

BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE

2014 Fiscal Year Budget Presentation

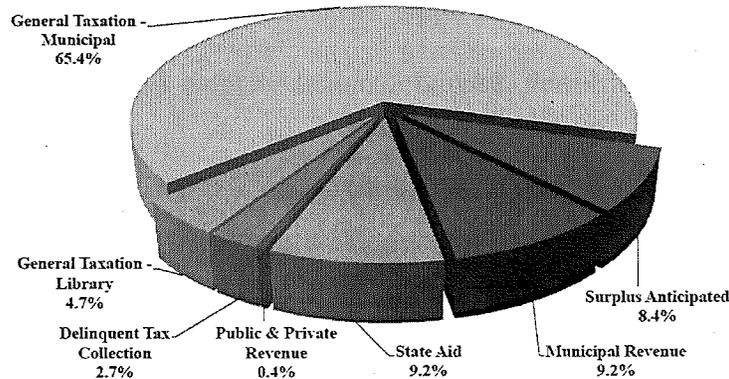
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Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP

Mayor Arnowitz said copies of the presentation available if anyone would care to follow along. This is also on our website.

Auditor Paul Lerch said we will present the 2014 Municipal Budget for the Borough of Hillsdale. We presented a similar power point in 2013, and he will give similar highlights. There will be a question and answer period when completed. We are tonight to have a hearing on the budget; the budget was previously introduced and after the public hearing, there will be the opportunity to adopt the budget. There will also be an amendment resolution on the Agenda for this evening; there can be public dialogue on the amendment as well. The numbers we are looking at here include the introduced budget plus any of the amendments. The total budget changed by \$20,000 total, the amount to be raised by taxation municipal was decreased by \$20,000, and the total budget was decreased by \$20,000. The statutory charges, Public Employees Retirement system was decreased by \$20,000, Police and Fire Retirement Pension System was decreased by \$34,000 and there was an additional capital improvement item added to the budget of \$34,000 for the Fire Department turnout gear, SCBA cylinders and other equipment.

Borough of Hillsdale 2014 Revenues

Where the Budget \$\$ Comes From



Borough of Hillsdale Breakdown of Revenues

| | 2014 Proposed | Adopted 2013 Budget | Variance | % |
|------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Surplus Anticipated | \$ 1,075,000 | \$ 950,000 | \$ 125,000 | 13.2 |
| Municipal Revenue | 1,176,429 | 1,201,666 | (25,237) | (2.1) |
| State Aid | 1,182,373 | 1,182,373 | - | - |
| Public & Private Revenue | 50,120 | 41,993 | 8,127 | 19.4 |
| Delinquent Tax Rcpts. | 350,000 | 350,000 | - | - |
| General Taxation - Library | 603,070 | 614,723 | (11,653) | (1.9) |
| General Taxation - Municipal | 8,390,368 | 8,228,914 | 161,454 | 2.0 |
| Total | \$12,827,360 | \$12,569,669 | \$ 257,691 | 2.1% |

We have here basically a summary of the breakdown of revenues 2014 proposed as just indicated after the amendment and comparing that to the adopted budget for 2013. We have categorized major components here and you can see that utilization of surplus is up by \$125,000 from the previous year. The large majority of the increase of surplus will be explained when we get to the appropriation side; it is offset with one time capital expenditures. There was discussion at the finance level about utilizing additional surplus and the consensus was to use the additional surplus but to offset that by one-time capital expenditures. When you look at this that is where we are at \$125,000 more than we were in 2013.

Municipal revenues are a catch all, it is going to be any revenue he is not going to discuss, and it covers everything, it covers licenses, fees for permits, cell tower, construction code, parking, anything that is not in a specific category is going to be sitting in municipal revenue. It is relatively flat, down \$25,000 from the year before. State Aid, the amount of revenue received from the State of New Jersey is flat from the year before; public and private revenues not much of a change here. Public and private revenues are dollars which are offset by appropriations so we have a revenue of \$50,000 and you look on the budget side and appropriations side it is going to be offset as well, it is grant-type of revenues that the Borough receives. A lot of times additional revenues come in during the year, those items can be added to the budget through what is called the Chapter 159.

Delinquent taxes \$350,000 unchanged from the year before, that amount represents the amount that the borough is anticipating as receipts for the prior year which were not paid, which were delinquent.

General taxation Library is split here between taxation library and municipal government. The library is set by law 1/3 of a mil of equalization value so that amount is established by statute. The minimum requirement that the borough has to fund is \$603,070 compared to last year of \$614,723. Again the decrease reflects a drop in assessed values and you have a bottom line of general taxation municipal and that is the amount of tax dollars that the borough needs to raise for the 2014 budget, \$8,390,368 compared to the previous years of \$8,228,914 adding \$161,000. The combination of both taxation line items which is going to be taxed in your tax bill is about 1.7% increase. The total budget is up 2.1%.

This is just an idea of what happens to your tax revenues and where they come from. You are very similar to communities your size. He looked at last year's and the percentage difference is very small compared to two years ago. You will see it hasn't changed very much in quite a few years. Taxation is the biggest piece when we get to the very end and one of the slides will show where your tax dollars go. Most of the money raised is money coming from municipal side, taxation side. There are various components, surplus making up 8%, 65% to 66% comes from taxpayers and the state is only contributing 9%.

Borough of Hillsdale Tax Levy CAP

| | |
|---|---------------------|
| 2014 Amount to be Raised by | |
| Taxation - Municipal | \$ 8,390,368 |
| *Maximum permitted to be Raised by Taxation | <u>\$ 8,698,654</u> |
| Amount below CAP | <u>\$ 308,286</u> |

* Includes CAP Banks

What we are trying to tell is the story that talks about the tax levy CAP. As most people know, certainly the Mayor and Council are aware of the fact that recent legislation that was passed in 2011 requires a CAP on the tax dollars that can be levied. This is dealing with how many dollars are you limited and how much can you raise in tax dollars. The statute limits it to 2%, there are adjustments to that 2%, but generally speaking you are allowed to raise tax dollars 2%. Some of the items outside of the 2% would be debt service, insurance, capital, pension increases that are above and beyond statutory limits. In 2014, the budget that is being presented that is subject to that CAP is \$8,390,368. Through the calculations under the state statutes which limits the 2%, the Mayor and Council can actually go out and raise an additional \$308,286 in tax dollars and still be within the 2% CAP. There are banks as well, there is typically a three year banking period.

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Budget Spending Analysis

| | Adopted | | Variance | % |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | 2014 Proposed | 2013 Budget | | |
| General Government | \$ 2,451,567 | \$ 2,524,631 | \$ (73,064) | (2.9) |
| Insurance | 1,639,062 | 1,516,849 | 122,213 | 8.1 |
| Public Safety - Police, Dispatch & Fire | 3,205,228 | 3,235,494 | (30,266) | (0.9) |
| Public Works | 1,348,020 | 1,187,550 | 160,470 | 13.5 |
| Library | 634,422 | 633,422 | 1,000 | 0.2 |
| Sewer Charges | 941,948 | 947,240 | (5,292) | (0.6) |
| Public & Private Programs | 50,120 | 44,868 | 5,252 | 11.7 |
| Statutory & Deferred Charges | 992,000 | 1,208,765 | (216,765) | (17.9) |
| Debt Service/Capital Improvements | 804,993 | 610,850 | 194,143 | 31.8 |
| Res. for Uncollected Taxes | 760,000 | 660,000 | 100,000 | 15.2 |
| | <u>\$ 12,827,360</u> | <u>\$ 12,569,669</u> | <u>\$ 257,691</u> | <u>2.1%</u> |

Spending side, the other side of the budget – if you look at the very bottom we are up to the same 2.1% total dollars being increased for spending. It is self-explanatory here; general government is really the catchall so we include anything that we are not seeing here, administration, collection of taxes, legal, accounting, engineering – anything that is not specifically addressed here is going to be in that catchall under general government and it is actually down \$73,000 from the year before. Insurance would include all your insurances, health, workers' comp, liability insurance adds up 8%, public safety which includes police, dispatch, fire, and that is down \$30,000 from the year before. Public Works dealing with recycling as well as garbage that is up about \$160,000 from the year before and the majority of the increases are related to the storm, the additional cost because of the storms as well as vehicle maintenance. That is the bulk of that increase.

Library – even though we were required to levy less, the governing body chose to appropriate more than the minimum requirement and that is slightly up \$1,000. Sewer charges are the charges by the BCUA for waste water disposal. Public and private programs are indicated on the revenue side and these are the appropriation matching sides to the revenues, they will always be consistent at that point. Statutory and deferred charges really refer to your pension bills, social security, any other deferred charges. The reason it is down \$260,000 is that the majority of this is sitting in two lines; one in 2013 the borough had to raise \$176,000 for an emergency that occurred in 2012 and also in 2013 there was a deficit in the assessment trust fund of \$20,000. The combination of those two make up most of the decrease as well as indicated before when we talked about the amendment, the pension bills were adjusted down slightly so that is why you see that reflected in 2014 which is down from the original budget of \$54,000. Debt service and capital improvements is up \$186,000, the reality is that the majority of this \$186,000 again is for capital improvements that the Mayor and Council has determined to budget on a cash basis. We had another \$100,000 for this line through the use of surplus, so this is offset by that increase by surplus.

The last item is the reserve that is up \$100,000 from \$660,000 to \$760,000. It is and outstanding appropriation and reserve for uncollected taxes has to be there by statute because the way laws are established in the State of New Jersey that the Borough of Hillsdale as any other municipality collects the taxes from taxpayers for itself, the school and the county as well. You have the borough collecting taxes and then having to pay out the regional, high school and county tax bills. Those tax bills have to be paid and they are paid 100%. There are individuals that are not paying their tax bills in a timely manner but the borough still has to make the payment in a timely manner. You also have tax appeals that are successful so the combination of individuals not paying in a timely manner and tax appeals that are successful, we need to raise an additional \$760,000 here in order to make sure that we have enough cash flow to survive on its own operating budget and to pay the county, the schools 100% of their tax levy.

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Appropriation CAP

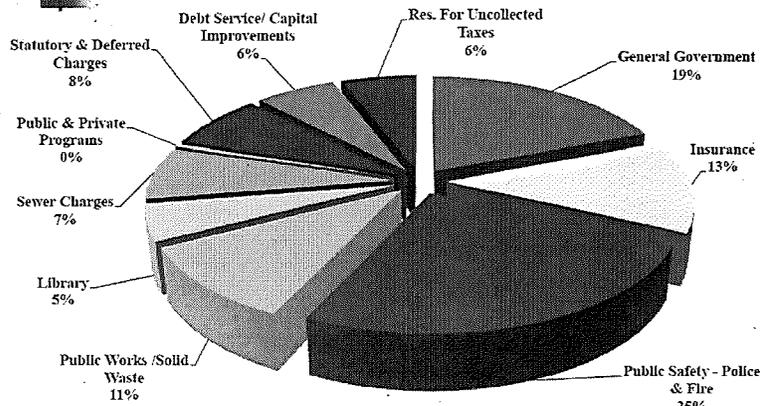
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|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Current Budget CAP Spending | \$ 9,335,130 |
| *Maximum permitted CAP Spending | <u>\$ 10,229,240</u> |
| Amount below CAP | <u>\$ 894,110</u> |

* Includes CAP Banks

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2014 Appropriations

Where Your Budget \$\$ Goes



Appropriations and what makes up the biggest spending, in any typical municipality, in Bergen County the police and fire is the largest component. Last year 2013 you will see that the percentages were relatively stable, relatively the same as they are here. Public Safety is typically the largest; one of the other areas that is increasing is insurance, solid waste is up a little bit, public works and solid waste mainly because of the storms this winter.

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History of Tax Rate

Apportionment

| | Proposed <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| MUNICIPAL* | \$ 0.537 | \$ 0.526 | \$ 0.011 |
| COUNTY** | 0.246 | 0.241 | 0.005 |
| SCHOOL** | <u>1.838</u> | <u>1.802</u> | <u>0.036</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$ 2.621</u> | <u>\$ 2.569</u> | <u>\$ 0.052</u> |

* Includes Library Tax

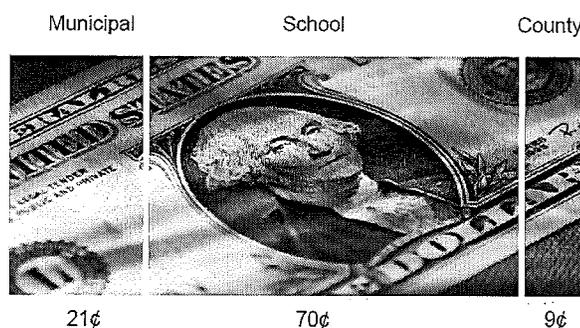
**County and School estimated at a 2% increase in levy.

The other CAP that he indicated originated in 1976 and was amended in 2004 and this is the CAP that was originally established on how much you can put in the budget on a spending line item, appropriation. The current budget for 2014 had a spending CAP of \$9,335,030 but under state statute if the Mayor and Council wanted to increase that CAP, it is still in the 3-1/2% maximum, they can go ahead and appropriate another \$894,000 and still be within the state CAP limitations. Those reasons are because of the CAP bank ordinance which is being done, hopefully being adopted tonight.

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Where your Tax Dollar Goes

2014



Borough of Hillsdale

Change in Assessed Value

Effect on Municipal Portion of Tax Bill – Average Residential Home*

| Proposed | Actual | 2014 |
|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
| \$ 2,521 | \$ 2,469 | \$ 52 |

* 2014 Average Residential Home Value - \$469,400

The last two slides municipal is the only component the Mayor and Council has any control over. It is important to state. We put the county and school in here but that is strictly for comparative purposes, we are making an estimate that those taxes are going up 2% but the municipal portion that is being controlled at this level, is proposing a 53.7% tax on the municipal side that includes the library so it is a 1.1% increase in the tax dollars and what does that mean to an average home and that is the most important thing which will be presented at the last slide. This is a bit of a breakdown where your tax dollars go and as indicated before, we are here talking about the municipal budget and how much we raise for municipal taxes, and every dollar that a taxpayer pays in, 21 cents of that dollar is going to the municipality. Seventy cents is going to the municipal schools and nine cents to the county. This would be the effect on the average residential home 2013 compared to 2014 with the average residential home value being \$469,400, a \$52 increase.

Council Member Meyerson thanked the budget committee, Council Member Frank, Council Member DeGise, as well as our other professionals, Durene our CFO, Ms. Witkowski and the Mayor. We asked Council Member DeGise to step out of one of our meetings so the Mayor could fully inform us what we are doing here and have input. He believed there a number of questions by the Council.

