

Minutes of a Council Meeting of the Borough of Hillsdale held at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, September 12, 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 12th day of September, 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, Karcich, Lundy, Pizzella, Segalas
(Borough Attorney Madaio, CMFO DeJoseph, Borough Clerk Kohan)

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

R17242 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/Tandy Allen 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.
- (7) Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and the attorney-client privilege –*Affordable Housing/Tandy Allen 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 Councilmember Pizzella, Second by Councilmember Karcich, and unanimously carried.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:

Motion to reconvene by Councilmember Segalas, Second by Councilmember Karcich, and unanimously carried.

Mayor Ruocco said we have Presentations but in view of the fact that yesterday was September 11, he asked for a brief moment of silence for all the individuals whose lives we lost both workers in the two World Trade Centers as well as emergency and EMS people who went to rescue them and unfortunately never came back.

PRESENTATIONS:

Eagle Scout Project-

Andrew Ewing

Andrew Ewing is a member of Boy Scout Troop 109 in Hillsdale. He is seeking permission to complete his Eagle Scout Project; my project is to refurbish and rebuild the Beechwood Park sign that is located next to the football, softball field and hiking trails from the Hillsdale Avenue entrance. I also plan to refurbish the flag pole that is next to the sign by removing rust, repainting it and restoring it working condition. I will also install solar light so that the American Flag can fly at all times. The Hillsdale Environmental Commission has noted that the current sign is hidden by overgrown trees and is also decaying. My project will restore and beautify the entrance to the Nature Trail. The flag will fly at all times and can be used at games and ceremonies and Hillsdale residents will be able to see the flag flying in the evening. This task will consist of my taking down the old sign, salvaging any parts and then refurbishing the sign with a more sturdy support and wood. I will stain the wood and repaint the sign to make it look nice. I am also going to include a kiosk on the back of the sign with trail maps and pictures and information on wild life that might be seen on the hike. I am also going to sand and refurbish and repaint the neglected flag pole to the next sign; it is very rusty and needs new parts. It is currently a non-working flag pole. I plan to add a new solar light, add new pulleys, new line and a new cleat. The current flag pole is very sturdy and just needs a make over. I am also going to trim the surrounding trees so that the flag can fly freely. This project will benefit and beautify our great community with no charge to our taxpayers as I will be completing this project by collecting donations.

Emerald Ash Borer

Environmental Commission

Meredith of the Environmental Commission said we have our team here and thought it important that you meet the other members who worked on the project. We can go through the presentation though we heard you don't have a lot of time we are ready to quickly go through our presentation with the major points.

Mayor Ruocco said the public could probably benefit from a presentation.

Scott Raymond, Vice Chairman of the Environmental Commission. We are here tonight to discuss what we now consider to be an extremely concerning public safety issue, that being the Ash Borer. This insect has now become a very serious problem in our area with the killing of Ash Trees and created a wide spread, public safety concern in potential liability issue over 25 states including New Jersey and right here in Hillsdale. The Emerald Ash Borer has already killed hundreds and thousands of trees in 25 states and that number continues to grow. The Hillsdale Environmental Commission has been pursuing this issue with the town following March 2016 Environmental Conference attended by myself and fellow Commissioner Ed Alter. This is when we were first made aware of the complete devastation in depth that is occurring in our ash trees in a very short period of time, usually two to five years by a very small insect. We have emails, website links, various meetings with the town, articles in the newspaper and online notifications and information provided on our Environmental Commission website as well all involving the environmental Ash Borer. There are many towns in our immediate area that are not only concerned about the extremely public safety issue but taken proper steps already needed to be proactive to the situation and continuing to take the action to control the insect. Unfortunately, Hillsdale is not one of them and has done nothing to this point. Unfortunately and ultimately we are asking for your assistance now so we can help preserve and treat our ash trees before it is too late.

At this time I want to go into a short description of exactly what this insect is so you have an idea of what we are talking about and what it is capable of doing in a very, very short time and its destructive measures. The Emerald Ash Borer is an insect first introduced in the United States more than 10 years ago from Asia. It was first identified in Detroit, Michigan and has migrated now to New Jersey via non-local tree sources which were transported to our area. The Emerald Ash Borer is a very small greenish insect approximately 1/2 inch in length; it lays its eggs on the stems of the branches of the ash tree, the eggs hatch and the larvae then burrow their way into the layer of the tree which then feeds and develops and here is the problem. The channels that are produced

when this insect starts feeding disrupt the water flow and the nutrient flow of the tree and thus killing the tree in a very short period of time. In Asia where the insect migrated from the ash borer kept in check by its predators' unfortunately we have no predators for the ash borer in the United States and it is on top of the food chain so it is only going to get worse, it doesn't get better. Once the ash tree arrives in our community, any community, it is a mortality issue of the ash tree; the population is nearly 100% killed untreated. This is indicated by cities that have already been infected. Unless some kind of measure is taken and initiated now, trees will continue to die. I am asking for your help in controlling this insect and ask that you act now by putting plans into place to control this insect before it is too late and the insect population has grown. These trees will all die ultimately without your help and intervention. It is a serious matter and appreciates your consideration in the matter.

Councilmember Pizzella said the Environmental Commission is requesting our help but they are making a recommendation as to what we should be doing as a Council and as a town and I want to emphasize that.

Elizabeth Sneikus and am currently the Environmental Commission Secretary. She wanted to speak about the assessment process and identifying the borer and infestation. Due to the fact that once the tree is infected, it is a quick process to the death of the tree and it is important for early detection. However, early detection is difficult because the first signs of damage and stress occur at the very top of the tree, so therefore you need specialized equipment, aerial photography and things of that sort in order to get imaging for information. USDA Forest Service published a research study in 2007 discussing some of the typical techniques they use to identify stress to the ash population. They use remote aerial sensing technology, technology that can detect changes in the chlorophyll activity of the tree and they can see decline based on imaging. Those aerial photos can also give them a sense of what they would call the tree transparency. The damage tends to start at the tips of the branches and work its way inward so they can measure that and evaluate that as well. The easiest way to see damage and is woodpecker damage where they are boring into the tree to get at those insects. There is a distinct DE shaped hole that the borer leaves as it exits the tree trunk. All of these techniques should be done by a trained professional; it is a dangerous process to get to the top of the tree; you have to use specialized equipment or use a crane and a licensed crane operator. It is also easy to miss diagnoses something as simple as the exit holes. Members of our Commission went out and looked at a tree, saw what they thought were those signs and they were corrected by a professional tree expert and an untrained eye can't do this. It is important that we have a licensed professional and create a data base that would give us a guideline as to where to start, what treatment or action to take, but it is crucial that we have some kind of an inventory so that we know where we stand with the situation.

Tom Wiseman a member of the Environmental Commission. He wanted to talk about what the other towns and municipalities in the area are doing, what we heard and read through the New Jersey Forestry Services and speaking with other municipalities. One of the big things is the trained professionals; we need to retain a New Jersey certified tree expert on ISA certified arborist. We need to request that the arborist inspect and map the public areas throughout the town for infestation starting with our parks, schools, public areas and any areas that are of high public safety that could be dangerous to people in town. The trees more than 20% infected by the borer are typically not salvageable and pose a tremendous risk to public safety; we should note that the pest spreads rapidly and kills 99% of the ash trees. Trees with no visible symptoms may already be infected, only a trained professional will know; this is not something one of us as the Environmental Commission or Boy Scout project any of us could do on our own, it would have to be by a trained professional. Ash trees can be saved through insecticide treatments, it is not something we recommend but it is an option that would have to be discussed. This is not a one-time treatment; it is ongoing year after year so there would have to be a cost associated with this in the budget yearly. New Jersey Forestry Services stated that in order to prevent any other spread of the borer of the ash tree, the ash tree should be cut, tree tops chipped and spread and left on the site. The trees are not supposed to be removed so that we don't spread it into different areas. One of the causes of this was transference of firewood and the borer being in the firewood. There is the option to do nothing but this should be a conscious decision with the understanding that the ash tree will eventually become infested, die and fall; this should only be done in secluded areas where there is no or minimal risk associated with the trees when they die.

Meredith said the reason it has come up in Hillsdale is that we were mapped badly with it when the state did their tracking. It is in other Bergen County towns, they have been reaching out to us. Our suggestion is that we form a committee to address this further with your members, our members and members of the DPW because there are many options. Some towns have looked into high risk areas only, dealing with those trees, mapping out quadrants of the town, one year treating certain trees, assessing other trees. We don't have a tree inventory that has been updated, nothing on line like other towns. We are starting from scratch, we cannot properly identify them and that is an issue that we can address another time, how we can get an inventory of our trees, but right now we feel it is most important to find out which are hazards. We did retain some rates from some professionals and an estimate would be for eight hours of work between \$500 and \$700 to assess 40 to 50 trees; that is someone who set up a data base for us and start a process we could use. That is an estimate.

Mayor Ruocco asked what percentage of trees in the town are ash trees.

Meredith said for our particular town we don't have the accurate numbers and we don't want to guess.

Mayor Ruocco said if it is a small number and unlike in some communities that populated their commercial boulevards and their residential streets with ash trees, if our are basically hidden in the closet, is it so bad to let nature take its course because the rate of infection is high, everything I read indicates once it is infected it is a very tough act to get them to get back and they don't recommend it at a certain point.

Meredith said leaving them up is a risk in terms of borer travelling to other trees. Arborists will tell you different things; watch them, decide which are not high risk, let them die and deal with them; that seems the most feasible and others will say you have to address it now, find how sick your trees are and deal with them.

