

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

June 9, 2004

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on June 9, 2004 at 8:17 p.m. at the new Municipal Building, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ.

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 May 5, 2004 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on May 5, 2004.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Ronald R. Jones, Councilman Andrew Link III, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Councilwoman Marlene Verrastro, Councilman Ronald F. Kistner, Councilman Thomas E. Meli

Absent: Councilman Garrett R. Pepe

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

HONORED GUESTS:

Euclid School Third Grade Classes were invited by Mayor Jones to observe the Mayor and Council at work, as he had observed them in the classroom recently. Certificates were presented to each class. It was also noted by Councilman Kistner that many of the girls in these classes had graduated from Brownies to Girl Scouts.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from John H. Schulze, Chairman of the Board, Masonic Learning Center asking for support of 32nd Masonic Walk to help Dyslexic Children on Saturday, Oct. 16 at Hasbrouck Heights Athletic Field.
2. Notice from Craig Lahullier of Coalition for Public Health and Safety that the Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders has made an additional contribution of \$20,000 to the Coalition.

On a motion by Councilwoman Verrastro, seconded by Councilman Meli, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Correspondence was accepted.

PETITIONS:

Regarding the Mt. Fuji Hasbrouck Heights, Inc. - Planning Board Application signed by Field Avenue Residents.

Reconsideration of Recently Enacted Regulations Regarding Bagging of Leaves.

Mayor Jones announced that a committee has been formed to discuss the leaf regulations including himself, Councilman Kistner, Councilman Meli, DPW Supt. Robert Heck, CFO/Admin. Michael Kronyak, Leisure Club Interim President John Fitzin, Charlotte Catrillo, Mrs. MacDonall and John Stavash. A survey request letter was sent to the 70 Bergen County municipalities.

On a motion by Councilman Meli, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Petitions were accepted and would be referred to the body as a whole.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

BILLS:

BE IT RESOLVED that the claims and accounts amounting to \$1,626,709.70 specified in the schedule hereto annexed, having been examined and approved by the Finance Commissioner, or his Deputy, be paid and that warrants be issued therefor.

Signed Andrew Link III
Commissioner of Finance

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

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA: 97. Raffle License for Euclid School PTA

On a motion by Councilwoman Verrastro, seconded by Councilman Meli, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Consent Agenda resolution was approved (Copy attached.)

RESOLUTIONS: 98. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State

 99. Authorizing Change Order No. 3-2 in Connection with
 Electrical Work in the New Public Safety Building
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RESOLUTIONS (cont=d):

100. Authorizing Change Order No. 5-9 in Connection with Electrical Work in the New Public Safety Building
101. Payroll
102. Approving Exception to the Zoning Prohibition Against Banners
103. Honoring President Ronald W. Reagan

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

APPOINTMENTS: Paul Elenio to Hasbrouck Heights Fire Prevention Bureau

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

ORDINANCE (S) ON INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 2050:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled **AAN ORDINANCE DETERMINING THAT THE PRE-ENGINEERED METAL STRUCTURE PRESENTLY LOCATED IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY OF HAMILTON AVENUE FOR THE TEMPORARY USE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE AND AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF THE BOROUGH=S RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST IN AND TO THE SAID STRUCTURE TO THE TOWNSHIP OF LYNDHURST, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY** 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 June 22, 2004.

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

ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Jones opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2049. There being no one wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was closed on this ordinance.

ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING (cont=d):

ORDINANCE NO. 2049:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled **AAN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED AAN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$343,500.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF SUMMIT STREET FOR ITS ENTIRE LENGTH AND PLANT ROAD FOR ITS ENTIRE LENGTH INCLUDING THE REPLACEMENT OR REPAIR OF CERTAIN CURBS, SIDEWALKS, DRAINAGE FACILITIES AND OTHER NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO ALL AS PART OF THE 2001 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 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 \$325,900.00@BEING ORDINANCE NO. 1943, ADOPTED ON AUGUST 14, 2001, SO AS TO FURTHER INCLUDE THEREIN AUTHORIZATION TO RECONSTRUCT A PORTION OF HAMILTON AVENUE IN FRONT OF THE NEW PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING@** 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 published and circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.1

On a motion by Councilman Link, seconded by Councilman Meli, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Ordinance on Public Hearing was approved.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

Leonard Altamura, 137 Burr Place, referring to the back of homes along Burr Place that are hills with lots of vegetation, and wanted to know about branches over three inches in diameter and how to dispose of them.

Angelo Talignani, 147 Burr Place, questioned what to do with leaves, that he is in poor health, that if bagging is the law, then he would have to bag leaves which he felt would be a burden, as well as having to buy bags. He was advised that this is being looked into and a report will be available by the end of August.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the Public Portion was closed.

RECESS FOR WORK SESSION

Mayor Jones announced that the meeting would be recessed for Work Session.

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ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

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 June 9, 2004.

Rose Marie Sees, RMC
Borough Clerk