Mayor Arnowitz also thanked Council Member Meyerson as the Chairperson of the Finance Committee, thanked Durene and Paul Lerch. The budget is a herculean task and everything we do here in some way, shape or form comes back and if you don't do it right now, you suffer at the end of the year. Everything that he has seen has been done right and it is not easy to keep the budget to a \$52.00 increase considering expenses that are going up much higher than 2% that we have no control over.

Council Member DeGise had no comment.

Council Member Frank said he believed we did what the public expected us to do. We met as a group and went through all the input from the department heads and we forged a budget that he believes is a good budget. It has capital investment, we took advantage of the one-time savings that came about from Sandy as well as some savings from the police budget and we reinvested it this year. He is very proud of the work done.

Council Member Looes had no comment.

Council Member Pizzella said he tried to think of questions that were not only for his benefit but also for any of the public. He never understood reserve and how it is created and what we actually do with the reserves. When you specifically go to sheet 30 and looks at the different columns, it is money we didn't spend. From his experience if not spent, does it go back into the budget for something we could use this year?

Paul Lerch said it is a unique concept to the State of New Jersey; we have to collect and pay all these taxes and also have to be able to pay all these expenses and we are winding up with tax bills that are not being paid and people are successful with their tax appeals. When they are successful with the tax appeals, we still pay the county, the schools. We are not getting refunds from the county or schools. It is based upon the total levy; if you look at the total tax dollars that have to be levied, and we estimate because that is a requirement from the State of New Jersey, we are talking about 43 million dollars. We have to figure out what portion of that is not going to be collected and it is mathematical equation; it is based upon a collection rate of 98.22% and that establishes the reserves. We have to raise \$760,000 more than we would have enough money to pay 100% to county and schools, our salaries, etc.

Council Member Pizzella said it is the opposite of a person as myself thinking this is extra money that they didn't use.

Durene Ayer said she believed what the Council Member is referring to is the far right column on sheet No. 30. That is the reserve, these numbers change, and there could be outstanding bills that reserve number probably

has changed since the budget was prepared. Whatever is not expended from the 2013 budget and if we have to encumber funds today, we have to charge it to the 2014 budget. These are bills that were encumbered last year that have not yet been paid, that is what that reserve is. At the end of this year any of the reserve from 2013 does go to surplus to the borough. It is not the year directly thereafter.

Council Member Pizzella noticed every line item has a reserve which is different from the way he would do a budget in the private sector.

Durene Ayer said these may change because there may be outstanding bills that have not been paid from 2013. That is the only reason they may change. When you see that your reserve may be lapsing next year in 2015, it may or may not be \$800,000.

Council Member Pizzella said terminology. In the budget you appropriated and then have paid or charged. He thinks appropriated would mean this is what they are going to spend based on their conversation with the departments and so they are appropriating this money to be spent. Paid or charged, when you are looking at it is different numbers and which is correct.

Paul Lerch said correct, municipal governments operate on a two year period so that is what is different. When you are talking about commercial or private practice, budgets are one year. Whatever is not encumbered, paid or charged goes to surplus immediately. Municipalities operate over a 24 month period in that respect. There are spending items for bills for 2013 and will continue to spend, money can be transferred during the first three months of the year; whatever ends at the end of this year after the 24 month cycle, will lapse to surplus. It is a recurring item every year.

Council Member Pizzella referred to sheet five, energy receipts. He did not know what this was.

Paul Lerch said it is a number that is collected by the State of New Jersey and distributed to municipalities; this number is set and is not something the municipality has an option on. There is a directive that comes from the State of New Jersey that says your state aid is "x" and here is the allocation between consolidated and energy receipts.

Council Member Pizzella on sheet 12, public information. He noted that number jumps quite a bit and tried to understand from \$8,000 to \$23,000.

Council Member Frank said that is money that is put into the budget to allow us to get rebroadcast equipment so we can rebroadcast Council meetings and other meetings on the public access channel.

Council Member Meyerson said when we collect money from a household, it is allocated, a certain percent goes to the municipality, small percent goes to the county and the majority goes to the schools. When there is a tax appeal and the \$10,000 gets reduced to \$8,000, because it was a successful tax appeal, we don't get money back which he found to be ridiculous. When a successful tax appeal and we have paid out this money to the schools and county which is 79% of the overall tax dollar that comes from a household, the municipality has to fund that and eat that, we don't get anything back.

Mayor Arnowitz said Assemblywoman Schepisi has tried to get legislation to change that. She hasn't been successful.

Council Member Meyerson was not sure the general public was aware of that. It is unfair and makes no sense.

Council Member Frank asked for an explanation of the energy tax. His understanding is energy tax which is called state aid is actually a tax that comes from the municipality, Trenton takes it and it shows up on your Public Service bill and receipt of public taxes and they turn around and say it is aid.

Paul Lerch said only a small portion is given back and is based upon what is collected from utilities. It was a tax based on utilities and originally in 1997, the money was supposed to go back to the municipalities dollar for dollar but that hasn't happened. He received a link through the League of Municipalities and will forward this link to everybody and they will be able to calculate how many tax dollars you have actually lost over this period of time. The state has been retaining the money and not passing it back to the municipalities. It has been an issue for a long time.

Attorney Bernstein said there is a bill in the legislature, a major item from the League, to get the municipalities correct percentage of the tax. At one time this used to be known as graft, gross receipts and franchise taxes, and the state decided in 2000 it was a wonderful revenue with most of the revenue being generated from power plants, electric transmission lines, etc. All the money that was directed to the municipalities, take it and reconfigure it. There is a bill in the legislature to put it back to where it was prior to state reconfiguration.

Council Member Pizzella referred to sheet 15A, vehicle maintenance, and why did it go up from \$54,000 to \$74,000.

Council Member DeGise said that is in direct relation to the winter breakdowns and we are still paying for them.

Council Member Pizzella noticed there is no borrowing.

Mayor Arnowitz said we are going to renew the BANS we took out last year.

Council Member Pizzella said right now we are paying interest on the old debt.

Council Member Frank said we are paying down \$400,000 on our bonds plus debt reduction.

Council Member Pizzella said he was surprised there wasn't anything extra put in for garbage pickup. Are we going to address it, did we address it and we are approaching summer months. We have a contract.

Council Member Meyerson said we have money for contractual services and that money will be used for contracts and we want to look at how we spend that money. This could be subject to a future discussion.

Council Member Frank said we have a five year agreement with Future Sanitation.

Council Member Meyerson said a lot goes into second day garbage.

Mayor Arnowitz said we spoke with the attorney and the ability to break that contract could cause more problems than we are willing to take on.

Council Member Meyerson said we will make a couple of scheduled adjustments in order to try to alleviate some of the problems but it is not just about the increase in money, it's about the legal obligations we have with a five year contract which require more discussion.

Council Member Pizzella referred to the pistol range and how we are generating revenue from this pistol range and he looked at the revenue which is stagnant and this motivated him about possible other sources where when we have a budget like this which seems to be tight with no increase in further debt, wouldn't it be great if we could try to figure out a way to make a little bit of money. We would be ahead of the game. It motivated him to get more involved with the business community.

Council Member Kelley thanked the committee for pulling it all together and the amazing job they have done. He thanked the Auditor for his work on the budget and a special thanks to our new CFO who was involved in the middle of the process and thanked her for the job she has done.

Mayor Arnowitz said Council Member Pizzella asked about the reserve for uncollected taxes and about the 98.3%. That percentage is derived from what we collect, it is not a percentage that comes from the state; each year it is predicated on what we collected the year before. Approximately 1.7% of the people are either not paying their taxes or they are late or some other factor. He thanked everyone for their work on the budget.

BUDGET ORDINANCES:

14-07 (Adoption)

CALENDAR YEAR 2014 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 0.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale in the County of Bergen finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2014 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that a 3.0 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$274,615 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Governing Body hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2014 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Hillsdale shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.0 %, amounting to \$274,615 and that the CY 2014 municipal budget for the Borough of Hillsdale be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

PUBLIC HEARING:

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 14-07, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

I entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-07 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 open public hearing on Ordinance 14-07 Council Member Frank, Second by Council Member Looes and unanimously carried.

Motion to close public hearing on Ordinance 14-07 Council Member Frank, Second by Council Member Looes, and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 14-07 Council Member Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

BUDGET RESOLUTIONS:

R14084 Waiver of Reading in Full of the 2014 Budget

Motion Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member Kelley.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET: @7:30 p.m. as advertised

Motion to open public hearing on the 2014 Municipal Budget Council Member Frank, Second Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding the 2014 Municipal Budget, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Meredith Kates, 1 Sebastian Court –

She questioned the budget regarding the Environmental Commission.

Council Member Pizzella said it is the \$325 that it was.

Abby Lundy, 73 Colonial Boulevard –

She wanted to clarify the question that was asked regarding the reserves. The appropriation less the actual is the same as the accrual, is that right, or vs. the actual? She is looking at actual cash expenditures; it looks like the budget is going from appropriation to appropriation.

Auditor Lerch said you are looking at the appropriation and you have a charge column and column as it indicates paid and charge would be any encumbrances that would have been recorded. They are in the reserve column. You wouldn't go across for certain line items. The reserve rolls over into the next year's budget called an appropriated reserve. It is a 24 month cycle.

Abby Lundy continued. On the very first sheet that was on the website the municipal data sheet, Council Member Pizzella's term of expiration is wrong. On Sheet 15, under Fire and Fire Prevention, she didn't know the difference between the two.

Mayor Arnowitz said fire is across the street, fire prevention is the people going around doing inspections of properties; when someone moves out, an inspection is done and that is where that money comes from.

Abby Lundy continued. Other expenses \$77,000.

Mayor Arnowitz said they are all salaries in the fire department – the Chief, the officers, clerks. The \$77,000 is for the hose, pipes, etc., there are a lot of things not included here such as fuel, LOSAP, insurances, etc. That is purely the equipment they need and maintenance on the building and everything else.

Auditor Lerch said the jump year to year in the Fire Department is the new Chief's car and the pay down on the loan on that is included, \$10,000 for the year. That is the jump you see.

Abby Lundy continued. On Sheet 20 there was a separate line item on insurances which was separate from Sheet 14 insurance. There was a big jump from \$2,800 to \$29,000.

Auditor Lerch said that is the calculation based upon the amount of the increase and what we allowed to bring inside the CAP vs. outside CAP based upon the appropriation law. If your health insurance exceeds a certain level the state will allow you then to keep a piece inside the CAP and the remaining piece is \$29,000 is above the excess level that goes outside.

John Ruocco, 25 Riverdale Street –

He thanked the Council for coming up with a bipartisan budget, he recognizes there is a lot of work that goes into it. He pointed out for the future, budgets are planning tools, and this budget meets the immediate needs of the town and the result a small tax increase. But it benefits from certain temporary structural changes in the composition of our police force, very small road improvement program, absent the grants of the two streets and no other major capital improvements. His general concern is whether you have efforts underway or plans that would place the town in a better position or in as good a position to keep our taxes low based on increases in expenses and capital needs such as deteriorating roads in the next year or two. You have to be more specific even though the town share of health care costs for employees now stands at just about 94% and it will decline on account of changes in state law enacted in 2011. Those changes mandated greater contributions for town employees; nevertheless, the total cost of health care for the town is forecast to rise. What are your plans to prevent this? The Council needs to take this into account. The town's contribution to the Public Employees Retirement System and Police Fire Pension Fund shows a slight dip for the budget in 2014. He asked the Finance Committee if they have done any planning for the inevitable increases that will be needed in the next few years. Similarly, the budget doesn't signal that any plans are underway for additional economy in sharing services. He complimented the Council for its willingness to outsource future tasks such as snow removal on an as-needed basis. He believed more can be done in cost sharing. In yesterday's Bergen Record you will appreciate his personal concern about whether Hillsdale will pay sizeable demands on contractual employee payouts in the next few years and his questions is has the Finance Committee estimated what our potential liability outside this scenario could be and how we address it.

Mayor Arnowitz said that is something we addressed; we don't have the same liability as some of the towns you have seen in the paper because we cut back on terminal leave and everything people can accrue. The payouts that we used to face in the '80's are no longer happening. Usually it is three or four months of accrued leave, terminal pay and all that. He wouldn't say we are ahead but a lot of towns have followed us or we follow them.

Attorney Bernstein said the answer to the terminal leave issue is as the Mayor indicated we have negotiated over the years lower and lower payouts and we continue to do so with the negotiations coming up both for public works, municipal employees and the police next year. If the state will do what they are talking about for the past two years are prepared to pass and the legislature has passed two terminal leave changes and the governor has vetoed both of them indicating it is not enough. Until they all compromise it is going to end up becoming a burden for each municipality but as the Mayor indicated, Hillsdale is way ahead. In terms of the health benefit issues, we will continue to negotiate with the unions relative to such but health benefit costs are for a large part out of our control. You will see some decreases in health care costs above Chapter 78 because now under the Affordable Health Care Act you are no longer able to understand what premiums are. Premiums are no longer what used to be a single coverage of a husband and wife coverage, parent and child coverage, there was a family coverage. Now it is based on age, sex, health, smoking or non-smoking and the numbers will change depending upon all of those factors for each and every applicable employee and spouse and family

in addition to the fact that under the law, we are no longer obligated to provide a certain, it is now in the realm of the employee to determine which plan or plans he shall have and he expects to see some decreases. As you pay more for health care contributions they will try to decrease their premium obligation, so there will be some cost benefit on that but we will continue contract negotiations. Shared services is a daily issue that the Council discussing and people keep discussing the problems with shared services and in order to have shared services, you have to find someone to share with and the problem with. They will not make share services agreements if they are not going to benefit.

Council Member Frank asked the Auditor to explain Sheet 3d.

Auditor Lerch said 3d indicates the amount of potential outstanding liability if everyone were to go out on December 31, 2013 what would we have to pay. That number is approximately \$540,000, the borough has set aside roughly \$95,000 to pay those payments. From a financial perspective, they should be able to absorb and handle the unforeseen that may come out and the idea is to provide adequate coverage.

Attorney Bernstein clarified that every public entity indicates what its obligation would be for payout whether it is for sick leave, vacation time, compensatory time, personal time and the like. The number scares everybody but is basically if everybody would leave and we would have no employees it would cut salary costs dramatically.

Auditor Lerch said there are a number of municipalities that have no money saved and millions in liability and you may find a couple that have 100% funding. We know that funding will have to work itself through the budget process.

