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BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
COUNCIL AGENDA
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2020
7:30 P.M.

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CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT:

This is a meeting of the Hillsdale Borough Council on this 12th day of May 2020. Notice of the time and place of this meeting has been provided to The Ridgewood News and The Record; a copy was posted on the bulletin board outside of this meeting room and provided to any interested parties.

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ROLL CALL:

Council Members DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk, Mayor Ruocco, (Borough Attorney Mark Madio, BA Christopher Tietjen, Borough Clerk Denise Kohan)

APPOINTMENTS/OATH OF OFFICE:

[R20092](#) Appointment of Denise Kohan, Registered Municipal Clerk

Motion _____ Second _____

Council Members DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk

[Oath of Office](#)

Christopher Tietjen, BA, QPA, Notary

COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Mayor Ruocco announces the proposed changes to the **COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES** for the year 2020.

(With advice and consent of Council)

	Chair		
Ambulance	Anthony DeRosa	Frank Pizzella**	Abby Lundy
Fire Department	John Escobar	Anthony DeRosa	Zoltan Horvath**

** The change is moving Council Member Pizzella to The Ambulance Committee from The Fire Department and moving Council President Horvath from the Ambulance Committee to the Fire Department

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Councilmember Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk, DeRosa

PROMOTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS -

[Municipal Clerk Week – May 3, 2020-May 9, 2020](#)

[Public Works Week – May 17, 2020-May 23, 2020](#)

PRESENTATIONS:

PUBLIC COMMENT (Time limited, new topics only, one topic per speaker):

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council Meeting Minutes March 3, 2020 (No Trochimiuk, No Escobar)

Council Meeting Minutes March 10, 2020

Council Meeting Minutes April 3, 2020

Council Meeting Minutes April 14, 2020 (No Pizzella)

Council Meeting Minutes April 17, 2020 (No Pizzella – not there for full meeting)

Motion _____ Second _____

Council Members Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk, DeRosa, Escobar

PROFESSIONALS REPORT/MONTHLY DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

(The following correspondence on file in Borough Clerks Office)

[Hillsdale Police Department Report](#) – April 2020

[Department of Public Works Report](#) – April 2020

[Borough Engineer Report](#) – April 2020

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2020 AMENDED MUNICIPAL BUDGET: @ 8:00 pm

[2020 Amended Municipal Budget](#)

Motion to open public hearing on the Amended 2020 Municipal Budget _____ Second _____
Council Members Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk, DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding the Amended 2020 Municipal Budget, please say your name and wait to be recognized, once recognized state your name and address for the record.

I entertain a motion that the public hearing on be closed and that it be resolved that a copy of the 2020 Budget Introduction was available to the general public at the Hillsdale Free Public Library, Borough Hall and on-line.

Motion to close public hearing on the 2020 Amended Municipal Budget _____ Second _____
Council Members Trochimiuk, DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella

BUDGET DISCUSSION:

1. Borough Staffing Arrangements during Covid-19
2. How Borough Revenues have been affected by Pandemic: March – May
3. Comparison of Borough Salary/wage expenses (pre-Covid to now)
4. Potential “worst case” austerity measures to control operating & capital expenses
5. Ambulance Committee

MUNICIPAL BUDGET RESOLUTION

[R20093](#) Adoption of the 2020 Municipal Budget

Motion _____ Second _____
Council Members DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman - Anthony DeRosa
Councilman - John Escobar
Council President – Zoltan Horvath

[Councilwoman - Abby Lundy](#)

Councilman – Frank Pizzella

Councilwoman – Janetta Trochimiuk

NEW BUSINESS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. [Letter dated May 6, 2020 from Urstadt Biddle Properties, Inc requesting a more “relaxed” approval process for outdoor seating for restaurants.](#)

Motion to receipt and file _____ Second _____

Council Members Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk DeRosa,

ORDINANCES: (Introductions & Adoption):

20-07 (Adoption)

AN ORDINANCE THAT PROVIDES FOR AND DETERMINES THE RATE, AMOUNT, AND METHOD OF PAYMENT COMPENSATION TO PERSONS HOLDING CERTAIN OFFICE AND POSITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance 20-07 _____ Second _____

Council Members Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk, DeRosa, Escobar

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 20-07, please say your name and wait to be recognized, once recognized state your name and address for the record.

I will now entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 20-07 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.

Motion to close public hearing on Ordinance 20-07 _____ Second _____

Council Members Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk, DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 20-07 _____ Second _____

Council Members Pizzella, Trochimiuk, DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy

Now, therefore, be it resolved that this ordinance is adopted and the Borough Clerk is authorized to advertise the same according to law.

20-08 (Introduction)

CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$1,273,712 AND PROVIDING

THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE BOROUGH'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND FROM VARIOUS GRANTS

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 20-08 does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Mayor and Council in the Municipal Building, 380 Hillsdale Avenue, Hillsdale, New Jersey, on June 9, 2020 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in the Ridgewood News once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage.

Motion _____ Second _____

Council Members Trochimiuk, DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella

RESOLUTIONS:(Consent Agenda): R20094 through R20106:

- [R20094](#) Payment of Bills
- [R20095](#) Resolution to Award Payment of 2019 LOSAP Benefits to Eligible Members of the Volunteer Fire Department – 100%
- [R20096](#) Resolution to Award Payment of 2019 LOSAP Benefits to Eligible Members of the Volunteer Ambulance Service – 100%
- [R20097](#) Resolution to Award Payment of 2019 LOSAP Benefits to Eligible Members of the Volunteer Fire Department – 50%
- [R20098](#) Resolution to Award Payment of 2019 LOSAP Benefits to Eligible Members of the Volunteer Ambulance Service – 50%
- [R20099](#) Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into and Sign a Contract to Purchase 19 Glendale Drive, Hillsdale from Joseph Meyers
- [R20100](#) Resolution Appointing Community Development Representatives
- [R20101](#) Resolution Appointing an Animal Control Officer for the Borough of Hillsdale
- [R20102](#) Resolution Appointing Local Registrar – Denise Kohan
- [R20103](#) Resolution to Authorize the Extension of the Agreement with the Hillsdale Board of Education for Security Camera System Access
- [R20104](#) Resolution Authorizing the Borough Clerk to Advertise for Bids to Provide a Non-Exclusive Lease to Permit Parking in the Borough Owned “West Lot” (Block 1105 Lot 2) on Saturdays and Sundays during the months of September and October 2020
- [R20105](#) Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to submit a Declaration of Interest for the 2020 Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Program for Park Improvements the Bergen County Open Space,

Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund – Memorial Field
Recreation Area

[R20106](#) Resolution Authorizing Tax Overpayment Refund – 25 Highland Avenue, Block 1806 Lot 12

Motion _____ Second _____

Council Members DeRosa, Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk

OFF-CONSENT:

[R20107](#) Resolution Approving the Bylaws of the Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

Motion _____ Second _____

Council Members Escobar, Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk, DeRosa

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:

COUNCIL COMMENTARIES:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn _____ Second _____

Council Members Council President Horvath, Lundy, Pizzella, Trochimiuk, DeRosa, Escobar

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020 7:30 PM**