

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

April 12, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 8:02 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, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Councilwoman Sonya Buckman, Councilman David Gonzalez, Councilwoman Pamela J. Link, Councilman Russell A. Lipari, Councilman Peter Traina

Absent: None

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 Councilman DiPisa as follows: "O, Holy Spirit, we come together here as stewards of the resources entrusted to us. Please come upon us and be with us throughout this gathering. Shine your light upon our ideas, our discussions, and our deliberations. Enable us to speak our truths clearly. Help us to listen to each other, not just to hear the words but the person behind the words as well as the meaning. Keep us united in purpose, and lead us to successful productive results. Amen"

PRESENTATION: CERTIFICATES TO CHILDREN WHO COLLECTED A COMPLETE SET OF THE HASBROUCK HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT TRADING CARDS

Chief Colaneri, Mayor DeLorenzo, Police Commissioner Lipari and Deputy Police Commissioner Traina presented certificates to the following:

Tommy Brancato who was the first to collect an entire set, Chase Alvarez, Mateo Alvarez, Christopher Blum, Michael Colaneri, Alysa Colaneri, Mia Colaneri, Michaela

PRESENTATION (cont'd):

Cowan, Jonathan Cuccio, John Cutrone, Joseph D'Amico, Tyler Dimone, Giuseppe Fattorusso, Gavin Fiant, Alyssa Focarino, Gianna Focarino, Steven Herron, Damian Lalama, Rayna Lalama, Joseph Lee, Aiden Mahdy, Bhumika Manghwani, Victor Martillo, Kairy Martillo, Maxwell Mazza, Brian Mendez, Peyton Nicdao-Belleza, Jae Patrick Nicdao-Belleza, Ryan Ober, Jeffrey Ober, Dany Orchid, Joseph Parise, Felicia Parise, Louis Perdomo, Sonnie Perrelli, Anthony Peterson, Daniel Powers, Alexandra Powers, Matthew Quish, Robert Ragonothsingh, Mackenzie Riordan, Khalep Rodriguez, Tommy Schmeer, Chris Sickels, Dan Sickels, Anthony Siconolfi, Christian Siconolfi, Joey Stevens, Tommy Stevens, Charlie Stevens, Giulianna Terranova, Aiden Warren.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) Public Hearing Notice from BCUA for April 26, 2016 at 4 p.m. on proposed amendment to B.C. District Solid Waste Management Plan to incorporate the Prospect Heights Care Center SteriMed System
- 2) New Analysis by Consumer Affairs showing Hasbrouck Heights among safest cities in the U.S.
- 3) Invitation to Mayor and Council to HHFD Annual Inspection May 14 at 7 p.m.
- 4) Letter to Mayor DeLorenzo re: NJDOT award of \$116,590 for Boulevard Streetscape Phase IX
- 5) Letter from NJ DOT re: applications being accepted for 2016 Safe Routes to School Program
- 6) Public Notice of application for a Flood Hazard Area Verification by Port Authority of NY and NJ/First Aviation Services d/b/a/ Signature Flight Support Corporation
- 7) NJ Forest Fire Service warns of danger in using Drones near wildfires
- 8) GWB Lower-level eastbound lanes to begin overnight closures for repairs and paving on April 11-14 9 p.m. through 5 a.m., April 15 from 10 p.m. through 8 a.m. and April 16 from 11:59 p.m. through 8 a.m.

COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd):

9) Invitation to B.C. residents to join B.C. Family Fest at Van Saun County Park on May 21, 2016 #BCFUN

10) Letter of Resignation from Joseph M. Cooney as Alternate #2 of the Zoning Board of Adjustment

Mayor DeLorenzo asked if any member of the Council wished to have any item read into the record. Items #2, 3 and 4 were read (copies attached). Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to accept the Communications which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

BILLS:

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$2,701,989.42 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
Commissioner of Finance

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *(March 22, 2016 Regular Meeting)*

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

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA: 83. Payroll

CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd):

84. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
85. Marriage/Civil Union Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
86. Burial Permits - Payment of Fees to State
87. In Support of Denying Parole to Christopher Righetti
88. Authorizing Professional Contracts Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 Et Seq. And 19:44A-20.5 Et Seq. For the Services of a Special Labor Attorney
89. Authorizing Permission to the Application of the Lions Club of Hasbrouck Heights to Conduct a Fireworks Display on June 28, with a rain date of June 29 or June 30
90. Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2015-0008 for Block 172, Lot 23, owned by D'Elia, Janice, 536 Collins Avenue
91. Authorizing the Conduct of Sidewalk Sales by Businesses located on the Boulevard During Farmer's Market
92. Authorizing an Agreement with the County of Bergen for Surplus Equipment
93. Authorizing Approval of 2016/2017 Licenses for Commercial Sale of Certain Motor Vehicle Dealers
94. Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2015-0006 for Block 148, Lot 40, owned by Fasciano, Charles and Donna, 76 Ottawa Avenue
95. Authorizing Purchase of Police Patrol Vehicles Through State Contract #A8872

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

RESIGNATIONS: Joseph Cooney as Alt. #2 of the Zoning Board of Adjustment

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to accept the foregoing Resignation which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Traina, with regret, and unanimously carried.

APPOINTMENTS: None

ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION: None

ORDINANCE (S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 2356:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14) CALENDAR YEAR 2016”** 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.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to open the Public Hearing on the foregoing Ordinance which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to close the Public Hearing on this ordinance which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Traina, and unanimously carried.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2357:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO STABILIZE AND REGULATE RENTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS AND TO ESTABLISH A RENT BOARD, WHICH ORDINANCE IS TO BE COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE “2016 RENT LEVELING ORDINANCE”** 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 NO. 2357 (cont'd):

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to open the Public Hearing on the foregoing Ordinance which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Traina and unanimously carried.

There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to close the Public Hearing on this ordinance which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman Traina, and unanimously carried.

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

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

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

Mike Cappadona, 156 Franklin Avenue, Vice President of the Hasbrouck Heights Little League who was here with Ken DeBaun, President, noting they had written a letter to Mrs. Sees requesting to start the Little League Parade at the Municipal Building (like they did when they were kids). She said the letter was on as communications on the work session, but asked the Borough Attorney if it could be voted on at this time, he said yes. Mayor DeLorenzo asked if there would be an issue and asked the Police Chief for his input. Chief Colaneri said Sgt. Baker had brought it to his attention and he had no problem with it. Councilman Traina asked what the route would be, he was told the parade would proceed east on Central Avenue, make a right onto Burton Avenue to Washington Place, cross over Terrace and down Ravine Avenue to field. Councilwoman Buckman said if Central Avenue would be blocked and if cars would be parked on block. Chief Colaneri said the street would be blocked and there would be a police escort. Councilman DiPisa asked what time they would gather, with Mr. Cappadona saying 8:30 a.m. with parade to start at 8:50 a.m. The Councilmembers invited to march and to the ceremony at the pancake breakfast the next day.

Mayor DeLorenzo requested a motion to approve the Little League Parade request which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried.

Christian Semencz, 415 Jefferson Avenue, thanked after five years of complaining the Chief of the Department for putting the radar monitor on Terrace Avenue. His only

MISCELLANEOUS (cont'd):

complaint about the whole thing is he watched it for a half hour and as soon as the white light flashes you could see the red lights on the cars braking. He asked to see the 24-hour report. Mayor DeLorenzo said the good news is that once people know it is there they will observe the speed limit. Chief Colaneri said it is solar powered and relies on the sun. He would also ask Lt. Robertson to check the timing on the monitor.

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

WORK SESSION:

Mayor DeLorenzo asked to go directly into Work Session.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, 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 April 12, 2016.

Rose Marie Sees, Borough Clerk