John Ruocco continued. You can't give an answer to my question looking at these numbers but that is why he posed the question that at least it is on your radar screen.

Mayor Arnowitz said you can see with the number of our total exposure compared to what you read in the paper, there are some towns whose total exposure equals to what they are paying one person.

Auditor Lerch said last year we had roughly the same liability but we had about \$40,000 in reserves. This year we are at \$95,000 reserves. We are moving in the correct direction for stability. Anytime we look at a budget for multiple years at one time, the Council is cognizant of that and trying to determine stability.

Council Member Meyerson wanted to comment on the idea of looking forward with respect to capital improvements. The Finance Committee asked police, fire, DPW to give us a seven year plan going forward and what years they are going to need to replace certain equipment, etc. What we did this year was incorporate the requests; needs change dramatically. Last year the police did not give software increases and this year we had to incorporate a very large software increase and thankfully we had the money to do it. It is important that we do it and time means everything and this year because we were able to make a better deal with the Software Company rather than next year using our Police Department as a center of excellence so other municipalities look at what we do, we got a substantial discount. This was the year to do this. That is the kind of thinking for future planning as well as be flexible enough to be able to capitalize on a here and now situation. The Finance Committee was flexible enough to incorporate those kind of things that goes for fire, DPW, all the others.

John Ruocco continued. He said his road needs repair, maybe not this year but next year. He expects to see money for that.

Council Member Meyerson said the road program is significant to the extent that we got a grant this year combined with some of the money we put in. It was a reasonable road program and if you do it at once, you are borrowing a lot of money. We do get a proposed five year plan but last year he learned that five year plans are nothing more than projected and sometimes they come true and sometimes they don't, you never know what comes up. You have to be flexible enough and you can use at the appropriate time things you have for those situations and he believed we have a very healthy budget here.

Council Member Frank said we agreed on the road program and some towns in the area do nothing on their roads other than pothole repairs for four or five years and then they borrow a million dollars and do all of the roads at once. Everyone drives on poor roads for five years and they get fixed; we have been doing some every year, we take the worst roads every year so we don't let them deteriorate to the point where you have a lot of bad roads in town. He believed that is a better way of doing it. We put in \$250,000 this year and a grant.

Council Member Meyerson said potentially we have another grant of \$175,000 and that is a healthy road program for a single years. Last year a lot of county roads were done at the same time and had tremendous improvement last year.

Alfred J. Murphy, Jr., 5 Cherry Place –

He will be referring to the sheets in the budget. Sheet 3c would be a good place to show the number of employees in the previous budget and how many employees are anticipated in this budget. The public would

have an idea of where we are head count wise because heads are what drives a lot of the cost in the budget. Sheet 3d says in the middle to be provided at adoption of additional data. He just has \$94,000 interest.

Auditor Lerch said this adopted copy has additional information included and that is the \$504,907 estimated liability.

Mr. Murphy continued. What kind of game plan or strategy does the Council have to reduce that liability going forward, whittling away the options to be able to accrue?

Attorney Bernstein said we are going to continue to negotiate with the three applicable unions to try to reduce such. An immediate way to do so is incur a short term increase liability and long term decrease liability is if the legislature ever passes the CAP they have been talking about for terminal leave. If anyone thinks terminal leave is going to be harmed, they will walk out the door with their money. We will probably see a short term increase with that, we will continue to negotiate in terms of the contracts but the best way is for the legislature to pass the bill. The Bill was passed twice, the governor wants zero and he won't approve it.

Mr. Murphy continued. Sheet 4 parking fees, are there any plans to gradually increase the fees?

Mayor Arnowitz said there is an automatic increase every year in the parking fees. The problem is it is predicated on how many people park and with the economy we have had less out- of- towner's which was a big source of the revenue.

Mr. Murphy continued. He believed the parking lot was a good barometer of the economy because it shows the number of spots there. In the past there wasn't an empty spot because everyone was going to work. Sheet 4a sports association contribution. Where is it?

Mayor Arnowitz said we haven't received anything from the sports association this year. With regard to pulling the plug on the lights, that is up to the Council.

Mr. Murphy said he didn't believe everyone should be paying for them; the baseball and football associations should be contributing and that was instituted two or three years ago.

Mayor Arnowitz said we didn't receive anything last year and we are not anticipating anything this year. The lights have not been turned off.

Council Member Pizzella said we have to look at the fact that the associations provide a lot to the town as well. It costs money to run a baseball program in Hillsdale. Baseball alone costs over \$65,000 to run and these become assets to the town, people move here because of them. He can see the argument and position on this, you also have to look at the other side where these associations volunteer a lot of their time and create an asset to the town.

Mr. Murphy said increased costs are driving people out of the community who are on fixed incomes and they are hurting with fixed incomes. If you want the luxury of lights at night so you can have your games at night, you should be willing to contribute to the cost.

Council Member Meyerson said if you fail to provide appropriate recreational facilities for the town it causes people not to want to buy houses here who have young children and that is the flip side of the same coin, it is subject to debate, there are two sides to this issue not simply dimensional and it is an ongoing debate within the Recreation Commission and also amongst this Council. It will continue to an ongoing debate this year. Hopefully we will reach a compromise and go forward.

Council Member Pizzella believed the associations are willing to make contributions, they just need to understand what their position and role is in the town. There is a need for written agreements just like any other entity being asked to do something and also giving at the same time and the Rec Commission will get there and you need to give them a little more time to negotiate.

Mr. Murphy said in the meantime turn the lights off.

Council President Kelley said that is incredibly short sighted; if you had any idea how often these fields are used, the stress of the fields from heavy rain and certain fields are closed, to turn these lights off you have hundreds of children who want to play sports. We are not going to turn the lights off on these children and it is very rude for this suggestion.

Council Member Frank said he is surprised that you are speaking definitively as one member of the Council that we are not doing something. There are six of us up here.

Mayor Arnowitz said the reason we did not get any compensation from the sports associations last year is because a bill was never sent. If the Council sends a bill; in the past we were not looking for them to absorb

100% of the cost, and we are only talking about the lights. We are not talking about all of the other expenses that are in the budget for the sports program. It is something we can negotiate with the sports associations if the Council can come up with a number but unless this Council chooses to come up with a number they are not going to do anything, they want a bill. When this started, the electric costs for the fields were about \$40,000 and with their help and other things we did, the costs were reduced to about \$30,000 and that is substantial. We have to maintain that, come up with a number and send them a bill.

Mr. Murphy said you cannot anticipate anything until you do something about it.

Council Member Meyerson said last year the head of the Soccer Association said they just can't afford this bill and will have to basically cut back the program or eliminate the program. That is unacceptable and so something has to be worked out because it affects hundreds and hundreds of kids. He realizes the distribution of tax revenue and where it comes from is a significant concern of every taxpayer in this town, some people agree that the lights should be shut off if they refuse to pay their fair share. He did not believe there is a consensus as to what the fair share is.

Council Member Frank said we talked about it and did not feel we need to negotiate with the sports associations, really the Rec Commission. There is a resolution that he will talk about later. The \$30,000 in the budget for lights this year is a small portion of what the taxpayers are paying to support the Rec programs, his estimate \$250,000 or more. In terms of DPW costs, the landscaping costs and everything else that goes into maintaining the fields and he has the annual reports from all the associations with the exception of football which is probably the biggest, and we are talking about another couple of hundred thousand dollars that go into the programs in terms of fees the parents are paying. Now you are talking about a half million dollars and that needs to be addressed by the Council to make sure we maintain the right programs for the people and the costs are being allocated fairly.

Council Member Meyerson said there is always the debate the tension between tax, property taxes and user charge and what part should come from the taxpayers in general. You want to shut down hundreds and hundreds of lights and affect hundreds of kids without giving it any real thought.

Mr. Murphy said he is here expressing his rights.

Council Member Kelley said we want to encourage kids to get out there and be involved in these programs, getting the exercise, and not sit in front of the TV or video games. The months that it gets dark at 4:30PM they have no lights and they can't play so it is a bad idea to turn off the lights. A lot of kids will lose out on the super programs this town offers.

Mr. Murphy said if you need lights it means the kids should be home doing homework.

Council Member Kelley said that is not true.

Mr. Murphy referred to Sheet 9; an amount of money was added there.

Durene Ayer said that has to do with the calendar year vs. the fiscal year. This shifted a year.

Mr. Murphy referred to Sheet 12. Council Member Frank answered one question he had on public information and it is good to see all of our meetings on the channels and perhaps the schools can piggy back on that. Under financial administration, he sees other expenses of \$10,000 and asked what that was.

Durene Ayer said that was for services for interim CFO.

Mr. Murphy referred to Sheet 13 legal expenses.

Mayor Arnowitz asked for more money to be put into legal for the Woodcliff Lake withdrawal, that is all legal now, it is not separated by departments. Zoning Official up \$6,400.

Council Member DeGise said Keith Durie has several hats as we were dividing up department rolls, he was doing Zoning Officer and Code Compliance for another.

Mr. Murphy referred to Sheet 14 insurance. Group insurance is up almost \$50,000. What group insurance is that? Have we increased the compensation employees are paying for it.

Council Member Frank said it goes by the formula passed by the state in 2011.

Council Member Looes said premiums go up, we don't have control of them. It is the state formula as to how much the contribution is.

Council Member Meyerson said this is a net number of about 5% increase because that incorporated all of the contributions.

Mr. Murphy said other expenses went up almost \$45,000.

Council Member Meyerson said that was the vehicle purchase.

Mr. Murphy said under OEM other expenses are up.

Mr. Lerch said laptop computer.

Mr. Murphy said Sheet 15 other expenses for fire department. He heard discussion about turnout gear but that was capital expense.

Council Member Looes said this is lease for the vehicle, the Chief's car.

Mr. Murphy said 15a. He was glad to see us looking at things like contracting services \$40,000. He hopes there is a commensurate reduction in employee hours but he doesn't see it there. He sees salaries and wages going up.

Durene Ayer said it is a result of the storms that happened this year.

Mr. Murphy said he is glad to see you are taking care of the train station. Sheet 15c you have \$90,000 for 2013.

Attorney Bernstein said that is the amount Mr. Lerch described earlier they put in reserve for possible retirement money.

Mr. Murphy turned to Sheet 16 Construction Code Official's salary up \$20,000.

Council Member Meyerson said reallocation of jobs for Mr. Durie. He held several different jobs in town.

Mr. Murphy said Sheet 17, he is looking at the gasoline item. There used to be a time where we had a report that was prepared and presented at every Council meeting on mileage per vehicles and tracking mileage.

Council Member DeGise said with the new gas program we have with shared services with Westwood, we have a monthly mileage and gas usage report that we will receive monthly.

Mr. Murphy – Sheet 20 under reserve for tax appeals it is down significantly. Are you not anticipating tax appeals? The group insurance plan is up \$6000.

Durene Ayer said that has to do with the outside the CAP spending.

Mr. Murphy said the ability to spend outside the CAP gives a lot of wiggle room, we didn't have that. With regard to the pool, it looks like the membership is down.

Durene Ayer said this year's membership campaign hasn't begun and they don't know. It was down last year but in the end due to the rental of outside swim programs and camp, etc., they ended up finishing o.k. For 2014, since the membership drive hasn't started, they don't have the actual numbers.

Max Arnowitz entertained a motion that the public hearing on be closed and that it be resolved that a copy of the 2014 Budget Introduction was available at the Hillsdale Free Public Library and that copies of said budget were made available to the general public.

Motion to close public hearing on the 2014 Municipal Budget Council Member Frank, Second Council Member Kelley, and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMENDMENT TO THE 2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding the amendment to the 2014 Municipal Budget, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Motion to open public hearing on the amendment to the 2014 Municipal Budget Council Member Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

Seeing no one, I entertain a motion that the public hearing on the amendment be closed.

Motion to close public hearing on the amendment to the 2014 Municipal Budget Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Kelley, and unanimously carried.

R14085 Resolution to Amend the 2014 Budget

WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2014 was approved on the 11th day of March, 2014, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said approved budget,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2014 be made:

CURRENT FUND

| | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| General Revenues | | |
| 6. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Support of Municipal Budget | | |
| a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes | \$ 8,410,368 | \$ 8,390,368 |
| Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Support of Municipal Budget | 9,013,438 | 8,993,438 |
| 7. Total Revenues | 12,847,360 | 12,827,360 |
| 8. General Appropriations | | |
| (A) Operations Within "CAPS" | | |
| STATUTORY CHARGES | | |
| Public Employees Retirement System | 220,000 | 200,000 |
| Police and Fireman's Pension Fund | 575,000 | 541,000 |
| Total Deferred Charges & Statutory Expenditures - Municipal within "CAPS" | 976,000 | 922,000 |
| (H-1) Total General Appropriations for Municipal | 9,389,130 | 9,335,130 |
| (C) Capital Improvements- Excluded from "CAPS" | | |
| Fire- Turnout Gear, SCBA Cylinder & Other Equipment | | 34,000 |
| Total Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS" | 280,000 | 314,000 |
| (H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from "CAPS" | 2,766,230 | 2,732,230 |
| (O) Total General Appropriations Excluded from "CAPS" | 2,766,230 | 2,732,230 |
| (L) Subtotal General Appropriations | 12,087,360 | 12,067,360 |
| 9. Total General Appropriations | <u>\$ 12,847,360</u> | <u>\$ 12,827,360</u> |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for certification of the 2014 local municipal budget so amended.

It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of a resolution amending the budget, approved by the Borough Council on the 8th day of April, 2014.

