

Minutes of a Council Meeting of the Borough of Hillsdale held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, in the Council Chamber, Borough of Hillsdale, Hillsdale, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arnowitz who also led the Salute to the Flag.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT:

This is a meeting of the Hillsdale Borough Council on this 10th day of September, 2013. Notice of the time and place of this meeting has been provided to The Ridgewood News, Pascack Press, The Record and Community Life; a copy was posted on the bulletin board outside of this meeting room and provided to any interested parties.

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ROLL CALL:

Council Members DeGise, Frank, Kelley, Looes, and Meyerson were present. Councilmember Pizzella was not present. Also in attendance were Mayor Arnowitz, Borough Administrator/CFO DeJoseph, Borough Attorney Eric Bernstein and Borough Clerk Witkowski.

Mayor Arnowitz announced that he will go out of order on the Agenda and asked Eagle Scout Eric Stigliano for an updated report on the memorial project.

Eric Stigliano, 6 Conklin Avenue –

The unveiling of the 9/11 memorial will be held tomorrow, he believed the piece of steel has been attached, the plaque has been mounted, the granite done so basically the monument is finished. In terms of funds raised he still need \$230.96.

Mayor Arnowitz said the Fire Department authorized a donation of \$100. We were advised that the PBA was going to cover any shortfalls but we need the final amount so that we can advise the PBA.

Council Member Frank said the American Legion voted for a donation of \$250.00 match and assumed they would split the difference with the PBA and the Fire Department. He asked if any type of lighting has been considered inasmuch as extra money is available.

Mr. Stigliano said he has not considered lighting as he was going to do solar lighting and have a solar panel placed, however, he believed vandals could remove it by pulling out from the ground.

Council Member Frank said we have electricity throughout the park and we put lights in by the new flag pole and suggested we could look at that before we close this out considering the additional money from the American Legion and others.

Mayor Arnowitz agreed.

Mr. Stigliano said the final amount was \$2,157.68. He thanked Council Member Degise who helped tremendously raising money, he thanked Forcellati Brothers in River Vale for donating shrubs and flowers for a value of \$125, Macchione Brothers donated time and several bags of cement at the base of the monument and Calabrese of Custom Stone by Frank who provided a discount on the granite and donated time for installation of not only the granite but of the plaque and World Trade Center steel.

Mayor Arnowitz asked that this information be forwarded to the Administrator so that a Press Release and can be placed in the newspaper after tomorrow's dedication.

Rob Stigliano, 6 Conklin Avenue –

He said he is Eric's Dad and in terms of the funds, and we are grateful to the American Legio, the Fire Department and PBA for their assistance. From a Boy Scout perspective and Boy Scout Council we have to make sure that there is an overabundance of money beyond his costs. We would now want to look into perhaps putting that cost into some type of lighting on the monument.

Mayor Arnowitz said for the sake of the public, the unveiling and dedication tomorrow at 7 P.M. in Veterans Park, at the monument.

R13180 Promotion of Detective/Sergeant Robert Francaviglia to the rank of Hillsdale Police Captain, effective September 11, 2013

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy in the position of Captain of Police in the Hillsdale Police Department; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and the Council Police Committee are recommending the promotion of Detective Sergeant Robert Francaviglia to the position of Captain of Police as he is the most qualified candidate for promotion to said position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Borough Council does hereby appoint Detective Sergeant Robert Francaviglia to the position of Captain of Police, effective September 11, 2013. Mr. Francaviglia shall be compensated in his new position as Captain of Police at the base salary of \$150,104.00 and subject to all other benefits, terms and conditions of employment applicable to other Hillsdale employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

Motion by Council Member Meyerson, Second by Council Member Kelley.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers DeGise, Frank, Kelley, Looes, Meyerson, Pizzella

Nays: None

APPOINTMENTS/OATH OF OFFICE:

Captain Francaviglia

Max Arnowitz, Mayor

Mayor Arnowitz administered the Oath of Office to Captain Robert Francaviglia.

PROCLAMATIONS: none

PRESENTATIONS:

Sustainable Jersey

Councilmember Frank Pizzella

Mayor Arnowitz said last week Council Member Pizzella was absent and we had a resident of Hillsdale who made comments and concerns about what we are doing on Yesler Way and she had some problems with it. She contacted Council Member Frank and the Mayor, presented a letter with the information which was turned over to Council Member Pizzella. She was not looking at the correct thing as she reported but Council Member Pizzella will speak to her.

Council Member Pizzella said the resident is speaking about a smart growth resource savings that is used in California where certain people are not able to use their property because of natural resources that are on the property. You have a constitutional issue between a person using their property vs. the demand of the community for the natural resources. That has nothing to do with Sustainable Jersey. It is not even in New Jersey. He will reach out to the resident and provide a clear explanation.

He encouraged everyone to go to the Sustainable Jersey website which is www.sustainablejersey.com. Basically it is a certification program for municipalities and identifies specific actions that help towns become sustainable. It provides tools, resources and guidance for the process/progress. You start to accumulate points and gets access to grants and funding. The program empowers New Jersey towns basically to take on voluntarily a certification process to go green. It is a great program, it doesn't tell you what to do, it just gives guidance so the town can make the choices to pursue. Basically it is a platform from which to start and you accumulate these points, it is based on a mindset and the community has to commit to the sustainability process.

Mayor Arnowitz said at 8PM he has to stop for the Public hearing on 2013 Open Space Grant.

Patty Hughes, Hillsdale Recreation Director/Stonybrook Director –

Today we had our senior luncheon and had approximately 65 seniors. Saturday we had Town Day and raised over \$1000 for the food pantry and thanked Shop Rite who donated all of the food and also gave us \$375 donation towards Town Day. She thanked the Mayor and Council for greeting the residents and non-residents. We discussed possibly a small budget for Town Day for next year as it is difficult to have Town Day with no

money. We will have the Ragamuffin Parade for the first time on a Saturday morning vs. at night for safety reasons. We will have our basic parade and all kids will receive a sugar pumpkin, we will have a magic show and they will receive a goody bag. That will be held October 26 from 9AM to 11AM, same parade route and end at George White School. In case of rain we will be at the school for the entire event.

