

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

December 13, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on December 13, 2011 at 8:04 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ.

Mayor Heck declared the meeting in Session and Acting Borough Clerk Michael Kronyak 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 3, 2011 and October 13, 2011 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 3, 2011 and October 13, 2011.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Rose Heck, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Councilwoman Sonya Buckman, Councilman David Gonzalez, Councilwoman Pamela J. Link, Councilman John Dingertopadre, Councilman Russell A. Lipari

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 Lipari which was as follows:

“Loving heavenly Father, we come to you this hour asking for your blessing and help as we gather together. We pray for your guidance in the matters at hand and ask that you clearly show us how to conduct our work with the spirit of joy and enthusiasm. Give us a desire to find ways to excel in our work, help us to work together and encourage each other. We ask that we would challenge each other to reach higher and farther to be the best we can be. We ask this in the name of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, Amen.”

PRESENTATION: Certificates to 2011 Meadowlands Football League Super Bowl Champions – Hasbrouck Heights Junior Football Raiders

Certificates of Achievement signed by the Mayor were presented to each Football

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PRESENTATION (cont'd):

Raider by Recreation Commissioner Sonya Buckman, Deputy Commissioner Justin DiPisa and Chief Michael Colaneri. They are: Christopher Condon, Steven Faussette, Salvatore Grasso, Spencer Lee, Robert Boscarino, Justin Torres, Daniel Viola, Zaiter Jenkins, Travis Lee, Devin Metz, Jake Diaz, Blake Freschi, Anthony Moretto, William Koukoutsis, Damian Summers, Jarel Carew, Teddy Motsios, Trey Armonaitis, Niko Tsiolas, Adrian Mercado, Justin Wexler, Colin Polakowski, Kevin Campen, Sean Roche, Bryan Formisano, Andrew Pintabona, Rocco Minichiello, Marvin Shafik, Michael Robertson, Kyle Shannon, Sean Duffy, Justin Ike, Joseph Duffy, Joseph Delfino, Liam Perfetti, Indiana Stone, Frank Iurato, David Morgan, Massimo Vignola, Pablo Granados, Max Powers, Cole Sonzogni, Jayden Conley, Matteo Ochao, Hunter Freschi. Head Coach: Joe Fadden. Assistant Coaches: Dave Dallara, Jesse D'Amore, Jack Vogt, Craig Meyers, Richard Delfino, Scott Roche, Rob Faussette, Pat Campen, Tim McGuire and Fred Freschi.

PRESENTATION: Certificates to 2011 Meadowlands Football League Super Bowl Champions – Hasbrouck Heights Junior Football Raiders Cheerleaders

Certificates of Achievement signed by the Mayor were presented to each Football Raider Cheerleader by Recreation Commissioner Sonya Buckman, Deputy Commissioner Justin DiPisa and Chief Michael Colaneri. They are: Ashley Annichiarico, Cami Arabi, Katie Armonaitis, Kristin Auriemma, Mcakenzie Balcer, Victoria Bevacqua, Maris Billings, Julia Campen, Angelina Casale, Chiara Colletti, Emily Condon, Emily Cuttita, Nicole Dallara, Kaitlyn DeMicco, Francesca DeNaro, Natalia Facchini, Breana Foote, Amanda Gasparino, Jessica Godfrey, Mia Rose Guerra, Giana Homan, Briana Kashuba, Maia Kennelly, Alexa LaFaso, Anna Makris, Alexa Marinelli, Morgan McBrearty, Lauren Mullins, Olivia Myers, Megan Nazzaro, Rebecca Nevins, Erin Owens, Kelsey Parodi, Chloe Perdomo, Kayla Perrapato, Paige Riley, Kristine Robertson, Weronika Ruchala, Isabel Ruiz, Katelyn Scannell, Martina Scarpa, Jacolyn Schuler, Nicole Schwartz, Grace Tutelo, Elizabeth Victori, Madelyn Williamson. Coach: Lisa Colaneri.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) Thank You from Mayor's Celebrations Committee regarding Tree Lighting
- 2) Memo from Fire Official Arthur L. Jackson listing Names for Consideration for Fire Inspector Appointments
- 3) Letter from Robert Schultz of United States Postal Service re: Review of Postal Service

Mayor Heck asked if anyone wished to have any item read into the record. Items #2 and #3 were requested to be read into the record (Copies attached). Mayor Heck

COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd):

requested a motion to accept the correspondence which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *(September 13, 2011 Regular Meeting, September 27, 2011 Regular Meeting)*

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

BILLS:

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$2,247,768.21 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.

