

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

MINUTES

August 12, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on August 12, 2014 at 8: 05 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, Councilman Russell A. Lipari, Councilman Christian Semenech

Absent: Councilwoman Pamela J. Link

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 DiPisa as follows:

God of all creation, bring justice and peace to our world. Teach us to be peackmakers. Guide us in our pursuit of justice and the common Good. Inspire us to welcome all, forgive all, an love all. Direct us as we walk in the shadow of Jesus: the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Inspire us to perceive the world through your eyes, that we might find hope and joy each day, supportive of each other, for the sake of our Kingdom. Amen.

- COMMUNICATIONS:**
- 1) Thank you from Stephen Hodulik, Mary B. Quigg Scholarship Recipient
 - 2) Thank you from Grace DeQuinzio, recipient of Andrew Feintuch Memorial Scholarship Award
 - 3) An Important Notice from United Water re: replacing 11,000 water meters throughout service area beginning in September

COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd):

Mayor Heck asked if anyone wished to have any item read into the record. There being none, Mayor Heck then asked for a motion to accept the Communications, which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman Semeneecz, and unanimously carried.

BILLS:

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$4,012,238.73 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 Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolution was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *(July 8, 2014 Work Session, July 22, 2014 Regular Meeting and Executive Session)*

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

NEW BUSINESS:

- CONSENT AGENDA:**
- 149. Payroll
 - 150. Dog Licenses - Payment of Fees to State
 - 151. Directing the Undertaking of a Continuing Disclosure Review and Authorizing Participation in the Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperative Initiative of the Division of Enforcement of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd):

- 152. Authorizing Reduction of the Performance Guarantee for Heights Cliffs, LLC, 451 Springfield Avenue, Block 96, Lot 1 and 6.01, Block 87, Lot 1

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

RESOLUTIONS: None

APPOINTMENTS: None

RESIGNATIONS: None

ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION: None

ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 2326:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$25,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE USE OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY 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 \$23,000.00”** 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 Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2326 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

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

Mayor Heck requested a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2326 which was made by Councilman Semencz, seconded by Councilman DiPisa, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2327:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$200,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF TWO TRUCKS WITH 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 \$190,000.00”** 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 Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2327 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried.

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

Mayor Heck requested a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2327 which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Semencz, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2328:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,000,000.00 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A “QUINT” COMBINATION LADDER TRUCK WITH APPURTENANCES FOR THE USE OF THE FIRE 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 \$950,000.00”** 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 Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2328 which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2328 (cont'd):

Mayor Heck requested a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2328 which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Lipari, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2329:

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$100,000.00 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR PHASES III, IV, V AND VI OF THE BOULEVARD STREET SCAPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$5,000.00 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 SUM OF \$95,000.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL BOND LAW" 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 Heck requested a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2329 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Semencz, and unanimously carried.

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

Mayor Heck requested a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2329 which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Semencz, and unanimously carried.

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

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

Joseph Caroccia, 455 Collins Avenue and has a property at 214 Stanley Avenue, was concerned with the parking situation on both streets. Stanley Avenue has a one hour parking limit and is difficult for visitors to his home. The ordinance is so enforced now that people will park on Collins so parking is limited. He asked if anything could be done. He asked if there could be no limit. Mayor Heck said maybe the Chief could make it a two hour limit. She asked the Chief who was present if this could be done who said he would look into it with the Traffic Officers. The Chief would contact him.

Carol Skiba, 191 Field Avenue, said there are a collection of pick up trucks who park in

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC (cont'd):

the dead end of Hamilton Avenue and are there before 6 a.m. every day. She suggested possibly issuing resident parking permits. Mayor Heck said that will never happen, it would open a Pandora's box. She asked Ms. Skiba to speak with Chief Colaneri and he can put it on the Traffic Bureau's list.

John Baratta, 269 Walter Avenue, on behalf of Library Director Mimi Hui and the Board of Trustees, he thanked the Mayor and Council for their continued support of the Library. He said, being on that Board, he was amazed at how much work is done by the Director and the workers. Mayor Heck agreed that Ms. Hui is a wonderful director and commended the Library trustees for all their work.

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

RECESS FOR WORK SESSION:

Mayor Heck asked if anyone had any objection to going directly into the work session. There was none.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Semenech, 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 12, 2014.

Rose Marie Sees, Borough Clerk