She thanked Elizabeth Ward for her hard work and dedication to the concert series; it is a lot of work putting that together and she did a fantastic job. Stonybrook had a good summer, we had some electrical issues with the main pump and thanked the Administrator for his assistance and our new electrician who fixed everything. We will have a preconstruction meeting next week in regard to the pool renovation of the kiddie pool and construction will start in October once we are closed for the season. Our addition to the building is still at the BCA level with four pages of questions for our architect who is trying to answer as much as he can. The Commission decided they no longer want the assistance of Chris Statile's firm once we get the o.k. for the project and want the new engineering company to be part of this project.

The Mayor referred to the Public Hearing.

8:00 P.M. ~PUBLIC HEARING ON 2013 BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE PARK IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION:

Motion to open the Public Hearing by Council Member Kelley, Seconded by Council Member DeGise and unanimously carried.

I will now open the meeting to the public. Notice of public hearing on 2013 Bergen County Open Space Park Improvement and Development Grant Application was advertised fifteen (15) days before the date set therefore, on August 26, 2013. If anyone desires to be heard regarding the application, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Seeing no one, I entertain a motion that the public hearing on Bergen County Open Space Park Improvement and Development Grant Application be closed and that it be resolved that the legal advertisement was posted on the bulletin board on which public notices are customarily posted and published in The Record.

Motion to close public hearing was made by Council Member Kelley, Second by Council Member DeGise, and unanimously carried.

R 13176 Endorsing Municipal Trust Fund Application for 2013 Open Space Application

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund ("County Trust Fund"), provides matching grants to municipal governments and to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the development or redevelopment of municipal recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale desires to further the public interest by obtaining a matching grant of Forty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-One Dollars (\$48,891.) from the County Trust Fund to fund the following project: Veteran's Park Patio and Path Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the governing body/board has reviewed the County Trust Fund Program Statement, and the Trust Fund Municipal Program Park Improvement application and instructions and desires to make an application for such a matching grant and provide application information and furnish such documents as may be required; and

WHEREAS, as part of the application process, the governing body/board received public comments on the proposed park improvements in the application on September 10, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen shall determine whether the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the County Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the County Trust Fund in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the County of Bergen for the above named project and ensure its completion on or about the project contract expiration date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale:

1. That it is hereby authorized to submit the above completed project application to the County by the deadline of August 29, 2013, as established by the County; and

2. That, in the event of a County Trust Fund award that may be less than the grant amount requested above, the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale has, or will secure, the balance of funding necessary to complete the project, or modify the project as necessary; and

3. That the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale is committed to providing a dollar for dollar cash match for the project; and

4. That only those park improvements identified and approved in the project application, its Trust Fund contract, or other documentation will be considered eligible for reimbursement; and

5. That the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and

6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by Council Member Frank, Second by Council Member Pizzella.

Council Member Meyerson read the Trust Fund Application and Item #3 suggests that the governing body of the Borough of Hillsdale is committed to providing matching funds. He asked for an explanation how that works and how much money we need to budget for this.

Administrator DeJoseph said this is Bergen County Open Space matching Trust Fund which requires a matching grant, so that this project would have to be budgeted for in 2014 in the amount \$48,891.

Council Member Meyerson asked if we are committed to match or only if we choose to accept these funds.

Sal Cambria said we are committed for maximum dollars only if the materials are used.

Mayor Arnowitz said at Veterans Park we have tables with no grass below, it is messy and they are looking to put in pavers, etc.

Council Member Meyerson said the Finance Committee and Council has to budget a certain amount of money that we want to match this grant for, is it an advance grant?

Administrator DeJoseph said the application is due the end of August, this is part of the application process.

Council Member Meyerson asked if we get this grant every year.

Administrator DeJoseph said we didn't receive anything last year because we didn't have any open grants.

Council Member Frank asked the cost estimate, was it \$8000 to get repairs for that area.

Sal Cambria said \$48,000 commitment for a total cost of project for \$97,000.

Council Member Pizzella said he thought the grant was up to \$40,000 and then you have up to \$40,000 that you can utilize the \$10,000 and they have to match that. If for example you were to do the picnic table area at Veterans Park and it was to cost \$5000, you can use up to \$40,000 but if you choose to only do \$5000, that is what you have to match. He did not think we had to actually match the \$40,000.

Council Member Meyerson said in the application we are proposing is \$97,000.

Mayor Arnowitz said the park is electrified, all the electric we need is there, he did not know of any other lighting that is being asked for by anyone. All we wanted to do is put some pavers under five tables but he did not know how we got to \$100,000.

Sal Cambria said we were asked to provide cost for an existing path to the gazebo by DPW Superintendent Durie and Administrator DeJoseph.

Mayor Arnowitz said this council never discussed this. Last year this was discussed and that is when this came up. We talked about pavers under five picnic tables in the park that is all we wanted to do. There is no need for a path to the gazebo.

Administrator DeJoseph sent email requesting grant ideas and this was the only recommendation.

Council Member Frank said the last grant that we used for a number of things in Veterans Park we were able to select small items and we used it incrementally. Is that the same situation here?

Administrator DeJoseph said if you are planning to do a paver, patio whether one table or five, one walkway or two walkways, if we want to shrink the scope of this after the grant is awarded, we might not be able to receive the full match because we have a certain allocation based on Pascack Valley.

Mayor Arnowitz said all this Council needs to know is that we are not being locked in to have to budget. There is no way we will put an extra \$48,000 in next year's budget.

Council Member Meyerson said we are not locked into a project, this is what we are asking for. If they give us the whole thing we can still decide to shrink the scope if we choose to do so.

Sal Cambria said if you give us \$30,000 we can scale the project down to \$60,000.

Council Member Meyerson said the Finance Committee can recommend to the Council at some point even if they give us \$30,000 or \$48,000, we can recommend we want to budget \$12,000 and scale it down to \$12,000, are we allowed to do that?

Council Member Kelley asked for a copy of the plans so that the Council can view them and have an idea.

Council Member Pizzella asked if there was any reason for Veterans Park over Beechwood because there is a lot of work needed at Beechwood.

Administrator DeJoseph said he requested projects from department heads and the governing body and this was the only response he received. Next year we might want to do a project at Beechwood Park, Memorial, Centennial, any fields.

