

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**YOUTH WEEK COUNCIL
M I N U T E S****MAY 24, 2011**

A Youth Week Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on Tuesday, May 24, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

Mayor Rose Heck invited the Youth Week Mayor and Council to come forward and conduct the Youth Week Council Meeting. Gabe Sagura took over as Youth Week Mayor.

Youth Week Borough Clerk Camilla Pietras 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 transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 3, 2011.

Youth Week Mayor Sagura requested that Youth Week Borough Clerk Pietras conduct a Roll Call:

ROLL CALL: Present: Youth Week Councilmembers: Alexandra Seda (*Councilman DiPisa*), Maria Alcivar (*Councilwoman Buckman*), Tom Nicoletti (*Councilman Gonzalez*), Brianna Walsh (*Councilwoman Link*), Tom Pellegrino (*Councilman Dingertopadre*), Meron Aberha (*Councilman Lipari*)

Absent: None

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

INVOCATION: Youth Week Health Commissioner Meron Aberha read the following Invocation: *Prayer for Teenagers*: "With each new day that dawns I am growing up, O Lord. It's not too soon to start thinking of what I want to be. It's very hard, I think, to make the right decision but I pray that you will help and guide me. Show me what to do, let me share, someday, my talents where they're needed. And when you show me, give me courage to be generous enough to do what you want. Amen"

PRESENTATION: Winners of the Environmental Poster Contest

Mayor Heck, Youth Week Mayor Sagura, Environmental Liaison Gonzalez and Youth Week Environmental Liaison Nicoletti presented Certificates to the following for their poster entries:

Corpus Christi: 1st Grade: First Place: Lorenzo Pucciarelli - Mrs. Carris; 3rd Grade: First Place: Chiara Colletti - Mrs. Paladino; 4th Grade: First Place: Elena Canetti - Mrs. Mourad; Second Place: Amanda Pietz - Mrs. Mourad; Third Place: Katrina Pucciarelli - Mrs. Calabrese; Honorable Mention: Sofia Brotto - Mrs. Calabrese; 5th Grade: First Place: Katrina Stroedecke - Ms. Edwards; Second Place - Tie: Isabella Impalli - Mrs. Scanlon and Olivia Anne Wicki - Ms. Edwards.

Euclid School: Kindergarten: First Place: Haley Longo - Mrs Mansfield. 2nd Grade: First Place: Vatsal Baherwani - Mrs. Sabin; 5th Grade: First Place: Megan Longo - Mrs. Searle; Second Place: Shalom Dukhande and Catherine Castellanos - Mrs. Drago.

Lincoln School: Kindergarten: First Place: Marisa Ackattupathil - Miss Unglert; 1st Grade: First Place: Paige McGuire - Mrs. Kroncke; Second Place - Tie: Antonio C. Mancini - Mrs. Rau and Noah Gallagher - Mrs. Jarosiewicz; Third Place: Chiara Alvarez - Mrs. Jarosiewicz. 2nd Grade: First Place: Madison Murray - Mrs. DePalma; 3rd Grade: First Place: Tommy Murray - Mrs. Lutz; 5th Grade: First Place: Delilah Morales - Mrs. LaTorre; Second Place: Sara Herron - Mrs. LaTorre; Third Place: Kaylee Killat - Mrs. LaTorre.

Mayor Heck noted that all posters would be displayed in the Hasbrouck Heights Library and that she and John Kosakowski of Bill O'Shea's Florist would visit each school and present each winner with a flowering plant.

PRESENTATION: Chic Club Presents Check for Food Pantry

Youth Week Mayor Sagura along with Mayor Heck invited Councilwoman Link , Youth Week Councilwoman Walsh and the Chic Club Representatives to come forward. Mrs. Lisa Mason explained that the Chic Club had sponsored a clothing drive on Saturday, May 21 which raised \$350. They were donating this to the Hasbrouck Heights Food Pantry. Mayor Heck thanked them very much for this donation.

