

**SINE DIE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
BOROUGH OF HARRINGTON PARK
COUNTY OF BERGEN
JANUARY 3, 2016
MINUTES**

(PAH) Call Meeting to Order: Time: 11:30am

(PAH) Mayor's Announcement:

“In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. Notice of meetings posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center and have been emailed to the BERGEN RECORD SUBURBANITE, THE NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting same.”

(ALB) Roll Call:

	PRESENT	ABSENT
NAPOLITANO(AN)	x	
EVANELLA (GE)	x	
RUTIGLIANO(MRUT)	x	
RYAN (MR)		x
PEDERSEN (JP)	x	
CHUNG (JC)	x	

Also present: Ms. Ann H. Bistriz –Borough Clerk/Administrator
 Mr. John R. Dineen-Borough Attorney
 Mr. Kunjesh Trivedi, CFO/Tax Collector

Flag Salute-Ms. Bistriz

Minutes:

December 14, 2015

Motion JP

Second JC

Vote AIF-GE abstained (absent for meeting)

December 21, 2015

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

Correspondence: None

Consent Resolutions (A-D)

(JP) Amendment to Transfer of Funds December 14, 2015-A
 Transfer of Funds-B

Payment of Claims C
Yoga in Borough Hall-D
Motion JP
Second GE
Vote AIF

(PAH) Old and Unfinished Business:

None

Closed Session-Discussion

None

(PAH) Meeting Open to the Public

Motion GE
Second JP
Vote AIF

(PAH) Meeting Closed to the Public

Motion GE
Second JP
Vote AIF

(PAH) Ordinances: None

Mayor's Remarks:

- With the proper funding available to our first responders, the Borough has safe equipment and properly trained volunteers. Planning and Zoning issues for the State COAH program are being addressed, and all Boards have taken the time and effort to ensure that the right choices and decisions are made on behalf of the residents. Thank you Councilman Napolitano for all your attention to these entities.
- Chief has made great strides with the Police Department. They are all fully trained, new programs have been implemented, and new vehicles have been purchased. All this was achieved by staying under the 2015 budget. The residents of the Borough benefit greatly from a very professional and responsive Police Department under the direction of Chief Albert Maalouf. Councilman Evenella's ability to work closely with Chief Maalouf is appreciated.
- The Harrington Park Department of Public Works is one of the best in the Northern Valley area. What the services the department provides on such a small staff is outstanding.
- Board of Health and Environmental Commission held several successful programs.
- The residents benefited this past year by a budget that had no municipal tax increase. Mr. Trivedi is very professional and responsive to the needs of Council as well as the residents of the Borough. Councilman Pedersen was always well

informed to present items of necessity to Council so appropriate decisions could be made.

- Council has benefited by the legal backgrounds of both Councilman Pedersen and Evanella, especially when it comes to negotiating and contracts.
- Councilwoman Chung's leadership with the Recreation Commissions produced wonderful results. Town Day (despite the weather) was run smoothly and was extremely successful. In addition, her representation on Council has provided an open and supportive relationship with the Board of Education. Residents have benefited from shared services for our Recreation programs as well as with security and communications.
- During PAH tenure as Mayor, he has learned to surround himself with the best and the brightest people you can find. He has been lucky to work with Ms. Ann Bistriz, Borough Clerk Administrator who has a tendency to solve problems before they even hit his desk. Mr. Kunjesh Trivedi, CFO has saved the Borough a tremendous amount of money during his short tenure. He has done some great work and he is very happy he has joined the team.
- Thank you to Mr. John Dineen, Borough legal counsel. PAH is fortunate that he is on our side.
- A thank you goes out to Mr. Mark Kiernan, DPW Supt., Chief Maalouf and Mr. Joe Zavardino for their outstanding work as department heads and their ability to work with their staff. They are all aware of their responsibilities to the residents of the town.
- Thank you to the Police Department members and the DPW Staff who provide safety, and security and respond, all day and night when necessary.
- Thank you to all the Borough employees who work daily to represent all of us on the Council to our residents, ensuring they get the best service they can.
- I have to thank a very special volunteer in the Borough Hall, my wife Rosalie, who I love dearly.
- Finally, thank you to all those who serve on our Boards, Commission, Fire Department, and our youth leaders and community service group members who give their time endlessly to support our residents and provide services and programs that are open to everyone.
- I am grateful for the Board of Education and the school staff of educators and administrators who provide the Borough of Harrington Park one of the best school systems in the State of New Jersey.
- Finally, I thank all the residents who we serve that understand the good and the bad, and that we all have the best interest of our community in the forefront of all we do.
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Council Member's Remarks:

