

Minutes of a Council Meeting of the Borough of Hillsdale held at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, April 10, 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 10th day of April, 2018. Notice of the time and place of this meeting has been provided to The Ridgewood News and The Record; a copy was posted on the bulletin board outside of this meeting room and provided to any interested parties.

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**ROLL CALL:**

Council Members DeRosa, Horvath, Karcich, Lundy, Segalas, Council President Pizzella (Attorney Madaio, CMFO DeJoseph, Borough Clerk Kohan)

**PROMOTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS**

Pascack Valley Dance Team

Council Member DeRosa

Council Member DeRosa said we have been here before recognizing various high school sports teams, robotics teams, and educational teams. Before you is the Pascack Valley Regional Dance Team and Regional because it is composed of students from Pascack Valley and Pascack Hills. The Dance Team competed in Orlando, Florida in February. Just these 10 girls competed with 17 other teams nationally who had two to three times as many girls as we had. It is an accomplishment. This was shown to the audience on the TV screen in the Council Chamber.

[Hillsdale Baseball & Softball Week](#)

Council Member DeRosa

Council Member DeRosa said he championed the Hillsdale Baseball and Softball Teams, they are very good.

Mayor Ruocco read the Proclamation from the Office of the Mayor, Borough of Hillsdale.

WHEREAS, active participation by the youth in appropriate physical activities contributes to the fitness and maintenance of our community's vigor and vitality; and

WHEREAS, youth Baseball and Softball contribute to a wider interest in the game and encourages our youth to direct their energies and healthful competitive teams sports; and

WHEREAS, participation in these sports by boys and girls and by their adult leaders has helped to develop a feeling of fair play, community spirit and respect for discipline of rules and decisions; and

WHEREAS, Hillsdale Baseball and Softball Association has requested Hillsdale Mayor and Council to dedicate the week preceding the opening day of each year as Baseball and Softball Week in Hillsdale in recognition of the community benefits resulting from youth baseball and softball activity; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsdale Mayor and Council wish to recognize the dedication and sacrifice of all Hillsdale Baseball and Softball Association Board Members and Coaches who volunteer their time and effort for the betterment of the youth of our Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale do hereby designate the week preceding opening day of each succeeding year as Hillsdale Baseball and Softball Week and furthermore, the Mayor and Council invites the people of the Borough of Hillsdale to observe that week in schools, parks, athletic fields and other suitable places with appropriate ceremonies and activities designed to emphasize the importance of the physical development of our town's youth and the beneficial enjoyment of sports;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, John Ruocco, Mayor of Hillsdale, do hereby set my hand on this 10th day of April 2018.

**OATH OF OFFICE/APPOINTMENTS:**

**PRESENTATIONS:**

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

Mayor Ruocco opened the Initial Public Comment portion at this time. Seeing no one, he closed the Initial Public Comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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

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

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

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

[Hillsdale Fire Department – March Report](#)

Fire Chief Patrick

Doody

Department of Public Works

DPW Superintendent William Haffler

Fire Chief Patrick Doody said he has the report for the month of January. We had 29 calls which we responded to, most of them were odors and natural gas which was due to the cold in January. We had one mutual aid response in Park Ridge to a structure fire; mostly everything else was co alarms or minor alarm activations. A total of 89 hours; we did have 8 drills for a total of 60 hours for drilling. For the month of February we had 13 calls which mostly were activated alarms; we had one helicopter landing for a pedestrian struck. March he will read off next month because it is not finished yet; there were over 40 calls for the month of March because of the storm. There is comedy night at the fire house this weekend and everyone is invited. It will be held at 7PM on Saturday night.

Mayor Ruocco said the Fire Department responded to a call in March on Riverdale Street and it was very professionally done.

Chief Doody said as he was leaving the Borough Hall and the Clerk said there has been a fire call on Riverdale Street where you live and increased the pace when I got home; when you watch it from start to finish you get a good appreciation for what the men do.

Council President Pizzella was not present at the Finance Committee meeting when they met with all the different departments so he asked about the boiler and how they arrived at this situation.

Chief Doody said we had a new boiler installed about four years ago and they put in a high efficiency boiler that needs to be maintained annually; it was not maintained annually. The Borough is responsible for the maintenance of the boiler but there is also a maintenance program that should be in place. He believed it is now in place but the boiler needed a lot of work; if it had been maintained it would not have needed that much work.

Council President Pizzella asked if someone was responsible to maintain this boiler.

Chief Doody said we should have a maintenance contract on it and someone should be responsible to come in and look at it annually. We almost lost the boiler and would have had to be replaced. He was not aware of a maintenance contract. The years that he has been Chief he has not seen that line item.

Mayor Ruocco asked if any of the boilers we have had in the past had maintenance contracts.

Councilman Karcich said this was one of his frustrations when he was liaison for two years; we were not getting follow up needed for a lot of our infrastructure stuff; roof leaks, problems with air conditioners. There was no checking up on things on a monthly or quarterly basis. There are a few things we can do internally with buildings and grounds. We have a good, qualified DPW Superintendent running the shift.

Mayor Ruocco asked if we have a service contract now.

Chief Doody believed we do, Administrator DeJoseph was informed by the maintenance man who came here in January and spent a few hours here and stressed we need annual maintenance on that boiler because it is high efficiency. We are also to check the water PH quarterly.