Council Meyerson said this doesn't obligate us to do anything and he wanted to confirm that.

Mayor Arnowitz said for the record, we are not being committed to \$40,000+ in matching for the \$90,000 we are looking for. He said if we are applying for a \$90,000 grant and we receive it, we are not locked into matching \$45,000 if we choose not to do the size of the project that is in your plans.

Sal Cambria said it is his understanding you can scale back the drawings in any amount and you will continue to get funds from the county.

Administrator DeJoseph recommended approving the resolution to move forward with the project as Council Member Meyerson requested confirming that we are not obligated for the full amount if you decide to scale back.

Council Member Meyerson asked that a call be made to confirm whether or not we are obligated. He suspects this is the way it works and he is not all that concerned about it. It is just when you read this it wasn't clear.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Looes, Meyerson, Pizzella, DeGise, Frank and Kelley

Nays: None

The Council returned to Sustainable Jersey.

Council Member Pizzella said Sustainable Jersey provides a platform and wide range of actions that the communities can make on their own individual choices. Also, 70% of New Jersey towns are in this program. This program is all encompassing, there is access to fresh foods, local economy, arts and culture, and it is up to the town to pick what it wants to focus on. Each town chooses its priority from a menu of different actions; some towns may be more concerned with transportation issues, storm water management, flooding, animal welfare and it all depends on the town.

We are still certified as bronze and in order to get that we had the Green Team volunteers as well as borough employees put in 1860 hours. Unfortunately, in the past three years, very little has been done to update the action items we had. There were changes on Council and committees; we have until September 15 to provide a list of action items that we are going to do to update our certification and we have until November 13 to submit our final updated application and that will allow us not to lose our certification. A lot of towns have done this and Hillsdale was one of the first to venture into doing this and a lot of towns have surpassed us. It would be a shame to lose all these points and work.

On Page 2 of the handout, we have created a list of action items that we feel we can easily attain the points necessary and not lose the certification. We looked through our certification and action items and the things that have expired because they haven't been updated, Sustainable Jersey will allow us to update them because

we haven't updated our site. These items in Section A can easily be updated and we can regain these points. Action items in B require more effort, C requires no effort, D requires maximum effort that we don't believe we have the time to do right now, perhaps next year. If you go to Page 3 of 6, we have broken this down to even more specific detailed action items. Only the first 3 or 4 require some follow up from Green Team members, but the remaining items really do require follow up from the municipality and he will volunteer his time to work with the Administrator to update our site. He can update this site based on the action items that the people who were originally involved in this and based on what they tell him they have done.

The basic advantages are certification for three years, improved community efficiency, priority access to notification of incentives to grants. We are talking about lighting at Centennial Field and improvements to our fields and buildings, etc. There are a lot of grants out there, Sustainable Jersey over this past year has given over a million dollars' worth of grants to communities that have committed to this process. You are also eligible to small grants like the boardwalk, the disadvantage is that it is time and man hours and as you move through the process, your staff and Administrator and Council Members have to put more work into it, it can't just be volunteer citizens. When you move over to silver certification, it will probably take the same amount of man hours for bronze, if not more. He would encourage the town to allow us to do what is needed to not lose our bronze certification.

Sal Cambria said it will not take 1860 hours to get us recertified as in the initial process. It will be heavily weighed on the Administrator and Council Member Pizzella.

Council Member Pizzella said the Green Team put a lot of effort into this and it would be a shame to lose all these points.

Council Member Frank asked for an estimation of how many man hours it will take.

Council Member Pizzella believed it will touch more upon him in pursuing what we do in actually updating the site.

Sal Cambria said he has a lot of that information and he can provide the Administrator and Council Member Pizzella. About three hours would be needed to update the website and get us up to date before the deadline.

Council Member Looes asked if there is anything after November 13.

Sal Cambria said after November 13, we would confirm recertification before Christmas.

Council Member Pizzella said in the next three years you have to advance and pursue.

Council Member Looes asked after recertification, is the goal to move on to silver or do you stay at bronze and work on that every three years.

Council Member Pizzella said it is up to the town but you always have to recertify.

Council Member Frank asked the estimate of man hours between now and November 13.

Council Member Pizzella said it is hard to estimate time that is why we put down what the Green Team did originally in order to get certification. We don't believe it is going to take that much time but it will take some time.

Sal Cambria said it is establishing what was performed over the past three years and making sure all sites are updated.

Council Member Pizzella said we sat through a telephone conference with Sustainable Jersey on two occasions where they walked us through the process. We should do what is necessary in order to recertify with the understanding that we are going to commit to sustainability. If we are not going to do that, then the town should take itself off Sustainable Jersey so we don't continue to look like we are not doing anything and allow the Green Team to return to grass roots.

Council Member Frank said he sees the name of the Borough Administrator next to so many of these things and we don't have an hours estimate. There are a lot of things going on between now and the end of the year. He is in favor of doing Sustainable Jersey and was impressed when the Green Team got the bronze certification but let's make sure we are not putting too much load on one person.

Council Member Meyerson asked for a cost estimate as to whose time we are using.

Council Member Pizzella said Sal Cambria has helped him up to this point and from here on, he would be working with the Administrator in updating the website and Sal would help with the application.

Sal Cambria said there is no harm in updating the items we are proposing in Section A if you choose to move on with this certification. If everyone chooses to hold back the reins after September 15, at least we have the opportunity to move ahead.

Council Member Kelley asked for the Green Team to provide their feelings.

Meredith Kates, 140 Sebastian Court –

We were involved with this for three years, with volunteer hours with no cost to the town. We don't have the same Green Team, we were ready to let it go, we loved the program, we loved Sustainable Jersey but we got the certification and nothing happened. There is potential in the program if it is done correctly; it is immense. She believed that if we submit something, it needs to be rewritten, it is a very difficult process to be recertified. She believed it could be rejected and we might need to start all over again, she is happy that there are people that want to make this work. It should be done with meetings and action plans and we can update and show what we have done. There are only three Green Team residents willing to support this again; we need to know how the Council feels about this program.