Mayor Ruocco said Scott indicated a public safety issue; is the public safety issue the issue that the tree will rot out and fall and block or hurt someone.

Meredith said that is a whole separate issue which we can give a report on. We have a number of dead trees in town that are not only ash trees that we are concerned about, a process of identifying and dealing with them. We don't have a regular arborist. Most towns use their arborist to do this assessment.

Mayor Ruocco said if I understand this correctly, it is not necessarily to save all the trees but it is to assess them and the danger to public safety.

Meredith said there could be other damaged, diseased trees in town that are also at a risk. This was brought to our attention multiple times when we were told you are from Hillsdale and you have a problem; multiple arborists told us this, you are ground zero for Emerald Ash. That is why towns are asking us what we are doing. There is more research that needs to be done.

Tom Wiseman said one of the questions you are probably asking is how we know it will all come together ultimately, or how do we know we have ash trees that are infected. At the NJ Association of Environmental Commissions a seminar that Scott and I attended mentioned this is the map; Hillsdale is the one place they mapped out as being highly infested. They had a tracking program of 82 towns over the summer of 2015 and that resulted in the discovery of the borer infestation in Hillsdale and resulted in now becoming part of the federal quarantine program. We couldn't remove ash trees even if we wanted to; they spread; identify and cut down and that was their suggestion, not ours. That was the NJ Conference Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions. You can't say they just went to Bergen County and went directly to Hillsdale to test, they tested a number of towns in our area and we were amazed when they told us. We contacted the arborist who spoke afterwards and we had a conversation with him which lead to the meeting we had.

Councilmember Pizzella said the map itself when you look at it and show Hillsdale is misleading. The way it was explained to us when I was at the last meeting with the gentleman from the state, was that they go out and check towns; sometimes they check because somebody called and complained, sometimes they check because they pick that town; the man could not tell us how they ended up getting to Hillsdale. He believes that someone called and filed some sort of complaint or notice; that does not mean that Woodcliff Lake, Upper Saddle River, Park Ridge, River Vale don't have infestation, it just means that they came to Hillsdale and they found ash trees that were infected. Woodcliff Lake and Park Ridge have trees that have been infested because before the former Mayor resigned, they reached out to him and asked what you are doing about your ash trees. One of the recommendations of the Environmental Commission is to create a subcommittee to move forward with this and that could include reaching out to the other towns and see if they were willing to do a regional inventory. It is important that part of this recommendation is that you hire a professional who is going to take an inventory of the ash trees and identify where they are and those infected.

Mayor Ruocco said once the inventory is complete then what.

Tom Wiseman said we will have a data base of trees that we can assess and see which one is number one or number five; we rate them and determine which ones have to be taken down or treated depending on how much we budget for.

Mayor Ruocco asked if they will provide us with information in terms of the cost of taking down the infected tree and the cost of saving a tree that is not far along and able to be saved.

Tom Wiseman said we can give you recommendations but you would have to go out for bid and quotes officially through the town which we cannot do.

Meredith said that is the reason people say take it down. You are talking about ongoing treatment which can be expensive.

Councilmember Pizzella said the individual from the state that had this presentation and also came in to speak to us was willing to give us a proposal of what his company would do regarding the trees. I think it would behoove us not only to get his proposal but get a couple of others and take it from there.

Meredith said getting a tree inventory could be part of the proposal or you decide where your high risk areas are as a Council and have the person start there if you don't want to do something comprehensive if that is too costly to do all of them.

Borough Administrator DeJoseph said there is something called a Community Forest Management Plan that would be helpful in doing an evaluation. Hillsdale received a grant approximately three or four years ago and we could proceed with that and the Mayor and Council would like to explore and we could explore with that again and do a Borough wide inventory. We would have to reapply.

Meredith said long term that is the only source we saw for potential funds in terms of treatment but that is down the road because the reason we didn't pursue it is that volunteers were asked to do a huge amount of work they were not qualified for for this community forestry grant including going into training. We have members who are willing to do it but we have to plan that out. We definitely would be interested in partnering on a community forestry grant in the future.

Councilmember Pizzella said Environmental Commission is not in a position to write and apply for that grant.

Meredith said we didn't write for it but there was training that we as working people could not attend, that DPW or other people attend. Everyone has to be on board, it is not something we can do apart; we can figure out who covers what. It is valuable to do and we recommend it as a community that we do it; we have to apply for it and discuss it.

Administrator DeJoseph said it also provides other avenues for funding and tree planting as well.

Mayor Ruocco said when you meet with Councilmember Pizzella to discuss this further, you will contact us further.

Councilmember Pizzella said you should take them up on their offering of recommendations and create a subcommittee which involves other members of Council so it is not all on the Environmental Commission; they can handle anything, this group can do this but they are an advisory group, they are not an enforcement group so we have to watch what we ask them to do. If we put a subcommittee together where it has some members of the Environmental Commission as well as some members of Council, you will have more of a proactive approach to resolving the problem.

Mayor Ruocco said he wanted to make sure that your goal in terms of what you want to do is clearly defined. The goal being that you are going to assess for the purpose of possibly knowing what the risk is, level of damage so that this assessment would be taken of the trees that are starting to be infected, not infected, well infected.

Meredith said she asked Chris thinking we had a data base or some history and we were guessing.

Mayor Ruocco said when he and his wife walk through town we try to identify ash trees; we have a very hard time identifying them. We found one on Cross and Central and that looks like it is suffering.

Meredith expressed her appreciation that you have allowed us to make the public aware that there is an issue.

Councilmember Pizzella said the goal is to stop the infestations and identifying the infected trees.

RECOGNITION:

PROMOTIONS:

APPOINTMENTS/OATH OF OFFICE:

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER:

I now ask for a nomination to be put forward to be elected as Council Member for the non-expired term of December 31, 2017.

Nomination has been made for: Councilmember Pizzella moved to nominate Zoltan Horvath, Seconded by Councilmember Karcich.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers DeRosa, Karcich, Lundy, Pizzella and Segalas

Nays: None

COUNCIL MEMBER APPOINTMENT: *(Council appointment)*

Mayor Ruocco presents the name of Zoltan Horvath as Council Member for the non-expired term of December 31, 2017.

Motion: Councilmember DeRosa, Second: Karcich

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes:

Councilmember DeRosa, Karcich, Lundy, Pizzella, Segalas

Nays: None

The Mayor administers the Oath of Office to the new Council Member

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

I now ask for a nomination put forward to be elected as Council President for the remainder of 2017.

Nomination has been made for: Councilmember Pizzella.

Motion: Councilmember Segalas, Second: Councilmember DeRosa.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmember DeRosa, Karcich, Lundy, Pizzella, Segalas and Horvath

Nays: None

Mayor John Ruocco administers the Oath of Office to the Council President.

OATH OF OFFICE/APPOINTMENTS:

David Alburtus – Hillsdale Fire Department Cadet

Fire Chief Patrick Doody

Oath Administered by Mayor Ruocco

Fire Chief Patrick Doody gave his professional report at this time. For the month of July, there were 27 calls of which we had two structure fires; we went mutual aid to Park Ridge on the 27th of July and also on the 29th of July. We had our own fire at the DPW garage, the compactor was on fire. Most of the remaining calls were alarms and natural gas calls this month and last month. The other day we had one where a contractor hit a gas main on Pascack Road. There was a total of 265 hours for calls, one drill which was 46 hours for a total of 311 hours. We also have upcoming events; this weekend is Hillsdale Day and the Fire Department will be present at some point between 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM. We also have Open House scheduled for Sunday, October 8; we will have EMBMS Open House, Police Department and the Fire Department; we will also have the smoke house from the County here on that day; 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the firehouse; the end of Fire Prevention. The trash compactor wasn't damaged, we had a fire in it and put it out and the compactor still works.

Mayor Ruocco wished to make some comments on the parking situation at Demarest Farm. The Farm Board released in final form their decision on Demarest Farm parking and it is going to allow Demarest Farm patrons to continue to park on residential streets but instead diminishing volume over the next three years. The plan requires that by the end of 2019, the farm has to wean itself off any residential street parking; the farm has to provide sufficient off-street parking to accommodate all of its customers. Until then the farm can use up to three zones of a four zone area that comprises the west side. The zones chosen for parking would be rotated according to the plan that our Police Chief and the farm and the Board have come up so that the impact of any given neighborhood would be reduced immediately in comparison to the effect it had last year and continue to step down each year as the plan moves to fewer zones. Before using any of these zones, the farm would need to use its own lot and then other off-site lots that it has acquired. I am happy to report that the farm has acquired

parking in the KPMG lot in Montvale as well as our own west lot. As a result, the number of zones needed for patron parking has been reduced to two zones for every upcoming weekend except for Columbus Day, because of the volume, all four zones are needed. The farm was told by the Farm Board that it must obtain the approval of our Police Department, each week before the week's plan go into action. The Police Department and the farm meet every Wednesday to confirm which zones will be open for patron parking that weekend. The quicker the farm obtains more off-site parking, the quicker the Police can reduce the number of residential zones allowable to the farm under the Farm Board's ruling. Last year the entire west side experienced patron parking on approximately 16 days; that has been cut in half this year and it is expected to decline further next year until the Farm Board's mandated goal of no on-street parking is reached by the end of 2019. The Farm Board deliberated recognized that the parking problem posed for the west side by the farm took three years to reach crisis stage and decided to give Demarest Farm approximately the same time to correct it. Besides telling Demarest Farm that it has to find more off-site parking, the Farm Board told the farm it needed to take several other steps to improve the situation prior to the 2018 season. Some of those steps for the construction of a sidewalk and a fence on the eastern side of Wierimus Road, a zone for passenger drop-offs, implementation of better areas at the intersection of Hillsdale and Wierimus, hire more off-duty police for traffic management on Wierimus Road, provide more adult supervision in the different residential zones, implement better signage directing patrons to off-site parking; they strongly urged the farm to consider a reservations system and a ticket tracking system and urged them to consider converting the peach orchards to temporary parking on an annual basis.