Mayor Ruocco asked that when the boiler was installed was it clear to anyone in the Fire Department who was going to do the maintenance.

Chief Doody said normally when a boiler is installed it happens during the day when we are not there and normally the Administrator or DPW Superintendent would be notified. We have had a lot of turnover in those positions.

Council President Pizzella said he appreciated Councilman Karcich's explanation.

Councilman Karcich said that is part of the DPW's role to maintain the building. If he doesn't have a boiler license he needs to go to the Borough Administrator and indicate we need a licensed person to come in to do whatever needs to be done.

Council President Pizzella asked if it is the Superintendent's job to make the decision to get the maintenance agreement or is it the Administrator's job.

Councilman Karcich said it is his opinion that it is the DPW Superintendent's job because they are responsible for buildings the Borough owns.

Council President Pizzella asked if the DPW Superintendent should know today that if something is installed would he be responsible for making the decision to enter into a maintenance agreement.

Councilman Karcich said there are agreements with our vendors, like we have agreements with our garbage contract, the DPW is in the room with that discussion in vetting some of the vendors, and it is the same thing with boilers. If we don't have someone watching the store, some of these things literally block our vendor.

Chief Doody said the boiler was installed in 2014; it broke down in the winter.

Council President Pizzella said we have never had an agreement on anything before that so it isn't going to matter at this point. We have a maintenance agreement on the boiler.

Chief Doody said we have a generator and he believed there was an agreement on that as well. If that is not working it is a major problem if power goes out.

Mayor Ruocco was told after they did the repairs they tested the water and that was a big problem, the PH got out of whack and stayed out of whack for quite a while.

Chief Doody said apparently the results were emailed but no one was looking at them. Now he has the results emailed to him so that he can follow up and remind people that the PH has to be looked at. We didn't have heat in the building for the worst two weeks in winter.

Council President Pizzella did not believe there was a grounds committee that would nurture a conversation between the Administrator and the Fire Department or the DPW where you could have individuals sit down and discuss needs.

Chief Doody said he comes in every morning and when there is an issue, he speaks with the Administrator advising what needs to be done or I send him an email.

Council President Pizzella said he was on Council when the boiler was approved and he missed the meeting when this was discussed.

Police Chief Francaviglia said he missed last week's meeting because he was away. He wanted to clear up some discrepancies that were noted in the Pascack Press regarding SRO 303 and some of our positions. All positions work for the Police Department but the difference is the SRO 303 officers are armed security guards. Their function is strictly for the security of the building, students and staff. They are not there to develop relationships with students and act as mentors. The SRO is a full time member of the Police Department and has access to all law enforcements records and resources. The SRO is there to develop relations with the youth

of our community and be a positive role model. His or her position with the students is to break down the negative barriers that are focused on law enforcement today. The SRO also serves the Police Department as a regular officer during summer months and when school is not in session. I understand the Mayor and Council are to be fiscally responsible for the residents of Hillsdale and he resides here himself. I am fiscally responsible as a department head and since he has taken over the department he has cut overtime costs in half which is the lowest in the area. Our current staff is 19 officers which allows for a full time resource officer. In the past we were staffed with 18 officers but the program was unsuccessful. In order to have a successful program there needs to be a full time officer in the school community because you need continuity for that position. According to the Pascack Press it was quoted that the Chief has to decide if he can fund an SRO and afford to pay a body in the school or not. In order to make the department schedule work, save overtime cost while maintaining a SRO position, I need 19 officers. If my schedule is cut to 18 officers I can still maintain an SRO, however, there will be significant increase in overtime cost. I hope everyone here considers his position and make a decision in the near future.

Mayor Ruocco is prepared to respond similarly. He responded to Pascack Press to clarify the different roles because the newspaper article was confusing.

Chief Francaviglia wanted the Hillsdale residents to know he is not willing to spend any more money than necessary. I am fiscally responsible as the Chief Law Enforcement Agency looking out for safety and security of our residents.

William Haffler, DPW Superintendent said he wanted to introduce himself to the Council members he did not meet. He is very happy to serve the Borough of Hillsdale. With regard to the boiler issue, we do have a maintenance schedule with the water purification and testing company and they will be out quarterly. It was just done and the PH levels were fine. The boiler will rapidly deteriorate if the PH levels are not right. This also happens with pool heaters, it is a common thing and we have to make sure we keep the contract.

Mayor Ruocco said we hired you on the recommendation of a subcommittee consisting of Councilmembers and the Borough Administrator. You started on a day we had a snow storm.

DPW Superintendent Haffler said he has had a lot of experience with that, he is getting to know the town better and sees where the deficiencies are, where the strong spots are and a lot of work to do in certain areas. He looks forward to the challenge.

Councilmember Horvath said Mr. Haffler attended the Rec meeting last night and different sports associations and fields were discussed. He would like to meet with him to discuss the needs of the town and possibly work up a maintenance list for the entire town.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman - Anthony DeRosa

Councilman DeRosa said the Rec Commission met last night. The Commission considered a permit request by Beehive Salon owner to put on an Earth Day Event. There has been some dialogue over the past couple of weeks; unfortunately the timing would work against us. The Commission voted not to approve the event. Had we had more time, the Commission would have welcomed this and let him know they would like him to come again next season. There were too many loose ends Rec couldn't coordinate He was present as Liaison and presented his opinion and agreed with Rec's decision now.

