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**BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**

**MINUTES**

**March 24, 2009**

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at 8:34 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

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 5, 2009 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 5, 2009.

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

Absent: None

At this point, Mayor Heck asked the clerk to read Resolution No. 63B, which was a result of the Special Emergency Session.

**RESOLUTION:** 63B. Resolution Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:16-3C Determining that Councilman Anthony DiNanno has not Vacated his Office by Virtue of Alleged Non-Residency (copy attached)

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mayor Heck, Councilman DiPisa, Councilman Altobelli, Councilwoman Buckman, Councilman Gonzalez, Councilwoman Link

Nayes: None

**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 Mayor Heck

St Francis Prayer: Oh Lord, Make me an instrument of your peace, where there is hatred, let me bring love, where there is injury, pardon, where there is doubt - faith,

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**INVOCATION (cont'd):** where there is despair - hope, where there is darkness - light, and where there is sadness - joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love, for it is giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

**PRESENTATION:** Certificate of Achievement to N.J. State Wrestling Champion Tyler Loughlin

Mayor Heck, assisted by Councilwoman Buckman, Councilman DiPisa and Recreation Director Rob Brady presented Tyler Loughlin with a Certificate of Achievement for becoming the N.J. State Wrestling Champion in the 90 lbs weight class.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS:**

Councilman Gonzalez read a letter from Chief Michael Ratkowski to the Mayor and Councilmembers which was as follows: "This is to advise you that Edmund Carter III was elected to fill the vacant position of Lieutenant of Engine Company One at a special election held on March 22, 2009."

Edmund Carter III was sworn in as Lieutenant of Fire Department Engine Company One by Mayor Heck, with Fire Commissioner Gonzalez and Deputy Fire Commissioner Altobelli assisting.

- COMMUNICATIONS:**
- 1) Invitation to Easter Egg Hunt on April 4, 2009 at 10 a.m.
  - 2) Public Notice from NJ Meadowlands Commission Announcing Meeting on April 7, 2009 at 10 a.m. with regard to Teterboro/Industrial Avenue Redevelopment Plan
  - 3) Update Letter from PFC Derek Hernandez from Iraq
  - 4) Letter from Mark Mauriello, Acting Commissioner of NJ DEP regarding 2009 Clean Communities entitlement

Items #1, 3 and 4 were requested to be read into the record (copies attached). On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, and unanimously carried, the Communications were accepted.

**PETITIONS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *(March 10, 2009 Regular Meeting)*

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

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**BILLS:**

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$4,472,834.81 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 Justin A. DiPisa  
Commissioner of Finance

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

**REPORTS:**

**POLICE:** Under Police, Mayor/Commissioner Heck reported as follows: Under Summonses, for the month of February included 346 Parking violations versus 406 in February 2008, with year to date totals for 2009 - 804 and in 2008 - 847. Moving violations were 131 versus 191 in 2008, with a year to date of 286 in 2009 and 357 in 2008. Total Violations were 477 in February 2009 and 597 in February 2008, with a year to date of 1090 in 2009 and 1204 in 2008. Under the General Complaints report, she noted there were 46 ambulance requests, 16 ambulance w/paramedics, 10 animal complaints, 22 assisting other agencies, 8 Borough ordinance violations, 27 burglar alarm-commercial, 31 burglar alarm-residential, 1 burglary-commercial, 1 burglary residences, 3 carbon monoxide alarms, 57 cell phone 911, 3 child custody disputes, 1 criminal mischief other, 7 criminal mischief residence, 2 deaths natural causes, 19 disabled vehicles, 5 disorderly conduct, 9 domestic violence, 10 domestic violence orders, 4 family dispute, 23 fire alarms, 2 fireworks, 2 found property, 1 fraud, 1 gas leak, 36 general calls, 5 general disputes, 1 harassment, 1 phone call harassment, 1 identity theft, 1 juvenile delinquency, 8 juvenile incidents, 6 lockout-mv, 5 lost articles, 2 Megan's Law re-registration, 2 neighbor dispute, 5 noise complaint, 3 notifications, 1 possession-marijuana, 1 possession-opium/cocaine, 3 property damage, 8 subpoena, 28 summonses, 24 suspicious incidents, 14 suspicious persons, 14 suspicious vehicles, 1 Teterboro 911 calls, 2 theft, 24 traffic accidents on county roads, 9 traffic accidents on Borough roads, 5 traffic accidents private, 19 traffic accidents State roads, 86 traffic enforcement, 1 traffic light out, 29 traffic related services, 13 welfare checks, 28 Wood-Ridge 911 calls, totaling 852 for all general complaints. Under Department News, she continued that Lt. Tozzi attended a tabletop exercise of a large plane crash at Teterboro (the plane that landed in the Hudson had been cleared to land at Teterboro), with a

