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BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

April 28, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 8:05 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

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 Councilman DiNanno

“Blessed are the Peacemakers, for they shall be known as the Children of God. But I say to you that hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To those who strike you on the cheek, offer the other, and from those who take away your cloak, do not withhold your coat as well. Give to everyone who begs from you, and of those who take away your goods, do not ask them again. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.”

Introduction of New Junior Firefighter Applicants:

Fire Commissioner Gonzalez and Deputy Fire Commissioner Altobelli welcomed the new Junior Firefighters Danny Byun, Andrew Waring and Kurt Wrede. Mayor Heck thanked them for volunteering.

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- COMMUNICATIONS:**
- 1) Swine Flu Update from B.C. Department of Health Services
 - 2) Letter from New Jersey League of Municipalities advising that U.S. Dept. Of Health and Human Services and Homeland Security issued a nationwide public health emergency declaration due to emergency in U.S. of swine influenza virus.
 - 3) Letter from United Water advising of their plans to introduce their new logo SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT

Items #1 and 3 were requested to be read into the record (copies attached).

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

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *(April 14, 2009 Regular Meeting)*

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

BILLS:

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$237,015.32 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.

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REPORTS:

POLICE: Under Police, Mayor/Commissioner Heck reported as follows: Under Summonses, for the month of March included 548 Parking and Moving violations versus 747 in March 2008, with year to date totals for 2009 - 1,638 and in 2008 - 1,951. Under the General Complaints report, she noted there were 36 abandoned 911 calls, 60 ambulance requests, 10 ambulance w/paramedics, 11 animal complaints, 14 assisting other agencies, 13 Borough ordinance violations, 32 burglar alarm-commercial, 33 burglar alarm-residential, 1 burglary-auto, 1 burglary residences, 1 burglary-forcible during day, 3 carbon monoxide alarms, 51 cell phone 911, 2 child custody disputes, 4 customer disputes, 11 disabled vehicles, 2 disorderly conduct, 2 disorderly conduct-fight, 17 domestic violence, 6 domestic violence orders, 7 DUI, 2 drug offenses, 23 fire alarms, 2 found property, 2 fraud, 1 fraud bank checks, 2 fraud credit card; 41 general calls, 5 general disputes, 3 harassment, 1 hold up alarm, 3 juvenile delinquency, 15 juvenile incidents, 1 landlord-tenant dispute, 10 lockout-mv, 3 lockout-resident; 5 lost articles, 2 lost license plates, 1 Megan's Law registration, 2 missing person, 2 neighbor dispute, 10 noise complaint, 6 sewer backup, 31 summonses, 19 suspicious incidents, 18 suspicious persons, 19 suspicious vehicles, 7 Teterboro 911 calls, 5 theft, 3 theft from autos in parking lot, 2 theft from auto, 2 theft from buildings, 21 traffic accidents on county roads, 10 traffic accidents on Borough roads, 4 traffic accidents private, 30 traffic accidents State roads, 127 traffic enforcement, 1 traffic light out, 11 welfare checks, 27 Wood-Ridge 911 calls, totaling 960 for all general complaints. She read the following reports from Chief Colaneri;

April 1, 2009: The Police Department in partnership with the Prosecutor's Office presented an Internet Safety Program. Det. John DeVoe of the B.C.P.O Computer Crimes Task Force conducted the informative program.

April 4, 2009: The Honor Guard participated in the Little League's Opening Day Ceremony.

April 7, 2009: Boro Administrator, Mike Kronyak and Chief Colaneri filed the grant for additional manpower to the Federal Government.

April 8, 2009: The annual DARE Family Night at Space Odyssey was held. 210 Children attended and had a great time. The event was chaperoned by Chief Colaneri, Lt. Mullins and Sgt. Rinke.

April 9, 2009: A DMV Inspection Checkpoint was held on Old Terrace Avenue and over 30 summonses were issued. Lt. Archer coordinated the checkpoint.

April 26, 2009: A reverse 911 was sent to all Boro residences at the request of HH School Administrator Dina Messery to notify all of the times for the school board election. This was also the first time we used the county's new system.

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Lt. James Krisinski is retiring 05/01/2009 after 25 years of service. We would like to wish him and his family health and happiness.

