

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**320 Boulevard****Hasbrouck Heights, NJ****And via livestream <https://www.aaliveevents.com/events>****REGULAR SESSION MINUTES****March 28, 2023**

A Regular Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on March 28, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at 320 Boulevard.

Councilman Kistner declared the meeting in Session and Acting Borough Clerk Anne Michelle Sery stated that the meeting complied with the Sunshine Law, Adequate notice of this meeting has been made to all members of the Council on December 30, 2022, and transmitted to The Record and The Herald News on January 4, 2023, in accordance with the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act", Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

ROLL CALL: Present: Councilman Michael Sickels, Councilman Robert Bing, Councilwoman Susan McGuire, Councilman Ron Kistner, Councilman Thomas Meli, Councilman Christopher Hillmann

Absent: Mayor John DeLorenzo

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

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by Councilwoman McGuire

PRESENTATION:

Councilman Kistner commended Gina Minichiello for her achievements and also recognized Rocco Minichiello (her father) for receiving assistant coach of the year. Councilman Bing, Coach Brady and Coach Davis each recognized Gina's talents both personally and athletically and presented her with her 1,000 career point basketball.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from the County of Bergen Department of Public Works Mosquito Control Division requesting borough permission to conduct aerial spraying for mosquito larvae in town during the mosquito breeding months
2. Letter from Chief Greco advising of the resignation of HHFD member, Timothy Moots
3. Memo from Chief Greco advising title only changes for:

- Ryan Shute from Ladder 1 Mechanic to Head Mechanic
- Robert Knobloch to Ladder 1 Mechanic

Councilman Kistner asked the clerk to read the list of communications. When done, he asked if anyone would like to have the communications read. Councilman Bing inquired if the County DPW coordinates with Superintendent Masucci with the hot spots for mosquitos. Superintendent Masucci replied that the County DPW performs this on their own. Councilman Kistner advised that he would put Superintendent Masucci in contact with Warren at the County DPW to discuss further. Councilman Kistner then requested for the resignation letter of Timothy Moots be read. He then commended Tim Moots on all his years of service and his accomplishments. He noted that Tim was instrumental in getting the volunteer fire department to the level they are at today under the now leadership of Fire Chief Greco. He thanked him and wished him the best of luck in his future endeavors. Councilman Meli also recognized Tim Moots' efforts with Hurricane Katrina and how instrumental he was in aiding with the efforts even sending down a fire truck to Mississippi to help. Councilman Kistner then asked for a motion to approve the communications as read, which was made by Councilman Sickels, seconded by Councilman Bing and unanimously approved.



COUNTY OF BERGEN
 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
 MOSQUITO CONTROL DIVISION
 220 E. Ridgewood Ave - Suite 203 - Paramus, N.J. 07653
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James J. Tedesco III
 County Executive

Warren Staudinger
 Mosquito Control Director

February 16, 2023

Dear Sir/Madam:

On occasion, the Bergen County Mosquito Control Division conducts aerial spraying for mosquito larvae in your town during the mosquito breeding months. We are required, by law, to receive from your borough a letter granting us permission to perform this service as needed throughout the summer months.

Would you please furnish us with a letter granting us permission no later than March 31, 2023 for our mosquito season of 2023.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 201-634-2881 or by email to my office staff at: NBrown@co.bergen.nj.us .

Sincerely,

Warren Staudinger
 Division Director

WS:nb

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Michael Greco
Chief

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TO: Hon. Mayor John M. DeLorenzo III and Council Members
FROM: Chief Michael Greco
CC: Fire Commissioner Ronald Kistner
Deputy Fire Commissioner Thomas Meli
DATE: March 20, 2023

We are requesting the following changes:

Title change only re Ryan Shute, from Ladder 1 Mechanic to Head Mechanic
Robert Knobloch to Ladder 1 Mechanic

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.


MG:nh

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TO: Hon. Mayor John M. DeLorenzo III and Council Members
FROM: Chief Michael Greco
CC: Fire Commissioner Ronald Kistner
Deputy Fire Commissioner Thomas Meli
DATE: March 20, 2023

This is to advise you of the resignation of member, Timothy Moots, from the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department. A copy of his resignation letter is attached.

MG:nh

Enc.



BILLS:

WHEREAS, claims and accounts amounting to \$ 3,507,966.76 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.

