Buckman, and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak on this ordinance, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Buckman and unanimously carried.

**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 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** be now passed on second and final reading and the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Ordinance, same to be published in The Observer, a newspaper circulating and published in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2256:**

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2256 which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak on this ordinance, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Link and unanimously carried.

**ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING (cont'd):**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2256 (cont'd):**

**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**” be now passed on second and final reading and the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Ordinance, same to be published in The Observer, a newspaper circulating and published in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Public Hearing was approved.

**MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:**

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

Lillian Romano, Event Chair, 76 Springfield Avenue and Carol Minimi, Sponsorship Chairman, 225 Harrison Avenue, had come to invite the Mayor and Council and ask for their support for *Relay for Life* which is an overnight team event at Depken Field on June 11 and 12, 2011. This is the signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society and was formed to bring people together who were touched by cancer. There are already 31 teams comprised of 186 people. Sponsorship letters asking for support were distributed throughout town. High school teams have been formed in support of Rosa Halowen, a teenager who had cancer and passed last year. Handouts were given to the Mayor and Council. Councilman Lipari, who lost his wife to cancer and he being a cancer survivor, offered his full support.

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

**RECESS FOR WORK SESSION:**

At 9:04 p.m., Mayor Heck asked for a motion to recess for Work Session which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez and unanimously carried. She announced that the meeting would continue to Work Session, to which she invited all present to stay.

**ADJOURN:**



There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, 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 Mayor and Council Meeting held on March 8, 2011.

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Rose Marie Sees  
Borough Clerk