# **REGULAR AGENDA MEETING** Mayor and Council Borough of Harrington Park, New Jersey April 13, 2015

# (PAH) Call Meeting to Order

Time: 7:02pm

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
NAPOLITANO(AN)	х	
EVANELLA (GE)	х	
RUTIGLIANO(MRUT)	х	
RYAN (MR)	х	
PEDERSEN (JP)	х	
CHUNG (JC)	х	

# Also present:

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

(PAH) Suspend the Regular Order of Business

Motion GE Second JP Vote AIF

# Harrington Park Third Grade Travel Basketball Team

Harrington Park is quite the home of champions. As a team they are also ambassadors to the town, showing that attention and discipline can achieve great things. There is no "I" in team, and everyone is an important part of the group's success. Coaches were thanked as well for their commitment to this fine group of students and athletes. Certificate of Achievement was presented to each team member:

Harrington Park 3rd Grade Travel Basketball Team

# Bergen Travel Basketball League

Champions

Final Record 11-2

Your achievement reflects itself in the pride of the Community Best Wishes for a Continuation of Success

> Presented April 13, 2015

### Peter Ardito-Environmental Commission-Tree Bank Proposal

Peter Ardito was present to discuss the parameters of the proposed tree bank and its utilization for the residents of the Borough. Currently, the area has been created through an Eagle Project in conjunction with Mark Kiernan from the DPW. Residents would be able to file an application and have a tree delivered from the "bank" to replace a tree that has died along the curbside of their property (in the public right of way). All application would need some form of resident proof with ultimate approval from the Mayor and Council.

Planting process and responsibilities still need to be clarified.

Mr. Dineen needs to review.

Currently there are 8 trees on site with room for 4-6 more-they are still containerized with mulch around their bases. They are deciduous flowering trees (dogwood or maple) and 1 tree per property. If need be a lottery system can be instilled if there is a lot of public interest.

JP requested attention be made to liability and policy provisions made on behalf of the Borough as additional insured. He will discuss further with Mr. Dineen.

MR thanked Mr. Ardito for his efforts in putting this presentation together.

PA stated that the Environmental Commission acts only in an advisory position, so the ultimate decision is that of the Mayor and Council

## (PAH) Return to the Regular Order of Business

Motion GE Second JP Vote AIF

# (PAH) Consent Agenda-Resolutions-NONE

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.

# Individual Committee Reports

(PAH) Mayor Hoelscher

Transparent Tax Act 2015 Resolution-Requested support of a resolution next meeting

PAH informed Council of an accident that was reported to him at Highland involving the merry-go –round. He has asked Mr. Kiernan to either remove or close off so it cannot be used until we speak with the Borough Risk Manager.

PAH Met with County Executive Tedesco, OEM Managers and other mayors to discuss the CSX issues that involve the Borough. Legislation will be submitted to address the speed. CSX explained that they do not have control of many aspects of what is carried on these lines, but they are very interested in the security and safety that involves the areas that the trains travel.

(AN) Planning Bd., Bd. of Adjustment, Construction, Fire, Ambulance Building Department took in a little over \$13,000.00 which is more than 2014 Home additions and Air Conditioning Units

**Fire Department:** 7 calls, 1 interboro meeting, 2 officers meetings Fire Communications system failed a few times-Departments will reach out to work on resolution.

#### (GE) Police, Municipal Court, Personnel

#### (MRUT)DPW, Building & Grounds, Sanitation/Recycling

(MR) Board of Health, Environmental Commission Board of Health-NO meeting in April May meeting-Ms. Christine Bursch and a County representative have been invited to make a presentation to the Board of Health regarding Stigma Free Zones. After the presentation the Board will make a recommendation to the Mayor and Council.

**Environmental Commission** is planning a **Beechwood Park Clean Up on April 18**, 2015. This is in coordination with the Green Team and they plan on cleaning up and re-laying the path that leads to the waterfront. **April 25<sup>th</sup> is the Humus/Compost Sale**, Paper Shredding and all is in conjunction with History Day and the Garden Club Plant Sale. (9am-1pm)

(JP) Finance, Admin. & Exec., Grants

 (JC) Recreation Commission, Liaison to Board of Education, Public Information Recreation Commission Meeting –April 14<sup>th</sup> Master roster has been purchased from Rutgers to determine which coaches are certified. Town Day is September 12, 2015 Fishing Derby-June 12, 2015 from 12pm-2pm Ragamuffin Parade will be on October 31, 2015 with a request made to the school to have in the gym if it rains. Lightening Detection System will be upgrading their list to include a 5 mile radius.