Council President Pizzella reminded everyone that the Annual Hillsdale Sixth Bi-State Clean Up Day will be held on Saturday, April 28 from 9AM to 12PM; you have to check in Veterans Park. Clean Up Day and efforts to clean the Hackensack water shed, pizza served from 12PM to 12:30PM. The Environmental Commission is working with the VA and Board of Ed in honor of Arbor Day. We now have two resolutions that will retain DMR Architects to investigate the industrial area as well as the west lot. DMR is sending the VA information requested and we will schedule a meeting to determine what the schedule for this investigation is going to be. At the train station, we have agreed to proceed with Grant No. 1 for the roof and then we have an agreement to proceed with Grant No. 2 which will allow us to help pay for the other costs attributed to the historic architect as well as for an historic preservation plan. We want to send a letter to NJ Transit to be reviewed by the Attorney before we send it. In that letter we will request a response from NJ Transit to put them on notice that our deadline is May 1 and get a signature because if we don't have a signature, we can't hire the architect. The recommendation is retain Clark, Canton and Hense to apply for Grant No. 2. The train station cost of \$2950 will be subject to NJ Transit signing the application as the building owner. Clark, Canton and Hense will be our historic architect for Grant No. 1 to tell us what we are doing with the roof but we need the architect to write the

application for Grant No. 2. He has not heard back from Transit if they are willing to contribute so we are waiting to hear. They may not sign the second grant application but that doesn't mean we shouldn't go ahead with Grant No. 1. The historic preservation plan is to restore the entire train station under Grant No. 2. We have Grant No.1 for the roof; we want to get Grant No. 2 which covers the historic plan which costs about \$30,000 to \$40,000 to complete and other things that go to the restoration of the train station. This is covered by Resolution R18105. There is over 2 million dollars available for historic preservation in grants. Suez – we did the execution of the agreement for the Woodcliff Lake trail and Suez will now sign the lease. There are certain liability requirements and we will be checking into that. We have to come up with a plan for the Hillsdale trail. We have the smallest piece of the trail.

Councilman – Zoltan Horvath

Councilman Horvath said he has the calendar for the seniors and they are having a meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup>, usual time and are having a senior luncheon at St. Johns on the 18<sup>th</sup>. On the 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a high school senior citizens day and you can go to their classes, they will provide lunch and let you know what is going on in the schools.

Councilman Steven Segalas

Councilman Segalas had nothing more to add to his report from last week.

Councilman - Scott Karcich

Councilman Karcich said the Council Chamber is much brighter and is part of the energy plan we voted on months ago and the lighting was part of it. With regard to the DPW, he is very hopeful that Mr. Haffler will do a great job and institute some systems of management; when our equipment needs to be fixed and hopes to do a better job with vendor management of boilers, landscaping. The cleanliness of the downtown will get improved and get less damage to our citizens' properties from plows and excited about some of the solutions he has. Being Liaison for the Police Committee we are all committed to solving the SRO issue at the high school. Right now we are waiting for the Board of Ed to come back to us with a different number on funding. Once we get that, we will be meeting again as a committee and work with the Chief to solve this.

Councilwoman - Abby Lundy

Councilwoman Lundy said last night the Library Board and Friends of the Library recognized winners of N.J. Neighbors Day; there were several winners in several categories. There are a lot of upcoming programs at the Library and on April 16, there will be a work shop on Medicare 101, April 17 there will be a certified health coach, April 18 children are invited to attend Magical Melodies Program and April 28 a night for trivia. Stonybrook registration will open and discounts available until May 5. As of now, there are 207 memberships compared to 178 memberships at this time last year. Meters were put in yesterday and today and pools open and you can start swimming April 20. Pool Commission meets tomorrow.

Mayor Ruocco asked if the crisis at the Library with the books being frozen over at this point.

Councilwoman Lundy said the company they hired resigned, they weren't aware of the volume of book work so they are in the process of looking for someone new.

Councilman Segalas referred to the elimination of the Welfare Director came about and asked someone to explain what the understanding was as to why item was eliminated from the budget.

Councilwoman Lundy said at the Finance Committee meeting we were told by the Borough Administrator that the position would no longer be filled by a non-resident of the state.

Councilman Segalas asked if there was any discussion about the availability of residents' requirements; that there is potentially the availability of an exemption and address the issue differently.

Mayor Ruocco sat in on that meeting and agreed with Councilwoman Lundy we were told because she moved out of the state she was no longer eligible and we were also told that the state could pick up the same duties that she was doing; that was an over statement, they could pick up some of the duties and they would do that for free. The Finance Committee was hard pressed to find someone; we had a proposed tax increase that was over 6% at that point and we needed to be aggressive in terms of where we cut.

Council President Pizzella said it isn't easy, this is what we were told. If I knew we were actively eliminating a position that also involved sharing that position with another town, I would have asked more questions about it.

We used to have a CMFO who lived in Pomona, NY and I thought you couldn't live out of state and asked if that person could get a waiver but I was told that the person couldn't. It seems you move and you have to ask for an exemption.