Motion to amend the 2014 Municipal Budget Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

R14086 Adoption of 2014 Municipal Budget as amended

RESOLUTION No. 14086

Be It Resolved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

- (a)\$ 3,359,368 (Item 2 below) for municipal purposes, and
- (b)\$ (Item 3 below) for school purposes in Type I School District only (N.J.S. 18A:9-2) to be raised by taxation and,
- (c)\$ (Item 4 below) to be added to the certificate of amount to be raised by taxation for local school purposes in Type II School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-3) and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.
- (d)\$ (Sheet 43) Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Levy
- (e)\$ 603,070 (Item 6 below) Minimum Library Tax

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert last name)

DeGise
Frank
Ayes { Kelley
Looes
Meyerson
Pizzella

Nays { N/A

Abstained { N/A

Absent { N/A

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

| | | | |
|---|--|--------|---------------|
| 1. General Revenues | | | |
| Surplus Anticipated | | 08-100 | \$ 1,675,000 |
| Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated | | 13-099 | \$ 2,408,922 |
| Receipts from Delinquent Taxes | | 15-489 | \$ 350,000 |
| 2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES (Item 6(a), Sheet 11) | | 07-190 | \$ 3,290,368 |
| 3. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY: | | | |
| Item 5, Sheet 41 | | 07-195 | \$ |
| Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S. 40A:4-14) | | 07-191 | \$ |
| Total Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Schools in Type I School Districts Only | | | |
| 4. To Be Added to the Certificate for Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Schools in Type II School Districts ONLY: | | | |
| Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S. 40A:4-14) | | 07-191 | \$ |
| 5. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION MINIMUM LIBRARY LEVY | | 07-192 | \$ 603,070 |
| Total Revenues | | 13-299 | \$ 12,827,360 |

Sheet 41

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

| | | | |
|---|--|------------|---------------|
| 5. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS | | | |
| Within "CAPS" | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (a&b) Operations including Contingent | | 34-201 | \$ 8,413,130 |
| (c) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal | | 34-209 | \$ 922,000 |
| (g) Cash Deficit | | 46-885 | \$ |
| Excluded from "CAPS" | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS" | | 34-305 | \$ 1,877,237 |
| (c) Capital Improvements | | 44-999 | \$ 314,000 |
| (d) Municipal Debt Service | | 45-999 | \$ 490,993 |
| (e) Deferred Charges - Municipal | | 46-999 | \$ 50,000 |
| (f) Judgements | | 37-480 | \$ |
| (s) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S. 40:48-17.1 & 17.3) | | 29-405 | \$ |
| (g) Cash Deficit | | 46-885 | \$ |
| (k) For Local District School Purposes | | 29-410 | \$ |
| (m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes | | 50-899 | \$ 760,000 |
| 6. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY (N.J.S. 40A:4-13) | | 07-195 | |
| Total Appropriations | | 34-499 | \$ 12,827,360 |

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the 8th day of April, 2014. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2014 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

Certified by me this 8th day of April, 2014, *Susan Witkowski* Clerk
Susan Witkowski, RMC

Sheet 42

Motion to adopt the 2014 Municipal Budget Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member Looes.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

PROCLAMATIONS: none

RECOGNITION: none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting March 4, 2014 and March 11, 2014

Motion Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

Closed Session Meeting of March 4, 2014

Motion Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Kelley.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members DeGise, Looes, Meyerson, Council President Kelley

Nays: Council Member Frank

Abstain: Council Member Pizzella

Councilmember Meyerson has requested the Interim CFO, Durene Ayer to remain in attendance to address two resolutions on the agenda for recreation. Councilmember Meyerson asked the Mayor if this could be taken out of order. R14088 and 14089.

Borough Attorney Bernstein asked for a motion to suspend the order of business to address Resolution R14088 Requesting Permission for Dedication by Rider for Recreation Donations and Resolution R14089 Requesting Permission for Dedication by Rider for Recreation Fields and Facilities.

Motion to suspend order of business was made by Council Member Kelley, Second by Council Member DeGise, and unanimously carried.

R14088 Requesting Permission for Dedication by Rider for Recreation Donations

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonably accurate estimates in advance; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-29 provides for the receipt of donated funds by the municipality to provide for the operating costs to administer this act; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the Recreation Donation Trust are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, New Jersey as follows:

1. The Governing Body does hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to pay expenditures under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-29 for the exclusive purposes of depositing and expending funds donated by individuals to offset the costs of Borough-wide "free" recreation programs through the Recreation Donation Trust.
2. The Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this Resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

R14089 Requesting Permission for Dedication by Rider for Recreation Fields and Facilities

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonably accurate estimates in advance; and

WHEREAS, PL 1999 C292 provides for the receipt of donated funds by the municipality to provide for the operating costs to administer this act; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the Recreation Fields & Facilities Trust are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, New Jersey as follows:

3. The Governing Body does hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to pay expenditures of the Recreation Fields & Facilities Trust Fund of PL 1999 C292 for the exclusive purposes of maintenance and operations of fields and facilities for recreational uses by organizations/groups/individuals.
4. The Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this Resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Motion to adopt Resolutions R14088 and R14089 was made by Council Member Meyerson, Second by Council Member Kelley.

Council Member Meyerson said these resolutions were on the work session last week but there were questions about them. He asked Durene to explain what this is, how it came about and there are a few questions about them.

Durene Ayer said the resolutions establish a trust fund for recreation donations and rental for fees. These fees can be collected but there is no mechanism set this up and by statute we are supposed to have approval from

Local Government Services to actually collect these fees. It works the same way trust funds have been working already, the Council approves all of the expenditures from the trust funds as you do with the regular budget to requisition and purchase so you still have control over how funds are spent and in what manner. This just gives you the ability or the Division gives us approval to be actually collecting these fees in the manner that we have already been doing it.

Mayor Arnowitz said this is something we have been doing, this just makes it legal.

Council Member Frank said this goes back a couple of years when we started looking at what the Rec Commission was doing and the more we looked at it, the more concerned he got. The Rec Commission is not authorized to set up non-profits to run different sports associations without coming back and getting approval from the Council and to have some guidelines how they are going to operate. They never did that, not to say this isn't a good thing they did, but it is not official and not legal the way they have set it up. In the interim we found that some of the sports associations were renting the fields and they were getting the money as a non-profit, not associated with the town. They were keeping it in a separate account and using it for upgrades to the fields. The problem with that is we have a DPW that has the responsibility to maintain those fields, we have liability in regard to those fields. That money is for the rental of town property; for example we have our police go out and man construction sites and they sit there with a police vehicle with the lights on or whatever. When they do that, the fees for that vehicle come back to the town as a revenue source. We don't leave it to the police chief or police officer to decide where those funds go.

When we met with the Rec Commission for the budget John Corring committed that within 30 days he would have agreements in place and presented to the Council for these non-profits. That is what we are looking for, let's have a formal agreement, let's comply with our own ordinance. It hasn't happened yet, perhaps it is in process. He did not have a problem with these two resolutions after we have agreement. My concern is let's push back until we get agreements and they are authorized and we have a clear understanding of what are the responsibilities of these non-profits, who is going to establish the rental fees, what fields and where that money is going to go.

Council Member Meyerson said we have been doing that for a while except that we are not in compliance with the law.

Council Member Looes said she and John Corring are currently trying to establish where we are going to go with the agreements that we discussed and that is a work in progress. As far as who is collecting and the fees, it was discussed at the last Rec Commission meeting to determine that and they are establishing the fees and the rates. The reason this came about as far as creating this account, in the past independent associations were doing this and the money put aside through their association and then the money was given to the DPW, i.e. sand was bought and the DPW was spreading it, it wasn't an independent association doing physical work on the fields. The money that was collected was going back. She had the same issue, the town feels there are liability issues and that is why it went to this direction of establishing the account that ultimately the governing body has control over, but the money is being put aside for the purpose of its being collected for the field, the field is getting worn down by being rented, so therefore the money would go back to maintain that field. The extra use of the fields would offset with the money collected.

Durene wanted to clarify this. We are not creating any accounts or anything, this is just a waiver of the way you are doing things now and getting approval from the state as to what we have been doing. We are not establishing a new account.

Council Member Frank said we have been waiting for these agreements, the formalization of what we should be doing for a year and a half.

Durene Ayers said the CFO has to make this recommendation and that is what I am doing. We are trying to set up trust funds so you can see the money coming in and going out at the same time. We don't have a rider for this money. The Recreation is under your auspices and you have the right to approve every purchase they make. You dictate based on the state statute how that money is utilized. Facility rental they are charging for, that money goes back into maintaining those facilities.

Council Member Frank said the Council doesn't have full control over that money. It doesn't go into the general town revenue and until we have agreements with the non-profits that are running all the sports programs, it should go into general revenues until we get that fixed, otherwise a new Council will coming in in a year and all these agreements are coming.

Interim Administrator Witkowski said she was to find out what was going on with the funds and exactly what was said here, the funds are coming in. Durene has taken the program and streamlined it, there were programs in there that she didn't even know the names of them, we don't do them anymore. Durene streamlined it into a better place for the trust fund and the trust fund is something the Recreation Commission can look into. Patty Hughes said she has an excel sheet and she cannot track the money the way it should be tracked. This program will give her the ability to do it almost like a bank reconciliation in the check book where she can see the money

coming in and going out. The programs we have in place are in there now, the programs we don't use have been taken out. The Recreation Commission been missing the boat, they sit down in the fall, they do their budget, we come in in January and go over the budget but they have already decided their budget. She made the suggestion that she sits with the Rec Commission in the fall; it's time we work together as a group and get the agreements going. Durene told her this Council has the right to approve and deny every expenditure so whatever you feel doesn't belong there, you don't sign off on the bill.

Council Member Frank said his recommendation is we delay this until we get the non-profit agreements with the sports associations so we have a clear understanding of what is going on. The responsible thing to do is get the things organized the way they should be and put the financial controls in after you know what you got.

Motion to table was made by Council Member Frank, Second by Council Member Pizzella.

Attorney Bernstein said Council Member Frank made a motion to table Resolutions R14088 and R14089 and this was seconded by Council Member Pizzella. This is a non-debatable motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Frank, Pizzella

Nays: Council Members DeGise, Looes, Kelley, Meyerson

Mayor Arnowitz said the motion fails, we still have a motion to approve.

Council Member Pizzella asked Durene what the process is now by which we collect money for Rec.

Durene said the money comes in and it is put into the trust fund; right now riders for Rec Commission trust in general. We do not have a facilities rental rider or donations rider.

Council Member Pizzella said if he wants to rent a snack shed for his son's birthday party, he gets a permit from the town and pays \$25 for the permit and wants to make a donation, what happens with that?

Durene said right now it goes into the trust fund. The only thing these two resolutions do is put you in accordance with the auditing standards of the State of New Jersey. The auditor will come in and there will be comment next year that we don't have these riders in place, we don't have authority from the state in order to collect these fees in the manner we are doing it.

Council Member Meyerson asked if she is sure that the money goes to the trust fund and doesn't stay with any of the non-profits. Do any of the non-profits maintain any of the funds from rentals? That is one of my concerns, we have been so sloppy and so loose in how this Rec Commission has operated that it concerns that it has taken a year and a half to get any kind of action out of them at all, and we still don't have it.

Council Member Pizzella said that is important because as the CFO and it isn't against you by any means, you are not sure. It would seem that we have total control and none of it is going to any of these specific associations, but it sounds like you are not sure.

Durene said they cannot purchase anything without a purchase order, all purchase orders have to be approved by the Mayor and Council. You have authority over what they spend or do not spend.

Council Member Meyerson said let's assume that money went directly to one of the associations instead of going into the town. Is it absolutely clear that it can't and it has to go into one of the riders.

Durene said what this does is any borough program that you institute once you have your agreements in place, this is just the mechanism that the State knows we have this type of program in place. Right now we don't have approval from the State to do that. What we do with that rider is up to us, the rates we set, whoever has responsibility for soliciting rentals, it is up to us.

Council Member Frank said none of that has been decided or defined to his knowledge.

Durene said we have this money in the trust fund, we have no rider.

Council Member Kelley said it is your recommendation that we pass these resolutions.

Council Member Pizzella said right now it seems these resolutions would then designate where the money goes and that the Council would always have control of the money and they also could choose to take the money out and put it into general, is that correct as well?

Durene said it is supposed to be used for facilities, if it is collected for facilities rentals, it is to be used for facilities. If you decide to get rid of the rider, it goes back into the general fund. These things are to replenish the sports programs, people pay a fee to be in the sports program and that is for the rider they have now.

Council Member Pizzella said now when a person pays for a sports program unless it is truly a Rec program, for example basketball, it goes through the Rec department. If it is baseball, soccer or football, it goes through the associations and they use that money to run the program. The things you are talking about are the funds that the Rec Commission is actually collecting, not necessarily the funds, but the Rec Commissions are collecting for their respective sports. It is a little different so the agreements we are speaking about, they will clarify that one aspect of it which is what the associations are doing. What you are speaking about is the funds that the actual Rec Commission is collecting, so that would be adult softball and basketball. It is not necessarily what HSBA is collecting or Football is collecting.

Durene said it is borough rec programs.

Council Member Looes said up until this point you are saying that the current way the trust is set up that was the money collected by the Rec Commissions for these programs, but since then these recreations facilities and we don't have specific facility, and in order to put it back into the facility we need a rider. There have been monies collected through the Rec Commission that went into the Rec trust. This is a different rider for a different collection that we are going to do, it's not that we never collected, it is just this particular facility use and a place to put the money.

Council Member Frank asked if anybody can tell him we absolutely are not getting rental fees into the non-profits sports associations, that they are not collecting any rental fees at all for our fields, and only going to the Rec trust.

Durene said I can't speak for that, I can speak for what is coming into the borough.

Council Member Looes said she can only speak for 2014 since I have been on the Rec Commission. That is what was said, we want this Rec facility rider so from now only, any rental from any Hillsdale fields regardless of the season and regardless of who has field responsibility; the current setup is certain fields are allotted to certain associations that happen to be that sport of the season and they do the scheduling of the field usage for the program. If that sport, regardless of what it may be is going to be rented for a summer camp program, from now on 2014 that money will go into this trust under the Rec Commission use. She can't speak of what went on previously.

Council Member Frank asked if that is in writing because we ran into a big problem with sports because nothing was in writing, just verbal agreements.

Council Member Looes said at the next meeting we will have this all taken care of. It was just discussed and placed on the CFO's desk. There was no place to put the money so now the money will go there.

Council Member Meyerson said the issue Council Member Frank points out is say we want to rent our fields out and now it is in a haphazard way, we don't know who is renting the fields out and for how much money. That leads to discriminatory practice and the kinds of things we should have control over. If there is going to be rental of the field, like parking, we charge one fee for a certain group and another fee for others groups and what not. We need to get control over it. These riders are nothing more than receptacles to put the money when it comes, since we are already collecting the money for whatever purpose, the State requires some sort of rider to do that. That is his understanding on what we are voting on today. Council Member Frank is absolutely correct when he says we need to have control over what is going on in this town with respect to our Rec programs because they seems to be a little haphazard and we need to figure out what is happening and there ought to be contracts. It shouldn't stop the creation of a state required receptacle to put this money when the money does come in and we have the CFO who looked at the money coming in earmarked for these particular purposes that came in with no rider attached to it and it is an accounting problem. It is not in accordance with normal accounting practices or required county practices. Let's pass this and move on but the real issue is getting these contracts done and finding out when we do rent our fields out, we are not renting them in a Willy way, with the baseball association renting out and the soccer association renting out its field, it makes no sense. That should not be an impediment in passing these resolutions; these resolutions are nothing more than accounting practices.