## (ALB) Police SUV Bids are being reviewed by the Borough Attorney Swim Club Sidewalk Crossing Project Recommendation Financial Disclosure Statements 2015 (...and 2014)-Reminder to file.

# Next Meeting:

Garden Club Proclamation-25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Girls NVOT Basketball Team Budget 2015 Adoption CAP Bank Ordinance #697 Approval to Bid-Highland Lighting Project Lynn Street Phase II Resolution for Design (Neglia)

# **Old Business**

- (AN) Reminder that the Building Department and Fire Marshal would like to have the ability to use a municipal vehicle once the Police department determines what will no longer be used in rotation.
- (GE) Inquired if the Borough still uses the third party billing to save on energy costs-ALB stated yes (Direct Energy is the new name).
- (MR) Please remind Neglia Engineering to have the curb line addressed along Lynn Street by the Stop sign

Requested support of Council for the Tree Bank so it may move forward.

# New Business

# (GE) Municipal Consent Runaway Limo LLC-Addendum A

GE inquired into the process of why this type of business needs this resolution. ALB explained the State requires a Municipal Consent so they may issue livery plates and that this is considered a legitimate business that is allowed in the municipality. Insurance is provided with VIN#, coverage and location. **Motion GE** Second AN

AIF

Would like Council to consider adding a crossing guard back to the post by OLV. When an emergency occurs during this time of day, many times there is no coverage for crossing students at a very busy corner. The Chief will provide a proposal and recommendation in the near future.

(**MR**) Inquired into the allowance of dogs in parks. ALB explained that is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health. There is a cost factor to the Borough's insurance. If Board of Health would like to pursue, they may discuss, speak with the Risk Manager and provide a recommendation to the Borough. Currently no dogs are allowed on municipal property.

<u>Meeting Open to Public</u> Motion GE Second JP Vote AIF

Meeting Closed to Public Motion GE Second JP Vote AIF

Closed Session 7:48PM Motion GE Second AN 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.

1. (GE) Police Personnel

**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 8:09pm Motion GE Second AN AIF

#### **Motion**

Motion was made by Councilman Evanella to promote three police officers from the Harrington Park Police Department to the Rank of Sergeant. The officers to be promoted in order of seniority are: Peter Fay, Robert Murphy and Antimo Costagliola. Sergeants shall be sworn into position on April 20, 2015, and as per agreement between the Borough of Harrington Park and PBA Local 233, contractual salary for position of Sergeant shall commence July 1, 2015. Second-Councilman Napolitano.

	MOTION	SECOND				
Roll Call Vote			YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
NAPOLITANO(AN)		х	х			
EVANELLA (GE)	х		х			
RUTIGLIANO(MRUT)			х			
RYAN (MR)					х	
PEDERSEN (JP)					х	
CHUNG (JC)			х			

PAH thanked all those involved with the lengthy, thorough, promotion process. All the rules suggested by various State agencies and JIF have been followed. GE was also grateful and very happy with the results of the process, and that all members of the Committee were in total agreement.

MR thanked GE regarding the traffic issue in Martha Road and Harriot Avenue. The residents have informed her that they are grateful for this pilot program with no left turns on Martha Road during school hours.

Adjournment-Time: 8:12pm Motion: GE Second: MRUT Vote: AIF

#### Addendum A <u>RESOLUTION</u> <u>Runaway Limousine Inc.</u>

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that it authorizes the Borough Clerk to write a letter of Municipal Consent for the calendar year 2015 for Runaway Limo LLC, 14 Ridge Road, Harrington Park, NJ, Luai Abdallah, President, to procure Livery N.J. plates through the NJ Department of Motor Vehicles.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the applicant has submitted the necessary documents and copies of current insurance to conform with the rules and regulations governing such vehicles in the Borough of Harrington Park.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** this Municipal Consent covers the following Vehicle Identification Numbers for <u>Runaway Limo LLC:</u> 2015 Chevrolet Suburban 1GNSKJKC4FR163343