GE stated that a wise man once said that any job you do-do it well. Good government just does not happen. The quality of our lives in Harrington Park is a direct result of those who are elected by our residents. During his 8 years as a councilman, he has met and worked with numerous people who are committed to do the best they can. Outside of his wonderful wife and three children, participating in local government has provided his with

much joy. He has learned so much over the years, and he realizes that this was not by accident, but that he is blessed to serve. Thank you.

Adjournment Sine Die (2015 Business) Time: 11:43am

Motion: GE

Second: JP

Vote: AIF

Addendum A

Amendment to Transfer Resolution on 12-14-15

Correction to the December 14, 2015 Transfer of Funds Resolution:

Fire Hydrant Services \$ 4000.00 To Parks Maintenance OE \$ 4000.00

Corrected figure

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Fire Hydrant Services \$ 2300.00 To Parks Maintenance OE \$ 2300.00

Addendum B

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that upon the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer, the following transfers be made at this time between 2015 Budget line items.

Zoning Board OE	\$ 1,000.00	Zoning Board SW	\$ 500.00	
5-01-21-185-000-200		5-01-21-185-000-100		
		Planning Board SW	\$ 500.00	
		5-01-21-180-000-100		
Construction Code OE	\$ 200.00	Construction Code SW	\$ 200.00	
5-01-22-195-000-200		5-01-22-195-000-100		
Police SW	\$ 6,000.00	Police OE	\$ 6,000.00	
5-01-25-240-000-100		5-01-25-240-000-200		
Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 15,500.00	Planning Board OE (COAH)	\$ 10,500.00	
5-01-32-465-000-200		5-01-21-180-000-200		
		Fire Department OE	\$ 5,000.00	
Parks Recreation OE	\$ 2,300.00	Water	\$ 2,300.00	
5-01-28-375-000-200		5-01-31-445-000-200		

Addendum C

WHEREAS, claims have been submitted to the Borough of Harrington Park in the following amounts under various funds of the town:

Current Appropriations (2015)	\$ 42,154.55
Current Appropriations (2014)	\$ 4,000.00
General Capital Fund	\$ 8,068.00
Animal Trust	\$
Miscellaneous Trust	\$ 512.58
Affordable Housing Trust	\$
Open Space Trust Fund	\$
Grants	\$

Total	\$ 54,735.13
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WHEREAS, above claims have been listed and summarized in the attached Bills List Report, and the corresponding vouchers have been reviewed and approved by the department head, Borough Council, and the chief financial officer; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the funds have been properly

appropriated for such purposes and are available in the Borough of Harrington Park and that the claims specified on the schedule attached hereto, following examination and approval by the Council and Chief Financial Officer and Department Head be paid and checks issued accordingly; and

WHEREAS, claims have already been paid in the following amounts for the purpose specified below:

Payroll- Salaries/Wages	\$ 102,837.74
Health Benefits	

TOTAL	\$ 102,837.74
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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that the claims totaling \$ **157,572.87** be approved and ratified respectively.

Addendum D
YOGA AT BOROUGH HALL

Whereas, Ms. Bettina Jones, Certified Professional Yoga Instructor, has requested to offer chair yoga classes in the Borough Hall for Harrington Park residents; and

Whereas, yoga classes would be taught at a pre-determined time with a set schedule (2016); and

Whereas, a Certificate of Insurance including the Borough of Harrington Park as additional insured on their General Liability coverage in the minimum of \$1,000,000.00 and showing appropriate Workers' Compensation coverage shall be provided to the Borough Clerk by Ms. Bettina Jones; and

Whereas, a Hold Harmless Agreement shall be signed by Ms. Bettina Jones; and

Whereas, Ms. Jones will charge the participants a fee for her program, and there will be no charge or costs associated to the Borough of Harrington Park; and

Therefore Be It Resolved that that Mayor and Council approve the offering of Chair yoga classes taught by Ms. Bettina Jones subject to submission of all appropriate paperwork and documentation.