

Minutes of a Council Meeting of the Borough of Hillsdale held at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, December 5, 2017, in the Council Chamber, Borough of Hillsdale, New Jersey.

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

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT:

This is a meeting of the Hillsdale Borough Council on this 5th day of December, 2017. 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, Horvath, Lundy, Segalas, (Attorney Madaio, CMFO DeJoseph, Borough Clerk Kohan)

Absent: Council Members Karcich and Council President Pizzella

APPOINTMENTS/OATH OF OFFICE:

ADMINISTERING OATH OF OFFICE:

John Ruocco – Mayor	Term ending 12/31/19	Assemblyman Robert Auth
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Assemblyman Robert Auth administered the Oath of Office to John Ruocco, Mayor.

PRESENTATIONS:

RECOGNITION:

Pascack Pi-oneers

Mayor John Ruocco

Council Member DeRosa said we are here to celebrate the Pascack Pi-oneers Team 1676. They are the first Robotic Competition Team competing internationally for the past 13 years. First stands for inspiration and recognition of scientific technology and it are called the sport of the mind. It is appropriate that we celebrate sports teams as well as sports of the mind. He invited all 80 members to come up and form lines with their advisors.

Mayor Ruocco read the Proclamation; he saw this at senior's day at the high school.

WHEREAS, the Pascack Pi-oneers provide opportunities for many residents of Hillsdale, especially students, to pursue their scientific and technological interests and to pursue and promote future careers in science, technology, engineering, arts and math, so called steam;

WHEREAS, the Pascack Pi-oneers provide steam education for our communities;

WHEREAS, their goal is to develop students' abilities to work as individuals but also as part of a cohesive team competing with gracious professionalism under the guidance of first which stands for inspiration and recognition of science and technology; and

WHEREAS, students strive not only to build a successful robot but also to master and exhibit the many life skills to succeed; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, some of the accomplishments of the Pascack Pi-oneers were 2017 First Festival Champions Winners, 2017 First World Champions in St. Louis, 2017 First World Champions St. Louis Dally Subdivision Winner, 2017 First World Champions St. Louis Archimedes Daily Division Entrepreneurship Award, 2017 First Middle Atlantic Robotic Bridgewater District Chairman's Award, 2017 First Mid-Atlantic Robotics Montgomery District Engineering Inspiration Award and 2017 First Southwest Virginia District Industrial Safety Award and Entrepreneurship Award.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor John Ruocco, on behalf of the citizens of the Borough of Hillsdale, New Jersey, do hereby recognize the hard work and achievements made by the members and mentors of the Pascack Pi-oneers and congratulate them, you, on your accomplishments in the community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, John Ruocco, Mayor of the Borough of Hillsdale, have hereunto set my hand on this 5th day of December 2017.

Mayor Ruocco invited Council Members to examine the robot.

PROMOTIONS:

PROCLAMATIONS:

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

Mayor Ruocco opened the initial public comment period.

Marissa Cefali, 6 Manson Place –

We have a house at the corner in her neighborhood that is an illegal three family home and Kevin O'Brien lived there, he bought a house, left, and there was much discussion about permits and how this home became a three family home. She lived there for 20 years, it wasn't a three family home, it was purchased and all of the sudden the main home became a two family house. Permits were investigated, there were no permits and she understands the situation and didn't want anyone to be forced out of their home. Now that Kevin left, we are now back to two families in the house and no they are renting the apartment again. How can some people have a three family home and just do it with the knowledge of everybody and it is relevant. There is a safety issue for the people living there, there are no legal permits that showed it was a three family home. She lived there for 27 years and it was not always a three family home and now that the situation has corrected itself and have only two families in there, now they are being allowed to rent again.

Howard Rosenbaum, 817 Hillsdale Avenue –

One of the concerns he has that relates to the Tandy property and the potential use of that for a parking lot, he questions that as a county road he considers that property unsuitable and unsafe due to the design of the road, the path the road takes, the fact that the County has already acknowledged the reposted signs that there are large, sharp curves in the road and the speed limit is lowered in the portion of both sides of the property. How does the County evaluate the use of property as it relates to the position of the road and what changes would need to be made, whether they would need to widen the road, add a lane, do something different to make it accessible for some reason the zoning was allowed.

Borough Attorney Madaio said any construction on the County road requires approval of the County, the County Planning Board, the County Public Works Department, utilities, road widening, and all kinds of things the County asks for. They wouldn't even begin to evaluate that until an application is filed. That would be down the road but that is what triggers County review. The County just like the municipality has control over their roads.

Mayor Ruocco said it is a fair question but we will not answer it now, we may not have to answer it at all.

Donna Kamfore, 28 Esplanade –

She was curious what the recognition for Al Murphy was going to be in town.

Mayor Ruocco said we are working on that, we have a committee and probably will be put together after the Reorganization Meeting. We have a number of options that we are considering.

Ms. Kamfore (Contd).

She asked for an update on Neil Hering.

Councilmember DeRosa said those are the only two people being considered right now. A committee should be proposed and it is actually on for discussion at our next meeting. We want to be sure that we are prudent in the way that we go about selecting; the Borough Attorney advised not to name any streets after people that are why we named veterans parks as a general type of naming. There is value in recognizing specific people and wanted to be sure we have a rationale that makes sense. There are no other names that he knows of. Once a year people are allowed to nominate someone and those people would go into a pool; right now Neil Hering and Al Murphy are the only two people suggested by residents. His suggestion is that we do one person a year.