Mayor Ruocco had breakfast this morning with other Mayors in Bergen County sponsored by the Bergen County Chapter of the N.J. League of Municipalities. They talked about safety in municipal buildings and he will talk to the Chief. Bergen County Sheriff was there and talked about the SWAT team and due to bail reform we have in this state, there are fewer inmates in the prisons to do the work that the municipalities used to request the Sheriff to help such clean up the areas of public way and the roads. The issue of establishing a charitable trust which has some traction in Trenton but the traction seems to have been lost. It seems to push for the charitable trust for residents to pay their real estate taxes as charitable trust and hopefully get some sort of deductible ability against their federal income taxes; that was the idea in proposing it but it doesn't seem to be getting much traction at this point.

There will be a Community Development Committee tomorrow and we were entitle to some grant money; the Borough Administrator is unable to attend, he cannot make it, so Councilman Segalas has agreed to cover us at this meeting in Hackensack. By his presence we will receive some grant money; they tell you if you are not there, you can't get the grant money.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. [Email dated April 3, 2018 requesting permission to allow the event "Go the Distance" for Autism Ride to pass through the Borough of Hillsdale on June 3, 2018.](#)

Motion to approve, receipt and file: Motion by Councilmember Segalas, Second by Councilmember Lundy, and unanimously carried.

2. [Letter dated February 4, 2018 from the Hillsdale Football Association requesting to hold its Third Annual 5K on Sunday September 30, 2018.](#)

Motion to approve, receipt and file: Motion by Councilmember DeRosa, Second by Councilmember Lundy, and unanimously carried.

Councilmember Karcich said at this time of year we get requests to sponsor a 5K Run here and another 5K Run there. Is it possible to combine some of these requests because when they do this, it puts more work on the Police Department to make sure the roads are closed and clear.

Police Chief Francaviglia said currently there are only four runs a year but these runs are difficult in the fall because of the pick your own season. Any other time of year we can accommodate it but he would like to eliminate these events in the fall. Police reserves are limited and if we don't have them, we have to hire police officers so the Borough of Hillsdale is footing the bill for these events.

Council President Pizzella said events promote community in the town. If something is going on every weekend in Hillsdale, it gives the residents something to do and it brings outside people to our town and puts us on the map and that is a good thing. Limiting events and discouraging people is not a good idea.

Chief Francaviglia said during the fall and during the pick your own season, I have very limited resources.

Councilmember Karcich was talking about events where we have to close roads and floating pedestrians around town; local things in the park our men are patrolling anyway and they are not stationary.

Chief Francaviglia said for the D'Alessandro event, we have regulars for that. During the fall we have all sorts of things and a lot of these events are on weekends.

Mayor Ruocco referred to a run during a snow storm, the ice wasn't cleared and we needed input from the Police, DPW and it was don't let them run for the ice and the trees, the branches. It was difficult to call the group and tell them they can't run and this is for their safety and other people's safety.

Chief Francaviglia said in this instance they didn't have a secondary date.

### **DISCUSSION –**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Ruocco opened the public comment period to the public and invited them to come up to speak.

Jean Castaldo, Hillsdale House –

She has lived in Hillsdale for 16 years and she read letter from Rochelle Park and Kathy Elgert’s office.

I became acquainted with Kathy Elgert through social services located in Westwood Borough Hall because my son, Stephen Castaldo, was brought there from a stint in rehab. My son was bipolar, an alcoholic, and a drug abuser who passed away July 10, 2005, at 48 years old due to a heart attack. He had been living clean on his own for seven years because of Kathy Elgert’s expertise and social services. My son enjoyed seven years with his family, not dead by his own hand or in a gutter. Kathy had monetary help for my son until he received SSI but also emotional support to help with many crises. I can’t imagine what it would be like without Kathy’s support. I have met many social workers in my life but no one can compare to the genuine care that Kathy gave to my son. She had such knowledge of where to go and how to tap into different services. We had gone to Rochelle Park, it was a nightmare to think of all the years we had gone with my son, and all we ever got was food stamps, it was a fiasco. You made an appointment and didn’t have money for gas and you borrowed money and got there and the worker wasn’t there so come back in two weeks. Your initial problem wasn’t taken care of and you now owe money on top of everything else. When my son died, my husband and I found him; he was living in a trailer in Moonachie. That was the end of my husband, I survived, he didn’t; he had four strokes and four heart attacks and he developed Alzheimer’s and lived the last year of his life in Bergen Regional Hospital. He died February 28, 2013. The second phone call I made was to Kathy Elgert because we didn’t have any money, no insurance policy and no burial plan. Within a day and a half, she had a free grave so I could put my husband to rest; she is fantastic and I complement you and the town of Hillsdale for your choice of this really wonderful woman.

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

**ORDINANCES:**

**RESOLUTIONS:(Consent Agenda): R18098 through R18106:**

[R18098](#) Payment of Bills

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale that the following bill in the sum of \$2,433,771.62 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.

