

**BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**

**MINUTES**

**August 12, 2008**

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on August 12, 2008 at 8:05 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 2, 2008 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 2, 2008.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Rose Heck, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Councilwoman Maryetta Saccomano, Councilman Anthony DiNanno, Councilman Stephen Altobelli, Councilwoman Sonya Buckman, Councilman David Gonzalez

Absent: None

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

**INVOCATION:** Councilwoman Buckman offered "A Prayer for Living with Purpose":

"Gracious God, at times my days run into days, into weeks, into months, into years without any conscious thought on my part. Then suddenly I come to myself in the space of a moment and realize how unaware and without purpose I have been. Yet when I try to define my purpose it seems strangely elusive. What did you have in mind when you breathed the breath into me. I ask that you will give me clarity of purpose, that you will reveal to me my reason for existence, that you will give me the sure and certain assurance that even when I lost track of myself and my life and your purpose though unknown to me or forgotten by me it is still being lived out for me. I ask this for the sake of your love. Amen."

**RESOLUTION:** 128. Authorizing Appointment of John Behr as Hasbrouck Heights Patrolman

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved. (Copy attached)

**APPOINTMENT:** John Behr as Hasbrouck Heights Patrolman

Mayor Heck gave the Oath of Office to Patrolman Behr with his Mother holding the Bible, assisted by his Father and Chief Colaneri.

Rochelle Park Police Chief Richard Zavansky, who was present, asked to say a few words on behalf of Patrolman Behr.

**RESOLUTION TO CLOSE:** 141. Personnel

Mayor Heck asked to divert from the agenda to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. She asked the audience to please wait outside the Council Chambers for a few minutes.

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the meeting went into Executive Session.

**MOTION TO OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC:**

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried, the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council was resumed.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** 1) Invitation to join in Celebrating "Good Neighbor Day" on September 3, 2008

Councilwoman Saccomano requested this letter be read into the record. (Copy attached)

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

**PETITIONS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *(July 22, 2008 Regular Meeting, July 29, 2008 Executive Session and Special Meeting)*

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

**BILLS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the claims and accounts amounting to \$3,252,513.94 specified in the schedule hereto annexed, having been examined and approved

**BILLS (cont'd)"**

by the Finance Commissioner, or his Deputy, be paid and that warrants be issued therefor.

Signed Councilman Justin A. DiPisa  
Commissioner of Finance

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

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** None

**RESOLUTIONS:** 129. Payroll

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

130. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

131. Authorizing Purchase of 2008 Ford F350 Mason Dump Truck

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, with Councilwoman Saccomano voting Nay, and otherwise unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

132. Authorizing Purchase of 2008 Ford F250 Pick Up Truck

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, with Councilwoman Saccomany voting Nay, and otherwise unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

133. Authorizing Execution of the NJ DEP Treatment Works Approval Permit Application for Block 95, Lot 19.02 Sanitary Sewer Extension

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Altobelli, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

**RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):**

Resolution No. 134 was carried to the next meeting of August 26, 2008.

135. Acceptance of 2007 Audit Report

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

136. Amending 2008 Budget

At this point in the meeting, Mayor Heck asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public for any comments on Resolution No. 136 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez and unanimously carried.

There being none, Mayor Heck asked for a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiNanno and unanimously carried.

Mayor asked for a motion to approve the Amending 2008 Budget which was made by Councilman Altobelli, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, with Councilwoman Saccomano voting Nay, and otherwise unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

137. Raffle License for Hasbrouck Heights Parents Association for Athletes

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

138. Authorizing Redemption of Tax Title Lien No. 2008-01 for Block 3.01, Lot 27

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

139. Authorizing Redemption of Tax Title Lien No. 2008-12 for Block 162.02, Lot 1

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

140. Authorizing Redemption of Tax Title Lien No. 2008-03 for Block 20, Lot 5

**RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):**

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

**APPOINTMENTS:** None.

**RESIGNATIONS:** None

**ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2187:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF A STORM DRAIN/SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT RUNNING ACROSS LOT 39 IN BLOCK 5 AS THE SAME APPEARS ON THE CURRENT ASSESSMENT MAP OF THIS BOROUGH AND WHICH PROPERTY IS COMMONLY KNOWN AS 9 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE"** was 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, 2008.

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

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2186:**

Mayor Heck asked for a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2186, which was made by Councilwoman Saccomano, seconded by Councilman Altobelli and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Heck asked for a motion to close the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2186 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT: (1) § 119-3 ENTITLED "FEES" OF CHAPTER 119 ENTITLED "CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM;" (2) SUBSECTION A OF § 133-12 ENTITLED "FEES UNDER CHAPTER 119, CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM" OF CHAPTER 138 ENTITLED "FEES," (3) SUBSECTION A OF § 119-5 ENTITLED "TRAINING FEES" OF THE AFORESAID CHAPTER, (4) SUBSECTION C. ENTITLED "ARTICLE IV, STREET OPENINGS" OF § 133-28 OF THE AFORESAID CHAPTER 138, AND (5) § 133-30 ENTITLED "FEES UNDER CHAPTER 275, ZONING" OF THE AFORESAID**

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2187:**

**CHAPTER 138, ALL OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH REPORT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL AS REQUIRED UNDER § 119-4 OF BOROUGH CODE**” 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 Saccomano, seconded by Councilman DiPisa and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance was approved.

**MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:**

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

Mayor Heck invited anyone wishing to speak, to please come forward.

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

**WORK SESSION:**

Mayor Heck announced that the meeting would continue to Work Session, to which she invited all present to stay.

**ADJOURN:**

Mayor Heck asked for a motion to adjourn the regular meeting which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:59 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, 2008.

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Rose Marie Sees, Borough Clerk