Mayor Ruocco said he is in the midst of the Reorganization process and he decided with the concurrence of the Council to merge certain committees and we would be merging the Our Town Committee, Historic Preservation and probably incorporating the committee we are talking about together. That is just an expectation on my part, it may fall apart and that is my plan. They will make the decision in terms of who gets recognized, the format and when.

Ms. Kamfore said Al Murphy certainly earned his recognition but feels that Neil Hering has also. Neil was a man that took a lot of his personal time and feels he is very deserving. You just recognized 80 kids.

Councilmember DeRosa said the recognition that we are envisioning is long lasting.

Mayor Ruocco said let the committee do its work and then you can comment.

He said he was advised by the Clerk that we need to take a brief break because we are having an issue; people are hearing the meeting but they can't see the meeting on TV. We have to reboot our system.

Leslie Nassau, 217 Forest Drive –

She has been a supporter of the farm, we lived here 47 years, and she felt if she did not shop there, there would be an apartment complex there and she wants the farm. She is in favor of the farm but on the other hand she doesn't see any benefit to the community from rezoning a residential, wooded property to a commercial venture. It won't bring any taxes into the town; she understands three houses would be built on the property which would bring about \$60,000 in taxes. The farm won't bring us anything but it will bring more congestion, a certain amount of pollution and noise. There are sports events at the school playground. She does not like the extra traffic. She is here to say please don't rezone.

Bill Drummond, 844 Hillsdale Avenue –

He is an adjoining property owner to the Tandy property. He wanted to voice his opposition to the rezoning of this property. You have a closed session tonight, are you going to vote on rezoning tonight. Would that be done before the end of this year?

Borough Attorney Madaio said it would absolutely have to be done in public.

Mayor Ruocco said we are missing two Councilmembers tonight and we would need a quorum.

Mr. Drummond asked if property owners living 200 ft. of this property, they have to be notified in writing.

Attorney Madaio said he would have to check that, he is not sure, but whatever notification requirements are, we would comply.

Mr. Drummond said some people may not know about it. The more he finds out about this property the more he becomes disturbed. What could happen if this land is not rezoned? Is there a possibility through COAH a builder's remedy could be utilized that would allow a multi-story building to be built on this property.

Attorney Madaio said that is not a quick question but our COAH obligation and our current COAH law suit is essentially worked out. We would then have protection of the courts until 2025 from any kind of builders remedy lawsuit. There would be no worry about that until 2025 and then in 2025, if it remains vacant land, the owner would have various options, probably including various other developments on there. The question of remediation while I am not an environmental engineer, the remediation of property is different when you are doing it to contact residential standards meaning single family housing with kids playing on the lawn vs. condos, town houses, assisted living facilities that cover the land so that it becomes non-permeable and no direct soil contact. There is a significant amount that he could not possibly tell; those are different things, residential standards, soil contact is different than non-soil contact.

Mayor Ruocco said 75% of those 12.1 acres has to be kept as wetlands.

Mr. Drummond is concerned that the farm doesn't get the ability to build a parking lot there and the property owner then sells it to a builder who will use the builder's remedy to build on it.

Attorney Madaio said the concept of the builder's remedy is different than the concept of the owner selling it potentially selling it to an alternate user. If the property is not sold to one person it will be sold to someone else.

Pam, 10 Beechwood Street –

She definitely opposes a parking lot being built there. Parking lot lights, rubbish strewn around the place; when she first moved there, it was a paved road. They widened the road when they stopped the busing for the children and that became a right of way. We have people walking constantly and she is constantly cleaning up rubbish on Beechwood Street. She put huge stones to prevent cars from going back there, they moved the stones. If anything were to happen, it is her problem. The revenue from taxes would be a good amount and would not be happy to see a parking lot there. There are wet lands in the back and her property has become a sponge because the trees that fall there are not taken away. The water builds up and backs up into her property. She hopes the Council agrees and does not rezone.

Steve Brooks, 45 Crestwood Place –

We have a petition on line where residents can sign up and say they are against rezoning and Jason posted a fairly long letter on the site which he took down because he did not think it appropriate. One point he had was that the Police Department had seen the plan and from a safety point of view, had no objections. He followed this up with Councilman Karcich who did not answer him. If the police force does not have a problem with a parking lot there, he would like to know that so we can tell Jason he is wrong.

Mayor Ruocco said he has not seen any plan from the farm although I suspect he does have a plan. If Councilman Karcich did not respond to you I believe he didn't get an answer from the police but he will.

(Unidentified)

He is against rezoning of Tandy Allen property. It is a land grant the town would be sorry about in the future, we need housing, If Demarest Farm had any concern for the people there he would not pursue this. The farm bureau suggested the Farm cut down some of their trees for extra parking but they refused, instead they want to cut trees on the Tandy Allen property to park 300 cars. Parking cars at the site every two or three hours they will be transferring another 300 cars back and forth and by the end of the day you will have 1000 cars going to that one spot and then trying to get out of there. What about the people who go to church on Saturday and Sunday, it will be gridlock. The real problem it is an outdoor restaurant, there are all kinds of building things that were not there originally. They have about 30 tables and people stay two or three hours. The farm bureau asked Demarest Farm to curb their appetite but they increased it with even more and more to come. Say no.

Mrs. Orlando, 15 Ellen Court –

She lives near the proposed fiasco, she walks her dog all the time, she sees the traffic constantly and can't imagine what it would be with an additional 1000 cars coming in every day. Has there been another site that was proposed maybe using Montvale service center, park their cars there and shuttle everyone.