The following statement is being released by Chief Michael J. Colaneri regarding an incident that occurred in Hasbrouck Heights on April 10, 2009:

Domestic Violence Incident: On April 10, 2009 at 0222 hours, the Hasbrouck Heights Police Department received a 911 call reporting a domestic violence incident at 315 Boulevard with the actor threatening two female victims with a knife. Sgt. Nicholas Sisto, Officer Jeffrey Werner and Officer James Ciccarelli were detailed. Officers forced entry into the apartment where they were met by the actor, who lunged at them with a knife. Officers showed extreme restraint in not using deadly force.

The actor who was identified as Glenn Schmidt, a male family member, then barricaded himself in the bathroom. Officers requested assistance. The Wood Ridge Police Department, Lodi Police Department and Bergen County Police sent additional units. Chief Colaneri and Det. Adamo were notified and responded directly to the scene. The Officers were able to evacuate the two female relatives, ages 63 and 18, who were barricaded for their safety in a bedroom. Neighbors were also evacuated and all were given shelter at 320 Boulevard (Boro Hall).

The Bergen County Police were contacted. A negotiator and SWAT team were sent to the scene. The Boulevard was shut off to all traffic. HH Fire Department and Rescue responded. The rescue truck was placed at the Exxon to provide lighting of the apartment from the exterior.

Hackensack water responded to shut the water supply off to the building as actor had destroyed the toilet and pipes causing a flooding condition. The actor taunted, threw objects at the police officers in the building as well as objects thrown out the window. The actor damaged the interior doors, cabinets and broke several windows.

After several hours of intense negotiations, the actor surrendered and was taken into custody without further incident. The actor was transported to Bergen Regional Medical Center for evaluation. The actor was charged with the following: 1 count of terroristic threats, 2 counts of criminal restraint, resisting arrest and possession of a weapon for unlawful purposes. Bail was set at \$50,000.

Juvenile Incident (Terroristic Threats)

On April 8, 2009 while chaperoning at Space Odyssey, Sgt. Rinke was informed by a student that another student had a plot to "take down the school" and cause major destruction. Knowing that this was a credible threat, Sgt. Rinke went to juvenile accused's house confiscated a computer and other items. At 2:30 am accused was taken to the Juvenile Detention Center and charged with terroristic threats.

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On April 9, 2009, juvenile accused was ordered for a psychological evaluation. Accused had a tracking bracelet put on. He is confined to his home and will attend school at the Bergen County Juvenile Center until further notice. School records obtained. Accused has had minor disciplinary issues at Hasbrouck Heights High School. Hasbrouck Heights Police Department is conducting a background check from his school and two previous towns he lived. Matter is still under investigation.

This shows how the youth programs in Hasbrouck Heights really do work. Youths feel comfortable in talking with a police officer and thus possibly preventing a tragic incident.

Burglary – Nick’s Quick Stop

On April 20, 2009 at 0326 hours, a 911 call was received reporting a burglary at Nick’s Quick Stop was in progress. Officers Lange and Kest were detailed. Officers were involved in foot chase. Wood Ridge, Moonachie, Lodi and Bergen County K9 assisted. Actor, who was later identified as Ryan Morgan of Lodi, was arrested in a rear yard on Division Avenue. Accused complained of pain and was transported to HUMC, with Officer Kest on board, where he was checked and released and then transported to headquarters where he was charged with Burglary, Criminal Mischief, Theft by Unlawful Taking and Resisting Arrest. The actor was then transported to Bergen County Jail.