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**POLICE:** future date to be set for a drill. On March 18, Chief Colaneri, Capt. DeLorenzo, Sgt. Rinke and the Police Dept. Honor Guard attended the Corpus Christi 5<sup>th</sup> Grade DARE Graduation. On March 23, Ptl. Joseph Armeli started work. March 31 Deputy Chief Robert Kroncke will work the final day of his 37-year career. A Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Grand of \$13,654.96 was received. The Detective Bureau reported a DNA "hit" on a residential burglary occurring Sept. 23, 2008 and a warrant issued for the suspect. Regarding the James Bond Ringleader Trial - David Kirkland was convicted of numerous burglaries in Federal Court in Newark, with the key part of the trial being evidence found by the HHPD at a burglary on Terrace Avenue. The HHPD assisted Lodi on March 17 when a suspect attempted a sexual assault, then ran to a gas station on Rt. 46 (at the Heights border) and carjacked a vehicle. The suspect crashed the stolen vehicle at Outwater Lane and Main Street and attempted to carjack a vehicle from a woman but was arrested by Ptl. Paul Bassett. Upcoming events include April 1 - Internet Safety Program at the High School Auditorium hosted by the HHPD, the high school and B.C. Prosecutor's office; and on April 8, the DARE Space Odyssey Night for all 5<sup>th</sup> grade and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

**FINANCE & PUBLIC FACILITIES:** Under Finance, Commissioner Di Pisa read the following Finance Report: the current fund cash balance as of February 28, 2009 was \$4,809,768.45; on January 31, 2008 was \$2,169,859.21, which represents a increase of \$2,639,909.24. The entire balance was invested and is earning 1%. Cash receipts for February totaled \$6,581,021.04 of which \$6,317,617.24 was for current taxes, \$72,530.11 was for delinquent taxes and \$190,873.69 was miscellaneous revenues. Cash disbursements for February totaled \$3,939,006.46 of which \$1,976,014.81 was local school taxes, \$893,957.26 was County Taxes, \$615,289.59 was salaries, and \$453,744.80 was for other expenses. He continued that the process of formulating the 2009 Municipal Budget continues, with the Pension Deferral issue one of the main topics. The Finance committee was recommending a special meeting for March 31 to introduce the budget. Under Public Facilities, he reported the DPW purchased and installed a new hydraulic lift for its garage facility with the lift's capacity able to handle the weight of heavier Mason dump trucks as well as the town's ambulances, now making it possible to hoist these vehicles to make repairs. A leaking drain valve on the hot water heater in the Public Safety Building was replaced. There were 16 meetings held in the Borough Hall Community Room, 9 in the Caucus Room, 5 in the Council Chambers and 4 in the Senior Center not including senior activities.

**PARKS:** Under Parks, Commissioner DiNanno reported that water service has been turned on at the Little League Field and Woodland Park Comfort Station, but unfortunately a leak was discovered at the Comfort Station and repairs will be made. Woodland Park soccer fields will be seeded and fertilized as well as other Borough properties, and certified playground mulch will be spread on playgrounds. So far 15 applications to reserve Woodland Park for picnics have been received.

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**TRANSPORTATION:** Under Transportation, Commissioner Altobelli brought to the Council's attention pursuing opportunities in creating a road resurfacing cooperative similar to the one that exists with the Pascack Valley communities where participating towns saved approximately 25% of the cost if they had paid contractors independently, in engineering and construction costs. He would be happy to reach out to other communities to determine their interest. Mayor Heck advised that he speak to Ken Job to make comparisons before the next work session or at it.

