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**BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE**  
**COUNCIL AGENDA**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023**  
**7:00 P.M.**

Regular Meetings of the Borough Council are generally held on the 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Please refer to our town calendar for dates and times and any special meetings or date changes. Borough Council Meetings begin at 7:00 PM. Meetings are **televised on Optimum Channel 77 or on FIOS Channel 32**. You may also participate through the Zoom Platform. [Click here to join via Zoom](#). The meeting id is **894 566 4822** and the passcode is **07642**. You may also dial in by calling **+1 929 205 6099 US (New York) Meeting ID: 894 566 4822 Passcode: 07642**. To ask a question if you call into the zoom meeting dial \*9.

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT:**

This is a meeting of the Hillsdale Borough Council on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023. Notice of the time and place of this meeting has been provided to The Ridgewood News and The Bergen Record; a copy was posted on the bulletin board outside of this meeting room and provided to any interested parties.

Please silence all cell phones. Please wait to be recognized by the Mayor during the Public Hearing and the Public Comment part of the meeting. You will need to state your name and town of residence for the record.

**ROLL CALL:**

Council President DeRosa, Council Members Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Mayor Ruocco, (Borough Administrator Mike Ghassali, Borough Clerk Denise Kohan, Borough Attorney Mark Madaio)

**APPOINTMENTS/OATH OF OFFICE:**

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Council Meeting Minutes January 10, 2023  
Council Meeting Minutes January 12, 2023  
Council Meeting Minutes February 7, 2023  
Council Meeting Minutes February 14, 2023

Motion to approve \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

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

**PRESENTATIONS:**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. [Letter received from Glenn Morton from Go the Distance for Autism requesting to have their event travel through the Borough on June 4, 2023](#)
2. [Email received from Mike Sibbald regarding the naming of a field in honor of Roy Marciani](#)
3. [Email received from the Hillsdale Education Foundation asking to paint a mural on the bandshell in Beechwood Park](#)

Motion to approve, receipt and file \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_  
Councilmember Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa

**PROFESSIONALS REPORT/MONTHLY DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

*(The following correspondence on file in Borough Clerks Office)*

[Hillsdale Police Report – February 2023](#)  
[Engineering Report – February 2023](#)  
[Department of Public Works- February 2023](#)

Police Chief Robert Francaviglia  
Craig Zimmerman Colliers Engineering  
DPW Superintendent David Hayes

**DISCUSSION:**

Train Station Usage

Mayor Ruocco

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Council President - Anthony DeRosa  
Councilman - John Escobar  
Councilman – Justin Fox  
Councilman – Zoltan Horvath  
Councilwoman - Abby Lundy  
Councilwoman – Janetta Trochimiuk

**ORDINANCES:**

[23-01 \(Adoption\)](#)

**An Ordinance Establishing Recreation Department Program and Summer Camp Fees in the Borough of Hillsdale**

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance 23-01 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_  
Council Members Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 23-01, 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. 23-01 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.

Motion to close public hearing on Ordinance 23-01\_\_\_\_\_ Second\_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 23-01\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox, Horvath

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

23-02 (Adoption)

**An Ordinance Establishing Salary Ranges for the Staff of the Hillsdale Swimming Pool Commission in the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey**

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance 23-021\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 23-02, 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. 23-02 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.

Motion to close public hearing on Ordinance 23-02\_\_\_\_\_ Second\_\_\_\_\_   
Council President DeRosa, Council Members Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 23-02\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa

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

23-03 (Adoption)

**An Ordinance to Amend and Supplement Ordinance 09-01 Chapter 138 “Fees” and Chapter 71 Swimming Pool Commission**

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance 23-03\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 23-03, 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. 23-03 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.

Motion to close public hearing on Ordinance 23-03\_\_\_\_\_ Second\_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 23-03\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox, Horvath

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

23-04 (Adoption)

**An Ordinance Establishing Salaries for the Recreation Department**

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance 23-04\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 23-04, 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. 23-04 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.

Motion to close public hearing on Ordinance 23-04\_\_\_\_\_ Second\_\_\_\_\_   
Council President DeRosa, Council Members Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 23-04\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa

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

23-05 (Adoption)

**Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance 23-05\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council President DeRosa, Council Members Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 23-05, 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. 23-05 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 23-05\_\_\_\_\_ Second\_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 23-05\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_   
Council Members Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox

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

[23-06 \(Introduction\)](#)

**Capital Ordinance of the Borough of Hillsdale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, Authorizing the Installation of New Playground Equipment at Glendale Park in, By and for the Borough, Appropriating Therefor the Sum of \$35,000 and Providing that Such Sum so Appropriated Shall be Raised from a State Grant**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 23-06 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 April 4, 2023 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 \_\_\_\_\_   
Councilmember Lundy, Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox, Horvath

[23-07 \(Introduction\)](#)

**An Ordinance Adopting Short Term Rental Property Prohibition of the Revised General Ordinances in the Borough of Hillsdale**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 23-07 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 April 11, 2023 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 \_\_\_\_\_   
Councilmember Trochimiuk, Council President DeRosa, Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy

[23-08 \(Introduction\)](#)

**Ordinance to Amend and Supplement Chapter 138, Fees of the Code of the Borough of Hillsdale**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 23-08 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 April 4, 2023 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 President DeRosa, Councilmember Escobar, Fox, Horvath, Lundy, Trochimiuk

**RESOLUTIONS:(Consent Agenda): R23076 through R23081:**

[R23076](#) Resolution Authorizing the Borough Clerk to Advertise for Bids for the Design and Installation of a Firearms Training Simulator in the Hillsdale Police Department

[R23077](#) Resolution Requesting the Approval of the Director of Local Government Services to Defer Regional High School Taxes

[R23078](#) Resolution Hiring Full Time Laborer Matthew Bruno – Department of Public Works

[R23079](#) Resolution Adding an Addendum to the Employment Agreement Between the Borough of Hillsdale and Chief of Police Robert Francaviglia

[R23080](#) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair & Open Contract for Developing a Minor Disruption Permit Application for the Geotechnical Investigation at Centennial Field

[R23081](#) Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Borough Clerk to Execute a Solid Waste Service Agreement with the Bergen County Utilities Authority

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

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

**OFF-CONSENT:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**COUNCIL COMMENTARIES:**

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:**

[R23082](#)

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 – *Affordable Housing*

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

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

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:**

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

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

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

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

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE  
THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023**