FINANCE & PUBLIC FACILITIES: Under Finance, Commissioner Di Pisa read the following Finance Report: the current fund cash balance as of March 31, 2009 was \$1,562,709.52; on February 28, 2009 was \$4,809,768.45, which represents a decrease of \$3,247,058.90. The entire balance was invested and is earning 1%. Cash receipts for March totaled \$370,807.55 of which \$251,141.724 was for current taxes, \$21,587.74 was for delinquent taxes and \$98,078.09 was miscellaneous revenues. Cash disbursements for March totaled \$3,617,866.75 of which \$1,697,323.83 was local school taxes, \$911,197.31 was for payment of Debt Service, \$619,889.01 was salaries, and \$389,456.60 was for other expenses. He continued that the 2009 public hearing of the Municipal Budget is scheduled tonight after which the budget will be adopted. The agenda includes a resolution amending the budget as introduced but only to re-classify the appropriation for the contribution to the Public Employees Retirement System from outside the budget CAP to inside the budget CAP which has no impact on the total budget. The budget will be transmitted to the Division of Local Government Services for their approval. After approval the tax levy will be certified and the B.C. Board of Taxation will calculate the total tax rate. This certified tax rate will be the basis for the final tax bill which will include the 3rd and 4th quarter of 2009 and the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2010. Under Public Facilities, he reported DPW Supt. Spindler, Mayor Heck and members of the Garden Club met several times regarding the planting of flowers and new designs for the Boulevard Circle. He thanked the Garden Club for the “Boulevard in Bloom” project. He continued that repairs to buildings included replacement of an electronic transfer switch for the emergency generator at the Public Safety Building and replacement of the door glass on the Madison Avenue entrance to the Library which was due to vandalism. Meetings held in Borough

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Hall included 18 in the community room, four in the caucus room, four in the council chambers and six in the senior center (excluding senior activities).

PARKS: Under Parks, Commissioner DiNanno reported that funding was received for Miers and Woodland Parks from the Community Development Block Grant Funds and B.C. Open Space funds which total \$225,000. Proposals included in Miers Park the majority of the work would include removing and replacing existing playground equipment. A little tykes play system is being considered, replacing the existing pavilion, picnic tables and benches and a new basketball court area with new back board posts and hoops. In Woodland Park it was proposed to remove and replace the existing wood curbing along the unpaved walking path and construction of a new path, swings removed or replaced, resurfacing of existing basketball courts.

TRANSPORTATION: Under Transportation, Commissioner Altobelli had no report.

LAND USE, RECREATION & SOCIAL SERVICES: Under Land Use, Commissioner Buckman reported that in the Construction office, \$15,206.00 was received for permit fees. Under Property Maintenance, she reported for March and April there were 34 initial inspections, 25 follow up visits, 7 notices mailed, 5 summonses issued, 3 above ground pool violations that were referred to the Health Department and 13 situations resolved. The Planning Board did not meet in April. Under Recreation, she reported the Track and Field Program for all children 5th through 8th grades practices three times a week at Depken Field. Softball has over 90 girls from 3rd thru 8th grades, with six teams in the South Bergen Softball League. Clinical instruction was offered and new uniforms were purchased. Ken Pyka and Tony Bonillo were thanked for their help. Two U-Gals Traveling teams will be sponsored this summer. The Recreation Center is open on weekends, to check for opening, call 201-288-4143 and press #4. Adult Volleyball will be moving outdoors to Woodland Park the end of June. Adult Basketball will run to the end of June. A Woman's Softball Team is being formed. Summer Camp registration is in progress. 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 April the pantry served over 55 visitors in need. Thank you to the generous volunteers that help stock and supervise the food pantry, as well as the following donors: Margaret Stone, Bertha Spada, Troop 606, Kathy Van Jura, Josephine McClean, Ginny Santana, Mildred Markaanen, Methodist Church School, Millie Langy, Alyssa DiChiara, Diane Beerman, Phyllis Berman, Ed LaForge, Bob Corrison, Destiny Forrester, Mary Carney, cash donation by M. Sandler and the Woman's Club. 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. As Library Liaison, she reported the total circulation at the end of March was 10,065 versus 7,158 at the same time last year, an increase of 29%. The Reference Department has reported they are helping with job searching, giving instructions on how to send resumes

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and attachments, proofreading resumes and act as standing counselors listening to the economic challenges and day to day woes they are facing. Councilwoman Buckman thanked all the volunteers who came out on April 18 for the Rebuilding Together project on Jefferson Avenue. Len Battaglia and Steve Winka lent their time and expertise to this worthwhile project.