**LAND USE, RECREATION & SOCIAL SERVICES:** Under Land Use, Commissioner Buckman reported that the office of Construction Official, \$8,605 was received for permit fees. The Sonic project down at the former Vet Lumber on Route 17 is now underway. The office also reported there is quite a bit of home renovations around town. She read a press release regarding her work with Rebuilding Together, for a project to work on a home in town. "Rebuilding Together Bergen County will be helping out a deserving Hasbrouck Heights family on April 4 and April 18. Using volunteer labor and donations, Rebuilding Together rehabs homes for low-income homeowners and facilities operated by other charitable groups. Families apply for this service through an application process and once chosen, a day of pre-work is scheduled and a day in which the actual "work" is done. The work done on these homes are maintenance that allows the residents to stay in their home by providing repairs and a safe environment. This program not only benefits the people that live in the homes, but also the neighborhood, by helping to keep these homes in good shape. Be a good neighbor and volunteer your time. Semi-skilled workers are needed on April 4 and 10 volunteers are needed on April 18 for painting and yard clean up. All volunteers need to be 15 years of age and a release form is required to participate. For more information you can contact Mrs. Sees at 201-288-0195 or [scbuckman@verizon.net](mailto:scbuckman@verizon.net)." Under Social Services, Commissioner Buckman reported the Food Pantry is open Monday mornings from 9 to 11 a.m. for Hasbrouck Heights residents in need. Anyone in need that would like to register can do so by calling Rob Brady by calling (201) 288-4143. During the month of March the pantry served over 50 visitors in need. Thank you to the generous volunteers that help stock and supervise the food pantry, as well as the following donors: The Women of First Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge, St. John the Divine, Corpus Christi, First Reformed Church, Vida Avila, Mr. Carney, Eckhart & Opowski, Corpus Christi Brownie Troop, Girl Scout Troop 606, Ginny Santana, Joan Hartman, Cheryl Cuccio, Jackie Mazza, Kathy Van Jura, Josephine McClean, Phyllis Beerman, Jeanine Dattalico, Corpus Christi Girl Scouts, Kay Hoffman, Bob Kingsley, Judy Mascis, Karen McDowell and Brownie Troop 526. Cash donations by: Paul Carris, Maurene and Phil Arttese, Roseann Kennelly, Kathleen and Matt Williamson, Father Ray, Father Lou, Calabrese Family and the Maschio Family. If anyone wishes to donate food items here are some ideas: canned fruit, juices, paper products, all kinds of soaps and cleaning products, shampoo, toiletries, jelly, coffee, tea, powdered milk and snacks. Under Recreation, Commissioner Buckman reported the Wrestling Awards Dinner was held at the Graycliff in Moonachie. All wrestlers received a trophy, under armour sweatshirt and team championship t-shirt. She congratulated Tyler Loughlin for winning his 2<sup>nd</sup> NJ State Championship. Recreation Girls Softball has begun practicing for the **LAND USE,**

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**RECREATION & SOCIAL SERVICES (CONT'D):** 2009 traveling season with six teams in over three different divisions. All girls will be wearing town uniforms this season as well as brand new equipment for the catchers. A four-week pitching and catching clinic was sponsored for the girls. Track and field practice has begun and the program is available to boys and girls grades 5-8. The Youth Center is open almost every Friday and Saturday nights from 7-10 p.m. for boys and girls grades 6-8. To find out if the center is open, call the Recreation Department at 201-288-4143 and hip key #4. Adult programs are ongoing and the Senior Center has a monthly calendar of events. Summer camp registration will be in early April. She announced that a Woman's Softball Program starting in April through June, free to all residents over 18. Registration is by April 8. As Library Liaison, she reported total circulation at the end of February was 8,114, an increase of 13%. Catherine Dodwell, head of reference stated more people are using the computers in the reference wing to look for employment, update their resumes and complete applications on line. A recent seminar on job search tips was held with 30 in attendance. Additional programs in this area are being planned. On April 12 to 18 is National Library Week, with amnesty week planned where all overdue books will be accepted.