We met with the Administrator this past winter and there are actions we were doing as residents and we don't have the authority to do them. The first thing we have to do is to decide on priority actions. This is an 18 month action, she did not know how this could be done in three months. Unless we have an energy audit this year we won't get the points. You have to have things done this year, we can't send in old data. We talked to the Administrator, there is some cost up front, and some of the actions such as energy audit, we were stuck because we couldn't move forward until Council decided here is the priority action you want to do. If that wasn't decided, we can't do all the other actions because we won't get certified. The Green Team went on to do other projects that aren't affiliated with the program and we have been in a holding pattern. Council Member Pizzella believes in the program and he wanted to revive it. In most towns, the program is done by the Administrator, DPW, who work on the program together. If we did it the right way, residents would come out and help.

Mayor Arnowitz said you initiated a lot, just in recycling and the containers downtown; the education you provided, the cleanup; that is all part of your team and your efforts. He did not diminish what the Team has done and is very pleased with what is being done for the food pantry, fresh food, etc.

Meredith Kates said we can keep doing projects that will benefit Hillsdale whether or not we move forward. Moving forward is a great idea if it is what the town wants to do.

Mayor Arnowitz referred to Page 4 of 6 building healthier communities; Ann Deutsch moved and asked if she already left the area.

Council Member Pizzella planned to reach out to her to see what she had done in the past.

Council Member Kelley said if Council Member Pizzella believes he can accomplish this and if the Administrator has the time he would be in favor of going ahead with this.

Administrator DeJoseph said we will discuss in closed session this evening of another retirement that is coming up November 1. He has about eight hirings coming up in the next two months that need to be filled. We will start with the Finance Chairman in September for the budget. He can do whatever the governing body directs him to do but something might be affected.

Council Member Meyerson said given all the things you are scheduled to do between now and November 15, do you have time to put what needs to be done in time.

Administrator DeJoseph could give a few hours here and there, not 20 hours, etc.

Council Member Meyerson said what he is hearing from the Administrator is that he doesn't have time to do this.

Council Member Looes said after they got the certification, after three years nothing happened. We are trying to play catch up.

Council Member Pizzella agreed. These people put a lot of time and effort into this and unfortunately nothing was done.

Mayor Arnowitz repeated what Council Member Meyerson said and this is not something we want to give lip service to, it is too important. Meredith Kates put this program together along with a few other people and you are not going to do anything but lip service in three months and that is not what Hillsdale is about. He felt we should take a step back, start all over again and do it the right way, get more people on the Green Team, revitalize it and do it the right way.

Stephanie Breuer, 63 Westdale Drive –

It is a question how the Council feels because in the beginning there was a lot of work done; the Green Team was created for the Sustainable Jersey program but for the Council to take it on now. If not, thought could be given to the next step. The Green Team was created in the framework for Sustainable Jersey. We have many more interesting activities and a group of residents in town do wonderful things and the Green Team could cover that. We could communicate with all the residents in town; she worked in the schools and with the students, improve communications in the elementary schools to run activities for the very young students, open a window for them. That is her perspective, what she could accomplish. She was not part of the Green Team in the beginning when the certification was in place but now it is the Council's decision. We can advise and help but we can't do more than that.

Council Member Pizzella said if you allow the certification to lapse after you had a number of residents voluntarily put in so much time and effort, how will you ever motivate anybody else out there to come back and do it again?

Meredith Kates had a different take on it. She did not believe one or two people could push a program on the community, it does take everyone. We brought resolutions to the Council every week for their vote. We don't feel bitterness or frustration, we know there are other things going on in the town right now. We don't feel the town dropped the ball it is just the reality of what happened, it was a priority then it wasn't a priority. We can lose 50 points if we don't do it right now; she likes to do things the right way. You could try to pull something together and see what happens and doesn't see a risk in that. However, sending in something in that way probably wouldn't fly and you would have costs because it was originally done with volunteer hours. We are all involved in a lot of great projects in the town and we don't feel the town has been supporting us and we would be willing to work very hard again on other projects.

Mayor Arnowitz asked for a motion to move forward this.

Motion to move forward was made by Council Member Kelley, second by Council Member Pizzella.

Mayor Arnowitz asked to define moving forward and within three months try to get our certification up to date.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Kelley, Pizzella

Nays: Councilmembers Frank, Loes, Meyerson and DeGise

Mayor Arnowitz said that does not mean Sustainable Jersey goes away, it means that we are going to pull back the reins and see if we want to start from scratch the right way. He said he would need the help of Meredith Kates and her team. It is worthwhile to do, he asked Council Member Pizzella to take the lead and start the process to recertify. He thanked Council Member Pizzella for all of his hard work.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Fire Department-

Ambulance Corp-

Police-no report

DPW-no report

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Arnowitz brought to the Council's attention if they would be willing to put the SWAN resolution on the Agenda. We voted on this once and there was no motion. Council Member Kelley had questions previously and willing to put it back on the Agenda. Mayor Arnowitz asked that this be put on the Agenda for the first meeting in October.

Council Member Pizzella said if SWAN could get our support, the grant could be used to assist flooding in Hillsdale and he hoped that was not too late.

Meredith Kates, 140 Sebastian Court –

This is not a flooding solution and the grant should not be promoted that way. It is a planting project, ideas that could help a flood prone area, she doesn't see any risk to the town, and there is no matching grant.

Mayor Arnowitz said the problem was SWAN became a hindrance to Hillsdale in the past when we wanted dredging done. They were looking at the environment, we were looking at people's lives.

NEW BUSINESS: none

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Electronic Message dated September 4, 2013, from Kathleen Viceconte, regarding Hillsdale Girl Scout Silver Award Project proposal

Motion to receive, approve and file by Council Member DeGise, Second by Council Member Kelley, and unanimously carried.

2. Electronic message dated August 28, 2013, from Donna Zufolo-Otto, requesting permission to hold a craft/vendor show in Veterans Park to benefit the food pantry-**follow up**-Councilmember Looes

Council Member Looes said Donna was attempting to get insurance for someone to underwrite, etc.

Municipal Clerk Witkowski spoke to Donna herself and explained that the Council had a concern regarding the vendor/craft show in the Park to be certain that everything was in order with paper work, correspondence, insurance, etc. She wants to do this in October and has about 30 vendors. She called yesterday and she had a problem with insurance. The Borough Attorney advised that is top priority and be sure everything is in place before she is on Borough property.