FIRE, STREETS & SANITATION: Under Fire, Commissioner Gonzalez reported there were 17 fire calls, non emergency EMS 18, 120 EMS calls. The Department assisted at the Easter Egg Hunt and 5K Rau Fitzgerald Run. On April 5 assistance was given to the West Paterson Fire Department in a gasoline tanker drill. Joseph Taylor explained the capabilities of the foam truck and gave training. He acknowledged the members who assisted with the Domestic Violence incident on April 10 including Chief Giarratana, Michael Columeri, Edmund Carter III, Mark Waring, John Riordan, Melissa and Debbie Greco, Bernie Valente, Darren Oddo, Thomas Wright, Justin Watrel, David Gumbrecht, Ronald Phillips Jr., Vincent Risalvato and Daniel Wixon. Under Streets & Sanitation, he reported the Franklin Avenue and Woodside Avenue Pump Stations had general maintenance performed and that Woodside Avenue a motor overheated and was repaired. Maintenance was also performed on the main sanitary sewer line on Wood Street between Harrison and Cleveland Avenues. DPW Supt. Spindler was asked to provide the NJ DOT with mark outs of the main sanitary sewer line in the area of Route 17 South and Franklin Avenue, for the second time as the contractor for the DOT, not recording of the markers on their blueprints, eliminated them when they removed the curb. He along with Borough Administrator Kronyak, Borough Engineer Job, Police Chief Colaneri and NJ Meadowlands Commission Chief Engineer Agnoli inspected the Route 17 construction site and later met with Mayor Heck who had contacted DOT in Trenton to discuss matters relating to sanitary and storm sewer issues. It was reported that five tons of asphalt was used to repair potholes and 30 trees were planted as part of the re-planting program this Spring and the Shade Tree Dept. has recycled 120 cubic yards of chipped branches. With regard to repairs, DPW Mechanic Jeff Licameli logged 34 hours of service for Police vehicles, the wood chipper barrel and shoot underwent re-alignment, the packer blade was replaced on Garbage Truck 102 and the bucket and pin housing was repaired on the Back Hoe. He noted that Grass pick up for Zone 1 will be Tuesdays only from March 17 to October 13 and for Zone 2 on Mondays from March 16 through October 12. With regard to garbage collection, he reminded residents that trash items are to be placed curbside the same day as household garbage collection and no construction or demolition materials will be picked up.

HEALTH: Under Health, Commissioner Link reported that on April 8th, the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Health held its monthly meeting (2nd Wednesday of the month). Health inspector, Aysu Cesmebasi notified the Board, that she would be out of the office until April 20 for family emergency and we may contact Mid-Bergen for any emergencies during that time frame. All inspections were up-to-date. Board of Health Secretary, Laura French reported that as of April 30, a list of dog owners with expired licenses will be given to the

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Police Department for follow-up. Ms French also informed the Board that public Pool renewals and requirements will be mailed April 30 and no pool will be permitted to open without approval from the Health Department, in regards to satisfactory water sample and overall compliance. Each public pool must also apply for a bonding and grounding certificate through the Building Department prior to opening day. Board President, Connie Doheny, having listened to a concerned member of a local organization, during the Public portion of the meeting, in regards to the "No Home Preparation" rule and the fee that applies to Temporary food licenses, President Doheny discussed with the Board to get further clarification from the Borough Attorney. In a report from Sam Yanovich, Health Officer of Mid-Bergen Regional Health Commission, he informed the Board of his attendance at the POD informational meeting held in Paramus where Emergency Preparedness was discussed. Mr. Yanovich also informed us that the Bergen County Public Partnership (BCPHP), a group of all local health agencies in the County have sent a letter to the Governor and State Legislature requesting a reinstatement of the TASE (Tobacco Age of Sale) funding. The TASE program has proven effective since its inception twelve years ago, reducing the rate of illegal sales of tobacco products to minors from 84% to 15% in that time period. In speaking with Health Registrar, Laura French, in light of the recent events in regards to Swine Flu, she has sent to all Hasbrouck Heights Schools (Pre-K thru High School) a Question and Answer form from the U.S. CDC (Centers for Disease Control & Prevention), as an informational resource on preventing the flu, fast facts about influenza, and common questions and answers to assist the schools in answering any concerned parents questions. This concluded her report.

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

Note of Caution to Senior Citizens: Hang up on any callers who ask personal questions about your Social Security or Credit Card numbers, etc. If the caller makes you think they are calling from an official source such as Social Security or Medicare, tell them to mail you the information and do not give them your address. If they are from a legitimate source they will already have your address.

