

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

**YOUTH WEEK COUNCIL
MINUTES**

MAY 27, 2003

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on Tuesday, May 27, 2003 at 8:00 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 200 Division Avenue, corner of the Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

YOUTH WEEK COUNCIL

Following the Regular Meeting, Mayor Torre invited the Youth Week Mayor and Council to come forward and conduct the Youth Week Council Meeting. Juliana Jackson took over as Youth Week Mayor.

Youth Week Mayor Jackson 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 1, 2003 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 1, 2003.

Mayor Jackson requested that Borough Clerk Marissa Gamble conduct a Roll Call:

ROLL CALL: Present: Councilman Bill Thorne, Councilwoman Makenzie Woods, Councilwoman Amanda Winka, Councilwoman Mallory Woods, Councilwoman Samantha Lanzo, Councilwoman Stephanie Reuther

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

COMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS:

COUNCILMAN BILL THORNE:

COMMENDATION: Councilman Thorne commended the snow removal of the streets this past winter, commenting that it was a rough winter and the DPW did a great job.

PROPOSAL: He proposed a renewal of all streets in town, noting there were pot holes and loose pavement on some of the side streets. He proposed to review all streets with a satisfactory or unsatisfactory grade.

COUNCILWOMAN MAKENZIE WOODS:

COMMENDATION: Councilwoman Woods commended the new cell phone law. She thought this would stop some unnecessary accidents and keep our pedestrians safer in and around town.

PROPOSAL: She proposed monthly trips to Atlantic City for our Senior Citizens would be a good idea. She noted other surrounding towns have this and are enjoyed and looked forward to. She proposed trying this out with a minimal cost to cover the expense of the bus.

COUNCILWOMAN AMANDA WINKA:

COMMENDATION: Councilwoman Winka commended the Bike Marathon committee for an outstanding event. She said all the students that participated said it was great despite the bad weather. This event is memorable for all that participated.

PROPOSAL: She proposed more youth activities like the Bike Marathon geared towards the 14-18 age group. She felt there are not enough activities for older teens. This age group is looking for something to do besides hanging out. She suggested a bike marathon for that age group.

COUNCILWOMAN MALLORY WOODS:

COMMENDATION: Councilwoman Woods complimented the progression of the new municipal building, which she said looks great and is a great addition to the Boulevard. She can't wait to be invited to the grand opening.

PROPOSAL: She proposed making a youth center in the new municipal building and suggested looking for a grant or donation for games and video machines which could be used for different age groups at different times.

COUNCILWOMAN SAMANTHA LANZO:

COMMENDATION: Councilwoman Lanzo commended Ms. Leslie Korkgy on her coaching and teaching techniques of softball for the junior high school girls and said she is going a great job.

PROPOSAL: She proposed lifting the parking rules on the Boulevard and felt the regulations around the high school are too rigid for teachers, staff and students as the surrounding streets have a ban that prevents parking before school. She proposed lifting this ban.

COUNCILWOMAN STEPHANIE REUTHER:

COMMENDATION: Councilwoman Reuther commended the librarians on their pleasant disposition and said that their personalities are perfect for making the young children want to read.

PROPOSAL: She proposed that water fountains and benches in the parks should be refurbished or replaced. She said that the parks look good, but water fountains do not work and benches are very old looking. A coat of paint would make them look better but felt a new working water fountain was needed.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mayor Jackson opened the meeting up to the public and there being no one wishing to speak, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

Mayor Jackson adjourned the Youth Week Council Meeting.

Mayor Torre on behalf of the council commended the students and teachers for doing a great job.

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