**FIRE, STREETS & SANITATION:** Under Fire, Commissioner Gonzalez also reported on the table top exercise at Teterboro Airport which was attended by Port Authority police, OEM, AV Ports for Teterboro Operations, HUMC, HHFD, HH First Aid and Rescue, HHPD, Little Ferry and Moonachie Fire and Police Departments, and himself. The purpose was to coordinate the response actions of all stakeholders involved in an emergency of an airport crash on Teterboro Airport property. It simulated a Boeing 757 with five crew members and 216 passengers carrying 97,000 lbs of fuel. He continued that from February 23 through March 22 there were 33 fire calls, 10 non fire emergency calls and 99 EMS calls. Under Streets & Sanitation, he reported the snow storm on March 3 brought 6 inches of snow which with roads plowed and salted. Bergen County was billed for services rendered by the DPW clearing county roads amounting to \$2,240. Sanitary sewer maintenance was performed at main lines that run from Passaic Avenue to Main Street, Woodland Drive from Passaic to Cleveland Avenues and the low numbers of Central Avenue. Inspection of our 155 catch basins is underway to comply with NJ DEP regulations. The Shade Tree Department comprised of a Tree Foreman and Tree Trimmer attended a certification course at Rutgers University on the latest trimming techniques. The list for removal of dead trees is completed with the list of trees on the trim list started. As Environmental Commission Liaison, he gave the 2008 Year End Report on Recycling vs. Solid Waste, noting that the Borough recycled 1,133.51 tons of cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, and commingled for a savings of \$92,947.82 had these items been disposed of in the landfill and received \$59,370.10 in revenue even though the market had declined in the last quarter.

**HEALTH:** Under Health, Commissioner Link reported that on March 11<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Health held its' monthly meeting (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month). Health inspector, Aysu

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**HEALTH (CONT'D):** Cesmebasi notified the Board, that she sent out a mailing to several households, reminding all that the feeding of wild animals can lead to a public health nuisance. A discussion followed, and the Board is to request a review of the Borough's Ordinances in reference to such a matter. Board of Health Secretary, Laura French reported that she and Board member Cathy Collins attended the March 4<sup>th</sup>, south-west regional POD site meeting held in Carlstadt and briefed the Board on facts learned about the Point of Distribution (POD) sites. Our Emergency Management Coordinator, Police Chief Michael Colaneri and our Health Officer, Sam Yanovich were also in attendance. Ms French informed the Board that Joanne Wendolowski of H.A.R.P will be at the Leisure Club's April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss our Free Health Consultation program offered to our seniors. This program is held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month in the Municipal Building. Services include; Health History evaluation, Blood pressure measurements, Height & Weight measurement, individualized counseling and education on an array of different health topics. Board President, Connie Doheny, reported on the "Role and Authority of Local Board of Health Members" workshop she attended on March 7<sup>th</sup> with Health Secretary, Laura French and Board members, Robert Corso, Cathy Collins, and Tina Dowd. All in attendance expressed it was very informative and all learned about the "Standards of Performance, Chapter 52" along with the process of ordinances and the Board working together with the Borough's Mayor & Council. In a report from Sam Yanovich, Health Officer of Mid-Bergen Regional Health Commission, he informed the Board of topics discussed at the last Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) meeting; State Planner, Vic Carter spoke on upcoming emergency exercises; Standard Operating Procedures concerning unsanitary living conditions/mental health issues; and CHIP task force update- Access to Health Care task force, whose goal is to increase access to health care for all, is sponsoring an enrollment event in Lyndhurst on March 14<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7pm. Mr Yanovich also informed us that the state funded program TASK (Tobacco Age of Sale Program), that targets the sale of cigarettes to minors will apparently be cut from the State programs due to financial constraints.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Heck gave her Mayor's Report as follows:

Mayor Heck began her report by asking the public to please take notice that Dunkin Donuts on Williams Avenue and the Boulevard is not closed for business for any other reason than an accident that occurred there recently. A car drove into the building and caused substantial damage that requires professional plans to be reviewed and approved before any work is done. Many people are concerned that it has closed its doors for good. That is not the case. Dunkin Donuts at that location is a thriving business and many of us are anxiously awaiting its reopening.

**Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>** – Attended the Anti Drug Council Meeting Co-Chaired by Supt. of Schools Joseph Luongo and myself. Budget and programs were discussed by all in attendance. It was also agreed that Barbara Christianson from the High School would be in charge of ordering Orange and Black Shirts to be sold with Hasbrouck Heights Street Fair info and sponsor's names along with publicizing the Anti Drug Theme. She will contact

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**MAYOR'S REPORT (CONT'D):** organizations in town to see if they wish to place any orders since the HH Mayor's Business Community Committee requested that residents and business people alike wear orange and black on the day of the May 17<sup>th</sup> Street Fair.

**Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>** Attended the Southwest Community Development Meeting with Mike Kronyak. Hasbrouck Heights application was approved for recommendation to the County Executive in the sum of \$90,000 to go towards the paving of Jefferson Avenue. That grant will not be received until all approvals are given by HUD and we should be notified by July, 2009.

The new town bus, for which we received a \$55,000 grant is expected to be delivered this week.

Dates are being discussed by Justin, Mike and I to invite The Boiling Springs Nutrition Center Director Barbara Russell to give an overview of all of the benefits of that Program.

**Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> at 8 am,** Attended an informal Breakfast Meeting with Bergen Community College President Dr. Jeremiah Ryan. He seemed interested in participating in our Street Fair among other things.

**On Tuesdays, March. 3, 10, 17 and 24<sup>th</sup>** I attended Finance Committee Meetings with Chair Justin Di Pisa, Vice Chair Pam Link, and Michael Kronyak in preparation of the Budget Introduction and various budgetary communications and cuts coming from Gov. Corzine and the State Legislature. Discussions as to the impact of Gov. Corzine's new Pension Deferral on our budget and the retirements of two Police Officers and a member of the DPW.

**March 5<sup>th</sup>** The Mayor's Business Community Committee was held to discuss various aspects of the Street Fair with Cliff Witmeyer of Cliffhangers Productions. Boro Administrator Mike Kronyak, Boro Clerk Ro Sees, and Police Chief Colaneri were among those present. Street Banners were discussed and locations were being looked at by DPW Supt. Bill Spindler and Rec. Director Rob Brady.

**On Saturday March 7,** I attended a special seminar with Council Members Buckman, Gonzalez, and Link at the Bergen County Police Academy in Mahwah on Emergency Management. We all received certificates of completion for this required course of study.

**March 10,** As Police Commissioner I attended the Police Committee Meeting with Dep. Commissioner Di Pisa, Chief Colaneri and Michael Kronyak. That was followed by a Finance Meeting.

**MAYOR'S REPORT (CONT'D):** Attended the Community Awareness Access to All Committee with Councilwoman Pam Link. Police Chief Colaneri, Brenda Colaneri and



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Patrick McCarthy were there to discuss prospective projects. Chairwoman Maryann Pisani presided.

**Mar. 11.** As Mayor Spoke on a Panel celebrating Women's History Month At Fairleigh Dickinson University.

During the Month of March I also attended three County Community Development Block Grant Committee Meetings to determine recommendations for funding for a variety of applicants.

Through that Committee I will also be part of the Countywide Committee to recommend worthy Applicants for Stimulus Funding. Dates have not yet been announced.

**March 18<sup>th</sup>.** Attended and spoke at the Corpus Christi DARE Graduation. The Children performed enjoyable and educational skits. Lt. Mullins is to be commended for all his work in educating the children against the use of Drugs, Alcohol and smoking. This is the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of DARE in our schools.

**March 20<sup>th</sup>.** Council Members DiPisa, Buckman, Link and Gonzalez and I attended a fundraiser for Anne Ciavaglia McMann's newest Foundation called A New Journey. It was held at the VFW Hall. Those in need may call on her for any help they require. The organization has been most helpful in putting the right people in touch with people who need their help, along with other forms of assistance.

Tomorrow Tom Lupo from Cablevision will be out and about our town interviewing Heights residents for a special show he is doing. So don't be surprised to see TV cameras taping in various areas of town.

Please mark your calendars for a very busy Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. That is the day when the Mayor's Community Celebrations Committee will hold their traditional Egg Hunt at Depken Field. On that same day the Little League will hold their Opening Day Ceremony/Parade and I am told the Junior Woman's Club is also having a special Breakfast with the Bunny.

An article was submitted regarding Dr. Roger Szanto's ID Program and was featured in the Conference of Mayors Magazine this month, and that another article on the Food Pantry for the League of Municipalities May issue.