Mayor Arnowitz said if she is still interested, perhaps she could consider this for next year as there is not enough time. He asked that Donna be advised.

Motion to receive and file was made by Council Member Looes, Second by Council Member Kelley, and unanimously carried.

DISCUSSION:

2. Amended Fire Department By Laws (Ord. 72-9)-Councilmember Looes

Council Members DeGise and Kelley, Mayor Arnowitz recused themselves from the dais before discussion. Council Member Frank presided.

Council Member Looes said there was a change to the wording; previously there were two companies in the Fire Department and when they voted for Chief, years were alternated, depending on which company. Due to the numbers of the members dwindling rather than being tied down, this company has Chief this year, next time it is the other one, etc., they are changing the wording saying senior officer from each company. It opens the pool for eligible candidates for the Chief position. Some of the other sections had to be changed because the wording kept referring to the particular company where there was affiliation. It is just cleaning up wording so that there is a bigger pool of candidates for the Chief position.

Council Member Frank asked if this was approved by the Board of Fire Officers of the Fire Department.

Council Member Looes said it had been approved.

Motion to approve was made by Council Member Pizzella, Second by Council Member Meyerson. Councilmembers Frank, Looes, Meyerson, Pizzella voted in favor. Councilmembers DeGise and Kelley recused themselves.

3. Invasive Plants-Councilmember DeGise

Council Member DeGise reported that he and Sal found a relatively easy property maintenance ordinance that other towns have. He asked the Borough Attorney to review this.

Attorney Bernstein said he also has other ordinances from other municipalities and would be reviewing them.

Mayor Arnowitz said Emerson was in the process of introducing an ordinance and it became so restrictive and he was not in favor of that. He asked the Borough Attorney to prepare an ordinance that was general. He said he spoke to people in Emerson who did not feel it was worth the ramifications of trying to control bamboo.

Attorney Bernstein said Sal will provide additional items, his office will draft an ordinance and will circulate to the Council prior to the next meeting.

4. 2014 Recycling Calendar-Clerk Witkowski

Municipal Clerk Witkowski provided an update. Last year she provided a cost for the calendar and she had a spread sheet for printing, mailing, etc. There is a letter in the packet from Mr. DeRosa that it was first time they have seen something like this. We did get calls at the office regarding one day garbage pickup instead of two day pickup, people did not understand the summer schedule. Other than that, the staff has not received the number of calls we did last year. It is a good tool, people have been positive about it, and we have only about 20 calendars left in the office. She presented 3800 calendars at \$1.00 each, for \$3,800 from DEPTCOR and \$3,538 from Sir Speedy. We do all the set up; they just run it, print it; the bulk of the cost is the mailing to get it into people's hands. It tells the people what is going, etc., what people need to know, what meeting they are going to, what is on the agenda, how to do this. We could do a monthly newsletter if we could insert it in the newspaper, it might not cost us to deliver it, but people leave their newspapers all over the place. She would like the Council to consider it, she will put it in her budget. Next month we can work on it.

Mayor Arnowitz said if we were to do a monthly newsletter the way we used to do, the cost was \$1300/month; this would amount to over \$15,000/year, vs. \$5400. Each month there was a monthly calendar of upcoming events but people still claimed they didn't get it. The bulk of residents don't know what is going on and the calendar becomes a handy vehicle as to what recycling to put out that week to the Ragmuffin Parade.

Council Member Meyerson asked why there was no advertising.

Municipal Clerk Witkowski said that would be an additional task.

Mayor Arnowitz said he had a conversation with Director Patty Hughes about Town Day and the people who would advertise are our merchants and those we ask for contributions for Town Day and so many things from the sports programs, etc., and this would be an additional request for contributions.

Council Member Meyerson said he does not mean donations, but advertising works.

Municipal Clerk Witkowski said if you put an advertisement on each page, you are going to increase the size/weight of the calendar and it would cost that much more to mail.

Council Member Meyerson believed we should take a serious look about deciding on a calendar that gives all the information and also sells advertising space.

Council Member Pizzella said it would generate money.

Borough Administrator DeJoseph spoke to Community Life and they might have something coming up very shortly. It would be My Hillsdale and they are talking with a sponsor to cover that program next year.

Mayor Arnowitz said the problem we have is the Clerk needs to know now but if we are going to wait for Community Life and it will take a couple of months, it is not fair to ask the Clerk to put something together at the last minute.

Council Member Loes said either way it sounds like we will need a separate calendar.

Council Member Frank said it was great, it took so much information from various places and put it into one booklet. A lot of the information should be on the website, however, we are talking about communicating with our residents and we have town notices that go out electronically but we still need to get to people who do not have email. Once a year doesn't do it and My Hillsdale, whether monthly or every other month, with recycling and activity calendar and could be updated because the one that goes out in January cannot have changes. He thought that would be a better investment.

Mayor Arnowitz asked in doing the calendar last year, didn't we eliminate one or two mailings that we would normally have done. This replaced the leaf schedule; one of the expenses that we incur that has postage you would still need to do as you need a leaf schedule. The leaf schedule in the calendar is one page and the mailing costs are not as high. You still have mailing costs, printing costs that would take away from the \$8000 if you would try to compute how much we are spending and how much we would save. The leaf schedule costs \$1200 to print and mail and now the \$8000 is only \$6000.

Council Member Meyerson said the \$8000 is saving but all of us are constantly looking for ways to save money and you are asking the budget committee to budget an additional \$6800 and it adds up.

Mayor Arnowitz asked if we could wait until the first meeting in October and asked the Administrator to get something from Community Life. If we don't hear from Community Life, this is moot.

Council Member Meyerson wasn't talking about a sponsor, he was talking about the sale of advertising. It could defray some costs.

Borough Clerk Witkowski said she will send out an email to all Hillsdale accounts with regard to interest in advertising.

Mayor Arnowitz said if we do this he doesn't want to put it together at the last minute.

PUBLIC HEARING:

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone wishes to address the Council please come to the microphone, give your name and address.