Rec Director Patty Hughes said we don't rent out haphazardly; we work on it as a group as the Rec Commission and we know who is renting and what they are renting it for because they have to ask our permission first, soccer, baseball.

Council Member Meyerson said none of us know that.

Ms. Hughes said we have been working for the past two months and establishing what we are going to eventually present to the Council.

Council Member Frank asked why in two months, we have been asking for this a year and a half.

Ms. Hughes said Council Member Pizzella was helping us.

Council Member Pizzella said he was helping with draft agreements, etc.

Ms. Hughes said each of us was assigned one or two towns to call and find out what their agreements were with their sports associations and then coming up with a plan to present to the Council for renting the fields, they came up with a per day fee and the money will now come to us and go into these riders.

Council Member Meyerson said the issue today is setting up these accounts correctly, it is not solving this other larger problem.

Council Member Frank said we are just figuring out how to handle the money but haven't figured out the process and have gotten the approval.

Ms. Hughes said we have one team that is renting our fields, the same team that rented our fields last year.

Council Member Frank said in the interest of time and brevity it is obvious of how this is going to go on a vote. I will be relentless in finding out how quickly we will get these agreements in with the non-profits and get the Rec Commission to get professionally organized as to how we complied with the ordinance that says you can't set up these things without approval by the Council. Let's end the discussion there but he will be back at it.

Ms. Hughes said he asked us to be sure the money didn't go to baseball or soccer that it came to the borough and that is what we did.

Council Member Frank said she sat in a meeting too when he was told in 30 days we would have all the agreements.

Ms. Hughes said she doesn't make those rules, they have to vote and I have to bring it to you. We are working on it.

Council Member Looes said we are all working on it and she anticipates finishing it up. She has only been on the Commission since January and only got the paper work in February.

Mayor Arnowitz said we have a motion and a second and asked for a roll call.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: Council Member Frank

PROFESSIONALS REPORT:

Borough Engineer – dated March 25, 2014

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

(The following correspondence on file in Borough Clerks Office)

Ambulance Corp

Captain John Beatty, 64 Westdale Avenue –

He provided a review for the year. For the call outs for the first three months of the year, we had 104 medical emergencies, 63 traumas, 18 MBC's, 13 need for medical assistance, 22 EQH, 15 psych behavior calls, 24 simple transports, 4 fire standby's, 3 cardiac arrests, no DOA's and cancelled 18 times for a total of 310 requests for service as of April 1st. This puts us on requests for 1200 calls for the upcoming year, last year we did 1077. Of those 310 requests for ambulances, we answered 262 ourselves that is a huge amount at a great percentage, we received mutual aid 48 times and we thanked the incoming towns that helped us and we were glad to help them 126 times. We currently have four students enrolled in the EMT course in Paramus set to graduate in the beginning of June, we did have five, one did not pass. There is a summer EMT course available in Paramus, the only issue is there are 50 slots allowed in the course and each town is only allowed four max. It runs from July 1 to August 14, Monday through Thursday daytime course from 8:30AM to 3:30PM, it is a great course for a high school or college student. The age requirement is 16 by the 1st of July to start the course and a total of 219 hours. Since last January we have increased our membership by approximately 18 new members; so far this year we have had 1039 man hours on the calls and our ambulance has driven 2,623 miles.

Council President Kelley thanked him for a great job.

Mayor Arnowitz thanked him and the entire corps for the very valuable services they provide. The Council would be happy to support their endeavor to reduce hours. Certain courses were credible towards college and is that applicable?

Mr. Beatty said depending on the college, we have members in our corps that were certified in high school and got eight college credits. The course training is free, paid by the state if you are a volunteer and you get eight college credits. We started to do more courses in the community and recently went to the Hillsdale Baseball and Softball Associations coaches training and gave them a run down on basic first aid response so that they would be prepared for the upcoming season. We are going to do more outreach like that, we are going to be a CPR certified training center and if anyone needs CPR certification, we will be able to handle that as well. We will be offering other basic courses such as full first responder babysitting courses, fully eight hour coaches safety and preparedness course. There is an EMR which is a first responder type course, 59 hours of training and ambulance squads are allowing people to take that instead of the EMT course. You don't learn as much and unfortunately if our members are searching to go for that course, we would only allow them to be a driver. They would not be able to help us in any other way. We do have two people who are drivers that can help lift.

Mayor Arnowitz asked the Administrator if we had the corps come to speak to the staff.

Mr. Beatty said we can definitely come in and do a CPR course whether right after work hours, or during the summer. He will work with the Administrator on that.

Construction Department-February 2014

DPW-

Fire Department-February 2014

Board of Health-

Hillsdale Library-

Council Member Frank said there is an evening yoga course at the library, six classes starting April 22, \$5.00 ea. for the classes. There is also Thursday evening book club April 17 and a Monday afternoon book club as well. The maker space program which he talked about and the 3d printer at the library is open from 2PM to 4:30PM on Wednesdays and all ages are welcome. Kids are there making all kinds of neat things. It is a great program open to all residents. Senior cinema is "Saving Mr. Banks" Wednesday April 30 at 12 noon.

Police Department-February 2014

Recreation/Stonybrook-

Motion to receipt and file-

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

C1 Letter dated March 10, 2014 requesting permission the train station be open during the service celebrating 140th anniversary of the Hillsdale United Methodist Church

Motion to approve, receive and file Council Member Pizzella, Second: Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

C2 Letter dated March 9, 2014 requesting permission to use the train station for Sun Dial Garden Club Annual Plant Sale, Train Station, May 10, 2014

Motion to approve, receive and file Council Member Pizzella, Second: Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

C3 Letter dated March 2014 requesting permission to use the Police Booth and set up tables and tents along south edge Veterans Park for Annual Kids Fishing Contest, Saturday, May 3, 2014

Motion to approve, receive and file Council Member Meyerson, Second: Council Member Kelley, and unanimously carried.

C4 Letter dated March 25, 2014 requesting permission to use hold Art in the Park in Veterans Park, Sunday, June 8, 2014, rain date of June 14, 2014

Motion to approve, receive and file Council Member Pizzella, Second: Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

C5 Block Party application for 84 Large Avenue, Andy Puller, May 3, 2014, rain date May 17, 2014, 4:30-11:00 p.m.

Motion to approve, receive and file Council Member Kelley, Second: Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

C6 Letter dated March 25, 2014 requesting permission to use Veterans Park for DogFest, August 24, 2014, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Motion to approve, receive and file none Second: _____

Mayor Arnowitz spoke to the Police Chief last week. No motion was made and without a motion he cannot take a vote and we will send the proper notification that it has not been approved.

ORDINANCES: *Introduction and Adoption*

14-01 (Adoption)

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RECREATION DEPARTMENT PROGRAM AND SUMMER CAMP FEES FOR THE YEAR 2014 IN THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale as follows:

SECTION 1. The Hillsdale Summer Camp season for children of Hillsdale and River Vale residents and for children attending Hillsdale schools shall operate continuously for 5 weeks.

SECTION 2. The Summer Camp Fees per registrant for the year 2014 are as follows:

| | Hillsdale/ River Vale | St. John's Student/ |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Resident</u> | <u>Non-Resident</u> |
| Kinder-Kamp | \$725 | \$775 |
| Camp Pascack, Grades 1 – 4 | \$790 | \$840 |
| Camp Adventure, Grades 5 – 6 | \$840 | \$890 |
| Field Trip Camp, Grades 7 – 9 | \$890 | \$940 |
| Late registration fee after May 7, 2013 | \$50 | \$50 |
| Before Camp Program (8:00 – 9:00 am) | | |
| Pre-Registered (all weeks) | \$180 | \$185 |
| Pre-Registered (per week) | \$60 | \$60 |
| Pre-Registered (per day) | \$20 | \$20 |
| No pre-registration (per day) | \$25 | \$25 |
| After Camp Program (3:00 – 6:00 pm) | | |
| Pre-Registered (all weeks) | \$340 | \$345 |
| Pre-Registered (per week) | \$100 | \$100 |
| Pre-Registered (per day) | \$25 | \$25 |
| No pre-registration (per day) | \$30 | \$30 |
| Late pick-up (after 6:00 pm, | \$15 | \$15 |
| | per 15 minute increment.) | |

NO REFUNDS

SECTION 3. The Recreation Program Fees per registrant for the year 2013 are as follows:

Hillsdale Resident

Non-Resident

| | | |
|--|------------------------|------------|
| Men's Basketball | \$75 | \$75 |
| Duplicate Bridge | \$20 | \$40 |
| Indoor Soccer | \$55 | N/A |
| Youth Basketball (2 nd Grade) | \$55 | N/A |
| Youth Basketball (3 rd to 8th Grade) | \$80, 1 child | N/A |
| Youth Basketball (9th to 12 th Grade) | \$75, 2+ children each | \$80 |
| Women's Volleyball | \$65 | \$65 |
| Girls Instructional Volleyball | \$50 | \$50 |
| Men's 18 & over Softball | \$400/per team | N/A |
| Men's 35 & over Softball | \$55 | \$65 |
| Women's 18 & over Softball | \$45 | \$55 |
| Wrestling | \$125 | \$125 |
| Rutgers Coaches Class | \$45 | \$45 |
| Art Program, per class (session) | \$95 - \$100 | N/A |
| PGA Golf Program | \$100 | N/A |
| Tennis Program | \$100 | N/A |
| Ski Program | \$50-\$100 | \$50-\$100 |
| First Friends | \$5 | \$5 |
| Ice Skating | \$125-130 | \$125-130 |
| Returned Check Fee | \$20 | \$20 |
| Late Fee | \$25 | \$25 |
| Credit Card Convenience Fee | 3% | 3% |
| Use of Beechwood Park rental Band shell& picnic area | \$25 | \$50 |
| Use of Beechwood Park – Field Use | \$25 | \$50 |

NO REFUNDS

SECTION 4. All ordinances and resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage, approval and publication of notice thereof as required by law and shall be retroactive to January 1, 2014.

PUBLIC HEARING:

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 14-01, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-01 Council Member Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

I entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-01 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 close public hearing on Ordinance 14-01 Council Member Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 14-01 Council Member Frank, Second Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

**14-02 (Adoption)
2014 SALARY ORDINANCE RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale as follows:

SECTION 1. The compensation of all personnel whose services are required as general staff for the operation of the Borough of Hillsdale – Summer Day Camp Program is as follows:

| <u>Years worked, step guide</u> | <u>Hourly Wage range</u> |
|--|--------------------------|
| | MINIMUM |
| HS Sophomore | 6.75 |
| HS junior | 7.25 |
| HS senior | 7.75 |
| College freshman | 8.00 |
| College sophomore | 8.25 |
| College junior | 8.75 |
| College Senior or 22+ years old | 9.25 |
| College Graduate, 1 st year | 9.50 |
| College Graduate, 2 nd year | 10.50 |
| College Graduate, 3 rd year | 11.50 |
| College Graduate, 4 th year | 12.50 |
| College Graduate, 5 th year | 13.50 |
| College Graduate, 6 th year | 14.50 |

Camp Hillsdale Experience Benefit

A flat rate of \$25.00 will be applied for every paid year of Camp Hillsdale experience that each counselor has with the Borough of Hillsdale. This adjustable experience benefit will be paid at the completion of the summer day camp season in August.

SECTION 2. The range salary amount to be paid to a Specialist who must have an education degree/certification is \$1,000 to \$3,500 (based on the applicant’s related camp experience and camp time length). This is an appointed position.

SECTION 3. The range salary amount to be paid to a Camp Director (one)- \$10,000 and \$20,000 or Assistant Director’s (each) is \$3,000 to \$9,000 (based on applicant’s related camp experience and camp time length). This is an appointed position.

SECTION 4. Additional hourly increments on top of base rate may be earned for the following recognized certifications:

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| First Aid Certification | \$0.35 |
| CPR: Adult and Child | \$0.50 |
| Lifeguard Certification | \$0.75 |

Head Counselor \$0.30

SECTION 5. The compensation of all personnel whose services are required as Program Supervisors for the Recreation Commission Programs is as follows:

| <u>Program</u> | <u>Rate</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Men's Basketball | \$600/season |
| Duplicate Bridge | \$600/season |
| Indoor Soccer | \$400/season |
| Women's Volleyball | \$200/season |
| Girls' Volleyball Instructor | \$400/season |
| Youth Basketball: primary | \$2,000/season |
| Youth Basketball: secondary | \$2,000/season (2-3 people) |
| Men's 18+ Softball | \$400/season |
| Men's 35+ Softball | \$400/season |
| Women's 18+ Softball | \$400/season |
| Summer Concert Coordinator | \$n/a/season |
| PV Junior Wrestling | \$400/season |
| Pt Recreation Secretary | |
| April-September | \$3,000 - \$13,000 |
| Basketball referee | \$15 per game |
| Basketball clock, scoreboard | \$10 per game |
| Keeper | |
| Hall monitors | \$10 per hour |

SECTION 6. The compensation fixed and determined by this ordinance for the person holding the respective office and position of employment herein named, shall, except as otherwise provided by statute, ordinance or resolution, be in lieu of all other fees, costs and charges received and collected by such office and employee shall be remitted promptly to the Borough Treasurer.

SECTION 7. All ordinances and resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies.

SECTION 8. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage, approval and publication of notice thereof as required by law.

PUBLIC HEARING:

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 14-02, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-02 Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member DeGise, and unanimously carried.

I entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-02 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 close public hearing on Ordinance 14-02 Council Member Kelley, Second Council Member DeGise, and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 14-02 Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member Frank.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

14-03 (Adoption)

2014 SALARY ORDINANCE HILLSDALE SWIMMING POOL COMMISSION

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION I:

The compensation of all personnel whose services are required for the operation, maintenance and regulation of the Facility as approved by the Swimming Pool Commission is as follows:

| TITLE | <u>2014 SALARY RANGE</u> | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------|-------------|---------|
| | <u>Min.</u> | | <u>Max.</u> | |
| A. Manager/Director | \$32,000.00 | | \$43,000.00 | |
| B. First Assistant | \$5,800.00 | | \$10,000.00 | |
| C. Second Assistant | \$5,800.00 | | \$10,000.00 | |
| D. Third Assistant | \$4,800.00 | | \$8,000.00 | |
| E. Fourth Assistant | \$4,800.00 | | \$6,000.00 | |
| F. Secretary's | \$4,000.00 | | \$7,300.00 | |
| G. Maintenance/Handyman | Hourly | \$7.05 | Hourly | \$15.00 |
| H. Pre-Season Maintenance | | | Hourly | \$ 8.00 |
| I. Secretary-Hourly | Hourly | \$9.00 | Hourly | \$15.00 |
| J. Maintenance Manager | \$3,000.00 | | \$5,000.00 | |

SECTION II:

Trained Lifeguards: Part-time minimum age 15 years, Full-time 16 years, Gate Recreation and Minimum 14 years, Maintenance staff age 17 years

| <u>YEARS WORKED</u> | <u>HOURLY RANGE</u> | | <u>GATE & REC.</u> | <u>HOURLY RANGE</u> | |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| | <u>MIN.</u> | <u>MAX.</u> | | <u>MIN.</u> | <u>MAX.</u> |
| <u>LIFEGUARDS</u> | | | | | |
| 1 | \$7.15 | \$7.41 | 1 | \$6.95 | \$7.21 |
| 2 | \$7.41 | \$7.87 | 2 | \$7.21 | \$7.51 |
| 3 | \$7.85 | \$8.21 | 3 | \$7.51 | \$7.98 |
| 4 | \$8.24 | \$8.94 | 4 | \$7.98 | \$8.24 |
| 5 | \$8.95 | \$9.42 | 5 | \$8.24 | \$8.60 |

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| 6 | \$9.42 | \$9.68 | 6 | \$8.60 | \$9.27 |
| 7 | \$9.68 | \$10.35 | 7 | \$9.27 | \$9.78 |
| 8 | \$10.35 | \$11.58 | 8 | \$9.78 | \$10.50 |
| 9 | \$11.58 | \$12.36 | 9 | \$10.50 | \$11.50 |
| 10 | \$12.37 | \$13.20 | 10 | \$11.51 | \$12.00 |
| 11 | \$13.21 | \$14.05 | 11 | \$12.01 | \$12.50 |
| 12 | \$14.06 | \$14.95 | 12 | \$12.50 | \$13.00 |

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| Coordinator of Group Swim Lessons | \$1,400 or (\$700 each 2 people) |
| Guard Safety Training Instructor | \$800 |
| Head Guard - Lifeguard | \$500 to \$900 |
| Business manager of Swim/Dive Team | \$1,100 or (\$550 each 2 people) |
| Managing Lifeguard | \$800-\$1,000 |
| Kid's Korner Coordinator (2) | \$4,000 to \$9,000 |
| Gate Manager | \$200-\$600 |

SECTION III:

A part-time /substitute Guard must earn at least \$3,000 the previous season to advance a step.

ADDITIONAL RATES:

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| Water Safety Instructor assistant | \$.050 hr |
| Certifies Water Safety Instructor | \$1.25 hr |
| CPR Instructor | \$1.00 hr |
| EMT Certification | \$1.25 hr |
| Teach Private Swim Lessons | \$16/half hour |
| Teach Private Swim Lessons (2 kids) | \$20/ half hour |
| Certified Pool Operator Hourly emp. | \$2.00 hr |

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| | <u>Min</u> | <u>Max</u> |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Swim Team Coach | \$1,600 | \$4,000 |
| Assistant Swim/Dive Coaches | \$5,000 | |
| Diving Team Coach | \$1,200 | \$3,200 |
| Aqua Aerobics Instructor | \$500.00 | \$1,000 |

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| Yoga Instructor | \$500.00 | \$1,000 |
| Certified Pool Operator Salary employee | \$1,000 | |
| Fall/Winter Help-Hourly | \$13.00 | \$15.00 |
| Fall/Winter Secretary-Hourly | \$13.00 | \$15.00 |

Any full time guard who is scheduled 80 hours per pay period (2 weeks) will be guaranteed a minimum of 20 hours per pay period (2 weeks) (i.e. early closing-rain). When club is open full time only for the months of July and August.

SECTION IV:

The Compensation fixed and determined by this ordinance for the persons holding the respective offices and position of employment herein named, shall be in lieu of all other fees, costs and charges received and collected by such officers an employees shall be remitted promptly to the Borough of Treasurer.

SECTION V:

All ordinances and resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies.

SECTION VI:

This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage, approval and publications of notice thereof as required by law, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be retroactive to January 1, 2014.

PUBLIC HEARING:

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 14-03 please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-03 Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Kelley, and unanimously carried.

I entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-03 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 close public hearing on Ordinance 14-03 Council Member Kelley, Second Council Member DeGise, and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 14-03 Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member Pizzella.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

14-04 (Adoption)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE 09-01 CHAPTER 138 "FEES" AND CHAPTER 71 SWIMMING POOL COMMISSION

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale as follows:
SECTION 1: Chapter 138 of the Code of the Borough of Hillsdale is amended and supplemented to include membership fees in the following schedule and definition:

CHAPTER 71, Swimming Pool Commission

RATES FOR 2014

| RESIDENTS- TYPE | PRICE | | | RESIDENTS discount 25% TYPE | PRICE | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Before | 6-May | After | | Before | 6-May | After |
| | 5-May | 30-May | 30-May | | 5-May | 30-May | 30-May |
| A. Family of Two | \$ 579.00 | \$591.00 | \$641.00 | A. Family of Two | \$434.00 | \$443.00 | \$481.00 |
| B. Family (3 persons) | \$ 593.00 | \$605.00 | \$655.00 | B. Family (3 persons) | \$445.00 | \$454.00 | \$491.00 |
| C. Family (4-5 persons) | \$ 651.00 | \$664.00 | \$714.00 | C. Family (4-5 persons) | \$488.00 | \$498.00 | \$536.00 |
| D. Family (6 + persons) | \$ 720.00 | \$734.00 | \$784.00 | D. Family (6 + persons) | \$540.00 | \$551.00 | \$588.00 |
| E. Individual (18+) | \$ 413.00 | \$421.00 | \$471.00 | E. Individual (18+) | \$310.00 | \$316.00 | \$353.00 |
| F. Senior Citizen (62+) | \$ 227.00 | \$227.00 | \$279.00 | F. Senior Citizen (62+) | \$171.00 | \$171.00 | \$209.00 |
| G. 2 Senior Citizen | \$ 339.00 | \$339.00 | \$389.00 | G. 2 Senior Citizen | \$254.00 | \$254.00 | \$293.00 |

I., J* Sponsored by a family membership must show proof

| NON-RESIDENTS TYPE | PRICE | | | NON-RESIDENTS discount 25% TYPE | PRICE | | |
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| | Before | 6-May | After | | Before | 6-May | After |
| | 5-May | 30-May | 30-May | | 5-May | 30-May | 30-May |
| A. Family of Two | \$ 901.00 | \$919.00 | \$969.00 | A. Family of Two | \$676.00 | \$689.00 | \$727.00 |
| B. Family (3 persons) | \$ 962.00 | \$981.00 | \$1,031.00 | B. Family (3 persons) | \$721.00 | \$736.00 | \$773.00 |
| C. Family (4-5 persons) | \$1,003.00 | \$1,023.00 | \$1,073.00 | C. Family (4-5 persons) | \$751.00 | \$767.00 | \$805.00 |
| D. Family (6-7 persons) | \$1,014.00 | \$1,034.00 | \$1,084.00 | D. Family (6-7 persons) | \$760.00 | \$775.00 | \$813.00 |
| E. Family (8+ persons) | \$1,043.00 | \$1,064.00 | \$1,114.00 | E. Family (8+ persons) | \$782.00 | \$798.00 | \$836.00 |
| F. Individual (18+) | \$ 651.00 | \$664.00 | \$714.00 | F. Individual (18+) | \$488.00 | \$498.00 | \$536.00 |
| G. Senior Citizen (62+) | \$ 299.00 | \$299.00 | \$349.00 | G. Senior Citizen (62+) | \$224.00 | \$224.00 | \$262.00 |
| H. 2 Senior Citizen | \$ 470.00 | \$470.00 | \$520.00 | H. 2 Senior Citizen | \$352.00 | \$352.00 | \$390.00 |

I.* Sponsored by a family membership must show proof

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| Credit card convenience fee | 3% | Credit card convenience fee | 3% |
| Return check fee: | \$20.00 | Return check fee: | \$20.00 |

SECTION II:

Chapter 71: "Swimming Pool Commission", Section 71-2 Members is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

MEMBERS:

C. Compensation: The member of the commission shall serve without salary or other compensation for their service.

Excluded from the prohibition is membership rate afforded Borough Volunteers.

SECTION III:

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| Guest Pass Discount Book | | \$75.00 |
| Daily Guest Pass Adult (weekdays) | | \$18.00 |
| Daily Guest Pass Child (weekdays) Under 17 | | \$10.00 |
| Daily Guest Pass Adult (weekends) | | \$20.00 |
| Daily Guest Pass Child (weekends) Under 17 | | \$12.00 |
| Group Swim Lessons | | \$72.00 |
| Private Swim Lessons | | \$30.00 |
| Swim Team Membership | | \$60.00 |
| Dive Team Membership | | \$45.00 |
| Dive Lessons | | \$35.00 |
| Private Lesson for 2 kids | | \$50.00 |
| Babysitter - per sitter | | \$130.00 |
| Babysitter 2 for summer | | \$210.00 |
| I. Grand Parent Fee (1)* | I | \$150.00 |
| J. Grand parents Fee (2)* | I | \$335.00 |
| Parties under 100+ people -private | | \$850.00 |
| School Parties | | \$750.00 |
| Corporate Parties | \$700.00 to | \$7,500.00 |
| Swim Team Rental (outside) | \$5,000 to | \$25,000.00 |
| Ping Pong balls | | \$0.25 |
| Camp Fees - per camper | | \$35.00 |
| ID Card Replacement Fee | | \$13.00 |
| Chair Storage - per chair | | \$20.00 |
| Birthday Parties (children under 16) 2 hours | \$50 to | \$80.00 |
| Parties - Family (2 hours) | | \$100.00 |
| Spirit Wear clothing | | \$5 to \$100 |

***NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 21, 2014**

SECTION IV:

This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage, approval and publication of notice thereof as required by law, and the provisions of this ordinance shall be retroactive to January 1, 2014.

PUBLIC HEARING:

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 14-04, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-04 Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member Kelley, and unanimously carried.

I entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-04 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 close public hearing on Ordinance 14-04 Council Member Frank, Second Council Member Pizzella, and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 14-04 Council Member Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

14-06 (Adoption):

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 13-13 PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE, AMOUNT AND METHOD OF PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO PERSONS HOLDING CERTAIN OFFICE AND POSITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. The rate of compensation of persons holding any of the hereafter named offices and positions of employment, which compensation shall be on an annual basis unless otherwise specified, is hereby fixed and determined to be as set opposite the title of each of the hereinafter named offices and positions of employment. Whenever there shall be set forth a minimum and maximum rate of compensation the employee or officer shall be compensated at an annual rate within such range.

SECTION 2. Each employee set forth in this Section shall receive annual compensation as set forth below.

| | <u>MINIMUM</u> | <u>MAXIMUM</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Code Official/Zoning Official | \$7,700 | \$9,500 |
| Interim Borough Administrator | \$24,000 | \$30,000 |

SECTION 3. If an employee performed a unique assignment of exceptional value to the Borough requiring significant time and effort in addition to his/her usual responsibilities, the Borough Council may grant a bonus not to exceed \$5,000 to this employee.

SECTION 4. The compensation fixed and determined by this Ordinance for the persons holding the respective offices and positions of employment herein named, shall, except as otherwise provided by statute, ordinance or resolution, be in lieu of all other fees, costs and charges received and collected by such offices and employees shall remit such funds promptly to the Borough Treasurer.

SECTION 5. All ordinances and resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage (adoption), approval and publication of notice thereof as required by law, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be retroactive to January 1, 2014.

PUBLIC HEARING:

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 14-06, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-06 Council Member Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

I entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-06 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 close public hearing on Ordinance 14-06 Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Kelley, and unanimously carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 14-06 Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

CONSENT AGENDA~RESOLUTIONS: R 14087 through R 14096:

R14087 Authorize award of contract for CDBG-ADA Pool Lift at Stonybrook Swim Club to Lehmann Pools and Spas for the proposed amount of \$13,854.00

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of Neglia Engineering Associates that the Quote Solicitation for:

ADA POOL LIFT AT STONYBROOK SWIM CLUB

(BERGEN COUNTY~COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT)

be awarded to Lehmann Pools and Spas for the quote amount of Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Four Dollars and Zero Cents (\$13,854.00) (which represents the Base Bid) being the lowest of three (3) bids received.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution to take effect upon passage and certification of funds by the Certified Municipal Finance Officer.

R14090 Award of LOSAP benefits to eligible members of the Volunteer Ambulance Service

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, Bergen County, New Jersey, has adopted Ordinance #99-17 establishing and implementing Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) pursuant to P.L. 1997, c. 399, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the LOSAP program, a list of eligible members and corresponding award has been presented to the Interim Borough Administrator, a copy of the same being annexed hereto; and

WHEREAS, a list of eligible members and proposed award has been reviewed and approved by the Interim Borough Administrator, and funds have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, does hereby approve the list of twelve (12) eligible members to receive full benefits, One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars and no cents (\$1,368.00) per eligible member, and one member to receive fifty percent of the benefit, Six Hundred Eight Four Dollars and no cents, proposed total award of Seventeen Thousand One Hundred and no cents (\$17,100.00) for 2013 LOSAP benefits, for eligible Volunteer Ambulance Service members as annexed hereto and made a part hereof and authorizes payment in accordance therewith.

R14091 Authorize agreement for professional services to Neglia Engineering to submit 2013 NJDEP Municipal Stormwater Management, annual report, due May 2, 2014

WHEREAS, the NJDEP Municipal Stormwater Management Program requires an annual report submitted by May 2, 2014; and

NOW, BE IT REOSLVED, that Neglia Engineering Associates be authorized to submit application for an engineering fee not to exceed \$2,310.00.

R14092 Authorize Darleen Green, Maser Consulting to submit 2013 Project and Unit Monitoring Year Status-COAH, not to exceed \$1,500.

WHEREAS, COAH requires each municipality to designate a person to submit data into the CTM Monitoring System;

BE IT RESOLVED, that Darlene Green, Borough Planner, of Maser Consulting to be authorized to submit such report on behalf of the borough at an amount not to exceed \$1,500.

R14093 Authorize Borough Clerk to Advertise for Supplemental Snow Plowing Proposals 2014-2015

WHEREAS, the governing body sees a need for supplemental snow plowing services for the 2014-2015 snow season; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body authorizes the Borough Clerk to advertise for supplemental snow plowing services for 2014-2015 snow season.