Attorney Madaio said yes they are parking and the reason there haven't been any cars on the street this year is because they are using alternate sites. Those sites don't offer the control that ownership does. The use of those can be stopped at any time. The proposal by the farm was they would like to own a piece of property that isn't changed because a property manager of an office building says you can't do this anymore. The reason why there haven't been any cars on the streets at all is because they have taken this idea.

Mrs. Orlando said she can't park in front of her own house for two months. We had neighbors who parked on their front lawn. Does that seem fair so that business can make money.

Attorney Madaio said it was solving an enormous problem and bringing it down and continuing to aggressively trying to make an enormous problem much better and eventually making it a non-problem.

Mrs. Orlando said they have their own property and can't they use that?

Mayor Ruocco said they use 215 spots on their own property which is directly north. The County has invested money in the farm for the purpose of having the farm be a farm. The more you take away that land then the County begins to think it is not fulfilling the function that it was originally invested for.

Attorney Madaio said that whole argument was made at the farm board and the County was going to let them do some parking in the area of peach trees, there was going to removal of some trees for parking, but the farm board's position remains in some degree we are in the business of creating farms. He can only say what their decision was when we raised exactly the same.

Mayor Ruocco said the farm board is the regulator of Demarest Farm and as any regulator has the responsibility to insure that the farm conducts business in a way that the farm board thinks is appropriate given the state guidelines for farms. This farm happens to be in a suburban area, has a tremendous drawing, and draws a lot of cars and people and we saw the results the past couple of years. The farm board has implemented a solution to that; it is vastly improved if you talk to the residents in that area. It does come with some drawbacks; the farm board asked us to look at the possibility of taking Tandy Woods because they knew the farm management had their eye on that property and they said this is one piece of the puzzle that would help the farm. This Council has a decision to make whether to even rezone that particular property into agricultural and they haven't made that decision yet. We are just getting the information now as to possible options. The farm management says they need 1225 spots to accommodate them and that is a tremendous amount of cars.

Attorney Madaio said we addressed the fact of dramatically lessening the inconvenience, it will continue to go down each year and all the arguments you are making, we made. We do not disagree with you, we are not the decider. We were issued an order so that order includes considering the rezoning at Tandy Allen. Governing body intends to undertake that consideration; what they choose to do is a determination of each individual person.

Mayor Ruocco said the farm has taken the recommendation of the farm board which is to look elsewhere for additional parking spaces for its customers and this year it did so successfully. It parked the bulk of its customers elsewhere.

Louis Nassu, 217 Forest Drive –

When the arrangements for the land use were given to the owners was done with a certain farm business relationship in mind; since Jason took over the modus operandi is entirely different. The town is not obligated to support this changed business, it has become other than a farm which it is meant for; a farm stand and store, a place of entertainment, it is not the town's job to support the business which has changed from the purpose it was given.

Mayor Ruocco said seeing no one, the public comment period was closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Closed Session Council Meeting

Minutes – November 9, 2017

Council Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2017

Motion by Councilmember DeRosa, Second by Councilmember Segalas.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horvath, Lundy, Segalas, DeRosa

Nays: None

Absent: Councilmember Karcich and Council President Pizzella

PROFESSIONALS REPORT/MONTHLY DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

(The following correspondence on file in Borough Clerks Office)

DPW Report- November 2017

Dan O'Rourke

Dan O'Rourke reported on leaves and looking to the future for snow. We are going to extend leaf collection until December 17 because the leaves are remaining on the trees longer. We have done about 3700 yards of leaves and 115 loads taken to our dump facility. We are slightly behind because all the leaves have not fallen. At the end of this week we have completed the town three times east and west side of the town. This year we are projected to do four times almost five. We have come up with a plan to get assistance from neighboring towns for the snow season for brine to get a test idea to see if we want to go forward with the application of brine before a snow storm to help us clear our roads. We will do one side of the street, using for example one side of Hillsdale Ave. from Broadway to Cedar, brine on side and not the other to get an idea if it did or did not work. He will bring the results back to Council. Tomorrow is tree lighting at 7 PM at Veterans Park. We are doing about eight to ten loads a day with the new leaf collection machine.

Fire Department Report – November 2017

Chief Patrick Doody

Chief Doody said Santa Claus is also coming tomorrow for the tree lighting. For the month of October we had 25 calls of which we had three fires and responding to mutual aid to BMW where they had a fire. We had a total of 63 hours for training and 203 hours for the calls we responded to. We have Santa Claus detail so he will coming around town starting on the 18th, depending on the weather and go to about 9PM with noise and music. We will do the entire town that post on twitter and facebook. Anyone who comes out to see Santa we ask the residents to bring one can or package so we can bring the food to the helping hands food pantry. We will take boxes, whatever is not perishable.