Summary of Payment of Bills for 4/10/2018

Payment of bills 3/14/2018 - 4/10/18

\$2,391,559.72

Void Checks & Additional Checks

Check	Date	Fund	Vendor	Amount	Reason
28603	3/13/2018	Current	Northern NJ Chapter of NIGP	80.00	
28683	4/10/2018	Current	Lincoln Financila Group	42,131.90	LOSAP

Total adjustments 42,211.90

**Total Bill List for 04/10/2018** \$2,433,771.62

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28604	03/28/18	NEW16	NEW JERSEY MOTOR VEHICLE COMM	120.00 8629
28605	04/03/18	USP02	U.S. POSTAL SERVICE-CMRS-FP	2,000.00 8631
28606	04/05/18	TCT01	TCTA OF BERGEN COUNTY	70.00 8632
28607	04/10/18	ACA03	ACADEMY EXPRESS LLC	800.00 8639
28608	04/10/18	ACT07	ACTION DATA SERVICES, INC.	3,522.11 8639
28609	04/10/18	AIR02	AIRGAS, INC	23.90 8639
28610	04/10/18	ALL	ALL AMERICAN FORD, INC	1,111.27 8639
28611	04/10/18	AQU02	AQUA PRO-TECH LABORATORIES INC	4,550.00 8639
28612	04/10/18	BER11	BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTH	293,699.65 8639

28613	04/10/18	BER14	BC MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE	94,432.04	8639
28614	04/10/18	BER15	BERGEN CTY MUN CLERKS ASSOC	35.00	8639
28615	04/10/18	CHI02	CHICKEN DELIGHT, INC	68.28	8639
28616	04/10/18	CON29	CONTROL COMPANY	114.00	8639
28617	04/10/18	DEL03	DELUXE INT'L TRUCKS, INC	217.46	8639
28618	04/10/18	DEL10	DELL MARKETING L.P.	1,125.55	8639
28619	04/10/18	ELE03	ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE CORP.	280.00	8639
28620	04/10/18	ELE04	ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS, INC.	122.62	8639
28621	04/10/18	EXC02	EXCELLENT BUILDING SERV CORP	4,382.00	8639
28622	04/10/18	FEN01	FENKART, DOUGLAS R, MD	300.00	8639
28623	04/10/18	FIR01	FIRE & SAFETY SERVICES, LTD.	98.18	8639
28624	04/10/18	FLO05	FLOOR AND DECOR OUTLETS INC.	111.64	8639
28625	04/10/18	FLY02	FLYNN MARTIN LLC	115.00	8639
28626	04/10/18	FRE02	FREMGEN'S POWER EQUIPMENT INC.	112.00	8639
28627	04/10/18	GAE01	GAETA RECYCLING CO, INC	61,985.84	8639
28628	04/10/18	GAL01	GALLS LLC	108.95	8639
28629	04/10/18	GAR01	GARBARINI & CO. P.C. (CORP)	19,642.50	8639
28630	04/10/18	GEN01	GENERAL CODE PUBLISHERS CORP	1,937.57	8639
28631	04/10/18	GFO02	GFOA OF NJ	90.00	8639
28632	04/10/18	GIT01	GITTLEMAN, MUHLSTOCK &	2,010.00	8639
28633	04/10/18	GRA02	GRAINGER INDUSTRIAL SUPP, INC	92.96	8639
28634	04/10/18	HAS05	MOHAMED HASSANEIN & HWAJIN MUN	2,158.07	8639
28635	04/10/18	HER13	HERTRICH FLEET SERVICES INC	17,400.00	8639
28636	04/10/18	HIG12	HIGH TECH LANDSCAPES, INC.	5,332.00	8639
28637	04/10/18	HIL21	HILLSDALE GLASS	55.00	8639
28638	04/10/18	HOL01	HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH	450.00	8639
28639	04/10/18	IAC01	IACP	525.00	8639
28640	04/10/18	IMP02	IMPERIAL BAG & PAPER CO LLC	28.94	8639

28641	04/10/18	INS01	INSERRA SUPERMARKETS	221.62	8639
28642	04/10/18	JOH02	JOHN M HARTEL & CO., INC.	474.71	8639
28643	04/10/18	KUI01	KUIKEN BROTHERS CO., INC.	76.14	8639
28644	04/10/18	LAN08	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC	76.83	8639

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28651	04/10/18	MCN03 MCNERNEY & ASSOCIATES, INC.	350.00		8639
28652	04/10/18	MGL01 MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS LLC	98.00		8639
28653	04/10/18	MIC05 MICROSOFT CORPORATION	192.00		8639
28654	04/10/18	MIT02 MITCHELL HUMPHREY & CO. CORP	2,340.00		8639
28655	04/10/18	MON15 MONTAGUE TOOL & SUPPLY	1,381.81		8639
28656	04/10/18	MOT06 MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC (SC)	1,560.00		8639
28657	04/10/18	NBS02 NATIONAL BENEFIT SERVICES	28.00		8639
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28659	04/10/18	NJA03 NJASRO	50.00		8639
28660	04/10/18	NOR05 NORTHWEST BERGEN REGIONAL	9,230.98		8639
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28663	04/10/18	RAC01 RACHLES/MICHELE'S OIL CO.	583.13		8639
28664	04/10/18	RET03 RE-TRON TECHNOLOGIES INC	458.58		8639
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28666	04/10/18	RIC09 RICOH USA INC	408.65		8639
28667	04/10/18	RID02 RIDGEWOOD NEWS	18.90		8639
28668	04/10/18	ROB06 ROBERT'S & SON, INC	329.98		8639
28669	04/10/18	SEL02 SELECTIVE INSURANCE - FLOOD	23,343.00		8639
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28674	04/10/18	STA31 STATILE, CHRISTOPHER P.A.	9,055.03		8639
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28676	04/10/18	SUE01 SUEZ WATER NEW JERSEY (REG)	31,887.22		8639
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28680	04/10/18	UNU01 UNUM LIFE INS CO OF AMERICA	289.80		8639