R14095 Authorize MOA to enter into shared service agreement between Bergen County Department of Public Works, Division of Mosquito Control and the Borough of Hillsdale for municipal stream clearance and maintenance

WHEREAS, Bergen County provides a program to local communities for clearing, dredging non-county waterways providing heavy equipment under the supervision of the Mosquito Control Division personnel; and

WHEREAS, Bergen County Department of Public Works recognizes that maintenance and upkeep of waterways is the property owner's or the municipalities responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the County's maintenance assistance for de-snagging or maintenance request be made by the municipality only; and

WHEREAS, the municipality must work in conjunction with the County utilizing their resources along with the County to provide the assistance; and

WHEREAS, the municipality will determine or assess the situation prior to contacting the County for assistance; and

WHEREAS, the County will then evaluate the situation and determine if they have the resources to assist at which point the resources will be pooled and determine the manpower required to perform the duties; and

WHEREAS, only when both parties are in agreement to work as a unit using all resources available can the project be address.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body authorize the Mayor to sign and execute the memorandum of agreement to enter into shared services between the County of Bergen, Department of Public Works, Division of Mosquito Control and the Borough of Hillsdale.

R14096 Authorize the Mayor to execute agreement with Deputy Borough Clerk, effective March 17, 2014

BE IT REOSLVED, the governing body authorize the Mayor to execute the memorandum of agreement for Deputy Borough Clerk, Denise Kohan, effective date of March 17, 2014.

Authorize to enter into agreement with the Borough of Paramus for Street Sweeper services

Borough Attorney Bernstein said he will ask the Mayor and Council to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an agreement with the Borough of Paramus once we get into it.

Motion Council Member Frank, Second Council Member Kelley.

Mayor Arnowitz said in accordance with Council Member Meyerson's request, we will vote on all of the resolutions with the exception of R14094.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

R14094 Authorize tax appeal B2201/L19 5 Cherry Hill Ct. Fixelle/Fox.

WHEREAS, Bruce Fixelle and Linda Fox own certain property located at 5 Cherry Hill Court, known as BLOCK 2201, Lot 19 as shown on the tax map of Hillsdale, NJ and

WHEREAS, Bruce Fixelle and Linda Fox has filed appeals to the Tax Court of New Jersey for said premises for the tax year 2012 and

WHEREAS, the parties have engaged in settlement negotiations; and

WHEREAS, as a result of those settlement negotiations, a settlement has been reached upon the recommendation and concurrence of Patrick Wilkins, Borough Tax Assessor; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Fixelle and Linda Fox have agreed to waive all interest due on any refund providing that same is paid by the municipality within sixty (60) days from the date of entry of the New Jersey Tax Court Judgment, and

WHEREAS, The Tax Assessor has recommended said settlement to the Borough Council; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council is of the opinion that said settlement is in the best interests of the Borough of Hillsdale;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Settlement of the 2012 and, 2013 tax appeals are hereby authorized as follows:

| 2012 | <u>Original Assessment</u> | <u>Settlement Amount</u> |
|--------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| TOTAL | \$ 852,400 | \$730,000 |
| Refund | | \$3,182.40 |
| TOTAL REFUND | | \$3,182.40 |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED all municipal officials are hereby authorized to take whatever action may be necessary to implement the terms of the resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the settlement in this matter as set forth herein above, be and the same is approved, and the Borough Attorney for Tax Appeals is hereby authorized and directed to affect said settlement.

Council Member Meyerson said he knew these people and there is the possibility they made a campaign contribution but he wanted to find out our responsibility with respect to tax appeals, what are the rules regarding conflict of interest.

Borough Attorney Bernstein did not rule on this.

Mayor Arnowitz said we will carry this as the Borough Attorney will look into this matter.

Borough Attorney Bernstein asked the maker of the motion or second to withdraw the motion so that we can carry it to another meeting.

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

OFF CONSENT AGENDA: R14097, R14098, R14099, R14100, R14101, R14103

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the following bills in the sum of \$2,100,442.82 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.

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| 2494 | 03/25/14 | 17BEN BENIGNO, DEBRA | 9.62 | | 6787 |
| 2495 | 03/25/14 | NJF01 NJ FAMILY SUPPORT PAYMENT CTR | 297.62 | | 6790 |
| 1025 | 03/26/14 | 17PBA BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE PBA | 960.00 | | 6796 |
| 1026 | 03/26/14 | 17TEA TEAMSTERS LOCAL 945 | 205.00 | | 6796 |
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| 23247 | 03/13/14 | CMS01 CMS MEDICARE INSURANCE | 1,293.80 | | 6777 |
| 23248 | 03/19/14 | BER01 BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE BNFT | 5,496.00 | | 6781 |
| 23249 | 03/19/14 | UNI02 UNITED WATER NEW JERSEY (REG) | 629.40 | | 6782 |
| 23250 | 03/24/14 | UNU01 UNUM LIFE INS CO OF AMERICA | 151.20 | | 6784 |
| 23251 | 03/25/14 | DEE04 DEER PARK DIRECT INC. | 43.82 | | 6788 |
| 23252 | 03/25/14 | USP02 U.S. POSTAL SERVICE-CMRS-FP | 2,000.00 | | 6791 |
| 23253 | 03/28/14 | PSE01 PSE&G (REGULAR) | 19,299.06 | | 6798 |
| 23254 | 03/28/14 | NJ15 TREASURER STATE OF NJ - DCA | 50.00 | | 6799 |
| 23255 | 03/31/14 | HIL02 HILLSDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION | 811,777.00 | | 6800 |
| 23256 | 04/01/14 | UNI02 UNITED WATER NEW JERSEY (REG) | 15,718.13 | | 6802 |
| 23257 | 04/01/14 | BER01 BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE BNFT | 5,549.00 | | 6804 |
| 23258 | 04/08/14 | 3 GU01 3 GUYS ENTERTAINMENT | 360.00 | | 6810 |
| 23259 | 04/08/14 | ACC04 ACCOMMODATION-MOLLEN, INC | 412.00 | | 6810 |
| 23260 | 04/08/14 | ADA06 ADAMS, NORA C | 170.00 | | 6810 |
| 23261 | 04/08/14 | ADK01 ADKINSON, MAUREEN | 185.00 | | 6810 |
| 23262 | 04/08/14 | ALL18 ALLAN/BRITE-WAY ELEC. CONT.INC | 527.53 | | 6810 |
| 23263 | 04/08/14 | AME02 AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 162 | 125.00 | | 6810 |
| 23264 | 04/08/14 | AME06 AMERICAN WEAR CORP | 239.40 | | 6810 |
| 23265 | 04/08/14 | AME19 AMERICAN HOSE & HYDRAULICS | 416.49 | | 6810 |
| 23266 | 04/08/14 | ANI01 ANITA TIRE CORPORATION | 219.00 | | 6810 |
| 23267 | 04/08/14 | APP01 APPROVED SURGICAL SUPPLIES INC | 100.00 | | 6810 |

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| 23269 | 04/08/14 | AUT01 | AUTOMOTIVE BRAKE CO INC. | 576.00 | 6810 |
| 23270 | 04/08/14 | AUTH03 | AUTHORINET CONSULTING, LLC | 2,253.97 | 6810 |
| 23271 | 04/08/14 | BER11 | BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES | 235,487.00 | 6810 |
| 23272 | 04/08/14 | BER58 | BERGEN BROOKSIDE TOWING | 200.00 | 6810 |

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| 23279 | 04/08/14 | BUR01 | BURTON AGENCY INC. | 26,271.00 | 6810 |
| 23280 | 04/08/14 | CHU02 | CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE | 100.00 | 6810 |
| 23281 | 04/08/14 | CLI01 | CLIFFSIDE BODY CORPORATION | 60.71 | 6810 |

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| 23285 | 04/08/14 | DEL03 | DELUXE INT'L TRUCKS, INC | 537.67 | 6810 |
| 23286 | 04/08/14 | DRI01 | DRIVERS LICENSE GUIDE COMPANY | 43.90 | 6810 |
| 23287 | 04/08/14 | DUR05 | DURIE LAWNMOWER CORP. | 82.80 | 6810 |
| 23288 | 04/08/14 | ELE03 | ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE CORP. | 140.00 | 6810 |
| 23289 | 04/08/14 | EXC01 | EXCEL DISTRIBUTORS | 310.71 | 6810 |
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| 23295 | 04/08/14 | FUT02 | FUTURE SANITATION | 30,992.91 | 6810 |
| 23296 | 04/08/14 | GAL01 | GALLS/QUARTERMASTER | 103.00 | 6810 |
| 23297 | 04/08/14 | GAL04 | GALAXY GARDENS CO INC. | 65.25 | 6810 |
| 23298 | 04/08/14 | GIB04 | GIBBONS P.C. | 36.10 | 6810 |
| 23299 | 04/08/14 | GIT01 | GITTLEMAN, MUHLSTOCK & | 2,820.00 | 6810 |
| 23300 | 04/08/14 | GRA02 | GRAINGER INDUSTRIAL SUPP, INC | 652.49 | 6810 |
| 23301 | 04/08/14 | GUL02 | WEX BANK INC | 3,925.78 | 6810 |
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| 23324 | 04/08/14 | NAT07 | NATURES CHOICE CORP. | 300.00 | 6810 |

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| 23365 | 04/08/14 | VER02 | VERIZON WIRELESS (CELL PHONE) | 415.62 | 6810 |
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| 4897 | 03/24/14 | UNU01 | UNUM LIFE INS CO OF AMERICA | 4.20 | 6785 |
| 4898 | 03/25/14 | DEE04 | DEER PARK DIRECT INC. | 2.97 | 6789 |
| 4899 | 03/28/14 | PSE03 | PSE&G (STONYBROOK) | 660.22 | 6797 |
| 4900 | 04/01/14 | BER01 | BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE BNFT | 53.00 | 6803 |
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| 4905 | 04/08/14 | GIL01 | GILL ASSOCIATES LLC | 260.00 | 6808 |
| 4906 | 04/08/14 | RAI02 | RAINFLOW SPRINKLER SYSTEMS INC | 1,150.00 | 6808 |
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Motion Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member DeGise.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Frank, Looes, Meyerson, Pizzella,

Absent: None

Abstain: Council Members DeGise and Kelley.

R14098 Authorize Transfer of 2013 budget appropriation reserves

WHEREAS N.J.S.A.40A:4-58 permits transfers among Budget Appropriations during the last two months of the fiscal year and first three months of the proceeding year,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the Finance Department is hereby authorized to make the following transfers among the 2013 Budget Appropriations:

| OPERATIONS "WITHIN CAP" | <u>FROM</u> | <u>TO</u> |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| 3-01-26-310-026 Buildings & Grounds O/E | 500 | |
| 3-01-36-472-140 Social Security O/E | 6,000 | |
| 3-01-20-130-011 Financial Administration S & W | 21,935 | |
| 3-01-20-100-011 General Administration S & W | 1,500 | |
| 3-01-20-100-229 General Administration O/E | 3,000 | |
| 3-01-25-240-018 Police Department S & W | 5,800 | |
| 3-01-26-190-135 Road Repair & Maintenance O/E | | 500 |
| 3-01-36-471-001 PERS | | 6,000 |
| 3-01-20-150-011 Assessment of Taxes S & W | | 1,500 |
| 3-01-26-190-010 Road Repair & Maintenance S & W | | 21,320 |
| 3-01-28-375-011 Parks & Playgrounds S & W | | 6,215 |
| 3-01-26-510-011 Stormwater Road Dept. S & W | | 3,000 |
| 3-01-28-370-411 Senior Citizens S & W | | 200 |
| TOTAL | 38,735 | 38,735 |

Motion Council Member Frank, Second Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

R14099 Award of LOSAP benefits to eligible members of the Hillsdale Fire Department

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, Bergen County, New Jersey, has adopted Ordinance #99-17 establishing and implementing Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) pursuant to P.L. 1997, c. 399, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the LOSAP program, a list of eligible members and corresponding award has been presented to the Interim Borough Administrator, a copy of the same being annexed hereto; and

WHEREAS, a list of eligible members and proposed award has been reviewed and approved by the Interim Borough Administrator, and funds have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, does hereby approve the list of twenty (20) eligible members, One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars and no cents (\$1,368.00) per eligible member, proposed total award of Twenty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and no cents (\$27,360.00) for 2013 LOSAP benefits, for eligible Fire Department members as annexed hereto and made a part hereof and authorizes payment in accordance therewith.

Motion Council Member Meyerson, Second Council Member Frank.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Frank, Looes, Meyerson, Pizzella

Nays: None

Abstain: Council President Kelley

Recuse: Council Member DeGise

Mayor Arnowitz said we discussed this last week and since he is a member of the Fire Department, the Administrator/Clerk will sign the resolution.

R14100 Approval of Raffle License RA 704, American Legion Post

WHEREAS, General Leonard E Wood -American Legion Post 162, 98 Legion Place, Hillsdale, NJ 07642 has made proper application for the following Raffles License; and

WHEREAS, said application contains the number designation furnished by the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department of the Borough of Hillsdale has reported to this Borough Council in writing that the statements contained in said application are in order, that the place wherein said Raffles is to be held complies with the rules and regulations pertaining to the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon payment of the licensing fees, as provided by Statute, and upon filing with the Borough Clerk all the papers required by law, the Borough Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to issue a license for Raffles in accordance with said application:

| Raffle License No. | Type of License |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| RL:704 | Off-Premise Merchandise Raffle |

Motion Council President Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: Council Member Frank

R14101 Approval of Raffle License RA 705, St. John the Baptist Church, June 8, 2014

WHEREAS, St. John the Baptist Church, 69 Valley Street, Hillsdale, NJ 07642 has made proper application for the following Raffle License to be held June 8, 2014; and

WHEREAS, said application contains the number of designation furnished by the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission; and

WHEREAS, THE Police Department of the Borough of Hillsdale has reported to this Borough Council in writing that the statements contained in said application are in order, that the place wherein said Raffle(s) is to be held complies with the rules and regulations pertaining to the application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon payment of the licensing fees, as provided by Statute, and upon filing with the Borough Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to issue a license for Raffles in accordance with said application:

Raffle License No.

Type of License

RL: 705

Off-Premise Merchandise Draw Raffle

Motion Council President Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers DeGise, Looes, Meyerson, Council President Kelley

Nays: None

Abstain: Council Members Frank and Pizzella

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Meredith Kates, 140 Sebastian Court –

She said the Environmental Commission received many emails from residents about what they call decimation of the trees. We have a tree ordinance, what is going on. We don't have any oversight into this project, maybe this is something that we can reiterate to the public that the town is aware, it is not necessarily something we wanted to happen. She said it is important that this is stated; she asked if anyone is in communication with United Water on this project to make they are not going beyond the bounds of what they are authorized to do. We don't have any oversight and there are a lot of upset and shocked people jogging by Church Road and they said the area is completely decimated.