The Farm Board praised the Borough for accepting the farm's bid of five cents per day to use the commuter lot in town during four weekends. It encouraged the Hillsdale Board of Ed to provide the Smith School lot for patron parking; they are also asking this Council to make a good faith effort to rezone the Tandy Allen property on Hillsdale Avenue just west of Pascack Road for agricultural use in 2018 and that would permit Demarest Farm to park approximately 300 cars there. Council will have to decide that matter, looking at the totality of its impact on the town and that process has begun. This governing body is acutely aware that the parking ordinance we passed in the summer to ensure a safe environment in the neighborhood during the pick your own season when combined with the Farm Board's plan raises issues for residents who need to park on their streets for special events. Tonight the Council will discuss that in Closed Session and make proposed solutions. I remind everyone that Demarest Farm despite receiving the ruling by the Farm Board continues to litigate in Superior Court to force the Borough to lift its parking ordinance. I personally find this position by the farm owners to be inconsistent with their prior remarks of good citizenship in the Borough; good neighbors do not sue each other especially after a County agency has heard their case and given them a plan for resolution. I think the farm's management needs to reconsider the matter. That is all I have to say on this matter.

PROCLAMATIONS:

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

Mayor Ruocco announced the public comment, time limited, new topics only and invited anyone to come up to speak.

Kevin O'Brien, 61 Parkview Drive -

New Jersey Fire Code requires solid cord doors and automatic closures in common areas for two families; the same for the furnace doors. How did Hillsdale's Code Official, Paul Bechtel, ignore the law designed for life safety for all these years at the residence where he lives? In Westwood the Fire Official mandated the doors be updated to the fire code in 2011; I know the property where the Westwood Official mandated it. How did Code Official Bechtel ignore the law for six years and not mandate compliance to a life safety measure. It appears to be another example of the shortcomings which take place in that room right down the hall; I was promised at the last meeting there would be a meeting between Council members and myself to address shortcomings where violations were clearly blatant and willful blindness is being exhibited over violations by the code officials. Despite being offered a meeting by two Councilmembers at the last session I made offers for dates and didn't get any feedback. You have all the information that you need but it seems this is the best stall tactic since the NCAA Basketball banned the four quarters. I don't understand it.

Council President Pizzella said we are prepared to address but that is an old topic.

Kevin O'Brien said I can come back; this is a law that I know exists with respect to the doors and I find it very puzzling how the same official look the other way and how the other officials look the other way when I provided you folks with pictures, measurements, with Borough ordinance and it is a clearly a willful blindness by people in that office and you folks aren't doing your job to make sure that they do their job.

Mayor Ruocco said we have a committee that has been meeting with the officials you are talking about to make sure that all steps have been taken.

Borough Attorney Madaio said we will provide that report this evening if the Mayor so wishes. If you want a written format, I need additional time so that we don't misunderstand each other.

Mayor Ruocco said it can be given orally and backed up with a written report.

Councilmember Segalas said we worked diligently and put a lot of hours into trying to be responsive in a week's time to this request.

Mayor Ruocco closed the initial public commentary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion _____ Second _____

Council Members DeRosa, Karcich, Lundy, Pizzella, Segalas, Council President Ruocco

PROFESSIONALS REPORT/MONTHLY DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

(The following correspondence on file in Borough Clerks Office)

Hillsdale Fire Department – August 2017

Chief Patrick Doody

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman - Anthony DeRosa

Councilmember DeRosa said the Regional School Board met last night, their first meeting after summer vacation. Each school year it rotates and all meetings this year will be at Pascack Valley. It was a brief agenda and they spoke about their initial plans for goals for the year and four were outlined. One is better the communication between the four districts, have a broader plan for construction input and they mentioned reaching out to the public for their input. He suggested that our seniors be included from both Montvale and Hillsdale and our Environmental Commission. They plan to update the student conduct policy and work on transitioning the security officer to Class III officers. The Rec Commission has been working very hard on the Hillsdale Festival; hopefully everyone knows about it. It is Saturday from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Beechwood Park; this used to be our Town Day; it will be a big event. The Borough invested in some remediation to the drainage issue at Corra Field and it appears that the sod is taking, the construction is complete and the grass has been mowed for the first time.

Administrator DeJoseph said the Superintendent will be there tomorrow to confirm and it should be open.

Councilman - Scott Karcich

Councilmember Karcich said he nothing to report this month.

Councilwoman - Abby Lundy

Councilmember Lundy said the Library Board of Trustees met last night after a summer recess. The summer reading programs have ended and there were 158 participants in the Read Alone Program and 74 children participated in the Read to Me Program. Director Franz advised that the Bergen County Cooperative Library System of BUCCLES can no longer support the Hoopla; APP people used to purchase on-line books, ebooks, music. The Library is looking to retaining it on our own. There will be a public question on the ballot November 7 regarding the New Jersey Library Construction on that and if successful, \$125 million dollars in general obligation bonds will be sold to support the program. Libraries will be permitted to submit projects in which 50% of the cost will be applied. Our Library could benefit by upgrades to our HBAC system. She had a very brief report from the pool manager, she been out, these are not final membership numbers and did not think it was worth reporting because they are inaccurate. Membership \$705,000 with other income of \$138,000 for a total of \$843,000; the operating budget was \$806,000. If these numbers are correct, they have exceeded their budget. The pool commissions representatives, Borough Attorney and myself met with the Stonybrook Condo Association and we are working on coming to an agreement with them regarding the pool enclosure.

Council President - Frank Pizzella

Council President Pizzella thanked the Environmental Commission for coming tonight and giving their presentation. He is very proud to be affiliated with this Commission; they are a group of resident volunteers who are always professional, intelligent and put a great deal of effort into everything they do and care about what they work on and care about the town. He can't make every meeting as Liaison, but they are always on board. It has been two years and they still came before us and they are prepared on this Ash Borer situation. They are concerned about the tree ordinance; Councilmember Segalas and I met over this past weekend to discuss it and we have to get it to the Borough Administrator who has some further comments to make and then we will finally be able to put that to rest. The Environmental Commission will also doing tours of Beechwood Park at the Hillsdale Festival and will be joined by a local plan expert and sharing the history and volunteer efforts in repairing and restoring Beechwood Park. Initially with \$250, they did the entire park with residents from the Bible Church and it shows what a group of people can do without a lot of money and thanked them for all the work they do for Hillsdale.

Councilman – Steven Segalas

Councilmember Segalas said a meeting could not be had with Mr. O'Brien due to short notice during the work day on Friday, the 8th following our meeting of the 6th last week. This resident provided data to us on which we would rely and he wanted us to treat his statements and data as being all equally reliable, equally trustworthy and equally truthful in all respects. In light of that and to ensure meaningful consideration of the issues that were raised at the last meeting with the assistance of the Borough Administrator on short notice, expedited basis; with Councilmember Karcich, Councilmember Pizzella, Ms. Wood after hours' time as well as Mr. Merlino to try to provide ample considerations to those concerns that were raised because we take all concerns seriously. After we thorough vetted our concerns and data, we found among other things the following: On June 30 a notice of violation in order to terminate issues by Michele Wood by instructing the property owner to seek permit related to a stoop and steps coming from that stoop. The purpose of the issuance of such a notice of violation first and foremost is to obtain compliance and not to give punishment. On June 30 also following proper protocols, Ms. Wood issued notice and penalty to force compliance which exposes the owner to potential liability of \$2000 weekly in penalties until the violations are corrected. On June 30, 2017, Ms. Wood further identified in a letter that the stairs and platform which I refer to as the stoop needed to be addressed. The property owner's professionals appeared to be working diligently and with great financial cost exposure to them to ally both the UCC and town official's concerns. We the committee are satisfied that the Borough professionals and because we are doing this publicly there is no Rice Notification provided, we are more than amply satisfied that the Borough professionals are working at or above all reasonable expectations which could be expected from them to meet all concerns raised in an appropriate, professional and timely manner. The concern public member has raised various issues with this Council and with the town which we have all expended resources ad nauseum to try to fairly address; we reviewed historical data including but not limited to, I should be thankful because the resident brought to us a tax card, we looked at tax cards, communications, violations and all applicable data. The concerned member of the public has engaged in a presentation of erroneous and misleading incomplete data to create a sky is falling impression to this town and to our town's professional staff; he is entitled to his opinion despite inadequate lacking of foundation for that opinion. We have been told of a deck with allegations that it is attached to the proper by a ledger board; in fact, this property has a stoop that is attached to the house by a ledger board. It is made of a composite material and as a landscaping event adjacent to and abutting to the stoop is a pre-existing structure which abuts the stoop. The stoop is attached to the house; the landscape event which follows the grade of the property is a free standing structure which sits on pre-existing 6 x 6's in the ground. It is an independent free standing structure and we have no reason to question Mr. Merlino's determination on that but the resident has an absolute right to seek appellate rights; we have appellate rights because government is imperfect and makes mistakes. If there is a mistake it will be corrected at the exhaustion of the appropriate appellate avenue.