May 12th at 10 a.m. is the Date of the Mayor's Senior Citizens Property Tax Freeze Forum. All the new information will be made available that day by Borough Administrator Michael Kronyak and Tax Collector Chita Parker. There will be a question and answer period following the presentation.

March 25th I was interviewed by Tom Lupo from Cablevision who was out and about our town interviewing Heights residents for a special show that was aired in April. We have a copy of the show and will make it available to the Library.

Monday, March 30th Met with Liz Moser, Ann Lustberg, Maria Proscia, Boro Clerk Ro Sees, Boro Administrator Mike Kronyak and DPW Supt. Bill Spindler to begin plans for new
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flower beds at The Circle. Made arrangements to talk with Ray Vorisek that week to discuss ideas.

April The new town bus, for which we received a \$55,000 grant arrived and is in use by our senior citizens.

April 4th. Attended with members of the Council, the Little League Opening Day Parade and ceremonies. It was a well attended event.

April 4th was a windy day with some rain but the Mayor's Community Celebrations Committee held the Easter Egg Hunt. The Field was filled with colorful eggs and prizes were many and enjoyed by the children. Hundreds of Children participated. There was some difficulty in communicating with the audience of people, so it was decided on the spot that next year's Egg Hunt would be more strictly organized beginning at the entrance gate, with seating arrangements made in the Bleachers according to Children's age categories. The Mayor's Committee will be assisted by the Mayors' Youth Committee and the Junior Police Auxiliary. They will help with the children on the field which will again be cordoned off into sections. Parents will not be allowed on the field, except to be with the Pre-K children. No other containers or bags will be allowed to gather the eggs except those baskets given out by the Mayor's Celebrations Committee.

Again our thanks to the Police Dept., The Volunteer Fire Dept. and the Members of the Mayor's Community Celebrations Committee for all the work they did that day.

April 13th, 9:30 am met with the members of the Mayor's Business Community Committee in the Caucus Room. Cliff Witmyer gave us an update of the plans for the Street Fair. Borough Clerk Ro Sees and I gave an update on Sponsors and the posters and Flyers. Police Chief Mike Colaneri, Borough Administrator Mike Kronyak, DPW Supt. Bill Spindler and Recreation/Senior Citizens Director Rob Brady were present. Discussion of sponsors, vendors, and specific needs of the Street Fair were discussed. Band Shell and Porta-Johns were to be ordered for May 17th. Two Banners will be placed on the Boulevard. Cliffhanger Productions would be placing an ad on their Rte. 17 Billboard. The Gazette Newspaper would be placing an ad with all sponsors names included along with a story.

Special needs for closing the Boulevard from Kipp to Raymond Street on Sunday, May 17th will be handled by the Traffic Bureau and the DPW. Corpus Christi Church was notified as to the change in traffic pattern (no special lane between Jefferson and Kipp Avenues on May 17th.) A reminder should be sent two weeks before so Corpus Christi may place that information in the Church Bulletin.

April 21, 8 am. Attended The League of Municipalities Mayors' Breakfast Meeting. Had agreed to co-chair a committee to arrange a South Bergen Mayors' visit to the Lyndhurst Campus of Bergen Community College as a result of my meeting with President Dr.

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Jeremiah Ryan. Speakers that morning were County Executive Dennis McNerney and several freeholders. Information was exchanged and questions answered.

April 22nd – Attended the Anti Drug Council Meeting Co-Chaired by Supt. of Schools Joseph Luongo and myself. Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees reported that Barbara Christensen from the High School is 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. Nick Delcalzo gave more information about the cost and order for the shirts to be offered to town organizations 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 17th Street Fair to show pride in our town.

I would again like to mention our town's loss at the passing of one of its most active citizens John Delcalzo. Our sympathy and prayers go out to the entire Delcalzo family and John's close friends.

During the month of April, Finance Officer Michael Kronyak kept the Finance Committee Chair Justin Di Pisa, Vice Chair Pam Link, and I were informed of all matters pertaining to the introduced budget. He also sent information to the entire Council, with the invitation to call or reach out to him if they had any questions and he would make himself available to give answers.