/s/ Councilwoman Pamela J. Link
Commissioner of Finance

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

NEW BUSINESS:

- CONSENT AGENDA:**
- 185. Payroll
 - 186. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
 - 187. Raffle License for Concerned Parents of Corpus Christi School
 - 188. Raffle License for Concerned Parents of Corpus Christi School

CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd):

189. Authorizing Refund of Taxes Overpaid for Block 45, Lot 39
190. Authorizing Mutual Aid Agreement with South Bergen Fire Chiefs' Association for 2012
191. Authorizing Extension of Contract with Teterboro for Fire and Ambulance Services and "911" Services
192. Authorizing Payment to Former Firemen for 25 Years of Service
193. Authorizing Change Order #2 for 9-11 Fireman's Memorial Sidewalk Replacement Utilizing Bergen County Open Space Grant
194. Authorizing Award of Contract for New Garbage Truck
195. Budget Appropriation Transfers

On a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Consent Agenda Resolutions were approved. (Copies attached)

RESOLUTIONS: None

ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 2274:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY AND COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE HASBROUCK HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 2012 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS AND THE POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION LOCAL 102"** 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 December 27, 2011.

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

ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION (cont'd):

ORDINANCE NO. 2275:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY, FOR THE YEAR 2012"**

" 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 December 27, 2011.

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

ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 2272:

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2272 which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Dingertopadre, and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak on this ordinance, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Dingertopadre and unanimously carried.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE V ENTITLED "CONSUMPTION IN PUBLIC" OF CHAPTER 84 ENTITLED "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, AS THE SAME HAS BEEN HITHERTO AMENDED IN RESPECT TO THE EXCEPTION FROM THE GENERAL PROHIBITION OF THE SERVICE AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN PUBLIC PLACES BY WHICH THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE PERMITTED TO SERVE AND ITS MEMBERS AND GUESTS SHALL BE PERMITTED TO CONSUME ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WITHIN THE "EXEMPT ROOM" OF THE NEW PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING SO AS (1.) TO EXTEND THE EXEMPTION AS IT APPLIES TO NEW YEAR'S EVE, AND (2.) TO EXTEND THE ENTIRE EXCEPTION UPON THE AMENDED TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNTIL DECEMBER 30, 2013"** 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.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2273:

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2273 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak on this ordinance, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Link and unanimously carried.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §133-29 ENTITLED “FEES UNDER CHAPTER 271, VEHICLES, TOWING OF” OF CHAPTER 133 ENTITLED “FEES,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS TO INCREASE CERTAIN OF THE CHARGES PERMITTED TO BE MADE BY APPROVED TOWERS”** 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 Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Public Hearing was approved.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the meeting to the public which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried.

Bill Bergen, 128 Burr Place, noted the company for the property across the street from his home had been at that property today and trimmed and cleaned about 15 feet off the curb. He asked if they were considering taking down some of the trees that were in a dangerous condition. He said no, that a bucket truck would be needed. He asked if the borough had received any contact. It was reported that DPW Spindler had been in touch with the property owner and a letter was in the hands of the property maintenance officer and they were arranging another meeting. Mr. Bergen was concerned about safety. He also asked if the hill leading up to Henry Street could be cleaned as well. He asked if he could see the drawings of the VFW and was told to go to the Construction Department. Mayor Heck thanked him for his interest and follow up.

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

WORK SESSION:

Mayor Heck asked if no one objected, the meeting would go right into Work Session. There were no objections.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:56 p.m. on a motion by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilwoman Buckman and unanimously carried.

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 December 13, 2011.

Rose Marie Sees
Borough Clerk