

**BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS****MINUTES****July 10, 2007**

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on July 10, 2007 at 8:03 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ.

In Mayor Jones' absence, Council President Leonard Introna presided over the meeting.

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 2, 2007 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 2, 2007.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Councilman Leonard Introna, Councilwoman Carol J. Skiba, Councilwoman Maryetta Saccomano, Councilman Anthony DiNanno, Councilman Stephen Altobelli

Absent: Mayor Ronald R. Jones,  
Councilman Justin A. DiPisa

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

**INVOCATION:** The Borough Clerk read a prayer which had been prepared by Rev. Lewis V. Papera, Pastor of Corpus Christi R.C. Church

**PRESENTATION:** Award of Bicycles to Winners of Bicycle Marathon

Council President Introna, Councilwoman Saccomano, Councilman DiNanno, Police Chief Michael Colaneri and Bill Kundert of Kundert Motors presented bicycles to the boys and girls who were winners of the Bicycle Marathon held on Memorial Weekend. The bicycles were donated by Mr. Kundert. The winners were Girls Team: Noelle Paredes, Samantha Pankiw, Marissa Romano, Emily LaBattaglia, Mariel Kunnapas. Boys Team: Kevin Condal, Nick Brunetti, Joe DeQuinzio, Steven Traina, Rocco Mangieri.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** 1) Letter from James P. Dressel requesting an appeal to the Court's decision to overturn Zoning Board's rejected proposal to build town houses at 6, 8, and 10 Terrace Avenue.

2) Letter from Dept. of Community Affairs regarding State Local Cooperative Housing Inspection Program and allocation of \$1,500.

3) Thank you letter from Caitlin J. Walsh, Mary B. Quigg Scholarship Recipient

4) Thank you letter from Dom Cristofolo, Mary B. Quigg Scholarship Recipient

5) Notice from United Water with important information regarding sodium in drinking water

6) Letter from Kris Kolluri, Commissioner of NJ DOT in response to Mayor Jones' letter regarding flooding problems on Route 17 at Williams Avenue

Items #5 and #6 were asked to be read into the record (Copies attached).

Councilwoman Skiba had some questions on Item #1 and requested it be referred to the work session.

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

**PETITIONS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** (November 14, 2006 Work Session and Executive Session, May 22, 2007 Youth Week Meeting, May 22, 2007 Regular Meeting and May 22, 2007 Executive Session)

On a motion by Councilwoman Saccomano, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, with Councilwoman Skiba voting Nay on the Minutes of November 14, 2006 Work Session, and correcting a word on page 7 of the May 22, 2007 Meeting, the foregoing Minutes were approved.

**BILLS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the claims and accounts amounting to \$2,047,205.79 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 Leonard Introna  
Commissioner of Finance

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

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** None

**RESOLUTIONS:**

- 98. Payroll
- 99. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
- 99. Marriage & Civil Union Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
- 99. Construction - Payment of Fees to State
- 99. Authorizing Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer
- 99. Authorizing Appointment of John Carbone, Esq. as Special Counsel

On a motion by Councilman DiNanno, seconded by Councilman Altobelli, with Councilwoman Skiba voting Nay on Resolution No. 103, the foregoing Resolutions were approved (Copies attached).

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**RESIGNATIONS:** Lizbeth Cantor-Hoehl from the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department Ambulance Squad

On a motion by Councilwoman Skiba, seconded by Councilman Altobelli, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resignation was accepted with regret.

**ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:** None

### **ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:**

Council President opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2159. There being no one wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2159:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$190,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF GEAR AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE USE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS AND TO FURTHER 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 \$180,000.00”** 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 Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

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

#### **MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:**

Council President Introna invited anyone wishing to speak, to please come forward.

Helayne Weiss, 315 Charlton Avenue, questioned Councilman Introna as Finance Commissioner and what had been done regarding the budget, extraordinary aid for this year and last year, if there would be an increase in taxes if no aid was received, where cuts were made so far, where the increases were coming from, what disbursements were authorized thus far with Depken Field, if expenditures should be authorized by the council. She also questioned the Task Force’s authorization for the removal of trees and the difference in costs if the trees had been removed during the work week versus the weekend. She requested minutes of the Task Force meetings and Finance Committee meetings. If minutes were required of committee meetings was discussed.

Theresa Call, 231 Paterson Avenue, questioned the water outside of Euclid School. United Water would be contacted. She complimented the DPW on the care of the roads and the garbage trucks not spilling debris on the roads. She asked if union members could be part of the specifications for municipal contracts. She was advised that the contractor and the union had come to an agreement, and that the public contracts law requires prevailing wage. She asked if soil would be tested before it is brought into the town for the Depken Field. She was told that no soil would be brought into the site.

Robert Call, 231 Paterson Avenue, remarked that the meeting was peaceable.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Council President Introna closed the public portion.

#### **WORK SESSION:**

Council President Introna announced that the meeting would continue to Work Session, to which he invited all present to stay.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

**MOTION TO RE-OPEN REGULAR MEETING:**

On a motion by Councilwoman Saccomano, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, and unanimously carried, the regular meeting was re-opened at 10:27 p.m.

**RESOLUTIONS:** 105. Authorizing Request for Authority by the Borough Attorney to Issue an Administrative Subpoena to the Chief of Police After Checking With the Labor Counsel to Determine that There is No Violation of the Terms of the Current PBA Contract.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Skiba, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried.

**ADJOURN:**

On a motion by Councilwoman Skiba, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried, the Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 10:30 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 July 10, 2007.

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Rose Marie Sees, RMC  
Borough Clerk