Police Department Report – November 2017

Chief Francaviglia

Police Chief Francaviglia said during the month of November we had 90 dispatching shifts, all covered with non-sworn personnel, no overtime. We had 194 motor vehicle stops which resulted in 107 summonses as well 6 criminal arrests. This past month we started our anti-theft campaign to prevent purse thefts at our local grocery stores, Walgreens, Kings and Shop Rite. Pascack Valley High School students designed a card which he brought with him so he could pass them around. At Trader Joe's in New Brunswick, there is some pick pocketing there and at Kings in Midland Park pick pocketing there. It is this time of the year when people are grocery shopping and they leave their purses unattended and this is what it is all about. We had Officer Ryan do it before Thanksgiving and he found 15 women who left their purses unattended, dropped the note in there and they were educated not to do that in the future. We will continue to do that during the holiday season. Their reaction is shocked. It took two seconds to put the card in the purse and it takes two seconds to take your wallet out or walk away with the entire purse. In November the Police Department applied for and received the 2017 drive sober or pulled over grant which provides \$5500 additional funds for officers to patrol the roads of Hillsdale and seek out drunk drivers. This grant period starts December 8 and ends January 1, 2018. Councilman Horvath, Captain and I recognized the Hillsdale Korean War Veterans and presented them with a

plaque thanking them for their service to our country during that time period. The Borough also applied for a Cops grant which was not awarded to Hillsdale; there were over 1100 applicants and only 16% of the agencies who applied received the grant nation-wide. In New Jersey, only six agencies received the grant funds; agencies such as Paramus, Moonachie, received funds for critical infrastructure needs so going forward, we have to come up with creative language. This past weekend, Councilman Horvath, Captain Smith and I continued our third annual tradition with pictures with Santa and his elf to benefit the Hillsdale food pantry. This program raised approximately \$1000 for our food pantry. No shave November came to a conclusion and thanked Councilman Horvath for taking pictures and thanked the Shave Bar downtown. Officers raised \$2000 for the benefit of May Day Missions.

Borough Engineer Report – November 2017

Christopher Statile

Borough Engineer Statile said during the month of November we have been working on block grant applications, we are trying to find accessible projects that can be qualified under Community Development. We have decided with the Administrator to apply for more money for Beechwood Park, provide areas for accessible viewing at the band shell as well as accessible playground equipment. It would be appropriate to have some more diverse equipment for the children at the playground. Those grants are due at the end of the week and an endorsing resolution for this evening. With regard to the road program, we had the paving done early in the season and the contractor is just about finished with his concrete work, one slab left and we are finally done. What is taking so long with the train station, the contractor's application for construction permits with the DCA were lost and he has to resubmit his application because the state owns the train station with N.J. Transit, not our local code officials. He will submit his application and with Federal Express keep track that Trenton receives it and we will follow it up with N. J. Transit. All this time we thought the application was in the process with the State but they were not. He found that out with his contacts with N.J. Transit.

Mayor Ruocco asked the Engineer his best guess.

Engineer Statile said it should only take a month to get to DCA, it is a simple bathroom, only a sketch plan. He has already purchased all the equipment for the bathroom.

Mayor Ruocco said he could start in February.

Engineer Statile said yes he could during the winter.

Mayor Ruocco said this has been going on and on and seems like this is the project that never gets completed.

Engineer Statile said we did approve the shop drawings; he just has to get his DCA permit. Regarding Public Service, if you have been down there they have erected the 20 ft. high walls along Prospect Avenue. The Planning Board did a good job, they look nice, and the building will mimic the architecture of those walls and colors. It should be o.k., you should still see a lot of electrical equipment, etc. Centennial Field, they conducted the third round air quality sampling on Thursday, November 30, and will be doing the ground level methane tests this week on Thursday as well. We continue with those tests. The DEP has not granted us labor from our quarterly rounds of testing, we will revisit them again probably in six months to request a waiver once we get a full year's worth of air quality tests. We discussed that at Atlantic City with members of the State and we will continue with consulting on our test results. So far there have been no surprises at the landfill in terms of testing. We have gotten our contract for open space for the band shell and we can now start proceeding with that work. This is the improvement of the band shell itself. If we get the CDBG money as well that can also be together, for ADA compliance. Also Community Development has program funds that we can apply for this

year; it is available for communities up to \$100,000. If the Administrator comes up with another project potentially we could apply for another project. The round for 2017 is due Friday, but for the contingency money that is not due until the end of the year.

Mayor Ruocco asked if there is any chance that the improvements to Beechwood Park would be done before the concert series in July.

Engineer Statile said yes, he does not see why not, we will try to get the bid packets out in the wintertime. There is not that much work. Regarding the ADA work, that money might not be available because we just got approval two weeks ago for this round of funding. The federal government is jamming up things in approving their funding requests at the federal level.

Mayor Ruocco said just so the residents understand, it is a waterfall fact; the water comes from the federal government to the state, to the county, to us. You can imagine how long that takes.

Engineer Statile said we can apply for contingency money as well; they do want those projects started next spring and that money is ready to go so you get the money and go to work. If we have any shovel ready projects, we can certainly make an application to the county. That is only for handicapped access. We can upgrade any playground with additional equipment that would certainly be qualified. We probably won't hear about the DOT grants for a couple of months.

Councilmember Lundy asked about the paving at the Stonybrook lot.

Engineer Statile said the subcontractor will do it. They will stripe with other areas in the town. We will monitor that.

Councilmember Segalas said regarding Centennial Field, you stated that the DEP does not approve our request on the air quality testing. Did they provide a letter of explanation as to the reason?

Engineer Statile said the air quality permit has a stipulation buried into it, we should have objected to it when it was filed. You can apply for reduction of testing after four tests; they want a year of sampling. You can look at the print in the actual permit. We are supposed to test quarterly; they want quarters over 12 months, they are looking at different weather conditions, pressure, etc. We will do another round in February and we like to do the water body testing which is done twice a year. We have been doing that for 30 years.

Mayor Ruocco said then we will make another attempt with the DEP. We had an interesting discussion with them.

Administrator DeJoseph said the DEP is so large, we didn't get a great response and we met with the Deputy Commissioner.