I continue to meet with residents on Saturday Mornings in the Library from 10 am till noon. I enjoy this form of communication. That concludes my report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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**BUDGET UPDATE:** CFO/Administrator Michael Kronyak reported the big issue was the pension deferral. At first it was going to be not optional, we never considered it a good idea for Hasbrouck Heights. Legislation has changed and it is now optional. In our case it became optional to defer \$548,000 which means it could not be put in this year's budget but starting in 2012, over the next 15 years it would have to be funded. From a financial standpoint, it wasn't something to do, as the interest could be as high as 8.25%. A special meeting to introduce the budget will be held in one week on March 31, 2009. The borough lost state aid in the amount of \$35,000 or 2 ½%, but have made about \$178,000 the net of about \$143,000 cuts, which reduced the points from 3.8 points to 3 points, \$130 for the average house assessed at \$430,000. By the end of the week the final budget should be ready. Mayor Heck said that the interest rate was high and agreed it would not be smart to do. He also reported a Bond Anticipation Note sale will be held March 26 to pay off \$725,000 in capital improvements debt.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**RESIGNATIONS:** Jennifer Bishop from Hasbrouck Heights Ambulance Squad  
Joseph Fehl from Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department  
Engine Company 2

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Altobelli, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resignations were accepted with regret.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 64. Approving List of Volunteer Fire Department Members Who Qualified for Credit Under the LOSAP Program for 2008
- 65. Authorizing Borough Clerk to Advertise for Bids for Radio Maintenance
- 66. Raffle License for VFW Post 4591

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Consent Agenda resolutions were approved (copies attached).

**RESOLUTIONS:** 67. Appointment of the Municipal Housing Liaison of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights

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

**RESOLUTIONS (CONT'D):**

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## 68. Authorizing Issuance of Bond Anticipation Note #1-09

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

## 69. Authorizing Sale of Unclaimed or Borough Owned Property No Longer Needed for Public Use

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

## 70. Authorizing a Professional Contract to Obtain an Appraisal Report in Defense of Tax Appeal of RL Investors as to 440 Rt. 17 North

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, with Councilman DiNanno and Councilman Altobelli voting Nay, and all other governing body members voting Yes, the foregoing Resolution was approved (copy attached).

## 71. Requesting a Minimum of 35 Years Until Joseph McGowan's Next Parole Date

Mayor Heck as a point of information reported that this is something personal as she worked with Rosemarie D'Alessandro to create Joan's Law, that this man was so cruel, as he went back to get rid of the body, she was awake, and he killed her again, a heinous crime. Carl Croce created the monument and sculpted Joan's face on an angel in her memory. He has now passed on. Many towns were passing this resolution.

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

## 72. 2008 Budget Appropriation Transfers

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

## 73. Authorizing the Opportunity to Secure Funding through the COPS Hiring Recovery Program

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

**ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:**

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**ORDINANCE NO. 2206:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that an Ordinance entitled : **“AN ORDINANCE TO STABILIZE AND REGULATE RENTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS AND TO ESTABLISH A RENT BOARD, WHICH ORDINANCE IS TO BE COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE “2009 RENT LEVELING ORDINANCE”** ‘as 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 April 14, 2009.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2207:**

**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 DEVELOPMENT FEES AND PROVIDE FOR AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND TO CONFORM WITH THE COUNCIL ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING’S RECENTLY ADOPTED THIRD ROUND REGULATIONS”** as 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 April 14, 2009.

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

**ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:****ORDINANCE NO. 2205:**

Mayor Heck asked for a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2205 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, and unanimously carried. There being no one wishing to speak on this ordinance, the public hearing was closed on a motion by Councilman Altobelli, seconded by Councilman DiNanno and unanimously carried.

**ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING (CONT’D):**

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**BE IT RESOLVED** that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14) CALENDAR YEAR 2009”** 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 in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

Mayor Heck asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2205 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman DiNanno and unanimously carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:**

Mayor Heck asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public which was made by Councilman DiNanno, seconded by Councilman Altobelli, and unanimously carried, Mayor Heck invited anyone from the public wishing to speak to please come forward.

Leonard Introna, 215 Roosevelt Avenue, regarding his brother- in-law Jack DeNicholo who had passed away suddenly, thanked the EMS, Mr. Roccamo and all who had tried to save his life.

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

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, Mayor Heck asked for a motion to adjourn which was made by Councilman DiNanno, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried at 9:56 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 Regular Meeting held on March 24, 2009.

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Rose Marie Sees, RMC  
Borough Clerk