With respect to this landscaping event, the inquiry did not stop there. Mr. Merlino is in the process of addressing whether we have impervious coverage issues which will be better subject to determination once the Borough receives as-built plans which are preparing and this costs the property owner to try to come into compliance with the concerns that have been raised by the town. This brings us to the issue of the status of the property; it has been represented to this Council through the presentation of a tax card, appraisal or assessment that the property is an illegal three family structure. What the presentation information intentionally excluded was the second page of the tax card; this Council was presented with the first page of the tax card but not the second page neither from 2006 nor from 2012. If we start with the most recent appraisal, we have two structures on this property; we have a two family house which is identified as having two units. On the second page of the tax card which never made its way to the Mayor and Council is a carriage house which is a separate structure also referred in the document as a document as a bungalow with an effective age of 88 years. That is listed as one unit. The suggestion is that the town is being robbed of its proper tax revenues by a property owner who is not paying taxes for a three family structure; there is not a three family structure on the property; there are two structures, one is a two family property and the other is a one family residence of roughly 462 sq.

ft. The 2006 property card makes it amply clear that the bungalow was a bungalow, the town identified the property as being there; it appears that statements by the member of the public that what we have before us very well may be nothing beyond a personal difference between he and his landlord. We as a committee do not believe that this is anything that is in our purview that we should or will comment on and we decline to do so. It does a great disadvantage not only to the employees of this town and the Council but to the taxpayers of this town who have to fund the cost of this as well as members of the public who are watching on television and to the news media who are oftentimes misled by information such as this sort. This is an abbreviated report and we will provide more detailed information if you wish

Mayor Ruocco thanked Councilmember Segalas as well as Councilmember Karcich and Council President Pizzella because this issue has come up repeatedly over many, many months. As a new Mayor I am always concerned on what went on in the past and making sure under my administration you seem to have provided that attention, drawn a conclusion which is reasonable insofar as the work you have put into it. The resident has an option to repeal. Our employees are doing their job and it is very important thing for government employees to protect and what I heard tonight, those employees have done their job.

DISCUSSION:
NEW BUSINESS:

Street Renaming

Council Member DeRosa

Councilmember DeRosa said he wanted to outline what he passed on to the Council and suggested we digest it and discuss it next meeting. He and Councilmember Karcich are charged with coming up with some criteria for naming streets in public places after individuals, residents of town. He did some work with Captain Smith and Peter Hard and Chief of Police and we were able to name about 25 streets that were named for individuals, it is a bit of a history lesson and the street range from Revolutionary War heroes, Baylor Avenue is named for Colonel in the Revolutionary War to more recent people like Walter Whitman and Whitman Place who was a Borough Attorney and more recent living people such as Chief Durie. There are also 10 public places that are named for people; the site of the RR station is Jetson Plaza named for George Jetson. We have identified several streets and would like to suggest coming up with a naming committee akin to the Baseball Hall of Fame and the committee would be made up of a Councilmember, someone from the Historic Preservation Committee, someone from the Library, someone from the Planning Board, Pascack Historic Society, Chief of Police and member of any organization that the nominee has been involved such as Fire Department, Police, Board of Education. That group would meet once a year and there would be names for consideration and that committee would recommend a name and the Council would vote on it and if there were other people, it would go to the next year for consideration. The Chief recommends we don't change existing street names due to the confusion it may cause residents and EMS, postal service. We endorse having another name for the street, for example Conklin Avenue is Keith Durie Way; so the street would remain the same. If there were new streets to be named, then the developer seeking the new street would have to come before or submit to this board as well. The criteria to be considered was the person a Borough employee, an official, a veteran deceased or living, combat veteran, volunteer and a Fire, Police Officer, EMS, killed in line of duty or served the town well. Another option for street naming is a ring of honor.

Councilmember Karcich explained instead of the process of changing signs on streets, we do a ring of honor like we do for some of our veterans that we lost over the years and put it in Veterans Park.

Councilmember DeRosa said those could have plaques that clearly define what that person did instead of just having a name on the street. Two well-known people, Neal Hering and Al Murphy, have been mentioned by friends for consideration.

Council President Pizzella asked if any consideration was given to a family planting a tree for a family of someone in town. He went to Buffalo recently and an entire park is lined with trees that each family member pays for the tree, plant the tree and there is a plaque on the tree.

Councilmember DeRosa said it is a good idea and we will discuss it.

Mayor Ruocco said the seniors have their next senior luncheon September 20 in the St. Johns facility.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Motion to receipt and file - Motion _____ Second _____
Council Members DeRosa, Karcich, Lundy, Pizzella, Segalas, Council President Ruocco

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Ruocco opened the meeting for public comment.

Kevin O'Brien, 61 Parkview Drive B –

As for my intentional exclusion, let's talk the law. Borough Ordinance 310-55 prohibits building a deck creating a patio or pavers within 10 ft. of a property line. That is the Borough Ordinance; now they want to call a platform which is bigger than this table and twice as wide landscaping. That is not landscaping; I extended an invitation to each and every one of you to come look at that deck. Did anybody accept it, no. The Councilmember is busy; you are here to serve the public and I have been asking for four months but you did not respond to my email, you didn't tell me another alternative option of what day or time frame would be available, you ignored me. That is inconsiderate and unprofessional but coming from an attorney I accept. The property in 1985 is identified as a non-conforming structure any additional increase in density, any additional expansion of that property including the platform requires a D variance that is the law. NJAC 53:2.1 requires written inspection reports, that is New Jersey State Law, there are no inspection reports for what Ms. Wood did. I've filed an OPRA request, there are no inspection reports. There was a leaking waste line.

Mayor Ruocco said I am reminded that residents speak to the Mayor; you are speaking to me, not to the Councilman, not to the microphone, but to me. Those are the bylaws.

Mr. O'Brien did not realize I was speaking to Dictator Doug. We had a leaking waste line in the basement, excrement on the floor, fixtures of stains, it warrants a health inspection per Code 232-3, where was the health inspection? It was written on my Borough complaint in June, nothing done. Can you explain why, it is a Borough code; it is your laws, your ordinances, ignored; .New Jersey State Fire Code – I will ask that you send the Hillsdale Fire Official who was a Westwood Fire Official to come to the property and I bet he writes violations because they are not conforming to the New Jersey Fire Code. I already heard from the Council that there will be no change. I want an explanation why the laws are on the books and why you have a 10 ft. setback mandate which doesn't allow pavers but allows the structure to be built that high off the ground to exist.

Mayor Ruocco said you have heard that our Borough Officials have done in the eyes of the committee that they have done their job; I have nothing further to say except thank you.

Council President Pizzella said he sat in on this meeting and we talked for hours about it. You quote and all – I want to take a simpler approach to it. This resident built this on the back of his house as well as this landscaping structure, and they do without a permit. It then came to the town's attention that both were built without a permit, but that being the case, the town did acknowledge that a permit was required and they did cite the resident with a violation.

Councilmember Segalas said the item that is being referred to as a deck was the one that was on the 6 x 6 where they replaced the surface materials about 18 years ago and it is actually Mr. Merlino's determination to make it his discretion within the confines of the code what it constitutes and because it was at grade event, it went with the topography of the land; it is not for us to second guess it, we don't have the authority.

Council President Pizzella said it is the Zoning Officer's responsibility and he gets to determine what it is. We cannot tell the Zoning Officer what it is; he reads the ordinance and he sees it for a reason or else we would be able to go over there and tell the Zoning Official whatever we want and we are not allowed to do that. There was a violation issues, they had up until August 11 to become compliant meaning submit plans and whatever else had to be done. They didn't do that; when the violation was assessed, they were assessed a fine of \$2000 a week and they sent in what they did and it wasn't compliant; they were given more time to become compliant. It is still being assessed, \$2000 a week with interest charge. The Borough is doing what it is supposed to do, there was something done that wasn't right, no permit issued, they were given a violation, and they are working with the property owner in order for the property owner to become compliant. IT is not so much the punishment and the fine, it is the goal of the statues is for the property owner to become compliant. Even if we assess \$2000 a day charge when you end up in some other court, they would only charge \$200 because the man became compliant, that is the goal. The Borough employees have done everything they can within reason to get this property owner to become compliant. A lot of these things come to the Borough employees and staff after the fact, when these things were already done.

Mr. O'Brien said this decision is open to the Zoning Board for reconsideration just like the three family – the decision of Mr. Merlino on the deck being a piece of landscape is now subject to review by the Zoning Board.

Councilmember Segalas said you may appeal any determination of the administrative officer within 20 days of that determination being made.

Mr. O'Brien said I have already done that and included the deck in my appeal.

Council President said it is important that a resident brings up the fact that there is a three family house; if a person brings up a fact that a person has a multi-family dwelling that is not paying appropriate taxes, we should know. We found out it is being taxed appropriately, it is not a three family dwelling but that it is a two family dwelling and carriage house on the other side and it is being taxed appropriately. Whether that is conforming or non-conforming, that is another issue for the town because we are not supposed to have multi-family houses in our town and yet we do. That is something the land use board should address.

Councilmember Segalas said the appropriate officials determined those were lawful and that is their decision they are lawful and an appeal was filed and one was, so it will come back to the land use board and the land use board hearing looking at all the tax cards and hearing all the evidence will make a determination if the Zoning Officer was correct.

Council President Pizzella said nothing is perfect; everybody tries to do their best. We don't have to be confrontational; I believe the town is doing its best.

Councilmember DeRosa said I get emotional when I see Borough employees get thrown under the bus when it is not warranted. They work for us and they have a certain level of respect due.

Attorney Madaio said the committee having satisfied itself and now informed the governing body and I believe they satisfied the governing body of the status of the matter it is not the intention of this governing body to discuss this very much further. There are pending appeals that are filed, it is what it is, then we will abide by the determination of the Planning Board. There is no purpose to discuss this much more.

