

REGULAR AGENDA MEETING
Mayor and Council
Borough of Harrington Park, New Jersey
February 11, 2013

(PAH) Call Meeting to Order

Time: 8:00pm

Mayor's Announcement:

In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the meeting was made. It is included in the Annual Meetings posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been mailed to the BERGEN RECORD, SUBURBANITE and THE NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

(ALB) Roll Call:

	PRESENT	ABSENT
DUNLEA (JD)	x	
EVANELLA (GE)	X	
PEDERSEN (JP)		X
RYAN (MR)	7:10pm	
NAPOLITANO(AN)	x	
CHUNG (JC)	x	

Also present:

Ms. Ann H. Bistriz, Borough Clerk (ALB)

Ms. Bistriz stated that the new Payroll Clerk, Debra Reilly, has not been able to log onto the Payroll System because of the way Toni Flyge was logged off. The hope is to install it onto another computer and make it web based. This will cost a couple of hundred dollars (under \$500) and would move the system in a positive way.

JD moved to approve expenditure. GE asked if there have been any concerns about hacking, etc. There has not been any malice.

Second AN

Roll Call Vote: AIF

The Mayor reported that there is a Mayor's breakfast tomorrow, and the guest speaker is Freeholder Davis Ganz. PAH is going to discuss future arrangements with the County Dispatch program.

Ms. Chung and the Mayor have a meeting about the lightning detection on the 14th.

(PAH) Consent Agenda-Resolutions

All matters listed under this section are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion as listed below. There will not be separate discussion of these items. Should discussion be desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately under New or Old Business on the Agenda.

+++None+++

Individual Committee Reports

(JD) Finance, Administration & Exec., Grants, Newsletter

February 19, 2013 Meeting-Resolutions to Appoint Judith Curran CFO and Tax Collector
The budget shortfall is \$18,417, not \$17,000 as thought. There are some items pending (health benefits), and some items were reduced.

AN reported on a conversation with Jeff Hargrove concerning the fact that the Ambulance Corps does need money for new equipment but is keeping costs down wherever possible and is trying to raise funds. Their bare minimum operating budget is \$50,000.

There is now a shortfall of approximately \$9,000. Ms. Bistriz can contribute a savings of \$2,175 by saving money on the copier and postage machine.

Discussion. At this point shortfall is \$7,485.00.

There is an overlap of employees in the Finance Department since AEM official last day is April 1, 2013.

AN will speak with AEM and Fire Department to determine what can be bonded and what cannot.

The budget should be introduced March 11th and wait 30 days before adopting at the April 15th meeting.

JC reported that she spoke with Murphy and feels that a partial cleanup should be done on trees as there are many storms, and cleanup is necessary for safety. Ms. Chung spoke to Mark Kiernan about pruning after Ms. Murphy said about \$2500 could be spent (perhaps already in the budget for tree removal). Perhaps more could be done at the end of the year. Mr. Kiernan is looking into it. Discussion followed.

Re CFO hire: The board unanimously voted to extend an offer of employment. Judith Curran accepted, and she is ready to start on the 25th. Anne is willing to work with Judith and get her started.

The bond (2011) can be worked on after the budget is complete.

The revaluation contract: This was mandated and will be paid off over a five-year period.

(GE) DPW, Recycling, Building & Grounds

No report from DPW.

GE read from a document on the purposes for which Open Space monies can be spent. It does not seem that tree pruning or maintenance could be included.

The Mayor reported that the DPW did an outstanding job with the recent snow storm and has relayed kudos to DPW employees.

(JP) Police, Municipal Court, Public Assistance not present

(MR) Recreation Commission, Environmental Commission

MR reported that she was not able to attend the Environmental Commission.

Rec Commission has a meeting Wednesday.

Personnel & Performance Evaluations

MR asked for the timeline on this. Ms. Bistriz will provide this information to MR. Suggestion to have them due July 1.

MR put forth the names of Ellen King and Gerri Gibney for the Ad Hoc Beautification Committee. She also spoke to the Environmental commission about this.

(AN) Planning Bd., Bd. of Adjustment, Construction, Fire

AN would like to save his reports for the next meeting and has one item for new business.

**(JC) Board of Health, Sanitation
Liaison to Board of Education**

Tree Maintenance Borough Property-school vicinity

JC reported Ambulance Corps has 6 new members, all of who need hepatitis shots.

(PAH) Mayor Hoelscher

Old Business

None

New Business

(AN) LOSAP 2013 Mr. Napolitano reported that this was budgeted last year. If accepted, a resolution can be prepared for the next meeting.

(ALB) Letter of Intent for Flood Mitigation Grant-FEMA. Neglia Engineering put together a high estimate for anything related to flooding. They budgeted for full-building generators and 2 portable generators for the fire department. This would a grant and can be submitted by the engineer. A resolution will be on the consent agenda for the next meeting.

Meeting Open to Public

Motion GE

Second AN

Vote AIF

Meeting Closed to Public

Motion GE

Second MR

Vote AIF

Closed Session 7:48pm

Motion MR

Second GE

Vote AIF

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits a public body to conduct business in Closed Session during a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council deem it necessary to discuss certain matters in Closed Session as permitted by the aforesaid statute.

MR Police Litigation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that discussion of the aforementioned subjects may be made public at such time as disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect the interest and Borough as to said discussion.

Return to Open Session 8:03pm

Motion GE

Second JC

Ordinance #677

Adjournment-Time: 8:05pm

Motion: JC

Second: GE

Vote: AIF