

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

November 15, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 8:19 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ.

Mayor DeLorenzo 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 4, 2016 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 4, 2016.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor John DeLorenzo, Councilwoman Sonya Buckman, Councilman David Gonzalez, Councilwoman Pamela J. Link, Councilman Russell A. Lipari, Councilman Peter Traina

Absent: Councilman Justin A. DiPisa

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

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by Councilwoman Buckman: "Help Me Thanksgiving Day Prayer. O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry; When I work, help me to remember the jobless; When I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all; When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer, And remembering, help me to destroy my complacency; besitr my compassion, and be concerned enough to help; By word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted. Amen."

COMMUNICATIONS: 1) Fire Chief Patrick Hayes advising of retirement of Firefighter Thomas C. Rubino from Engine Company 2 effective July 18, 2016
2) Thank you from Laura P. Baker, Chairperson of Mayor's Committee on Community Celebrations Ragamuffin Parade and Munchkin Mash

COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd):

3) Letter of Resignation to Mayor and Council from Tina-Louise Dowd as Member of Board of Health

4) Fire Chief Patrick Hayes advising of resignation of John Slawenski from Truck Company 1

5) Fire Chief Patrick Hayes advising of results of Fire Department Election of Officers for the year 2017

Mayor DeLorenzo asked if any member of the Council wished to have any item read into the record. Items #3 and #5 were requested (copies attached). Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to accept the Communications which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

Mayor DeLorenzo invited Fire Commissioner Gonzalez to read the results of the Fire Department Election of Officers for the year 2017. When done, he then requested a motion to accept the results of the Fire Department Election of Officers for the year 2017 which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

BILLS:

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$3,838,947.49 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 Sonya Buckman
Deputy Commissioner of Finance

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *(October 25, 2016 Regular Meeting and Executive Session)*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (cont'd):

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing minutes which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 184. Payroll
- 185. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
- 186. Authorizing a Contract with Little Ferry for "911" Services
- 187. Appointing a Coordinator for the Borough's Emergency Telephone System
- 188. Authorizing entry into an Agreement with the County of Bergen for Community Development Block Grant Funds for Cleveland Avenue, Webb Place and Lincoln Street Improvements
- 189. Approving a Raffle License for Corpus Christi Rosary Society
- 190. In Support of Senate Bill S-2254 and Assembly Bill A-3821 which Affirms the Language and Legislative Intent of the Fair Housing Act

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

RESOLUTIONS: 191. 2016 Appropriation Transfers

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing resolution which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Traina, and unanimously carried.

- 192. Approving a Raffle License for Hasbrouck Heights Junior Woman's Club

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing resolution which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

APPOINTMENTS: None

RESIGNATIONS: Retirement of Thomas C. Rubino from Fire Department Engine Company 2

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to accept the Retirement of Thomas C. Rubino which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried, with deep regret.

Tina-Louise Dowd as Member of the Hasbrouck Heights Board of Health

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to accept the resignation of Tina-Louise Dowd which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried, with regret.

John Slawenski from Fire Department Truck Company 1

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to accept the foregoing resignation which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Traina, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE(S) IN INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 2368:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY, FOR THE YEAR 2016"** 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 November 29, 2016.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Buckman, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2369:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC**

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

WORKS OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY, FOR THE YEAR 2016" 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 November 29, 2016.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2370:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$70,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR IMPROVEMENT TO THE PLAYGROUND SURFACES AT THE DEPKEN FIELD PLAYGROUND AND FITNESS AREAS, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF THE SUM \$25,000.00 PROVIDED BY A BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND GRANT, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND 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 \$41,000.00"** 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 November 29, 2016.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction which was made by Councilman Traina, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2371:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$200,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR PHASE IX OF THE BOULEVARD STREET SCAPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (THE WEST SIDE OF THE BOULEVARD FROM La SALLE AVENUE TO PATERSON AVENUE,) TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM IN THE SUM OF \$116,590.00, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$5,410.00 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**

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

SUM OF \$78,000.00 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 public hearing on said Ordinance to be held at the regular meeting of the Borough Council on November 29, 2016.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2372:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$125,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESURFACING OF PORTIONS OF CLEVELAND AVENUE, WEBB PLACE AND LINCOLN STREET INCLUDING ANY NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, TO APPLY TO THE COST THEREOF THE SUM \$76,700.00 PROVIDED BY A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,300.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND FURTHER TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF THE REMAINING 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 \$44,000.00"** 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 November 29, 2016.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2373:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$225,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A GARBAGE TRUCK WITH NECESSARY APPURTENANCES FOR THE USE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS 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 \$213,000.00"** 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(S) ON INTRODUCTION (cont'd):

Ordinance to be held at the regular meeting of the Borough Council on November 29, 2016.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2374:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$30,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF NEW FINGER PRINTING AND MUG SHOT EQUIPMENT FOR THE USE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS 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 \$26,000.00"** 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 November 29, 2016.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the foregoing Ordinance on Introduction which was made by Councilman Traina, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

At this time, Mayor DeLorenzo said they were going to make some adjustments to Ordinance No. 2375 and it has been removed for this evening.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

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

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to close the public portion, which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

WORK SESSION:

Mayor DeLorenzo announced the meeting would continue to the Work Session and requested a motion, which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:41 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Traina, 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 November 15, 2016.

Rose Marie Sees