Councilmember Segalas said the meeting was convened in the absence of the meeting with the resident because it was a more thorough process, more time consuming process and a more involved process despite that fact that some of us are busy.

Mayor Ruocco said that was my concern upon hearing months and months of comments from the floor. This needed more attention on the part of the Building and Zoning Committee and I thank you for paying attention to it, spending time with other members to come to a determination that our Borough employees did this in a way that conformed with official procedure.

ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS:(Consent Agenda): R17243 through R17250:

R17243 Resolution to Renew Bergen Municipal Employee Benefits Fund –BMED Dental

WHEREAS, a number of public entities in the State of New Jersey have joined together to form the Bergen Municipal Employee Benefits Fund, hereafter referred to as "FUND", as permitted by N.J.S.A. 11:15-3, 17:1-8.1, and 40A:10-36 et seq., and;

WHEREAS, the FUND was approved to become operational by the Departments of Insurance and Community Affairs and has been operational since that date, and;

WHEREAS, the statutes and regulations governing the creation and operation of a joint insurance fund, contain certain elaborate restrictions and safeguards concerning the safe and efficient administration of the public interest entrusted to such a FUND;

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Hillsdale, hereinafter referred to as "LOCAL UNIT" has determined that membership in the FUND is in the best interest of the LOCAL UNIT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of the LOCAL UNIT hereby agrees as follows:

- i. Become a member of the FUND for the period outlined in the LOCAL UNIT's Indemnity and Trust Agreements.
- ii. Will participate in the following type (s) of coverage (s):

- a.) Dental Insurance as defined pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:17-4, the FUND's Bylaws, and Plan of Risk Management.
- iii. Adopts and approves the FUND's Bylaws.
- iv. Execute an application for membership and any accompanying certifications.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governing body of the LOCAL UNIT is authorized and directed to execute the Indemnity and Trust Agreement and such other documents signifying membership in the FUND as required by the FUND's Bylaws, and to deliver these documents to the FUND's Executive Director with the express reservation that these documents shall become effective only upon:

- i. Approval of the LOCAL UNIT by the FUND.
- ii. Receipt from the LOCAL UNIT of a Resolution accepting assessment.
- iii. Approval by the New Jersey Department of Insurance and Department of Community Affairs.

R17244 Resolution Authorizing Redemption & Premium – Additional Filing Fees for Block 503 Lot 5.01 – 776 Hillsdale Avenue

WHEREAS, The Tax Collector held a Tax Sale on October 21, 2015, and at the sale a lien was sold on Block 503 Lot 5.01, also known as 776 Hillsdale Avenue, Hillsdale, NJ 07642 for 2014 Delinquent taxes and,

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #14-00001 was sold to Madison Trust Company, as collateral assignee of Stonefield Investment Fund IV, LLC, 21 Robert Pitt Drive, Suite 207, Monsey, NY 10952 for 0% redemption fee and a \$35,500.00 premium and,

WHEREAS, Resolution #17232 dated September 5, 2017 authorized payment of \$30,065.81 to the lienholder upon the redemption of said lien by David Leffler, 776 Hillsdale Avenue, Hillsdale, NJ 07642,

WHEREAS, the lienholder had produced additional affidavits of filing fees to be included in the redemption of the lien in the amount of \$55.00, and David Leffler has paid that amount as part of the lien redemption,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$55.00 payable to Madison Trst Co, As Coll Assig, Stonefield Inv Fund IV, LLC for the redemption of this certificate.

R17245 Payment of Bills

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the following bill in the sum of \$5,199,662.10 as authorized by the Department Head and approved by a Council member liaison, be paid; and that the Mayor, Clerk and Certified Municipal Financial Officer be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants in payment of same.

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1061	06/13/17	MAS10 MASER CONSULTING PA CORP	3,054.00		8500

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17-01387	1	TAX COLLECTOR SEMINAR 9/15/17	99.00	7-01-20-145-042	Budget		293 1
				Education & Training			

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17-01171	1	Membership User Fees	400.00	7-01-25-240-044	Budget		134 1
				Memberships / Subscriptions			

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173	08/08/17	MIK03 MIKE FITZPATRICK & SON, INC.		(Void Reason: PROJECT NOT FINISHED)		08/08/17 VOID	8477
17-01169	1	DENSE GRADED AGGREGATE BASE	2,500.00	B-06-55-905-903	Budget		4 1
				Pool Enclosure			
17-01169	2	H.M.A. 9.5M64 SURFACE COURSE	9,000.00	B-06-55-905-903	Budget		5 1
				Pool Enclosure			
17-01169	3	TRAFFIC STRIPES, LONG LIFE	2,000.00	B-06-55-905-903	Budget		6 1
				Pool Enclosure			
			13,500.00				

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Total:	0	1	0.00	13,500.00

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175	08/08/17	STE04 STEIN & SONS INC		(Void Reason: CHECK LOST IN MAIL)		08/30/17 VOID	8477
17-01228	1	EXCAVATE AND INSTALL 2-2" SCH	3,450.00	B-06-55-905-903	Budget		7 1
				Pool Enclosure			

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Total:	0	1	0.00	3,450.00

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1446	09/12/17	MGL01 MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS LLC	529.00		8492
1447	09/12/17	SNJ01 SNJ-DEPT OF HEALTH	6.00		8492
1448	09/12/17	TYC02 TYCO ANIMAL CONTROL	2,490.00		8492

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Direct Deposit:	0	0	0.00	0.00
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1955	09/12/17	EAS04 EAST COAST EMERGENCY LIGHTING	18,732.02		8495
1956	09/12/17	EAS09 EAST COAST FIRE SYSTEMS LLC	3,100.00		8495
1957	09/12/17	GAR05 GARDEN STATE HIGHWAY PROD. INC	11,102.00		8495
1958	09/12/17	STA31 STATILE, CHRISTOPHER P.A.	6,802.50		8495
1959	09/12/17	SYN02 SYNATEK, LP	3,346.00		8495
1960	09/12/17	TRI13 TRI-COUNTY PROPERTY MAINTENANC	12,990.00		8495

Checking Account Totals	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Void</u>	<u>Amount Paid</u>	<u>Amount Void</u>
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COAH	COAH/HOUSING TRUST FUND				
1066	09/12/17	BAN06	BANISCH ASSOCIATES, INC	425.00	8502
1067	09/12/17	MAD05	MADAIO, MARK D, ESQ	275.50	8502
1068	09/12/17	MAS10	MASER CONSULTING PA CORP	462.00	8502
1069	09/12/17	STA10	STATILE, CHRISTOPHER,P.A.(ESC)	183.75	8502

Checking Account Totals	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Void</u>	<u>Amount Paid</u>	<u>Amount Void</u>
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27875	08/16/17	STA21	STATE OF NEW JERSEY-TREASURER	150.00	08/30/17 VOID 8484 (Reason: PERMIT NOT NEEDED)
27876	08/25/17	MAG03	MAGLOCLIN, INC.	400.00	8486
27877	08/28/17	BCM00	BCMCAA-SHERRI D'ALESSANDRO	50.00	8487
27878	08/28/17	GFO02	GFOA OF NJ	350.00	8487
27879	08/28/17	GOL14	GOLDEN NUGGET ATLANTIC CTY LLC	312.00	8487
27880	08/28/17	MUN17	MUNICIPAL CLERKS' ASSOC OF NJ	100.00	8487
27881	08/28/17	NJ08	NJS LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	440.00	8487
27882	08/28/17	REG01	REGISTRAR'S ASSOCIATION OF NJ	75.00	8487
27883	08/28/17	TRO02	TROPICANA CASINO & RESORT	1,600.00	8487
27884	09/01/17	VER18	VERIZON	249.98	8489
27885	09/12/17	10701	1075 EMERGENCY LIGHTING LLC	170.00	8501
27886	09/12/17	17HAM	HAMPTON, ADAM	45.00	8501
27887	09/12/17	17SPA	SPAGNOLI, LOURDES	30.00	8501
27888	09/12/17	ACT07	ACTION DATA SERVICES, INC.	578.24	8501
27889	09/12/17	AIR02	AIRGAS, INC	23.90	8501

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27894	09/12/17	AQU02	AQUA PRO-TECH LABORATORIES INC	3,300.00	8501
27895	09/12/17	AUT01	AUTOMOTIVE BRAKE CO INC.	35.23	8501
27896	09/12/17	BER01	BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMP BNFT FUND	9,266.00	8501
27897	09/12/17	BER11	BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTH	23,822.73	8501

27898	09/12/17	BER33	BERGEN COUNTY CLERK	8,965.24	8501
27899	09/12/17	BLE01	BLEJWAS ASSOCIATES, INC.	1,757.40	8501
27900	09/12/17	BOR04	BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE	56,542.00	8501
27901	09/12/17	BOR18	BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE AGENCY	119,560.63	8501
27902	09/12/17	BOR29	BORDERLINE NURSERY LLC	1,210.00	8501
27903	09/12/17	BTS01	BT SPECIALTIES LLC	63.95	8501
27904	09/12/17	CAN07	THE CANNING GROUP	400.00	8501
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27910	09/12/17	CHI02	CHICKEN DELIGHT, INC	66.94	8501
27911	09/12/17	COM21	COMPUTER SQUARE, INC	381.00	8501
27912	09/12/17	CRO03	CROWN TROPHY RIVER EDGE, INC	72.50	8501
27913	09/12/17	DIR02	DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS	10,088.91	8501
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27915	09/12/17	DRA02	DRAIN DOCTOR, INV	420.00	8501
27916	09/12/17	DUR01	DURIE LAWN MOWER & EQUIP CORP	28.30	8501
27917	09/12/17	ECH01	THE ECHO LAKE STABLES	1,000.00	8501
27918	09/12/17	EXC02	EXCELLENT BUILDING SERV CORP	2,191.00	8501
27919	09/12/17	FBI01	FBI NAT INC NJ CHAPTER	650.00	8501
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27923	09/12/17	FRE02	FREMGEN'S POWER EQUIPMENT INC.	20.00	8501
27924	09/12/17	FYR01	FYR-FYTER SALES & SERVICE	879.79	8501