Seeing no one, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

PROFESSIONALS REPORT:

Borough Engineer – Sal Cambria, Neglia Engineering

Centennial Field Lighting Review. We have been working with PSE&G and are waiting on further information to be received for agreements agreed to when the field was constructed and the monthly service charge upgrade.

Roadway Estimates. This is for the Oakland Street Yesler Way improvements. As a result of the preconstruction meeting, the contractor is looking to proceed with construction the 13th of September and he stated it would be completed in a week or two. We are looking to schedule a walk through with the Borough Administrator. Borough Administrator DeJoseph said the DPW Superintendent is not available next week and would postpone to the following week.

Sustainable Jersey. He moved on.

Bergen County Open Space. He will confirm concerns and will get back to the Administrator.

NJDOT Grant Application – 2014 Road Program. This application is due September 20 and he needs a resolution and would take that as acceptance and move forward in completing the application.

Invasive Species. We already addressed this issue and will provide more information to the Borough Attorney and move from there.

Hazard Mitigation Assistance. He supplemented this with a memo early this morning. In addition to the PDM Program you requested for additional information, there are other programs that the borough would benefit from. The borough is eligible for that application and if the borough intends to propose a project such as the DPW facility, raising the slab there would be a more cost effective way to improve the flooding in that facility. It may also increase chances of getting funding for the program.

Mayor Arnowitz said a dam door seems like a better solution than trying to raise the building.

Sal Cambria said there are eligible activities on the PDM Program that the borough can look at on Pages 2 and 3. There is guidance that FEMA provides. He can set up a discussion, the deadline is next month, but we probably missed it for this year. We will keep it in mind for next year. There are other grants that are active annually.

Mayor Arnowitz said in the past we had a different engineer and he would bring them to us and any grants that you know of that you think are apropos to the town, please let us know, especially if there are no matching funds required. Let us just try and get them. With regard to dam doors it would probably be worth 25% that the borough would have to put up to get something like that done.

Sal Cambria would propose to push that for next year and at the next meeting, proposal of grants available.

Mayor Arnowitz said come up with ideas, send them to the Administrator, send them to the Engineer and let us see if there is a grant. He said the handicap ramps that were put in along Washington Avenue and Hillsdale Avenue, the contractor still has not finished the job between the concrete they put in and the lawns and there are gaps between the curbs and ramps. They have to finish it, it has been months already.

Administrator DeJoseph said a punch list was sent to the contractor two weeks ago and we are still waiting to hear. He will follow up.

Borough Administrator/CFO-
Borough Attorney-

ORDINANCES: *Adoption and Introduction*

13-10 (Introduction)

AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 138, FEES OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 13-10 does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Mayor and Council in the Municipal Building, 380 Hillsdale Avenue, Hillsdale, New Jersey, on October 1, 2013 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in the Ridgewood News once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage.

Borough Attorney Bernstein said this ordinance was done at the last minute. He asked that the Council discuss things before we put it on the agenda. He asked that the Council look at the current ordinance and give his office some guidance.

Borough Administrator DeJoseph said this ordinance can be held over until October. He said it is an automatic 5% increase in the ordinance passed in 2011.

Council Member Frank said past practice was that these were discussed by the Finance Committee and submitted to the Council. It did not happen.

Attorney Bernstein said there is a provision under the parking ordinance for half year parking which is fine. He is not aware why only one half and not the other half.

Council Member Meyerson said this is a proposed ordinance which he assumes increases fees.

Attorney Bernstein said the Finance Committee should get a copy of Chapter 138 of the borough code which sets forth the fees and review it.

Mayor Arnowitz said we have a discussion here but people are coming looking for parking stickers. In the past if you came in in June for a parking sticker for 2013, you had to buy a parking sticker for an entire year. The Police Chief suggested at a previous meeting that we create a half year fee. We never had a half year fee before.

Council Member Frank said in order to save time, let us say the Finance Committee will review this and bring it back to the Council.

Mayor Arnowitz will have the present existing ordinance sent to Council Member Meyerson.

Borough Administrator DeJoseph said this will be sent to the entire governing body.

Mayor Arnowitz said this will be carried to the October 1 meeting.

Mayor Arnowitz said Ordinances No. 13-11 and 13-09 both affect the Fire Department.

Mayor Arnowitz, Council Members DeGise and Kelley left the room at 9:35 PM.

13-11(Introduction)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE BOROUGH CODE OF HILLSDALE, ENTITLED CHAPTER 29, "FIRE DEPARTMENT", MOST NOTABLY SECTION 29-6, "BY-LAWS AND RULES OF BOARD OF FIRE OFFICERS"

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 13-11 does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Mayor and Council in the Municipal Building, 380 Hillsdale Avenue, Hillsdale, New Jersey, on October 1, 2013 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to

publish said ordinance in the Ridgewood News once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage.

Motion to introduce by Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member Pizzella.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Frank, Meyerson, Looes and Pizzella

Nays: None

Recused: Council Members Kelley and DeGise

13-09 (Adoption)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE, MOST NOTABLY CHAPTER 45, "LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM"

PUBLIC HEARING:

Borough Attorney Bernstein said I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 13-09, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Motion to close public by Council Member Pizzella, Second by Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried. Recuse: Council Members Kelley and DeGise.

Borough Attorney Bernstein said I entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 13-09 be closed and that it be resolved that this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board on which public notices are customarily posted and published in the Ridgewood News. Copies of said ordinance were made available to the general public. Now, therefore, be it resolved that this ordinance be adopted and the Clerk is authorized to advertise the same according to law.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 13-09 by Council Member Meyerson, Second by Council Member Pizzella.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Looes, Meyerson, Pizzella and Frank

Nays: None

Recuse: Council Members DeGise and Kelley

13-12 (Introduction)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE, MOST NOTABLY CHAPTER 138-7 ENTITLED FEES FOR "ANIMALS"

Borough Attorney Bernstein said there is another underlying issue. Your Board of Health has the authority to adopt ordinances including establishing fees. Somewhere along the way somebody told them that they can only do certain ordinances not all ordinances. It is like you can only partially be a board but not fully a board. He and the Borough Clerk discussed that this will be done the last time because there is a need to update dog and cat licenses and in future the Board of Health will pass ordinances. He asked that the governing body adopt the ordinance by title only and asked that the Council introduce Ordinance No. 13-12 by title, which you are allowed to do and we will redraft and it will be published so that we can have it for the October meeting.