Mayor Arnowitz said as far as the trees are concerned, we ended up in court and did not prevail. We tried to avoid this, a certain amount of trees will be replanted but that doesn't make up for what they have done. As far as overseeing the project, the DEP and EPA do oversee the project and the county engineer also visits, but we do not have a borough engineer overseeing the project. We lost this in court, our ability to manage that project. With regard to the project, it has been reported to him that they are doing everything they said they are going to do but it is a long way to go.

Meredith Kates asked if the Mayor will be seeking an explanation for what is going on; it seems like they are making a staging area and is that why they cleared the wildlife area.

Mayor Arnowitz said they have a staging area on both sides of the bridge, they will be creating a road from the Church Road area that will lead to the area behind Casa del Sol where they are doing work, which is Woodcliff Lake, and they the trucks will proceed. There is a road there but it is going to be improved and widened that will take them out to the causeway by the Woodcliff Lake train station.

Council President Kelley said if there are any questions about this, you can write or call the DEP, United Water or the governor's office, the state is in charge of this project.

Meredith Kates said the people don't understand the process.

Council President Kelley said we invited United Water to a meeting but they refused.

Paul Matthews, 85 Ralph Avenue –

He is a newcomer to this town and he is aware that Woodcliff Lake is attempting to pull out of this agreement. We had a referendum and had a vote once before and we stopped what they want to do; in a short amount of time this is going for another vote and hopefully it will be defeated. It seems that Woodcliff Lake is going to take legal action so how will this affect us.

Mayor Arnowitz was going to make a report at the end of the meeting but he will do it now. Last night he, Council Members Frank and Pizzella met with the Mayor and Council President of River Vale and the Borough Engineer. We have an attorney from the DeCotiis law firm that represents both Hillsdale and River Vale, we have been fighting this for quite a while. Last night we discussed where we are going and we decided that we will go forward with an appeal to try to stop the referendum and we don't feel we will have much success with that, but if we don't appeal, it stifles or affects our ability down the road. The town's position has been and continues to be unanimously that we will continue to fight this to the end to stop this. It is a matter of economics but more importantly, we have to get the message out to the public, the Hillsdale residents and to the Woodcliff Lake residents. This affects education because if we mess up the school system, that messes up the sales values of our homes. People come to Hillsdale for a number of reasons but the main reason is we have an excellent school system and Woodcliff Lake is playing with it. We will have a referendum, the date probably not until the end of the year; there is only four days a year this can be held. The next one is September and we say it is too soon, the one after would be December and then in March. We think it will be December but we are attempting to delay it to March.

We are reforming with River Vale the committee that worked on the last referendum and we are going to be asking the public for funds because we are under the impression we can't use taxpayer dollars to put the message out to the public. We had flyers, ads in the paper; one of his big donors passed away this year, Bob Hewitt, who gave us quite a bit of money to run newspaper ads to stop the last referendum. The last referendum was predicated on changing the formula, this referendum is for Woodcliff Lake to withdraw from the district. Ex-Mayor Murphy sits on the high school school board and he had a conversation with him about this and one of the things that bothers me is Woodcliff Lake's insistence that they are going to pull out and we are going to become a sending district; that means they send their students here and pay a fee. It puts Montvale at a very distinct disadvantage because they become one of three and a very small one of three. Who is to say Hillsdale will take them, why would we. The bottom line is if we need to close Hills, sell the school, build an addition to Pascack Valley and have the three towns under Hillsdale. My hope is that we don't do anything and Woodcliff Lake continues to pay. Hillsdale and River Vale built two schools when Woodcliff Lake was all farmland and Montvale was farmland. Now that they have developed and they are commercial, we are a bedroom community, now they are complaining. There is a lot of development going on in Montvale, they could end up with more students than Hillsdale. That is their objective, not to withdraw, a state mandated formula, not something that Hillsdale, Montvale, Woodcliff Lake and River Vale came up with; a state mandated formula and unless the state wants to change it, and again, that is our argument, if you want to change the formula go to your legislature and get them to change it. We are not going to negotiate. It will cost the average homeowner upwards \$1000 per year if the formulas change to what they want, which is ridiculous. We built those schools.

There will be other meetings, we have a tentative date of May 5, we will be asking for volunteers to work on this committee. Council Member Pizzella will be in charge; normally it is Council Member Meyerson but there is a conflict of interest he can't be there. He serves as President of the School Board and a member of the high school board.

Mr. Matthew said that is what attracted him to this area, he is from Warren Township, Morris County, their high school don't hold a candle to what you have here. He hopes this doesn't happen.

Mayor Arnowitz said last week he gave a speech to the French Club at the high school but noticed less students than in the past so he made a comment to the teacher in charge. They bring in students from France and the teacher said that is due to the budget cutbacks from both here and France. He asked what happens if this withdrawal takes place and she said probably French would be lost as well as other languages because you can't afford to do it separately. The kids get second and third and fourth languages because our world is becoming smaller and smaller and if they kids survive in the economy down the road, they have to be able to communicate with other people. You learn this in school; we will do our best. That is a synopsis of what took place.

Council Member Meyerson said we are going to fight this to the end and he expects it will take a long time and a lot of money. It is a complete waste of taxpayers' money not from our perspective, it is essential we fight this for the reasons set forth by the Mayor, we have great schools.

Mayor Arnowitz said the taxpayers pay for the referendum and that means the school boards get less money to spend on the education of our kids to pay for another useless referendum. The losers in the end are the kids. He said hopefully he will get donations to run ads and get the message out to Woodcliff Lake and Montvale residents that it is affecting their kids. He started on this three years ago when he became Mayor, but Woodcliff Lake was supposedly spending \$15,000 per student per year, now they are spending \$30,000, he didn't know how that jumped so quickly. But they tell their residents they are going to save this huge amount of money. Our report that we presented to the state showed Woodcliff Lake and Montvale spending more money than they

are presently spending if the districts were to be separated. The educational process for our children will be reduced dramatically.

Council Member Pizzella added that he sat in on the meeting, one of the main things talked about was getting the local school board as well as the regional school board involved as well as Ed funds and any other donors who are willing to participate. Get residents who are watching on TV or in the audience to really need to start talking about the issue, talk to your friends in Woodcliff Lake. He believed a lot of people in Woodcliff Lake don't understand what is going on; we talked about information sessions, town hall meetings and encourage anybody in Hillsdale to talk about it, ask questions, email him and Council Member Meyerson and asked for the local board of ed for their support. He encouraged everyone to get involved. This coalition and committee will be forming and we will be looking for help from the residents.

Mayor Arnowitz said we want to win by a huge majority but get the message out that we are wasting Woodcliff Lake's tax dollars which affects us.

Abby Lundy, 73 Colonial Boulevard –

Last year we had three organizations who went to the Rec Department with department requests and they were approved. HBSA issued the invoices because we were told it was o.k. to do that. The invoice state specifically funds collected will be used at the discretion of the DPW and those funds are restricted and we are prepared to turn the funds over to the town as soon as we are told what to do with them. She wanted to clarify that.

COUNCIL COMMENTARIES:

Council Member Meyerson thanked the Finance Committee, Council Members Frank and DeGise and the Mayor for their help as well as the professionals and Susan Witkowski. We had a lot of meetings and a lot of things had to get done. He had a tour of the west wing in Washington a week ago it was something to see, no matter who is in office, to see the oval office, the cabinet room and the press room. It is an incredible experience and it is spectacular and if anyone gets an opportunity to see it, it is very exciting.

Council Member Looes also thanked the Finance Committee and everyone who worked on the budget. She welcomed Matthew Ciuppa and James Alburtus to the Hillsdale Fire Department. She reminded the seniors that the luncheon is April 23rd at St. Johns at 11AM.

Council Member DeGise said it is great to see these new young members joining the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps. One of the accomplishments with the budget this year is we included \$264,000 for capital improvements within the budget and worked on where we needed to go in the future.

Council Member Kelley said two young men were sworn into the Fire Department, one is Cadet James Alburtus who will be great. He said Matthew Ciuppa was sworn in as a probationary member, he is 18 and a regular member, he was our Cadet Captain for the past year and a half. He completed Fire One when 16; it is a good day for the Fire Department taking someone who was 16 and stepping up and worked really hard. This is what the Fire Department needs, kids coming in and this is what keeps it going.

Mayor Arnowitz said when we do such comments, he would like them done when the persons are present.

Council Member Pizzella said he voted differently than Council Member Frank regarding the trust, the concept of agreements with the Rec Associations is very important to him and he will be very supportive in pushing for them. He did hand the drafts to Council Member Looes in February and they do need time, it is difficult to get a group of people to agree on one thing. He offered his assistance in finishing it up. He thanked the Finance Committee and the Budget Committee and thanked Council Member Frank because he helped him to understand the budget and kept him abreast of what was going on. He wished everyone a Happy and Blessed Easter and Happy Passover. He said April 26 is the town wide cleanup that the Environmental Commission and Green Team are hosting.

Council Member Frank said ditto on the comments on the budget that everyone made. It is unfortunate that Council Member Meyerson and he could work so well together and a great job was done. He watched last week on TV and a couple of comments he wished to make. Every week you read in the paper some elected official is getting a sling because they did something stupid, it could be police officers, elected officials or whatever. We have to realize some people who have a little authority let it go to their head and they think they can do anything they please. It is important we keep a level head about it; he has seen people in business let their ego out of control because they were given responsibility, but they pay a price at the end. It is good that the public keeps us balanced and he was happy that we had a number of residents here tonight to ask questions about the budget. If a letter is written in the press and say something we don't like, we should respond to the press. If we respond, we should keep it from being personal, it should be strictly on facts, we shouldn't say anything about them personally. At the end of the meeting he noticed the TV broadcast wasn't shut off and heard something and became very concerned and immediately noticed that Council Member DeGise took a text message when the mikes weren't working and told the Borough Clerk about it. He immediately texted Council

Member DeGise about it and the TV was turned off. This is important because what he heard was profanity and almost bullying Council Member Kelley was laying on Council Member Pizzella for his comments on this issue of the letter. There is no place for that profanity up here, it shows a lack of professionalism and Council Member Kelley owes Council Member Pizzella an apology and owes an apology to anyone who heard this language go out over the TV. That is not what public service is about and that is not what the public puts up here to do. We had debate tonight, it was spirited and professional and that is what the people expect.

Council President Kelley said if he said anything inappropriate, he apologized.

Council Member Pizzella said we all need to respect each other and each other's opinions. When we leave we can still be cordial to each other when we see each other on the street. We should not let anything get personal here, sometimes it does, it is awkward and uncomfortable and hoped we can all work better together.

Mayor Arnowitz got comments from the public on this subject and about the language that was used and it is not acceptable. He encouraged residents to write letters to the editor and they have a right to write whatever they want. Using profanity up here is unacceptable.

He said his piece about the Pascack Valley High School and will reiterate that he will continue at every meeting on the last go round to push this issue. He will be writing letters to the editor, asked residents and Council people to write letters to the editor, it is absolutely imperative to get the message out to the public that this is not good for our children, not good for our tax base, not good for resale values. Most importantly, it is not good for the education of our children.

On May 3 we will have our fishing contest. We have tons of sports programs, baseball and football and soccer, but he gets more kudos from the residents of Hillsdale and outside Hillsdale how great this fishing contest is and how the kids enjoy it. They will be stocking and the kids can help stock the stream, the kids love it. It is a great day. The way it is paid for is by a very, very small donation from the town of Hillsdale and Westwood, the bulk of the money comes from the merchants so please use them and also from the selling of tee shirts. Neil Hering and Fred Winkler put this together with their kids and passed away, their kids are now running it. Please participate, bring your children and grandchildren; it's not just Hillsdale kids, it's Westwood kids and any kid who wants to fish in our stream.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

R 14104 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~Collective Bargaining Agreements, Police, Matters relating to Litigation, Negotiations, Attorney/Client privilege, Wood vs. Borough of Hillsdale, Pascack Regional High School Litigation, matters related to employment relationship DPW Superintendent and Tax Assessor.

Motion Council Member DeGise, Second Council Member Looes, and unanimously carried.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:

Motion to reconvene regular session Council President Kelley, Second Council Member Meyerson, and unanimously carried.

Borough Attorney Bernstein said let the record reflect that all members of the governing body present at the commencement of the executive session and present at the recommencement of the open session, as well as the Borough Clerk/Interim Borough Administrator and the Borough Attorney.

There was a discussion regarding an update from the Mayor and Council Member Pizzella relative to the ongoing Pascack Valley litigation, no formal action to be taken. There was discussion regarding the ongoing litigation between Kracynovich and the Borough of Hillsdale and the attorney given direction relative to such no formal action to be taken. There was discussion of the ongoing proposed settlement of Wood vs. Borough of Hillsdale and this requires a formal motion, reconsideration of the action taken by the governing body at last week's meeting as per the request of the attorney on behalf of the Bergen County JIF.

Motion to approve was made by Council Member Frank, Second by Council Member Meyerson.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Member Frank, Looes, Meyerson, Kelley

Nays: Council Member Pizzella

Abstain: Council Member DeGise

Attorney Bernstein said motion carries, four in favor, one against, one abstention.

There was discussion on the replacement of the soon to be retired DPW Superintendent and the Personnel Committee shall work to that end to have something potentially before the governing body at the May meeting. There was discussion relative to the issue of the Tax Assessor's Office. The Administrator has been advised

that there is a desire from the majority of the Council to replace the current vacancy with another employee and the Administrator will carry out that desire, there is no formal action that needs to be taken regarding such.

There was a discussion about the concept of the PBA coming before the governing body to discuss a possible change of hours. It is the consensus of the governing body to defer this matter until we get to negotiations about a new collecting bargaining agreement next year. No formal action needs to be taken. That concludes the closed session portion of the meeting.

Interim Administrator Witkowski tomorrow she is going to discuss making a permanent position at the DPW, half-year salary, benefits. She has one more person per diem who has been working in the Recreation Department, seasonal part-time, no change in hours, no change in salary, but she would like to make that person permanent as well because she is a hard worker and gets nothing. The benefits would be a couple of sick days, no health benefits, nothing like that.

Mayor Arnowitz said it is paid for through the Trust.

ADJOURNMENT: @11:43 pm

Motion Council Member Looes, Second Council Member Frank, and unanimously carried.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE
TUESDAY, May 6, 2014~BEGINNING AT 7:30 P.M.