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27928	09/12/17	GIT01	GITTLEMAN, MUHLSTOCK &	630.00	8501
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27932	09/12/17	HIL02	HILLSDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION	405.92	8501
27933	09/12/17	HIL08	HILLSDALE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE	18,000.00	8501
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27941	09/12/17	LAW10	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	247.71	8501

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27949	09/12/17	MOT06 MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC (SC)	33.60		8501
27950	09/12/17	MUN06 MUNICIPAL RECORD SERVICE, INC.	130.00		8501
27951	09/12/17	NEW19 NEW JERSEY LAWYERS SERVICE LLC	5.00		8501
27952	09/12/17	NJ08 NJS LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	20.00		8501
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27954	09/12/17	NOR05 NORTHWEST BERGEN REGIONAL	4,615.49		8501
27955	09/12/17	NOR10 NORRIS SALES	3,610.00		8501
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27957	09/12/17	PA01 P&A AUTO PARTS CORP	0.00	09/12/17 VOID	0
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27960	09/12/17	PAR18 PARTAC PEAT CORP.	1,878.43		8501
27961	09/12/17	PAS07 PASCACK VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH	956,606.06		8501
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27963	09/12/17	PET01	PETTY CASH CHIEF FRANCAVIGLIA	170.53		8501
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27973	09/12/17	RUG01	RUGGED OUTFITTERS CORP	197.97		8501
27974	09/12/17	SAT04	LINDA SATRIALE	300.00		8501
27975	09/12/17	SCA07	DYLAN SCANCE	400.00		8501
27976	09/12/17	SHE08	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CORP	1,922.48		8501
27977	09/12/17	SIR01	SIRCHIE FINGERPRINT LAB. INC	38.78		8501
27978	09/12/17	SIT01	SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY, INC.	869.60		8501
27979	09/12/17	SNA01	SNAP ON TOOLS	106.00		8501
27980	09/12/17	STA05	STATE LINE FIRE & SAFETY INC	570.00		8501
27981	09/12/17	STA31	STATILE, CHRISTOPHER P.A.	4,253.75		8501
27982	09/12/17	STA40	STATE TREASURER	50.00		8501
27983	09/12/17	STO015	STONEFIELD INVESTMENT FUND IV	32,381.38		8501
27984	09/12/17	STO02	STONE INDUSTRIES INC	2,744.40		8501
27985	09/12/17	SUE01	SUEZ WATER NEW JERSEY (REG)	0.00	09/12/17 VOID	0
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27987	09/12/17	THE55	THE SIGTIST	611.00		8501
27988	09/12/17	TON04	TONY SANCHEZ LTD	136.62		8501
27989	09/12/17	TOT05	TOTAL TEE'S & SIGNS	153.50		8501
27990	09/12/17	TRE01	TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	500.00		8501
27991	09/12/17	TRE03	TREASURER STATE OF NJ	80.00		8501
27992	09/12/17	TR112	TRI-COUNTY TERMITE & PEST CTRL	125.00		8501
27993	09/12/17	TRU01	TRUGREEN CHEMLAWN, INC.	1,146.00		8501

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27996	09/12/17	UPS01	THE UPS STORE #1558	89.68	8501
27997	09/12/17	VAS01	VASIL ID TRAINING, LLC	119.00	8501
27998	09/12/17	VER	VERIZON WIRELESS (LAPTOPS)	456.18	8501
27999	09/12/17	VER02	VERIZON WIRELESS (CELL PHONE)	673.63	8501
28000	09/12/17	WAT04	WATCH GUARD VIDEO LLC	87.00	8501

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3372	09/12/17	KAP05	KAPLAN, ALEX	915.76	8497
3373	09/12/17	KNIO3	KNIGHT-MARE, LLC	450.00	8497
3374	09/12/17	MAD05	MADAIO, MARK D, ESQ	142.50	8497
3375	09/12/17	POS02	POSITIVE PROMOTIONS, INC	132.77	8497
3376	09/12/17	QRP01	QUICK RESPONSE PROMOTIONS	4,019.55	8497
3377	09/12/17	STA10	STATILE, CHRISTOPHER, P.A. (ESC)	0.00	09/12/17 VOID
3378	09/12/17	STA10	STATILE, CHRISTOPHER, P.A. (ESC)	0.00	09/12/17 VOID
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3380	09/12/17	STO015	STONEFIELD INVESTMENT FUND IV	35,500.00	8497
3381	09/12/17	TOT05	TOTAL TEE'S & SIGNS	320.00	8497
3382	09/12/17	STA10	STATILE, CHRISTOPHER, P.A. (ESC)	412.50	8499

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PUBLIC ASSIST2	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
2760		210.00	8490
2761		210.00	8490
2762		210.00	8490
2763		210.00	8490

2764		210.00	8490
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RECREATION	RECREATION TRUST				
3733	09/12/17	ARF01	ARF RENTAL SERVICES INC	478.80	8496
3734	09/12/17	CRE04	CRECCO'S CAFE	312.00	8496
3735	09/12/17	FIR07	FIRST STUDENT INC	0.00	09/12/17 VOID

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3738	09/12/17	HIL10	HILLSDALE BOARD OF ED (OTHER)	5,608.23	8496
3739	09/12/17	HOL11	HOLIDAY BOWL	84.00	8496
3740	09/12/17	INS01	INSERRA SUPERMARKETS	465.18	8496
3741	09/12/17	JUM01	JUMPIN JIM'S LLC	800.00	8496
3742	09/12/17	LIB01	LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER, INC	2,025.75	8496
3743	09/12/17	MAR04	MARC'S DELI INC.	820.00	8496
3744	09/12/17	RUT03	RUTGERS YOUTH SPORTS RESEARCH	1,267.50	8496
3745	09/12/17	SP005	SPORTS EXPERT INC	495.32	8496
3746	09/12/17	ST005	STONYBROOK SWIM CLUB	14,895.00	8496

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STONYBROOK	STONYBROOK OPERATING				
5790	09/12/17	AME24	AMERICAN PAPER & SUPPLY CO	380.69	8493
5791	09/12/17	AQU04	AQUATIC DISTRIBUTORS, INC.	1,879.00	8493
5792	09/12/17	BER01	BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMP BNFT FUND	62.00	8493
5793	09/12/17	BOR18	BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE AGENCY	988.43	8493
5794	09/12/17	CAR39	CARTRIDGE WORLD, LLC	93.00	8493
5795	09/12/17	DIR02	DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS	1,291.22	8493
5796	09/12/17	EXC03	EXCELLENT BUILDING SERV - STNY	3,375.00	8493
5797	09/12/17	GIL01	GILL ASSOCIATES LLC	291.75	8493

5798	09/12/17	HUG03	HUGHES, PATRICIA	34.90	8493
5799	09/12/17	INS01	INSERRA SUPERMARKETS	193.81	8493
5800	09/12/17	JOH02	JOHN M HARTEL & CO., INC.	138.27	8493
5801	09/12/17	JUM01	JUMPIN JIM'S LLC	750.00	8493
5802	09/12/17	LEH01	LEHMANN POOLS, INC	32,853.10	8493
5803	09/12/17	MAD05	MADAI0, MARK D, ESQ	547.55	8493
5804	09/12/17	MAI05	MAIN POOL & CHEMICAL COMPANY	5,365.00	8493
5805	09/12/17	MAR01	MARSALA HARDWARE, INC.	23.65	8493
5806	09/12/17	MON07	MONMOUTH TELECOM, INC.	100.51	8493
5807	09/12/17	PET11	PETKOVICH, ESTER	175.00	8493
5808	09/12/17	PSE03	PSE&G (STONYBROOK)	3,243.29	8493
5809	09/12/17	REC02	RECREONICS, INC.	196.89	8493
5810	09/12/17	SAN04	SANI-PURE FOOD LABORATORIES	1,403.76	8493
5811	09/12/17	SUE02	SUEZ WATER NEW JERSEY (STBK)	356.79	8493
5812	09/12/17	TIM01	TIMBER TREE SERVICE	2,000.00	8493
5813	09/12/17	UNU01	UNUM LIFE INS CO OF AMERICA	4.20	8493
5814	09/12/17	VAL06	VALLEY PRINTING & GRAPHIC INC	100.00	8493
5815	09/12/17	VER02	VERIZON WIRELESS (CELL PHONE)	98.56	8493
5816	09/12/17	WBM01	WB MASON CO., INC.	1,101.20	8493

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SWIM CAPITAL	STONYBROOK CAPITAL				
176	08/30/17	STE04	STEIN & SONS INC	3,450.00	8488

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177	09/12/17	LEH01 LEHMANN POOLS, INC	7,750.00		8494
178	09/12/17	MAD05 MADATO, MARK D, ESQ	921.50		8494
179	09/12/17	MEK03 MIKE FITZPATRICK & SON, INC.	13,500.00		8494
180	09/12/17	NOR20 N. JERSEY MEDIA (ACCT#2016664800	15.89		8494
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SWIM TEAM					
1098	09/12/17	INS01 INSERRA SUPERMARKETS	180.04		8498
1099	09/12/17	LEP01 LEPORES ITALIAN MARKET, LLC	1,350.00		8498
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WIRES					
86	08/14/17	DTC CEDE & CO	28,093.75		8469
87	08/14/17	DTC CEDE & CO	4,131.25		8470
88	08/14/17	HIL02 HILLSDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION	1,741,902.00		8483
89	09/01/17	HIL02 HILLSDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION	1,741,902.00		8485
Checking Account Totals					
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	Total:	205	8	5,213,186.60	150.00

