

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

August 12, 2003

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on August 12, 2003 at 8 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, 200 Division Avenue, corner of the Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

Council President Heeren began the meeting and stated that the meeting complied with the Sunshine Law, due notice having been made to all members by personal service on January 1, 2003 and to The Observer, The Record and the Herald News on January 1, 2003.

ROLL CALL: Present: Councilman Andrew Link III, Councilman Herbert D. Heeren, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Councilman Garrett R. Pepe, Councilwoman Marlene Verrastro, Councilman John Wassberg

Absent: Mayor William. Torre

Council President Herbert D. Heeren announced that he would be presiding at this meeting in Mayor Torre's absence due to the death of his father. He asked for a moment of silence in memory of Joseph Torre, Mayor Torre's father. He also announced that in deference to the death of Mr. Torre, this would be an abbreviated meeting and that the Caucus would be recessed until Tuesday, August 19, 2003 at the Municipal Building.

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from Kim Ricketts, Assistant Commissioner, Dept. of Community Affairs, regarding the ADA Livable Communities program grant application for 2003 and that the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights application was not selected for funding.
2. Copy of Letter from Gilbert A. Hunt, Secretary of Euclid Lodge No. 136, F & A.M. to MW Robert L Miller, Grand Master of Masons for the State of New Jersey responding to the laying of a cornerstone at the new public safety building on Sunday, Nov. 23 at 2:30 p.m.
3. Letter from Rose M. Heck, Assemblywoman, District 38, with information of funding for the 2004 Fiscal Year from the NJ Dept. of Human Services for the NJ Protection and Prevention Initiative.

CORRESPONDENCE (cont'd):

4. Letter from Bill O'Shea inviting the mayor and council to join the community in celebrating "Good Neighbor Day" on Wednesday, Sept. 3.
5. Various letters and notes from servicemen who were able to take part in the Operation Uplink phone card program. *(These were held until the August 26, 2003 meeting)*
6. Letter from Senator Joseph Coniglio regarding the FY2004 application for the Americans with Disabilities Act funding.
7. Letters from Assemblyman Matt Ahearn regarding the Statewide Livable Communities grant program.
8. Letter from Tomas J. Padilla, B.C. Freeholder Vice Chairman with thanks for the borough's recent support of Assembly Bill 3323 in support of firefighters gaining college credits for class instruction.
9. Letter from James M. Carroll, B.C. Freeholder asking for support for limiting weight limit of aircraft at Teterboro Airport.
10. Copy of letter from Port Authority Chairman Anthony Coscia to Congressman James L. Oberstar asking for support of ban of Stage 2 aircraft at Teterboro Airport.
11. Copy of Ordinance passed by the B.C. Freeholders prohibiting use of tobacco products in the Bergen County Zoo.

On a motion by Councilman Pepe, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Correspondence was accepted.

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (June 24, 2003, July 8, 2003, July 14, 2003, July 15, 2003, July 22, 2003)

On a motion by Councilman Link, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, with Councilman Wassberg abstaining from the Minutes of June 24, 2003, Councilman Pepe abstaining from the July 15, 2003 and July 22, 2003 Minutes, and Councilman DiPisa abstaining from the July 22, 2003 Minutes, the foregoing Minutes were approved.

BILLS:

BE IT RESOLVED that the claims and accounts amounting to \$3,123,351.90 specified in the schedule hereto annexed, having been examined and approved by the Finance Commissioner, or his Deputy, be paid and that warrants be issued therefor.

Signed Herbert D. Heeren
Commissioner of Finance

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

- CONSENT AGENDA:**
- 134. Raffle License of H.H.H.S. PTSA
 - 135. Authorizing Referendum Question Regarding Teterboro Airport be Placed on November 4, 2003 Election Ballot
 - 136. Payroll
 - 137. Dog License - Payment of Fees to State
 - 138. Opposing Senate Bill S-2516 Which Prohibits Use of
 - 139. Authorizing Change Order #1 With Regard to 2002 Road Resurfacing Program
 - 140. Awarding of Bid for State Aid Improvement of Baldwin
 - 141. Authorizing Municipal Snow Plowing with the County of Bergen for 2003 to 2004

On a motion by Councilman Wassberg, seconded by Councilwoman Verrastro, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Consent Agenda Resolutions was approved (Copies attached).

