

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

August 9, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on August 9, 2011 at 8:04 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ.

Mayor Heck declared the meeting in Session and Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees stated that the meeting complied with the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting having been made to all members of the Council by personal service on January 3, 2011 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 3, 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 Councilwoman Link which was as follows:

“Let us ask for guidance tonight for the wisdom to govern amid conflicting interest and issues of our times, for a sense of safety and true needs of our people, for a devoted desire for justice and rightness, for confidence for what is good and fitting, for the ability to work together in harmony, even when there is honest disagreement, and for personal peace in our lives and joy in our tasks, Amen.”

Mayor Heck asked for a moment of silence for Frank Cosimano, a valued Hasbrouck Heights resident who passed on August, 8, 2011, and expressed her condolences to his family.

PRESENTATION: Senator Robert Gordon and Assemblywoman Connie Wagner presented a check for the Recycling Tonnage Grant Award

Senator Gordon and Assemblywoman Wagner were invited to make the presentation, which was accepted by Councilman/Environmental and Transportation Committee Liaison David Gonzalez and DPW Supt. William Spindler.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *(July 26, 2011 Regular Meeting)*

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

BILLS:

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$3,434,174.89 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 Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA: 130. Payroll

131. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State

132. Authorizing a Raffle License for Hasbrouck Heights Parents Association for Athletes

133. Approval of 2011/2012 Licenses for Commercial Sale of Certain Motor Vehicles

CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd):

- 134. Acceptance of 2010 Audit Report
- 135. Authorizing the Borough Engineer to rebid for Boulevard Streetscape Phases III and IV

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

RESOLUTIONS: None

APPOINTMENTS: None

RESIGNATIONS: Michael Cribben from Fire Department Hook and Ladder Company One

On a motion by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resignation was accepted with regret.

ORDINANCE(S) ON CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 2267:

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2267 which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried.

Andy Gamble, Post Commander of VFW Post #4591, questioned the ordinance as it related to no parking of vehicles after 8 a.m. Borough Attorney Chandless said this was the ordinance that permits rental of parking spaces to others and the rentals were limited to 6 p.m. and 8 a.m. Cars for the activity of the premises were permitted at any time. Mr. Gamble said he disagreed, that renters should be allowed to park during the day also.

Judi Ferrari, 117 Baldwin Avenue, read the article in the paper and the comments of the Planning Board, one being screening in the Central Business District zones next to a residential zone. She was advised by Mayor Heck that this was a recommendation that she knew of no action being considered. Ms. Ferrari was also concerned that noise will increase and was under the impression that this was for automobiles. The Borough Attorney said size was limited and the Zoning Enforcement Officer had discretion of where the parking will be, to be the least burden to the residents.

Marlene Verrastro, 117 Oldfield Avenue, was happy to hear that this ordinance was being added to, especially commercial vehicles and trailers.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2267 (cont'd):

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

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT ARTICLE VII ENTITLED “OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING” IN CHAPTER 275 ENTITLED “ZONING,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS SO AS TO ALLOW OWNERS OF CERTAIN NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TO RENT UNUSED PARKING PLACES TO RESIDENTS OF THIS BOROUGH TO PARK CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6 P.M. AND 8 A.M.”** 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 Lipari, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Continued Public Hearing was approved.

ORDINANCE NO. 2268:

Mayor Heck requested a motion to open the continued public hearing on Ordinance No. 2268 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, 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 DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Link and unanimously carried.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT §133-30 ENTITLED “FEES UNDER CHAPTER 275, ZONING” OF CHAPTER 133 ENTITLED “FEES,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS TO PROVIDE THE FEES FOR THE APPLICATION AND PERMIT FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT TO ALLOW THE RENTAL TO BOROUGH RESIDENTS OF CERTAIN PARKING FACILITIES PURSUANT TO §275-27 OF THIS CODE”** be now passed on second and final reading and the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to publish said Ordinance, same to be published in The Observer, a newspaper circulating and published in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

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

ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 2269:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 2267 WHICH SUPPLEMENTED ARTICLE VII ENTITLED "OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING" IN CHAPTER 275 ENTITLED "ZONING," OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS SO AS TO ALLOW OWNERS OF CERTAIN NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TO RENT UNUSED PARKING PLACES TO RESIDENTS OF THIS BOROUGH TO PARK CERTAIN VEHICLES BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6 P.M. AND 8 A.M." as recommended by the Planning Board, 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 August 23, 2011.

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

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

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

Carol Skiba, 191 Field Ave., apologizing and saying she should have asked this question on the introduction of Ordinance #2267, asked if the Section number would be corrected, as the Planning Board Engineer at the Planning Board hearing noted this number was already used. The Borough Attorney said it had not been brought to his attention, and that it had no impact at all, and would be coded properly by the Code company.

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 Councilwoman Link, 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 9:00 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Link 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 August 9, 2011.

Rose Marie Sees
Borough Clerk