Engineer Statile said the air quality permit says the applicant may apply to the state for reduction of testing after a year of test results. He will check the permit if there is a need for formal application process. We met with the Case Manager here and said we would like to reduce testing and write a letter; we did that and we finally met at Atlantic City and that was the result.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman - Anthony DeRosa

Councilman DeRosa said the Regional Board of Education they recognized the Bergen Boys Choir, Bergen County Choir members which are 20 combined Hillsdale students and they recognized four Eagle Scouts. The Mayor from Montvale addressed the Board and filled them in on Montvale settlement with housing. They are looking at approximately 615 units that translate eventually up to 200 student increases at the Pascack Hills High School which the Board feels they could handle at this point. This might result in a slightly positive result in that more courses and resources would be available.

Mayor Ruocco said what affects Montvale student population which forces the Regional District to spend more money and it affects Hillsdale residents. What goes on there in terms of the school district is going to have an effect here.

Councilman DeRosa said the Teacher of the Year was recognized by the NEA for teaching excellence. Yesterday he attended the Hills Valley Coalition meeting; the Coalition is made up of educators, law enforcement, town faculty, and municipal leaders, mental help professionals who educate and inform the community about mental health and provide a safe, substance free environment that reduces risk teen behavior. They meet quarterly and they are sponsoring a film called "Screen Agers" which is going to be shown to all middle and high school students in Hillsdale, River Vale, Montvale and Woodcliff Lake. It educates students and parents about growing up in digital age and promotes discussions about responsible use of digital devices. They said the dope released when you are addicted to drugs and alcohol, that same rush you get is the same rush you get when they see a lot of followers so it is addictive and they will speak to proper use of it, not just before bed. Anyone can view the film and that will be shown this Thursday at 7PM at Pascack Hills. There are a lot more resources today for students who might be suffering from substance abuse, bullying; there are more reports at the college level of students seeking help for stress. Students are seen more as stigma free and it is not a bad thing to seek help.

The Ambulance Corps responded to 69 calls for a total of 750 year to date; they are on track to respond to just about as many as they did last year. UNICO will be sponsoring a fund raiser on February 17, A Night at the Races; \$45 per person and will benefit Hillsdale, Westwood, River Vale and Washington Township Ambulance Corps. They voted on new officers; Vic Savino remains President, Tara will be the new Captain. The Rec Commissions systems are go for tomorrow's tree lighting. Volunteers will be there ahead of time to set up things and their next meeting is on Thursday.

Councilman – Zoltan Horvath

Councilman Horvath had nothing to report other than the Song & Dance for the Seniors at the Senior Center.

Mayor Ruocco said messages have been coming to us and it is something we will have to discuss. There are different ways to do it but it needs a lot of discussion. The Rec Commission is also taking that into consideration.

Councilwoman - Abby Lundy

Councilwoman Lundy said Stonybrook Commission met last night and they worked on their preliminary budget and capital budget for the next five years which will be presented to the Finance Committee during budget time. The Library Board is meeting next Monday and will report at the next Council meeting. Finance Committee is meeting December 15.

Councilman – Steven Segalas

Councilman Segalas said the Board of Health met tonight, they were happy to report on November 8 they had a very successful rabies clinic; 120 animals were inoculated for rabies, 110 dogs and 10 cats. There have been some sightings of coyotes in town and if you happen to see one report that it has been seen. Be mindful of leaving small animals outside at night, coyotes have been noted to hunt individually when hungry.

Mayor Ruocco said the flood plain acquisition plan was toured in Glendale Park with several Borough Officials including himself, Administrator, Butch Franklin, Jon Najarian about two weeks ago with Rutgers University Land Conservancy Group. The idea is to let them see the property and we expect to meet with them again between now and February. They are planning to present to the Council some preliminary ideas about what the flood plan acquisition should look like given that they have some experience with the area. The meeting will be held February 6.

He conferred with Council President Pizzella with regard to the tree ordinance; a draft was prepared with the help of Councilman Segalas, EC and Council President Pizzella. This was distributed, we gave comments and he met with the EC to go over our reactions and the EC is amenable to having the Council revised the draft. Council President Pizzella has it and he will rework it with Councilman Segalas.

The Mayor said there is a new flight path that has been approved by the FAA on the Teterboro approach. This is something the former Mayor and residents worked on. It goes into effect 18 months from now and involves a slight move of the path westward; the planes are flying over Hackensack Hospital; the new proposal involves the same route westward and relieves the hospital and folks directly north of the hospital and allowing the pilot to use their instrumentation panel to come in on that route. He is not sure what that means for Hillsdale but seems to be a big change or relief for Hillsdale.

DISCUSSION

Street Naming & Other Recognitions

Council Member DeRosa

NEW BUSINESS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Ruocco opened the Public Comment period to the public.

Larry Rumane, 17 Hunters Court –

Have you considered resident parking only for the streets around Demarest Farm?

Mayor Ruocco said yes, we thought about it.

Mr. Rumane said they have this in Hoboken and Garfield and give residents a chance to have a party on the weekend.

Mayor Ruocco said residents cannot park on weekends between 8AM and 5PM in the fall has been raised many, many times and it is something we would like to address but at the present time we are unable to address it given the farm's position. That is all will say about it.

Howard Rosenbaum, 817 Hillsdale Avenue –

There is a meeting called for December 11 at 7:00 PM related to the agricultural development board. There is a conflict of interest; the Board of Education meets on that night at that time. It will be an update with the Superintendent search, may be populated well but it involves the schools and people who may have attended will be unable to.