April 22nd beginning at 8:30 am and thereafter. Attended a variety of meetings with Borough Administrator Mike Kronyak and Borough Clerk Ro Sees. A variety of important matters were discussed, including Street Fair, Fire Department, Route 17 D.O.T. Construction.

I arranged for a meeting that same day with NJ Meadowlands Commission's Engineer Nick Agnoli, H.H. Borough Engineer Ken Job, Police Chief Michael Colaneri, Borough Administrator Mike Kronyak and DPW Supt. Bill Spindler. They met first on the highway to view the matters of concern to the Borough. After that they met with me in the Caucus Room at which time we had arranged for a conference call with the D.O.T. to alert them as to our many concerns. Ken Job gave a detailed explanation of those concerns and each person there gave D.O.T. a list of matters to be addressed, all of which were graciously received by the D.O.T. representative. A detailed list of the Borough's concerns were drafted by Borough Engineer Ken Job and was sent in detail to a list of all D.O.T. personnel working on the project and not the least of those being Commissioner Stephen Dilts and all those who attended the meeting that day.

I was very emphatic about having the Borough's needs and concerns addressed and want to thank the Commissioner for all of his attention to this important matter.

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Just one of the things I believe the Franklin Avenue residents will be happy to hear, the “environmental pond” that was supposed to be a dry pond now reported to hold water was addressed in detail. The concerns of the people in the area were conveyed. Drainage needs were discussed, safety fencing will be placed around it and all of that will be landscaped.

The Mayor and Council and borough officials are in receipt of a detailed report of that meeting.

Many other detailed matters were discussed and Ken Job will report to the entire Council and the public at the Council’s next Work Session set for May 12th.

1. Just a brief update on the Street Fair: We now have
2. Platinum Sponsor: Costa Memorial Home;
3. Gold Sponsors: BeJay Drugs, CareOne Wellington Hall, Otterstedt Insurance, 101.9 RXP and Houlahan’s;
4. Silver Sponsors: Boiling Springs Savings Bank, Hekemian & Co., Hennessey Heights Funeral Home, T.D. Bank, Valley National Bank and The Community Newspaper and
5. Bronze Sponsors: Anthony B. Bonura, DMD, Chandless, Weller, Kramer, Heights Flower Shoppe, The Hilton Hasbrouck Heights, IHOP, Teterboro Airport, Lenox Corp., Mason & Musella, Esq., Pepe Plumbing, Shop-Rite of Lodi, Stan’s Sports Center, The Gazette, The Holiday Inn and The Observer.
6. We have \$23,000 in sponsors and \$8,100 in-kind services/ads.

Friday April 24th, Borough Clerk Ro Sees and I had a Meet and Greet with Dr. Peter McGovern and Mary Fenner, Practice Manager. Both were there representing the private physicians group known as the University Reproductive Assoc., P.C., that now operates at the former Hackensack University Medical Center’s facility on Terrace Avenue. The entire facility, including the lot next to it and house on the corner have been added to the Hasbrouck Heights Tax Ratable base.

Monday April 27th, Had a Meeting with Borough Administrator Mike Kronyak, Borough Clerk Ro Sees, DPW Supt. Bill Spindler and Flower Experts on the planning Committee Liz Moser, Ann Lustberg, Maria Proscia and Ray Vorisek of Heights Florist. We chose the perennials and annuals that will be planted before May 17th at the Traffic Circle. It should be a beautiful addition of five new flower beds. Everyone is cooperating with ideas and work schedules, etc.

April 28th at 9:30 am met with DPW Supt. Bill Spindler at the Traffic Circle to view the location of the five new flower beds to be placed there.

At 10 am, I attended the Police Committee Meeting with Dep. Commissioner Di Pisa, Chief Colaneri and Michael Kronyak. That was followed by a Finance Committee Meeting. Some
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of the matters discussed will be presented in a report to the entire Council at the May 12th Work Session by Police Chief Colaneri.

At 11 a.m. The Finance Committee met. Finance Chair Justin DiPisa and Vice Pam Chair Pam Link and I met with Borough Administrator Michael Kronyak on a variety of subjects pertaining to the Borough. A report emanating from that meeting will be given by the Mayor at the May 12th Work Session.