YOUTH WEEK COUNCIL REPORTS:

POLICE: Youth Week Councilwoman Seda gave the following report: On May 12, 2011, the 11th and 12th grade studens at the high school were shown the dangers of driving under the influence by using fatal vision goggles, that simulated

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being impaired and attempting to maneuver around a course driving a golf cart. Chief Colaneri, Capt. DeLorenzo, Sgt. Rinke and Ptl. Behr participated. On May 27, 2011 the annual DARE Night at Space Odyssey was held with 210 DARE students and siblings attending. All had a fun evening of games, music, dancing and pizza. Chief Colaneri, Capt. DeLorenzo and Sgt. Rinke chaperoned the event.

RECREATION/PARKS: Youth Week Commissioner Alcivar gave the following report: The Department of Public Works has landscaped Polifly Park. Last summer, two extremely large trees were damaged and uprooted as result of a bad storm. A variety of flowering cherries, red oak, maple, and flowering plums were planted for a total of six new trees. Thirty cubic yards of top soil was brought in along with grass seed and organic products that was spread throughout the park. At Memorial Park, the DPW needed its boom from the Tree Truck to accomplish the task of painting the flag pole along with painting several of the electrical lamp posts. The brick paver area of the park was weeded leaving the area ready for visitors on Memorial Day.

STREETS & TRANSPORTATION: Youth Week Commissioner Nicoletti gave the following report: The Department of Public Works has completed planting 25 trees throughout town as part of the Tree Replacement Program that occurs every year during the spring season. Although the DPW has watered these trees, we would like the residents who received a tree to please care for the new planting to ensure its growth.

PUBLIC FACILITIES: Youth Week Commissioner Walsh gave the following report: As part of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Stormwater Pollution Preventive Program, all road salt must be stored in an enclosed area with access doors that must be kept closed when not in use. As a result of an extremely busy winter with many snow storms, the doors of our Salt Shed located at the DPW facility were damaged. The DPW has completed the repair of these doors and is in compliance with the State mandated laws. At Police Headquarters, an air conditioner compressor was repaired. The areas affected were the Chief of Police and detective offices. At the Borough Hall, the doors located at the library and rear entrances were painted and several light fixtures were repaired. The schedule of meetings was as follows: Community Room – 18, Caucus Room – 11, Council Chambers – 5, Lobby - 4, Senior Center - 4 (other than senior activities).

FIRE: Youth Week Commissioner Pellegrino gave the following report: The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department held its Annual Inspection on Saturday, May 7. The public was invited to observe the fire and rescue equipment displayed in front of the firehouse. The Activity Report as prepared by Liz Waring reported that during the period of April 1 through April 30, there were 16 fire calls, 15 non-emergency calls and 115 EMS Calls.

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On a lighter note the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department rescued five baby ducks from a sewer.

HEALTH: Youth Week Commissioner Aberha gave the following report: **Food Establishments:** All annual licenses for Food Establishments will be expiring on June 30, 2011. Renewal Food Applications will be mailed the last week in May and must be returned by June 30. This includes all Retail Food Establishments, Schools, Milk Trucks, Mobiles, Seasonal, Fraternal, Massage Therapy and Public Pools.

Annual Dog Census: The Board of Health announces that the Annual Dog Census will begin on Monday, June 27. School Crossing Guards will be making a door-to-door visit to verify that every dog owner received a current 2011 dog license. Every dog seven months of age and over must have a valid rabies vaccination and current dog license for 2011. The Health Department asks residents who may not be home to please leave a copy of their current 2011 dog license in a visible place for the crossing guards to see. The guards will be wearing their uniforms and will have Borough identification. The census will be conducted between the hours of 4:30-8 p.m. Monday thru Friday. If you have questions or doubts about the person visiting your home, please contact the Health Department at 201-288-1636 or Police Department at 201-288-1000.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

Youth Week Mayor Sagura asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public which was made by Youth Week Councilwoman Seda, seconded by Youth Week Councilman Nicoletti, and unanimously carried.

When Mayor Heck asked if anyone wished to come up and congratulate the Youth Week Council for such a great job, a round of applause filled the room.

Youth Week Mayor Sagura asked for a motion to close the public portion which was made by Youth Week Councilwoman Alcivar, seconded by Councilwoman Walsh and unanimously carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Youth Week Mayor Sagura asked for a motion to adjourn which was made by Youth Week Councilman Pellegrino, seconded by Councilwoman Walsh and unanimously carried.

The Youth Week Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Submitted by Rose Marie Sees, Borough Clerk