Mayor Ruocco wanted to make it clear that at the meeting of December 11 with the farm board is not a meeting specifically to discuss Tandy woods. It is a meeting that the farm board talked about in its September 6 ruling, it is an informational meeting to serve the needs of the farm board so that they can hear from the police, Mayor, Councilman Segalas and residents west of Pascack Road to give feedback to the farm board as to how to pick your own season, how the event management plan got rolled out, what are the ideas folks have to improve upon that.

Mr. Rosenbaum said then you are talking about access to the other property.

Councilman Segalas said this is specifically the meeting farm board wanted to have after the season in the first year of their decision. That includes input from the police, traffic control officer, DPW and from the residents; they want to discuss how the decision impacted the area and parking. It is specifically not about Tandy Woods. The farm board usually has these meetings in Hackensack; the best way to provide the best access for residents was for them to come here rather than make residents drive to Hackensack.

Mayor Ruocco said we are looking at what went right or wrong.

Mr. Rosenbaum suggested an opportunity be given to residents to submit some information if they are unable to attend the meeting.

Seeing no one, Mayor Ruocco closed the meeting to the public.

ORDINANCES:

OFF-CONSENT:

R17288 Authorizing the Transfer of 2017 Budget Appropriations

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides that should it become necessary during the last two months of the fiscal year to expand for any of the purposes specified in the budget an amount in excess of the respective sums appropriated therefore and there shall be an excess in any appropriation over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, the Mayor and Council may by resolution setting forth the facts (adopted by not less than 2/3 of the full membership thereof), transfer the amount of such excess of these appropriations deemed to be insufficient,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the Chief Municipal Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the 2017 Budget Appropriations.

	FROM	TO
APPROPRIATIONS	ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT
<u>CURRENT FUND</u>		
WITHIN CAPS		
Gasoline	\$ 40,000.00	
Administrative & Executive - Other Expenses		\$ 20,000.00
Clerks Office - Other Expenses		\$ 15,000.00
Uniform Construction Code - Salary and Wages		\$ 5,000.00
Road Repair and Maintenance - Salary and Wages	\$ 25,000.00	
Buildings and Grounds - Other Expenses		\$ 25,000.00
PERS	\$ 4,600.00	
PFRS		\$ 4,600.00
TOTAL TRANSFERS WITHIN CAPS	\$ 69,600.00	\$ 69,600.00

Motion by Councilwoman Lundy, Second by Councilman DeRosa.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lundy, Segalas, DeRosa, Horvath

Nays: None

Absent: Councilmember Karcich and Council President Pizzella

RESOLUTIONS:(Consent Agenda): R17289 through R17301:

R17289 Grantee Authorizing Resolution- 2016 Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund – Park Improvement Program

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale wish to enter into a Bergen County Trust Fund Project Contract (“Contract”) with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using a \$32,500.00 matching grant award from the 2016 Funding Round of the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) for the Municipal Park project entitled “Beechwood Park Bandshell” located in municipal park areas identified as follows: Beechwood Park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute and sign the agreement on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor hereby authorizes the CFO to sign the necessary financial documents for said agreement on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby acknowledge that, in general, the use of this Trust Fund grant towards this approved park project must be completed by or about August 9, 2019; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant will be disbursed to the municipality as a reimbursement upon submittal of certified Trust Fund payment and project completion documents and municipal vouchers, invoices, proofs of payment, and other such documents as may be required by the County in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant disbursement to the municipality will be equivalent to fifty (50) percent of the eligible costs incurred (not to exceed total grant award) applied towards only the approved park improvements identified in the aforesaid Contract in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements.

R17290 Recognizing November 25, 2017 as “Small Business Saturday” and Supporting the Efforts of the Small Business Administration to Increase Awareness of the Value of Locally Owned Small Businesses

WHEREAS, there are 28.8 million small businesses in the United States;

WHEREAS, small businesses represent 99.7 percent of all businesses in the United States;

WHEREAS, small businesses generated 64 percent of new jobs created during the past 20 years;

WHEREAS, 87 percent of consumers in the United States agree that the success of small businesses is critical to the overall economic health of the United States;

WHEREAS, 89 percent of consumers in the United States agree that small businesses contribute positively to local communities by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue;

WHEREAS, local businesses help to sustain vibrant, compact, walkable town centers which, in turn, are essential to reducing sprawl, automobile use, habitat loss, and air and water pollution; and

WHEREAS, in an increasingly homogenized world, communities that support local, one-of-a-kind businesses help contribute to the distinctive character of a community; and

WHEREAS, many local businesses help support so many borough, school, sports and volunteer organizations through donations and sponsorships, throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, shopping at local businesses saves residents time and money; and

WHEREAS, 93 percent of consumers in the United States agree that it is important to support the small businesses in their communities; and

WHEREAS, November 25, 2017, is an appropriate day to recognize “Small Business Saturday”

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Hillsdale joins with the Small Business Administration in:

(1) Recognizing and encouraging the observance of “Small Business Saturday” on November 25, 2017; and:

(2) Supporting efforts to encourage consumers to shop locally; and

(3) Supporting efforts to increase awareness of the value of locally owned small businesses and the impact of locally owned small businesses on the economy of the United States.