RESOLUTIONS: None

APPOINTMENTS: None

RESIGNATIONS: Andrew Paparozzi from the Board of Health effective August 1, 2003

RESIGNATIONS: (cont'd):

On a motion by Councilman Wassberg, seconded by Councilman Pepe, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resignation was accepted with regret.

ORDINANCE (S) ON INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled “**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 206 ENTITLED “PROPERTY MAINTENANCE” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**” 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 August 26, 2003.

On a motion by Councilman Wassberg, seconded by Councilwoman Verrastro, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction was approved.

ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:

Council President Heeren opened the public hearing for anyone wishing to speak on Ordinances No. 2011, No. 2012, No. 2013, No. 2014, and No. 2015. Councilman Link questioned how many car wholesalers there were. It was speculated around 70, but it was explained that the reason for Ordinance 2013 was to keep better track of these businesses. There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2011:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled “**AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT SECTION 261-45 ENTITLED “SCHEDULE XV: PARKING PROHIBITED CERTAIN HOURS” OF CHAPTER 261 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS SO AS TO INCLUDE THEREIN THE PROHIBITION OF PARKING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. AND 9:00 A.M. ON CLARKE COURT, GEORGE COURT AND MAC ARTHUR AVENUE**” 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 Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

ORDINANCE NO. 2012:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled “**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE IMPROVEMENT OF BALDWIN AVENUE BETWEEN THE BOULEVARD AND ROUTE**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2012:

46 IN THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS AND TO APPROPRIATE THE TOTAL SUM OF \$55,000.00, \$40,000.00 OF WHICH BEING A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THAT PURPOSE” 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 Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled **“AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS SO AS TO INCLUDE THEREIN A NEW CHAPTER ENTITLED “CHAPTER 181, MOTOR VEHICLE SALES, LICENSING,” WHICH REQUIRES THE ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE FOR THE COMMERCIAL SALE OF CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES, WHICH SETS FORTH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH LICENSE AND WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE IMPOSITION OF A FEE FOR THE SAME”** 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 Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled **“AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS SO AS TO INCLUDE THEREIN A NEW CHAPTER TO BE NUMBERED CHAPTER 161 AND TO BE ENTITLED “HOTEL AND MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX,” PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 114 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 2003 OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY”** 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 Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled **“AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 133 ENTITLED “FEES” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS SO AS TO INCLUDE THEREIN A NEW SECTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE FEES TO BE CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH THE LICENSING OF PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 181 OF THE CODE”** be now passed on second and final reading and the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2015:

directed to publish said Ordinance, same to be published in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Pepe, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinances on Public Hearing were approved.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

Sonya Buckman, 239 Central Avenue, referring to her letter sent to the Mayor and Council regarding the temporary blockade on Central Avenue. She was concerned that more and more vehicles, in particular Fire Department personnel, were ignoring the blockade and traveling up and down Central Avenue. She requested that it be made more inaccessible. She was advised that in conjunction with the building plans, a semi permanent break away fence was proposed which would be open only in an emergency. She asked that this be addressed presently with more secure temporary measures especially with the opening of the Municipal Complex.

Carol Skiba, 191 Field Avenue, asked Council President Heeren when he thought the noise monitor for Roosevelt Avenue might be received. The Council President would look into it further. She was also concerned that Police are still using cell phones and she was advised that they are allowed to for business and emergency.

RECESS CAUCUS:

A motion was made by Councilman Pepe, seconded by Councilman DiPisa and unanimously carried, to recess the Caucus to the August 19, 2003 meeting at 8 p.m.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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 August 12, 2003.

Rose Marie Sees, RMC
Borough Clerk