28681	04/10/18	WBM01	WB MASON CO., INC.	1,325.35	8639
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3461	04/10/18	KNO03	JUDY KNOPP	137.50	8633
3462	04/10/18	MAD05	MADAI0, MARK D, ESQ	342.00	8633

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PUBLIC ASSIST2	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
2818	04/01/18	1,150.00	8630
2819	04/01/18	210.00	8630
2820	04/01/18	147.00	8630
2821	04/01/18	210.00	8630
2822	04/01/18	210.00	8630
2823	04/01/18	210.00	8630
2824	04/01/18	210.00	8630
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RECREATION	RECREATION TRUST				
3779	04/10/18	ACT07	ACTION DATA SERVICES, INC.	1,265.89	8635
3780	04/10/18	GAM02	GAME TIME UNIVERSITY	1,400.00	8635
3781	04/10/18	GRA18	GRAY, ROBERT	30.00	8635
3782	04/10/18	HIL10	HILLSDALE BOARD OF ED (OTHER)	1,665.11	8635

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STONYBROOK	STONYBROOK OPERATING				
5902	04/10/18	CHI02	CHICKEN DELIGHT, INC	105.00	8634
5903	04/10/18	GAR01	GARBARINI & CO. P.C. (CORP)	4,000.00	8634
5904	04/10/18	PAS28	PASCACK PRESS	449.00	8634
5905	04/10/18	TIM09	TIMETRACK SYSTEMS, INC.	1,400.00	8634
5906	04/10/18	UNU01	UNUM LIFE INS CO OF AMERICA	8.40	8634

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Total:	102	12	2,391,559.72	1,746,352.80

Totals by Year-Fund Fund Description	Fund	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total
CURRENT FUND	7-01	53,526.29	0.00	0.00	53,526.29
STONYBROOK UTILITY	7-05	<u>5,505.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5,505.00</u>
Year Total:		59,031.29	0.00	0.00	59,031.29
CURRENT FUND	8-01	2,316,999.64	0.00	0.00	2,316,999.64
STONYBROOK UTILITY	8-05	457.40	0.00	0.00	457.40
ANIMAL FUND	8-12	54.00	0.00	0.00	54.00
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT	8-15	<u>2,557.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2,557.00</u>
Year Total:		2,320,068.04	0.00	0.00	2,320,068.04
RECREATION ACCOUNT	R-14	4,361.00	0.00	0.00	4,361.00
Total of All Funds:		<u>2,383,460.33</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2,383,460.33</u>

Project Description	Project No.	Project Total
POLICE DONATIONS 7200005589	0000000018	842.54
B1212 L15 305 PATERSON ST LLC	3050010002	892.40
68 E LIBERTY B 402 L 14	68E0040002	37.00
B 1212 L 13 AEON FITNESS	AE00010002	747.60
B 603 L 9 BUEHLER 7763761490	BUE0020002	472.20
B 407 L 2 CALDWELL 7764627302	CAL0050002	313.60
B502 L7.01 DEGNETTO 7763761557	DEG0020002	271.25
B 1611 L8 DONATELLO 7764627295	DON0030002	45.00
B 301 L15 ELBOGEN 7764627344	ELB0020002	180.00
B1308 L19 HAGLID 7763761367	HAG0010002	195.00

B 602 L 12 KNOPP 7763761523	KNO0010002	137.50
LC DEVELOPERS 909/2 7764627261	LCD0030002	167.50
B605 L8 LEVY 7763761531	LEV0020002	790.80
B1523 L3 NOLAN PARTNERSHIP	NOL0020002	1,916.50
2004/2.01&1 ORIOLO 7764627279	ORI0060002	150.00
B1212 L14 PSE&GCO ANDREW LOJEK	PSE0040002	180.50
B1504 L9 RETTIG 7763761391	RET0010002	245.00
B 1116 L 11 RUSSINO 7763761565	RUS0040002	357.50
1406/35 S.BERARD 77454627336	SBE0010002	67.50
STONE RIDGE 1805/10 7764627310	STO0070002	90.00

Total of All Projects: 8,099.39

[R18099](#) Resolution Hiring Temporary Snow Plow Driver – James Timpone – Department of Public Works

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for a Temporary Snow Plow Driver within the Borough of Hillsdale Department of Public Works; and,

**WHEREAS**, James Timpone meets the requirements to fill the position at the Department of Public Works; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council Borough that James Timpone is hereby appointed to the position of Temporary Snow Plow Driver in the Department of Public Works, effective March 20, 2018, at the rate of \$30.00 per hour.