R17291 Designating Time and Place of 2018 Council Meetings

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council that the first and second Tuesday of each month, except for conflicts due to holidays/elections as noted on the schedule below or in June, July, August and November when there will be one meeting per month, in the Municipal Building Council Chambers, 380 Hillsdale Avenue, Hillsdale, NJ, at the hour of 7:30 P.M. be designated as the time and place of Council meetings for the year 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sine Die meeting has been set for January 7, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. and Reorganization Meeting at 12:30 p.m.; and

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 Et Seq.) that:

Section 1. Except as provided by Chapter 4, Section 10:4-12B, all meetings of the Council shall be open to the public at all times.

Section 2. At every meeting, the public may actively participate during the time designated for that purpose in the order of business and the Council may take formal action.

Section 3. The meetings of the Council shall be held on the dates and times set forth in the scheduled annexed hereto and made a part hereof.

Section 4. Within seven (7) days following the adoption of this resolution, a copy shall be posted on a bulletin board accessible to the public at all business hours at or near the entrance to the Council’s meeting room and shall remain so posted until replaced with a duly adopted resolution setting forth any revision thereof. A copy shall be mailed or sent by electronic means to two (2) official newspapers.

Section 5. Upon receipt by the Borough Clerk of a written request setting forth the name and address of the person making the request, the Clerk shall send to such person by regular mail, or by electronic means, between the date of such request and December 31st next ensuing, a copy of the meeting schedule referred to in section 3.

**BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
2018 COUNCIL MEETINGS**

January	7 th (Sunday) Sine Die Meeting 12:00 pm
	7 th (Sunday) Reorganization 12:30 pm
	16 th
February	6 th
	13 th
March	13 th
	20 th
April	3 rd
	10 th
May	1 st
	8 th
June	12 th
July	17 th

August	7 th
September	4 th
	11 th
October	2 nd
	9 th
November	8 th Thursday
December	4 th
	11 th

R17292 Approval to Submit a Grant Application with the Bergen County Division of Community Development for the Borough of Hillsdale Senior Activities FY 2018

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale wishes to submit a grant application with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using \$6,000.00 in FY 2018 Community Development Block Grant funds for the Senior Citizen Activities in the Borough of Hillsdale; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to be a signatory for the aforesaid grant agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council recognizes that the Borough of Hillsdale is liable for any funds not spent in accordance with HUD requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

R17293 Authorize the Borough Clerk to Advertise for Landscaping Services for Borough Property and Stonybrook Swim Club

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized prepare plans and specifications for Landscaping Services for Borough property and Stonybrook Swim Club; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to solicit sealed public bids.

R17294 Resolution Approving the Purchase of One (1) 2018 Ford Fusion 4 Door Sedan S FWD from the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program and other approved Cooperative Purchasing Programs for any State or Cooperative Purchasing contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury and/or by the approve the Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale is a member of the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the Borough will purchase one (1) 2018 Ford Fusion 4 Door Sedan S FWD for the Borough Hall through the State Cooperative Purchasing Program through Contract #A86922; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Hillsdale approves the Purchase of one (1) 2018 Ford Fusion 4 Door Sedan S FWD from Hertrich Fleet Services Inc 1427 Bay Road Milford, Delaware 19963, \$17,400.00 in accordance with the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program, Contract # A86922 valid June 9, 2014 through June 8, 2018.

R17295 Resolution Authorizing Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System Bid #2-SOCCP

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale is a member of the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System and desires to use the Co-Op for tree removal, tree trimming and stump grinding; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System Contract #CC-0081-17, Co-operative pricing Bid #2-SOCCP, awarded to High Techs Landscapes, Inc., 10 Cullen Drive, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876 for tree removal and tree trimming; and

WHEREAS, the Contract Period is for a two (2) year period beginning February 28, 2017 and ending February 27, 2019; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Hillsdale authorizes the services for as needed tree removal, tree trimming, and stump grinding through High Techs Landscapes, Inc., under the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System Contract #CC-0081-17, Co-operative pricing Bid #2-SOCCP, in the contract amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.

R17296 Resolution Providing for the Insertion of any Special Item of Revenue in the Budget of any County or Municipality Pursuant to N.J.S.A 40a4-87 (Chapter 159), P.L. 1948 - 2017 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End Holiday Crackdown

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

SECTION 1

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2017 in the sum of \$5,500.00 which item is now available as revenue from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE OFF-SET WITH APPROPRIATIONS

2017 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End Holiday Crackdown - \$5,500.00

Pursuant to the provisions of the statute; and

SECTION 2

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the like sum of \$5,500.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUE

2017 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End Holiday Crackdown - \$5,500.00

SECTION 3

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the above is the result of funds due to the Borough of Hillsdale, from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, that were not available at the time of the adoption of the 2017 budget.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Certified Financial Officer will forward an electronic copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

R17297 Endorsement of 2018 Community Development Block Grant ADA Compliant Improvements–
Brick and Mortar at Beechwood Park

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$45,000 has been proposed by the Borough of Hillsdale for ADA Compliant Improvements in Beechwood Park using brick and mortar in the Borough of Hillsdale and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Borough of Hillsdale, and;

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Hillsdale hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

R17298 Authorization to Enter into a Service Agreement for Certified Recycling Professional (CRP) to
Prepare the Annual Recycling Tonnage Report

WHEREAS, it is required to submit a mandated Annual Recycling Tonnage Report as required by the New Jersey Recycling Enhancement Act (“REA”) P.L. 2008, Chapter 6; and

WHEREAS, such report is to be submitted via email to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (“NJDEP”) on or before April 30th of each year; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale is desirous of entering into a Service Agreement for retaining and providing CRP services of the Authority for signing and submitting of said Annual Recycling Tonnage Report; and

WHEREAS, the Borough shall retain the services of the Authority for a CRP that will be responsible for signing and submitting of said report to the NJDEP on or before April 30, 2018;

WHEREAS, the Borough designates the Interim Superintendent of Public Works as the preparer of the report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the term of this Service Agreement shall be for a term of one (1) year commencing March 1, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to enter into such agreement with the Bergen County Utility Authority for such services.