Motion to approve by title and to redraft the ordinance was made by Council Member Kelley, second by Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Frank, Pizzella, Kelley, Looes, DeGise and Meyerson

Nays: None

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 13-12 does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Mayor and Council in the Municipal Building, 380 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, New Jersey, on October 1, 2013 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to

publish said ordinance in the Ridgewood News once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage.

RESOLUTIONS: R13181 through R13187, R13189 (Consent Agenda):

Mayor Arnowitz said the resolutions will be adopted except for R13186 and R13187.

R 13181 Authorize purchase of gasoline under state contract #58885, for the period September 1, 2013 through November 30, 2013, not to exceed \$30,000.

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 and the Borough of Hillsdale has a need to purchase gasoline for borough vehicles under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing program; and

WHEREAS, Gulf Oil Limited Partnership Fleet Services has been awarded New Jersey State Contract No. 58885; and

WHEREAS, the administration recommends the utilization of this contract, for the period September 1, 2013 through November 30, 2013, not to exceed \$30,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale approves the acceptance of the above-sited contract subject to the certification of funds from the Chief Financial Officer.

R 13182 Payment of Bills

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the following bills in the sum of \$3,125,916.48 as authorized by the Department Head and approved by a Council member liaison, be paid; and that the Mayor, Clerk and Chief Financial Officer be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants in payment of same.

R 13183 Authorize the Borough Clerk to advertise RFP, IT services

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for Requests for Proposals (RFP) for IT Service and installation of desktop computers.

R 13184 Authorize purchase of radio and communication equipment and accessories under state contract#83903, for the period May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2018 with KML Technology Inc., not to exceed \$25,000.00 to be paid over three (3) years.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale was in need of a vendor to upgrade the SmartDMS 9-1-1 Radio Communication Equipment and Accessories utilized by the Borough of Hillsdale Police Department; and,

WHEREAS, in order to obtain such, the Borough of Hillsdale requested proposals for Radio Communication Equipment and Accessories for the Borough; and,

WHEREAS, KML Technology Inc. has been awarded New Jersey State Contract No. 83903; and

WHEREAS, the administration recommends the utilization of this contract, for the period May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, KML Technology, Inc. with a principal business address located at 1460 Grandview Avenue, Unit 4, Mid-Atlantic Corporate Center, Township of West Deptford, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey 08066, submitted a proposal offering to provide the Borough of Hillsdale with upgrades to the SmartDMS 9-1-1 Radio Communication Equipment and Accessories for a total contract amount not to exceed Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to be paid over three (3) years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale and KML have arrived at an agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") concerning the necessary upgrades; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Borough, to execute the Agreement with KML Technology, Inc. and any and all associated documents without further action by the Borough Council. A copy of the executed Agreement(s) shall be on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

R 13185 Approval to submit and execute grant application with NJDOT for Saddlewood Drive

WHEREAS, Saddlewood Drive has developed significant areas of cracking, erosion and pot holes due to weather patterns, traffic and aging, and

WHEREAS, the condition of the road poses operational and safety concerns for motorists as well as pedestrians,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Hillsdale formally approves the grant application for the above stated project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified **MA-2014-Hillsdale Borough-00249** to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale, and

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

R 13189 Combine taxes Block 1505, Lots 6&7

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has combined Block 1505 Lot 6 and Lot 7 effective for tax year 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale hereby authorize the Tax Collector to combine the tax amount of \$572.89 for 2013 and adjust the preliminary taxes for 2014 in the amount of \$286.45 to Lot 6,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution is forwarded to the Tax Collector, Tax Assessor and Borough Auditor.

Motion by Council Member Kelley, Second by Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Meyerson, Pizzella, DeGise, Frank, Kelley, Looes

Nays: None

RESOLUTIONS ~ OFF CONSENT AGENDA:

R13186 Award contract for Banking Services to Oritani Bank.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale requested proposals for a money management system for banking services to be implemented on or after October 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2013, in furtherance of said banking services, the Borough of Hillsdale, consistent with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et.seq.), advertised a request for proposals (hereinafter referred to as the "RFP") for such municipal banking services; and

WHEREAS, in response to the Request For Proposals the Borough received four (4) proposals for banking services on September 4, 2013; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale award the contract to ORITANI BANK, 370 Pascack Road, Washington Township, NJ 07676, to provide the highest level of banking services and the most economic and efficient standards that will be in the best interests of the Borough and its taxpayers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Chief Financial Officer, and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with the submitted proposal and the designation of ORITANI BANK as an official depository of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey.

Motion by Kelley, Second by Council Member Frank.

Borough Administrator DeJoseph said he had a conflict with one of the participating banks so the Administrators of Westwood, Old Tappan and River Vale reviewed the proposals. He provided an excel spreadsheet.

Mayor Arnowitz said if you look to the right you can see the estimated benefits to the borough: Oritani \$25,766 vs. from \$2000 to \$10,000 for the other banks.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Pizzella, DeGise, Frank, Kelley, Looes and Meyerson

Nays: None

R 13187 Authorizing execution of agreement and supporting documents award of contract for cell tower to AT&T-to be continued per Borough Attorney Bernstein

Mayor Arnowitz said we will hold off on R13187.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

(The following correspondence on file in Borough Clerks Office)

R1 Neglia Engineering Associates-Engineer's Report: September 5, 2013

Motion to Record and Accept by Council Member DeGise, Second by Council Member Pizzella, and unanimously carried.

R2 Hillsdale Board of Health-August 2013~Councilmember Looes

Motion to Record and Accept Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Pizzella, and unanimously carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTARIES:

Council Member DeGise provided his memories of 9/11 and his many visits to the World Trade Center.

Council Member Looes congratulated Captain Francaviglia on his promotion. On September 17, a flu clinic will be held at the borough hall, call for an appointment.

Council Member Meyerson congratulated Captain Francaviglia, a last go round of a long line of great Captains in Hillsdale. He was Liaison for Domestic Violence and it needs mentioning and he has done great work in this regard.

