

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

February 11, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on February 11, 2014 at 8:12 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 2, 2014 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 2, 2014.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Rose Heck, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Councilwoman Sonya Buckman, Councilman David Gonzalez, Councilwoman Pamela J. Link, Councilman Christian Semenech

Absent: Councilman Russell A. Lipari

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 David Gonzalez as follows: "A Valentine Prayer" I said a Valentine prayer for you and asked the Lord above to fill your heart and bless your soul with the precious gift of love. I asked Him for sincere love, the kind that's meant to stay just like the generous love You give to those you touch each day. I prayed for love from family and from every cherished friend, then I asked the Lord to give you His love that knows no end." *Author Unknown*

PRESENTATION: Certificates of Achievement and Recognition to Certain Members of the Fire Department.

Members of the Fire Department were invited and received the following Certificates:

Fire Chief Patrick Hayes for his brave act of rescuing fellow Firefighters Lawrence Donohue and Al Saulnier during a house fire at 110 Lawrence Avenue in the Winter of 1990.

Former Fire Chief Kevin Todd and 2nd Assistant Fire Chief Angelo Roccamo for selfless

PRESENTATION (cont'd):

and brave act under extreme conditions in a rescue attempt during a house fire on February 21, 1997.

Fire Captain Peter Kolodziej and Fire Captain Robert Knobloch for selfless and brave act under extreme conditions in a rescue during a fire at National Wholesale Liquidators on April 17, 1997.

Firefighter Greg Rubino for answering 431 ambulance calls in 2013.

Firefighter David Ebert for answering 401 ambulance calls in 2013 and 717 ambulance calls in 2012.

Fire Department Lt. David Gumbrecht, Firefighter Patrick Mucha and Firefighter Andrew Waring for life saving efforts in reviving an unresponsive male on March 28, 2013.

Fire Captain John Riordan, Fire Lt. Elizabeth Waring and Firefighter Greg Rubino for life saving efforts in reviving a 69 year old male in cardiac arrest on December 23, 2013.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) Letter From the NJ Department of Health and NJ Department of Environmental Protection Urging Residents to Protect Their Family's Health by Testing their Home for Radon.
- 2) Letter from Cablevision re: Gross Revenues Paid by Subscribers to its Cable Television Reception Service Subject to Franchise Fees who Reside in Hasbrouck Heights for 2013 were \$2,904,076.
- 3) Memo from Fire Chief Patrick Hayes advising of resignation of Edmund Carter III from Engine Company One.
- 4) Release from Motovo Real Estate on Naming Hasbrouck Heights as Fifth Safest Place in NJ

Mayor Heck asked if anyone wished to have this item read into the record. Councilman DiPisa requested Item #1 and Councilman Semencz requested Item #4 (copies attached). Mayor Heck requested a motion to accept the correspondence which was

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made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Semenez, and unanimously carried.

BILLS:

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$3,779,850.81 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.

/s/ Councilman Justin A. DiPisa
Deputy Commissioner of Finance

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *(January 12, 2014 Work Session and Executive Session)*

Mayor Heck requested a motion to approve the foregoing Minutes which was made by Councilman Semenez, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- CONSENT AGENDA:**
- 39. Payroll
 - 40. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
 - 41. Authorizing Raffle License for Hasbrouck Heights Junior Woman's Club
 - 42. Authorizing Refund due to Tax Court Judgment for Block 135.02, Lot 14, 650 Terrace Avenue
 - 43. Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Make Permanent the 2% Cap on Interest Arbitration Awards
 - 44. Authorizing Contract with Certain Approved State Contract Vendor for Contracting Units Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a to Purchase Police Vehicles

CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd):

45. Authorizing the Advertisement for Bids for the Acquisition of a Broom Street Sweeper for the Use of the Department of Public Works
46. Yielding to the Bergen County Utilities Authority its Responsibility and Authority to Update the Wastewater Management Plan
47. Authorizing Approval of 2014/2015 Licenses for Commercial Sale of Certain Motor Vehicle Dealers

Mayor Heck requested a motion to approve the foregoing Consent Agenda which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Buckman, and unanimously carried.

APPOINTMENTS: Jeff Liedenfrost to Ethical Standards Board

Mayor Heck requested a motion to approve the foregoing Appointment which was made by Councilman Semenez, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

RESIGNATIONS: Edmund Carter III from Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department Engine Company One

Mayor Heck requested a motion to accept the foregoing Resignation which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Semenez, and unanimously carried.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC

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

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

RECESS FOR WORK SESSION:

There was no recess for work session.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. on a motion by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, 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 February 11, 2014.

Rose Marie Sees
Borough Clerk