[R17299](#) Updated Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into and Sign an Agreement with New Jersey Office of Clean Energy for an Energy Efficiency Upgrade – Under the Direct Install Grant at Borough Hall

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Office of Clean Energy offers a Direct Install Grant Program for Government, Non-Profit Facilities, and Small businesses that provides energy Efficiency Upgrades; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Office of Clean Energy will arrange the installation of certain energy conservation measures (HVAC and lighting only) at Borough Hall located at 380 Hillsdale Avenue, Hillsdale, NJ 07642 for a total project cost of Thirty Seven Thousand Eighty Nine Dollars and Nine Cents (\$37,089.09); and

WHEREAS, due to state limited funding, the Borough will not be updating the boilers at Borough Hall; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this change in installation, there is an possible annual cost savings of approximately Twenty Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Two Dollars and Forty-eight Cents (\$20,452.48); and

WHEREAS, The Borough of Hillsdale Council desires to authorize the Mayor to execute such agreement with New Jersey Office of Clean Energy in this program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, Bergen County hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to execute the contract agreement with Lime Energy at a cost not to exceed \$37,089.09.

[R17300](#) Authorize the Borough Clerk to Advertise Requests for Qualifications for Borough Professionals – Municipal Court Judge

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq. that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for the above mentioned services for the following positions for a three year term beginning January 1 2018- December 31, 2020:

Municipal Court Judge

[R17301](#) Authorize the Borough Clerk to Re-advertise Requests for Qualifications for Borough Professionals – Alternate Public Defender

Alternate Public Defender

Councilman DeRosa asked that R17290 be read into the record. This recognizes November 25 as Small Business Saturday which passed already, however, we are into the holiday season which lasts through this month and wanted to encourage residents to continue to shop locally and there is some information in the resolution that is valuable.

Mayor Ruocco read the Resolution into the record.

Mayor Ruocco asked for a motion on all Resolutions except R17290 since it was pulled.

Motion by Councilwoman Lundy, Second by Councilman DeRosa.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lundy, Segalas, DeRosa, Horvath

Nays: None

Absent: Councilman Karcich and Council President Pizzella

Mayor Ruocco entertained a motion to approve R17290 since it had been pulled.

Motion by Councilman DeRosa, Second by Councilman Segalas.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Lundy, Segalas, Horvath and DeRosa

Nays: None

Absent: Councilman Karcich and Council President Pizzella

COUNCIL COMMENTARIES:

Borough Clerk Kohan said she the Borough Administrator had a web site meeting with our current web site office and looking to upgrade our website to make it more user friendly, ADA compliant and look cleaner and easier to find. She forwarded the proposals to our current public relations which are Councilwoman Lundy and Councilman DeRosa and Councilman Horvath. This is for their input and hopefully by the next meeting we can come to an idea to come together and show you the options and what would work best for the Borough. We have a good website but it is overcrowded right now and it will look cleaner. Hopefully we can do this before the end of the year. This is an upgrade with our current provider and we are waiting for another quote from Civics Plus which River Vale uses.

Mayor Ruocco sent out a letter with respect to Waste Management; our attorney Council President Pizzella and I have been working hard for the past couple of months but he believed we needed extra push from our residents on this. He has encouraged residents to write to N.J. Department of Environmental Protection and asked them to wait for input from the Bergen County Utilities Authority and also encouraging residents to write to the Bergen Utility Authority to encourage them as quickly as possible conduct their review and get back to the N. J. Department of Environmental Protection. I feel this is caught in a political zone of hot potato.

The cell tower issue was settled early this year but he understands that the small cell tower is still attached to the Garden State Parkway Bridge, some residents have asked why. Administrator DeJoseph has approached the N.J. Turnpike to request they take it down; it is their plan, they haven't gotten to it. It may have fallen through the cracks but we will monitor this.

He recognized two people who have served the Environmental committee well over the last several years; Elizabeth Sneikus and Chico Goodyear. They are both leaving the EC for various business reasons, demands on time. They are people who devoted a good part of their time, their good will and effort to make the Borough a better place to live. He thanked them and wished them well.

Borough Attorney Madaio said former resident of this town and Superior Court Judge Patrick Roma passed away. There is a visitation for him at Bulkweaver Funeral Home, 268 Kinderkamack Road, Oradell on the 11th from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. That is the opportunity to pay their respects.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

R17302 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 –*Habitat for Humanity, Affordable Housing, Tandy Allan Property*

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

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

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Hillsdale assembled in public session this date that an Executive Session closed to the public be and the same is hereby authorized for

discussion of matters relating to the specified items designated above. It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Borough Council that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

Motion by Councilman DeRosa, Second by Councilwoman Lundy and unanimously carried.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:

Motion to reconvene by Councilman DeRosa, Second by Councilwoman Lundy, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by Councilman DeRosa, Second by Councilwoman Lundy, and unanimously carried.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE
December 12, 2017 7:30 PM**

Denise Kohan, Municipal Clerk

APPROVED AS PRESENTED

Denise Kohan, Municipal Clerk