Council Member Kelley said Captain Francaviglia is a very deserving officer and was very pleased with his promotion. On 9/11 there are several events in town, one in the morning a silent observance with the Fire Department. We meet at 8:15AM and go to the monument at 8:30AM. Unveiling of the 9/11 memorial and a candlelight vigil at 7:00 p.m.

Council Member Pizzella also added his congratulations for Captain Francaviglia. He appreciated the discussion this evening and his goal was to vent the issue and get direction on Sustainable Jersey. He welcomed back to school all the students and he thought Town Day was a great day. Pictures are on the website.

Council Member Frank said he has a Library report and he believed it should be put on the Agenda with the other reports in the future. Library is doing well; with Woodcliff Lake participation we are up to 52% renewal which is good based on the fact that they have greatly reduced their reimbursement to any of their residents who join the Hillsdale Library. We have 104 members that have joined. Our circulation is still soft due to Netflix and I-tunes and it is impacting our DVD's and CD's. Our book borrowing is good the electronic books are gaining. Senior Cinema on September 25, October 30 and November 20 will be held at the library and also have the Hillsdale foreign film series and that is one movie per month for September and October and post them on the bulletin board. The museum pass program is working well, we have passes available for Intrepid Museum, Guggenheim Museum and the Grounds for Sculpture in Hamilton Township. You save about \$40 for admission for two people by using the pass. In answer to Council Member Meyerson's question, you pay separately for the space shuttle, it is just the basic entry fee. It is funded by Friends of the Library and we will be reviewing for new ideas at the end of the year. A request by Council Member Meyerson to consider the library as a passport processing center is a good referral. We could get additional revenue by taking in, processing and filling out applications for passports and renewals and passing them on. We expect to get an update next month from David Franz. He congratulated Captain Francaviglia. He asked parents to turn off their phones when taking students to school.

Borough Administrator DeJoseph congratulated Captain Francaviglia. There is a pre-construction meeting scheduled next week for the Patterson Street Bridge and he will confirm with the Police Chief and DPW

Superintendent Durie who will attend as well. Milling is in the process on Washington Avenue; they will do Kinderkamack from Hillsdale Avenue to Piermont and continue on Washington Avenue. It is anticipated that the roads will be paved Friday and Monday.

Mayor Arnowitz repeated the 9/11 ceremonies times and locations: 8:15AM we will meet with the Fire Department in front of the firehouse; 8:30AM we will proceed to Hillsdale Avenue facing the RR station then we will have our ceremony. There are no speeches, purely inner, emotional time. At 7PM we will have our 9/11 memorial from our Eagle Scout Eric Stigliano and following that the yearly candlelight ceremony at 7:30PM in the park. Another date to remember is October 19 at 2PM is the loss of a great benefactor, Bob Hewitt and the Fire Department will host a luncheon to remember Bob.

With regard to Sustainable Jersey program, he has worked with the Green Team; they have done a lot for Hillsdale over the past three years getting our Sustainable Jersey Program together. If we didn't have them we would not have the recycling containers downtown. Our recycling and cleanup programs increased which is part of their efforts. He is very proud of them and very thankful for their efforts. Hopefully we will continue.

He congratulated Bob Francaviglia. He has an opening on the Environmental Commission and will be appointing Tony Maalouf. The Environmental Commission provided a name today, a very deserving individual, and he will consider them for the next opening.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: @9:55 pm

R 13188 To provide for a meeting not open to the public in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 provides that an Executive Session not open to the public may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough of Council of the Borough of Hillsdale to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) and designated below:

- ___ (1) Matters required by law to be confidential.
- ___ (2) Matters where the release of information would impair the right to receive funds.
- ___ (3) Matters involving individual privacy.
- ___ (4) Matters relating to collective bargaining agreements.
- ___ (5) Matters relating to the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property or the investment of public funds.
- ___ (6) Matters relating to public safety and property.
- ___ (7) Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and the attorney-client privilege
- ___ (8) Matters relating to the employment relationship.
- ___ (9) Matters relating to the potential imposition of a penalty.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Hillsdale assembled in public session this date that an Executive Session closed to the public be and the same is hereby authorized for discussion of matters relating to the specified items designated above. It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Borough Council that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

Motion by Council Member Kelley, Second by Council Member Looes, at 9:55 p.m. to adjourn the regular meeting and go into closed session, unanimously carried.

Borough Attorney Bernstein read matters related to collective bargaining agreements for Teamster Local 125, matters relating to property investment of public funds, cell tower, AT&T cell tower, matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege, Saddlewood Hills property, matters relating to employment relationships, Public Health Nurse, DPW interviews, non-union employee compensation, court hours, retirement of two employees.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING: @11:30

Borough Attorney Bernstein said let the record reflect that all members of the governing body present to commence the executive session present recommence the open session as well as the Borough Clerk, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney.

There was a discussion regarding the issue of an opening of Public Health Nurse, my office will be providing an opinion to the Administrator. There was discussion of a possible vacancy in the Electric Sub-code Inspector position, Mr. DeJoseph was given direction in regard to that item. There was discussion regarding the issue of compensation for non-union employees and it has been directed to the Finance Committee for review and recommendation. There was discussion regarding the contract for a possible cell tower placement at the DPW yard, the governing body has been asked to review the draft agreement and give any comments. It is the recommendation of both the Administrator and myself to adopt it as drafted. There was discussion regarding ongoing Saddlewood Hills and he will reach out to the attorney for the property owner. There was discussion with the DPW Memorandum of Agreement, the Borough Administrator given direction as to the ongoing open items. There was discussion regarding the Borough Attorney who waived his Rice Notice and no further action at the moment needs to be taken regarding such. There was discussion about the upcoming vacancy for a DPW Superintendent and a special meeting of the Mayor and Council for Monday, September 23, 2013, at 6PM in the Council Chamber for the purpose of interviewing semi-finalists for the position.

Motion by Council Member Pizzella, second by Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

Borough Attorney Bernstein said there was further discussion from the Municipal Clerk regarding some procedural items involving notice for ordinance, seeking advice from the attorney, the attorney granted her desire to have this read.

ADJOURNMENT: @11:30

Motion by Council Member Kelley, Second by Council Member Looes, and unanimously carried.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2013 ~BEGINNING AT 7:30 P.M.