[R18100](#) Resolution Authorizing Mayor and Borough Clerk to Extend the Contract for Supplemental Fall Garbage Truck Rental with Operator

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for a Supplemental Fall Garbage Truck Rental in the Borough, specifically with the DPW during leaf season; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Hillsdale is interested in extending their contract for a Supplemental Garbage Truck with Gaeta Recycling, 278-282 West Railway Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 in the amount of Seventy-Nine Dollars and no Cents (\$79.00/hr) per hour with an operator per truck with a a 32 cubic yard capacity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council at its sole discretion, in accordance with NJSA 40A 11-1 et seq., the Mayor and Council may, by adoption of resolution, extend the contract for two (2) one (1) year period if they determine; that the contract service is being performed in an effective and efficient manner; and if any price change included as part of an extension shall be based upon the price of the original contract as cumulatively adjusted pursuant to any previous adjustment or extension and shall not exceed the change in the index rate for the twelve (12) months preceding the most recent quarterly calculation available at the time the contract is renewed and the terms and conditions of the contract remain substantially similar; and

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

1. The contract for a Supplemental Garbage Truck as outlined in the bid proposal is hereby awarded to Gaeta Recycling, 278-282 West Railway Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07503 effective October 31, 2018 through December 23, 2018 (the dates may be modified based upon the needs of the Borough of Hillsdale).
- 2.
3. The Borough Attorney is hereby authorized to prepare contracts and/or other documents pursuant to the award of this contract.
4. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute contracts and/or documents pursuant to the award of this contract.

[R18101](#) Authorize the Borough Clerk to Advertise for Bids for the 2018 Road Program

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey upon the recommendation of the Borough Engineer, Christopher Statile Associates, that the plans and specifications for:

**YEAR 2018 ROAD PROGRAM**

Are hereby approved and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for bids.

[R18102](#) Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Submit a Declaration of Interest for the 2018 Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Program for Park Improvements – the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund

**WHEREAS**, Bergen County has announced the availability of funds under the Trust Fund Municipal Program for Park Improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, The Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Program for Park Improvements will award matching grants to Bergen County municipal governments for proposed Municipal park improvements at Beechwood Park; and

**WHEREAS**, a Declaration of Interest needs to be submitted prior to the deadline of Tuesday, April 24, 2018; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, The Borough of Hillsdale Council authorizes the Mayor to approve such a declaration and the Borough Administrator to submit for said grant and to assure its participation in this program.

[R18103](#) Resolution Appointing Piazza & Associates Inc. as Administrative Agent to Provide Affordable Housing Compliance Services

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Hillsdale has petitioned the Superior Court of New Jersey for a Declaratory Judgment that its adopted 2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan is compliant with its constitutional obligation to provide its fair share of the regional need for very low-, low-, and moderate-income housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough’s adopted 2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan will result in the creation of housing units affordable to and intended for occupancy solely by qualified very low-, low-, and moderate-income households; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Hillsdale plans to develop certain very low-, low-, and moderate-income rental homes in the Borough to help satisfy its affordable housing obligation; and

**WHEREAS**, applicable state and local laws, rules, ordinances and regulations (hereafter, collectively “Regulations”) govern the maximum rental rates and income limits of the renters, and compliance to fair housing and marketing of the affordable units; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Hillsdale has determined to appoint and designate Piazza & Associates, Inc., of 216 Rockingham Row, Princeton, New Jersey 08540, to serve as an Administrative Agent on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale, to establish maximum rental rates, review and approve the income of the applicants, and to ensure compliance to the Affirmative Marketing Plan in order to certify to the Borough that the restrictive units are in compliance with the Regulations, thereby assuring the Borough that it will receive proper credit for very low-, low- and moderate income units towards its affordable housing obligation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, that the Borough of Hillsdale hereby appoints Piazza & Associates, Inc. as its designated Administrative Agent in accordance with the proposal to provide Affordable Housing Compliance Services, dated March 13, 2018, for a term of one year.

[R18104](#) Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Submit an Application for the 2018 Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund- Historic Site Management Grant

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey Historic Trust has announced the availability of funds through the Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund – Historic Site Management Grant for historic places and historic landmarks; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council desires to submit a grant application to the New Jersey Historic Trust to prepare a historic preservation plan and architectural plans for roof improvements to the Hillsdale Train Station; and

**WHEREAS**, The Historic Site Management Grants consist of funds ranging from \$5,000.00 to \$50,000.00 with a match requirement of 25%; and

**WHEREAS**, the application for the Historic Site Management Grant is due by May 3, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, The Borough of Hillsdale Council desires to authorize the Mayor to approve such application and where the Borough Administrator is authorized to sign the assurances for said grant and to assure its participation in this program.

**WHEREAS**, that the grant application is subject to approval from New Jersey Transit; and;

**NOW, THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED**, the Borough of Hillsdale Council hereby authorizes and confirms the application for the 2018 Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund – Historic Site Management Grant, and all appropriate Borough Professionals are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to assist in the application.

[R18105](#) Resolution Authorizing Architect to prepare an Historic Preservation Grant Application

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council desires to submit a grant application to the New Jersey Historic Trust to prepare a historic preservation plan and architectural plans for roof improvements to the Hillsdale Train Station; and

**WHEREAS**, CCH has extensive experiences working with municipalities including a broad range of historic preservation work and grant applications; and