Saturday Mornings from 10 to noon, I continue to meet with residents. I have many interesting visitors on those mornings. I also complete much of my correspondence and paperwork on those mornings. That concludes my report.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINTMENTS: None

RESIGNATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2009 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on the 2009 Municipal Budget which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman DiNanno, and unanimously carried.

CFO/Admin. Kronyak reported the only change was taking the pension from outside the CAP and putting it inside the CAP. An extra \$250,000 was put in for debt service and did not defer the pension. The tax rate increase is 2.7 pts which is about \$117 on the average house. The first draft was about 9 to 11. It is under the 2.5% budget CAP, although the 3.5% was done to preserve a bank, it is under both those and under the 4% levy CAP. Mayor Heck commended Mr. Kronyak and the Finance Chair and Vice Chair for holding weekly meetings and coming up with the best possible cuts without damaging services to the Borough. Within that budget under the capital ordinances are continuing with the street maintenance program and including a curb program.

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman DiNanno, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: 85. Authorizing Borough Clerk to Re-advertise for Bids for Radio Maintenance

86. Raffle Licenses for Elks Lodge #1962

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

RESOLUTIONS: 87. Authorizing Increase of Over 20% of Base Contract Amount for Repair of Sanitary Sewer Main in Vicinity of 160 La Salle Avenue

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

88. Authorizing Change Order #1 Creating Supplemental Item S2 with regard to Sanitary Sewer Repair in the Vicinity of 160 La Salle Avenue

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

89. Approval of Lions Club Fireworks Display at Depken Field

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

90. Authorizing Approval of Extension of Main by United Water New Jersey in Shoulder of North Bound Lane of Route 17

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

91. Authorizing Cancellation of 2007 and 2008 Taxes Overpaid on Five Properties

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

92. Urging the New Jersey State Legislature to Pass Legislation Containing Substantial Reforms to the Binding Arbitration Process

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

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93. Supporting the *Click It or Ticket* Mobilization of May 18-31, 2009

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

94. Resolution to Amend and Adopt the 2009 Budget

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

ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 2208:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled : **“AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$175,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AN AMBULANCE FOR THE USE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY IN THE SUM OF \$80,000.00 AND FURTHER TO 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 \$80,000.00”** 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 May 12, 2009.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2209:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled : **“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$200,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE BOULEVARD STREET SCAPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 2008 MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM IN THE SUM OF \$150,000.00, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$10,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF A FURTHER PORTION OF THE COST THEREOF BY THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$40,000.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BOND LAW” BEING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2185 ADOPTED JUNE 10, 2008, SO AS TO EXPAND**

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THE SCOPE OF THE UNDERTAKING TO INCLUDE BOTH PHASES I AND II OF THE SAID STREET SCAPE DEVELOPMENT, TO INCREASE THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION THEREFOR FROM \$200,000.00 TO \$400,000.00, TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT TO BE APPLIED FROM GRANTS FROM 150,000.00 TO \$300,000.00 AND TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE FINANCING AUTHORIZED FROM \$40,000.00 TO \$80,000.00” 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 May 12, 2009.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2210:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled : **“AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$237,500.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESURFACING OF JEFFERSON AVENUE BETWEEN BURTON AND WOODSIDE AVENUES INCLUDING ANY NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF THE SUM \$90,000.00 PROVIDED BY A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND FURTHER TO 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 \$137,500.00”** 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 May 12, 2009.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2211:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled : **“AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$250,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF MIERS PARK AND WOODLAND PARK, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF A GRANT FROM THE BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND IN THE SUM OF \$80,000.00, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF THE SUM \$46,208.00 PROVIDED BY A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF A FURTHER PORTION OF THE COST THEREOF BY THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$110,000.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BOND LAW”** as introduced this date be and the same is hereby passed on first reading and the Borough Clerk be directed to advertise notice of

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public hearing on said Ordinance to be held at the regular meeting of the Borough Council on May 12, 2009.

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

ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING: None

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

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

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Heck asked for a motion to close the public portion which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilwoman Buckman, 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 Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried at 9:28 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 April 28, 2009.

Rose Marie Sees, RMC
Borough Clerk