Councilman Kistner asked the clerk to read the Bills resolution. When done, he requested a motion to approve the resolution which was made by Councilman Sickels, seconded by Councilman Bing and unanimously carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

57. Payroll
58. Authorizing payment of fees to the State – Dog Licenses
59. Authorizing approval of 2022 LOSAP listing
60. Authorizing to enter a grant agreement for FY21 Bergen County Community Development Block Grant
61. Authorizing raffle license for:
 - Care on the Corner Community Service Center
 - Corpus Christi Church
 - Corpus Christi Church
62. Authorizing Licenses for certain Dealers for the Sale of Certain Motor Vehicles in the Borough
63. Authorizing Inter-Fund Transfer
64. Awarding a contract to Dutchman Contracting, LLC for the Woodland Park Pavilion Improvements Project

Councilman Kistner asked the clerk to read the Consent Agenda. When done, he requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which was made by Councilman Bing, seconded by Sickels and unanimously carried.

RESIGNATIONS: -Timothy Moots from the HHFD

Councilman Kistner asked the clerk to read the Resignations. Councilman Bing motioned to accept the resignation which was seconded by Councilman Sickels and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE ON INTRODUCTION:

Councilman Kistner asked the clerk to read ORD No. 2528 by title:

ORD. 2528 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 212 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS ENTITLED "RENTAL PROPERTY" AND SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE 111 ENTITLED "RENT LEVELING"

When done, Councilman Kistner asked for a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2528 which was made by Councilman Hillmann, seconded by Councilman Meli and unanimously carried.

Councilman Kistner then asked the clerk to read the notice of introduction:

Be it resolved that ORD. 2528 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 April 25, 2023, at 7:00pm

ORDINANCE ON PUBLIC HEARING:

Councilman Kistner asked the clerk to read ORD. 2526 by title:

ORD. 2526 AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45,14) CALENDAR YEAR 2023

When done, Councilman Kistner asked for a motion to open the meeting for public comments on ORD. 2526 which was made by Councilman Sickels, seconded by Councilman Bing and unanimously carried.

Councilman Kistner asked if anyone from the public would like to comment on Ordinance No. 2526 only. Seeing that there was no one, he asked for a motion to close the meeting for public comments on Ordinance 2526 which was made by Councilman Bing and seconded by Councilman Sickels.

Councilman Kistner asked for a motion to adopt ORD. 2526 which was made by Councilman Hillmann, seconded by Councilman Meli and unanimously carried.

Councilman Kistner then asked the clerk to read the notice of adoption:

ORD. 2526 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 Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights

Councilman Kistner asked the clerk to read ORD. 2527 by title:

ORD. 2527 AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY, FOR THE YEAR 2023

When done, Councilman Kistner asked for a motion to open the meeting for public comments on ORD. 2527 which was made by Councilman Bing and seconded by Councilman Sickels.

Councilman Kistner asked if anyone from the public would like to comment on Ordinance No. 2527 only. Seeing that there was no one, he asked for a motion to close the meeting for public comments on Ordinance 2527 which was made by Councilman Bing and seconded by Councilman Sickels and unanimously carried.

Councilman Kistner asked for a motion to adopt ORD. 2527 which was made by Councilman Bing, seconded by Councilman Hillmann and unanimously carried.

Councilman Kistner then asked the clerk to read the notice of adoption:

ORD. 2527 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 Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights

MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:

Councilman Kistner requested a motion to open the meeting to the public which was made by Council Bing and seconded by Councilman Sickels and unanimously carried. Councilman Kistner asked if anyone would like to speak. Seeing no one, he requested a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, which was made by Councilman Bing, seconded by Councilman Hillmann and unanimously carried.

Councilman Kistner then advised that the Mayor and Council need to go into closed executive session and upon return did not anticipate any action be taken. Councilman Kistner asked for a motion to enter into closed executive session which was made by Councilman Meli and seconded by Councilman Sickels and unanimously carried.

**BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS
RESOLUTION NO.: 65 Authorizing an Executive Session
DATED: March 28, 2023**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to go into closed session during a public meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public,
and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this committee will reconvene,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights will go into closed session for the following reason as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

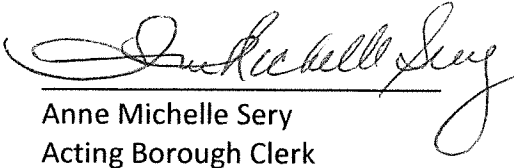
- _____ Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law or State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential.
- _____ Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
- _____ Any matter the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
- _____ Any collective bargaining agreement.
- _____ Any matter involving the purchase, lease, sale or acquisition of real property with public funds.

- Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting safety and property of the public.
- Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation.
- Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, disciplinary action unless individual requests a public meeting.
- Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a special civic penalty.

Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, the minutes can be made public.

Upon returning from closed executive session, Councilman Kistner requested a motion to return to regular meeting which was made by Councilman Bing, seconded by Councilman Sickels and unanimously carried.

Councilman Kistner then asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was made by Councilman Bing, seconded by Councilman Meli and unanimously carried.



Anne Michelle Sery
Acting Borough Clerk