Totals by Year-Fund					
Fund Description	Fund	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total
CURRENT FUND	6-01	67,288.63	0.00	0.00	67,288.63
STONYBROOK UTILITY	6-05	1,291.22	0.00	0.00	1,291.22
	Year Total:	68,579.85	0.00	0.00	68,579.85
CURRENT FUND	7-01	4,890,223.03	0.00	0.00	4,890,223.03
STONYBROOK UTILITY	7-05	59,887.66	0.00	0.00	59,887.66
ANIMAL FUND	7-12	3,025.00	0.00	0.00	3,025.00
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT	7-15	1,890.00	0.00	0.00	1,890.00
COAH/HOUSING ACCT	7-21	1,346.25	0.00	0.00	1,346.25
	Year Total:	4,956,371.94	0.00	0.00	4,956,371.94
STONYBROOK SWIM CAPITAL	8-06	25,637.39	0.00	0.00	25,637.39
CAPITAL FUND	C-04	56,072.52	0.00	0.00	56,072.52
RECREATION ACCOUNT	R-14	56,281.78	0.00	0.00	56,281.78
SWIM TEAM	S-07	1,530.04	0.00	0.00	1,530.04
Total of All Funds:		5,164,473.52	0.00	0.00	5,164,473.52

Project Description	Project No.	Project Total
TAX SALE PREMIUMS	000000007	35,500.00
POLICE DONATIONS 7200005589	000000018	5,388.08
SUMMER CONCERT DONATIONS	000000035	1,050.00
B 1212 L 13 AEON FITNESS	AEO0010002	977.50
B1603 L1,2,3 CROSSROADS-HILLSD	CRO0050002	232.50
B703 L4 GMS PROPERTY INVEST	GMS0010002	412.50
B506/L1.01&1.02 GOLDEN ORCHARD	GOL0060002	2,393.75
B1308 L19 HAGLID	HAG0010002	521.25
B102 L1 JINHUI	JIN0010002	420.00
B302 L19 KOLLAR	KOL0010002	90.00
B1212 L14 PSE&GCO ANDREW LOJEK	PSE0040002	1,160.00
B1504 L9 RETTIG	RET0010002	412.50
B2306 L8 WIETZKE	WIE0010002	155.00
Total of All Projects:		48,713.08

R17246 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 – Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO III)

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 not to exceed \$48,500.00 which is now available as revenue from an Agreement with Pascack Valley Regional High School District to provide Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers (SLEO III) to the Pascack Valley Regional High School.

SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE OFF-SET WITH APPROPRIATIONS

Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO III) – Not to exceed \$48,500.00

Pursuant to the provisions of the statute; and

SECTION 2

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the like sum not to exceed \$48,500.00 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUE

Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO III) - Not to exceed \$48,500.00

SECTION 3

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the above is the result of an agreement with Pascack Valley Regional High School District to provide Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers (SLEO III) to the Pascack Valley Regional High School, that were not available at the time of the adoption of the 2017 budget.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer (CMFO) will submit an electric copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

R14247 Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Council to Approve the Settlement of Adjustment of Assessment to Block 1306 Lot 1 and Lot 11, B/K/A 2 Broadway and 16 Broadway

WHEREAS, Hasbrouck Heights Inc., is the taxpayer of real estate property designated as Block 1306, Lots 1 and 11 on the official tax map of the Borough of Hillsdale and better known as 2 Broadway and 16 Broadway, Hillsdale, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Hasbrouck Heights Inc., has made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessments of the property listed above adjusted for tax years 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed that the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:51A-8 (Freeze Act) shall not apply.

WHEREAS, the parties to said action have agreed upon an adjustment of the assessments; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor & Council following review and analysis find the settlement is in the best interests of Hillsdale and is fair and reasonable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the adjustments of the assessments of the property specified above be and are hereby ratified as follows:

<u>Year: 2013</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>County Board</u>	<u>Requested Tax</u>
<u>Block 1306</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Judgment</u>	<u>Court Judgment</u>
<u>Lot 1</u>			
Land:	\$ 684,000		\$ 684,000
Improvements:	\$ 397,700		\$ 397,700
Total	\$ 1,081,700		\$ 1,081,700

<u>Year: 2013</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>County Board</u>	<u>Requested Tax</u>
<u>Block 1306</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Judgment</u>	<u>Court Judgment</u>
<u>Lot 11</u>			

Land:	\$ 275,000	\$ 275,000
<u>Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 5,800</u>	<u>\$ 5,800</u>
Total	\$ 280,000	\$ 280,800

Year: 2014 **Original** **County Board** **Requested Tax**
Block 1306 **Assessment** **Judgment** **Court Judgment**
Lot 1

Land:	\$ 684,000	\$ 684,000
<u>Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 397,700</u>	<u>\$ 285,200</u>
Total	\$ 1,081,700	\$ 969,200

Year: 2014 **Original** **County Board** **Requested Tax**
Block 1306 **Assessment** **Judgment** **Court Judgment**
Lot 11

Land:	\$ 275,000	\$ 275,000
<u>Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 5,800</u>	<u>\$ 5,800</u>
Total	\$ 280,000	\$ 280,800

Year: 2015 **Original** **County Board** **Requested Tax**
Block 1306 **Assessment** **Judgment** **Court Judgment**
Lot 1

Land:	\$ 684,000	\$ 684,000
<u>Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 397,700</u>	<u>\$ 35,200</u>
Total	\$ 1,081,700	\$ 719,200

Year: 2015 **Original** **County Board** **Requested Tax**
Block 1306 **Assessment** **Judgment** **Court Judgment**
Lot 11

Land:	\$ 275,000	\$ 275,000
<u>Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 5,800</u>	<u>\$ 5,800</u>

Total	\$ 280,000	\$ 280,800
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<u>Year: 2016</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>County Board</u>	<u>Requested Tax</u>
<u>Block 1306</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Judgment</u>	<u>Court Judgment</u>
<u>Lot 1</u>			

Land:	\$ 684,000	\$ 684,000
<u>Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 397,700</u>	<u>\$ 35,200</u>
Total	\$ 1,081,700	\$ 719,200

<u>Year: 2016</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>County Board</u>	<u>Requested Tax</u>
<u>Block 1306</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Judgment</u>	<u>Court Judgment</u>
<u>Lot 11</u>			

Land:	\$ 275,000	\$ 275,000
<u>Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 5,800</u>	<u>\$ 5,800</u>
Total	\$ 280,000	\$ 280,800

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Morrison Mahoney LLP be, and hereby are, authorized to execute and file with the Court, the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of this matter on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are, authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

R17248 Resolution Authorizing Darlene Green, P.P. AICP of Maser Consulting to Draft Ordinances Regarding the Use of “Tandy Allen” Property for Agricultural Purposes

WHEREAS, the certain property located west of Pascack Road, commonly known as the “Tandy Allen” property (Block 503 Lot 4) (the “Property”) is in the R2 zone; and

WHEREAS, the Contract Purchaser of the property has expressed interest in utilizing said property for an agricultural use in connection with other agricultural uses in the Borough, and

WHEREAS, and the Mayor and Council desire to have the Borough Planner undertake a study of the appropriate uses on the Property as well as any necessary Master Plan reexamination; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Planner, Maser Consulting, has submitted a proposal to undertake the aforesaid study/Master Plan Reexamination for a price not to exceed \$6,535.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, Bergen County, New Jersey, that Darlene Green, the Borough Planner, is hereby authorized to undertake the aforesaid services for a price not to exceed \$6,535.

R17249 Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Borough of Hillsdale Bikeway Construction project.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale desires to receive \$532,500 in funds from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Highway Trust Fund for the purpose of construction of a Borough of Hillsdale Bikeway; and

WHEREAS, the Department's Bikeways program is to encourage New Jersey residents to bike and walk; and

WHEREAS, the Townships wishes to construct a bikeway, which is fully segregated from the public road system, around Centennial Field with connection to St. Nicholas Park; and

WHEREAS, the proposed bikeway will fully reside on property fully owned by the Borough of Hillsdale; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's design consultant developed a plan of action and cost estimate to for construction of the bikeway and addition colorized surface treatments, barrier-free improvements at public roads, wayfaring signage, and other physical complementary safety improvements;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Hillsdale formally approves the grant application for the above stated project and will continually own and maintain the areas of improvements in perpetuity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as BIKE-2018-Hillsdale Borough-0026 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale.

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

R17250 Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Hillsdale Safe Routes to Transit Improvement Project along Patterson Street

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale desires to receive \$917,695.00 in funds from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Highway Trust Funds' Safe Streets to Transit program for the purpose of construction of new facilities for pedestrians and bicycles on Patterson Street.

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has developed a plan of action and cost estimate to for construction of sidewalks, bike lanes, and other physical complementary safety improvements; and

WHEREAS, improvements will fully reside on property fully owned by the Borough of Hillsdale; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale will continually own and maintain the areas of improvements in perpetuity; and

WHEREAS, the enhancement project will benefit the entire community and the local schools of the Borough by providing more aesthetic and safer paths of travel; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application STT-2018-Hillsdale Borough-00036 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale.

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

Borough Attorney Madaio said that R17248 is not actually to draft the ordinances; it is to undertake and commence the study necessary to consider those long term changes to the Master Plan. It looks like that was just carried forward from an old agenda.

Mayor Ruocco said the Resolution itself came after and has the proper alignment.

Borough Attorney Madaio said let's just use that proper language. Resolution 17253 is a Resolution authorizing the Governing Body to sign a settlement agreement with Fair Share Housing Center consistent with the terms of our discussions and the draft document that is in circulation, so that is an add on. An add on to the consent agenda R17253. That Resolution arose after our last closed session.

Councilmember Segalas said a correction to the Agenda on Resolution R17248. The Resolution authorizes the study, not to draft ordinances and he moved to untable the Resolution so that it is properly on the Agenda this evening as redrafted if that is the appropriate protocol.

Borough Attorney Madaio said he believed that is fine, the fact that it is relisted and we are voting it and evidence of the intent that what you tabled last week is welding into this and we will vote on the new language we have here. Leave that and forget it.

Councilmember Segalas moved to rescind the Resolution that it is not hanging out there.

Motion by Councilmember Karcich, Second by Councilmember DeRosa.

Roll Call Vote;

Ayes: Councilmembers DeRosa, Karcich, Lundy, Pizzella, Segalas

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilmember Horvath

OFF-CONSENT:

R17251 Resolution Authorizing the Rejection of All Bid Submissions for the Collection of Solid Waste and Recycling Services

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hillsdale sought public bids for the Collection of Solid Waste and Recycling Services; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, August 29, 2017, three (3) sealed bids were received and opened by the Borough of Hillsdale, from the following contractors:

Buldo Sanitation
Gaeta Recycling
Joseph Smentkowski; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bidder (Buldo Sanitation) failed to submit the required Bid Bond and Consent of Surety; and

WHEREAS, the proposals from Gaeta Recycling and Joseph Smentkowski far exceed the funds available for this matter and;

WHEREAS, Borough of Hillsdale desires to reject all bids received and re-advertise the bids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes the rejection of the three (3) bids submitted for the Collection of Solid Waste and Recycling Services pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby instructed to return the three (3) bids received for the Collection of Solid Waste and Recycling Services and is hereby authorized to re-advertise for the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

See motions after the closed session.

COUNCIL COMMENTARIES:

Councilmember Lundy congratulated our new Councilmember, Zoltan Horvath and David Alburtus being sworn in as a new Fire Cadet. Congratulations to Councilmember Pizzella being selected as Council President.

Councilmember Segalas congratulated our new Fire Cadet. Volunteerism is the heart of what makes our town such a great place to be, it starts from the ground up and when young people come forward volunteering their time, it becomes a contagious thing and hopefully a lifelong commitment. Congratulations to our Eagle Scout candidate, the Eagle Scout project is really a great effort that these young men undertake. Less than 4% of all scouts even make it to the rank of Eagle and Eagle Scout project involves not only doing a project that has some lasting impact on the town, but also people management, deployment of resources, obtaining resources, fundraising and motivating other people to help. He thanked the Environmental Commission; he lost five trees in my yard to the Emerald Ash Borer and how stark the backyard can look in the absence of some beautiful, old trees. He congratulated Zoltan Horvath, Councilmember Pizzella. Town Day is coming up, and the Council will be in the dunk tank.

Councilmember Horvath thanked the Mayor and Council for the nomination and vote of confidence and fully expects to live up to your expectations.

Councilmember DeRosa congratulated Councilmember Horvath and looks to working with him. He also congratulated Council President Pizzella and Andrew Ewing and great to see him going for Eagle Scout accreditation. He also thanked the Police, Fire and EMS for continuing the 9/11 ceremonies during the day and also the candle light vigil. This Saturday is Town Day from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

Councilmember Pizzella thanked the Council for selecting him for Council President. It is an honor and will do his best. He thanked the Environmental Commission; he attends their meetings and this is an intense group. They are impassioned by what they do and they always arise to the occasion and thanked them again for doing so; they are a model commission and give a good example to what other volunteer groups should aspire to be. He thanked all volunteers and Eagle Scouts as well and congratulated Councilmember Horvath. He said it is important that residents bring things to our attention and rather than shy away from it, it is important that we address it and should be addressed in public. He said Councilmember Segalas did a good job in addressing that issue; now it is put to rest as far as we are concerned. He encouraged other residents to come forward and make us aware of things that are going on that we might not be aware of. That other resident brought something to the staff's attention that had already been done, so now they have to cite violations and it takes time to do that. Cut the employees a little bit of slack, they really do get the job done if you give them a chance and he thanked the employees for doing a good job.

Councilmember Karcich congratulated our Eagle Scout Ewing and looked forward to seeing his project. He congratulated our newest Fire Cadet, David Alburtus. He congratulated Councilmember Horvath; congratulated Councilmember Pizzella. He attended the 9/11 ceremony last night and it was a nice event and thanked our Borough employees in Construction and Zoning; they do a great job, they were very informative at our meeting today and thanked them for getting on the ball as quickly as Councilmember Segalas had asked so they could give us enough information so that we could feel confident as to what was going on. He thanked the Police Chief and the Police Force; we are asking them to do a lot of things of an involving nature that can be frustrating for residents; don't blame them, they are doing the best they can with the tools and things we are providing them.

Councilmember Horvath thanked the people attended 9/11 yesterday, it was 16 years in a row that we stood out there; Fire Department, EMT, Police Department, American Legion and public at large. It is a wonderful thing that this town does every year and we will never forget.

Mayor Ruocco thanked Andrew Ewing for his Eagle Project Proposal and it will enhance Hillsdale. He congratulated David Arbutus for being willing to spend his personal time and effort as a Fire Cadet. It is so important for us as residents to appreciate the time and effort that the Fire Department does on a volunteer basis, EMS or Ambulance Corps. They give of themselves and financially get very little in return but do it because they want to help others. He welcomed Councilmember Horvath and congratulated Council President Pizzella. He was able to attend the 9/11 morning service; it is always moving when you stand there in silence; a service like this keeps the memory of that day alive, they are very real. We don't want to forget the people who died nor the bravery of the EMS people who responded and that we don't remain complacent as a community with the notion that freedom will always be ours; you have to fight to get it and you have to fight to defend it. He looks forward to being dunked at the Hillsdale Festival and the Rec Commission should be applauded. He believed it will be novel and very good. Shop Rite is holding a health fair Hunger Day September 20, 3:00 P.M. at the Shop Rite in Hillsdale and has invited all the local officials and Police, Fire to help bag. It is a great experience.

Administrator DeJoseph said they finished the milling today for the road program, next week they will wrap up the paving and are working closely at Smith School, behind the school. When you leave look near the Police and toward the Board of Health side we put LED lights in to replace the sodium lights so it will increase efficiency which decreases costs. There are different colors and the Council can give input to the different colors; one is more blue, one more white, one more of an incandescent color. We will do the same at Beechwood Park. The Chief will be happy that we will be eligible for the N.J. Directors Program for Borough Hall to replace HBAC equipment which has been a problem for us all summer; replace lighting and boilers. He will present that as a Resolution next meeting; roughly \$45,000 cost to us which is our 30% cost share; 70% is paid for through our utility bills, one of the taxes that we get back. The Borough is having a flu vaccine September 26 for Borough employees and possibly open to the public from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM; no cost if you have an insurance cost. In the past we usually charge \$25, this way no cost with an insurance card; we are partnering with CVS for that program. Congratulations to our new Councilmember and new Council President..

Borough Clerk Kohan congratulated and welcomed Councilmember Horvath and congratulated Council President Pizzella.

Borough Attorney extended his congratulations to Councilmember Horvath and congratulated Council President Pizzella. We received several bids for garbage contract that will require some legal advice in closed and we would like to take some time in closed to continue to discuss various implications of the farm board's Demarest Farms decision and we will continue to discuss that in closed.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

R17252 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 –*Demarest Farms/Solid Waste Removal*

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 –*Demarest Farms/Solid Waste Removal*

___ (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 Councilmember DeRosa, Second by Councilmember Karcich.

Borough Attorney said generally you are supposed to state whether you will do any business as you emerge; the Council may do certain business, it may include but not be limited to the adoption of Resolution 17251 regarding the garbage bids or any other business the Council chooses to do. I am going to be overly optimistic and suggest that we will be done with closed at around 10:00 P.M.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers DeRosa, Karcich, Lundy, Pizzella, Segalas, Horvath

Nays: None

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:

Motion to reconvene Councilmember DeRosa, Second Councilmember Karcich, and unanimously carried.

Borough Attorney Madaio said we were not good on our estimations of time but we are out of closed session at this point and there is one Resolution that remains an order of business and that would be R17251 in the event that the chair would call for a motion on that.

R17251 is the Resolution rejecting all bid submissions for the collection of solid waste and recycling services.

Motion for the rejection and re-advertising made by Councilmember DeRosa, seconded by Council President Pizzella.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers DeRosa, Karcich, Lundy, Horvath, Segalas and Council President Segalas

Nays: None

Borough Attorney Madaio said we also continued our discussion on some matters related to Demarest Farms and pertinent litigation. I don't know that we have accomplished or completed our discussions but you want to close with some indication of how we intend to move forward.

Mayor Ruocco said the Council's sense of discussion was that the Council has an ordinance, the ordinance will be enforced, but any residents who have particular issues with the enforcement can call the Hillsdale Police Department and they will listen to the concerns and try to accommodate the residents. Always be directed to Chief of Police, Bob Francaviglia.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn Councilmember Horvath, Second Karcich, and unanimously carried.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE
October 10, 2017 7:30 PM**