**WHEREAS**, CCH will coordinate the collecting and collating of required materials and photographs, write the narratives, organize the required financial information and coordinate getting the required information and signatures from the Borough as well as submit the grant application with all the required information; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council desires to hire CCH located at 100 Barrack Street, Trenton, NJ 08608 to undertake such preparation to submit the application on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale at an amount not to exceed \$2,950.00 (two thousand nine hundred fifty dollars and no cents); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale hereby directs CCH to prepare the required information necessary and complete the grant application for the Hillsdale Train Station.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that CCH Architects of 100 Barrack Street, Trenton, NJ 08608 be, and hereby is, retained and is authorized to prepare the necessary documents and reports to submit the grant

application for a NJ Historic Grant for the preservation plan and roof improvements to the Hillsdale Train Station.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the contract is being awarded to CCH Architects based on their merits and abilities to provide the goods or services as described herein as well approval from NJ Transit.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Mayor John Ruocco is hereby authorized to sign the Contract with CCH Architects on behalf of the Borough, and that all appropriate Borough professionals, employees, elected, and appointed officials are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

R18106            Resolution for Appointing Community Action Services for Housing Rehabilitation Program – Administrative Agent Services

**WHEREAS**, under the Fair Share Housing Act of 1985, as governed by N.J.A.C.5:80-26-1, the New Jersey Uniform Housing Affordability Controls, the Borough of Hillsdale has an affordable housing obligation; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Action Services, whose address is PO Box 6025, East Brunswick, New Jersey 08816, proposes to provide the Borough with the Housing Rehabilitation Program administrative agent services required to implement its New Jersey affordable housing obligation; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Action Services is uniquely qualified to provide said services, as outlined in their proposal; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Hillsdale has determined to appoint and designate Community Action Services to serve as an Administrative Agent on behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale, for the planning, funding and assisting with the implementation of economic development projects; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, that the Borough of Hillsdale hereby appoints Community Action Services to provide Housing Rehabilitation Program administrative agent services required to implement the Borough’s New Jersey affordable housing obligation in accordance with the proposal, dated April, 2018, for a term of one year, at any amount not to exceed Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars and No cents (\$4,750.00) for the Housing Rehabilitation Manual preparation and Three Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and No cents (\$3,300.00) per completed unit.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Mayor John Ruocco is hereby authorized to sign the Contract with Community Action Services on behalf of the Borough, and that all appropriate Borough professionals, employees, elected, and appointed officials are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Borough Clerk, Chief Financial Officer and Borough Planning Board Chairman and Secretary,

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Council Member Segalas asked for the removal of R18103 and R18106.

Motion by Council Member Karcich, Second by Council Member DeRosa.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lundy, Segalas, DeRosa, Horvath, Karcich, Council President Pizzella

Nays: None

**OFF-CONSENT:**

Motion to adopt \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

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

Council President Pizzella asked what we are going to do as the Council on the Elgert situation. We have people in the audience who have asked about it, we didn’t have all the information when we voted on it; I know it impacts the budget, what are we going to do.

Mayor Ruocco said because it involves an individual, we have it scheduled for discussion. I was going to bring this up in closed session.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTARIES:**

Council Member Lundy congratulated the Dance Team and welcomed the DPW Superintendent and commended the Police Chief to clarify what was printed in the paper.

Council Member Segalas commented on the conversation with the Chair of the Zoning Board regarding the ordinances that we pulled until the first meeting in May. He will report to Council in the closed session on the discussion that was had.

Council President Pizzella welcomed Bill Haffler to the DPW. He was looking forward to having a stable Superintendent in the Department as well as Administration. He thanked the Council for supporting redevelopment; what we did last week was very important for the town, is necessary to try to stabilize taxes and create a more revitalized downtown and workable space and revenue for the town and you should all feel good about yourselves in being creative. That is all we can do as leaders and make decisions that not everybody will agree with; we have to do what is right for the town and investigating those areas for redevelopment and fighting Waste Management in the one area is right for Hillsdale and for the residents of Hillsdale. As a resident, I thank all of you for your support.

Council Member DeRosa reminded that baseball and softball opening date will be this Saturday weather permitting at Memorial Field at 10:00. There will be a free shredding event for residents on Saturday, April 21 from 8:00 to 12:00 at the DPW and the mobile Clerk from the County Clerk's office will be here the 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 2:00 for the opportunity to get your passports renewed. He welcomed Bill Haffler.

Council Member Horvath echoed everyone's statement.

Council Member Karcich thanked the Chief; he is sorry the press writes crazy stuff. I was not interviewed for that article, they did not call me but this is typical; this happened to us with the DEP, we had 100 people there and hundreds of letters written and the headline for that was some favored Waste Management. Those are some of the things with the press. If I had been here for the last meeting I probably would not have voted for the redevelopment plan under the proviso that I would not have spent the money until we had more solid ground and known what Waste Management was doing. If we can't get them out it is a waste of resources.

Mayor Ruocco said the Chief stole his thunder. He had a meeting at the Hills Coalition yesterday; the Hills Coalition is a group of educators, police, business professionals who are eager and do great work in terms of trying to prevent drug abuse and other types of abuse. It was held in Montvale and it was good to see police and elected officials and school officials and private interests who came together all for the purpose in increasing the resiliency of our youth. There is going to be a program on May 3<sup>rd</sup> held at Hills High School starting at 6:00 PM, there will be a speaker, Kate Fagan, who will talk at 7:15 PM. There have been posters around town; he plans to attend and urged residents to attend especially if you have children in the high school, even children in grammar school, it is very important to hear what Kate Fagan will talk about.

We received a letter addressed to the Mayor and Town Council. It was from a young woman here in town, Sophia Tochio. "Hello, my name is Sophia Tochio and I have written this letter to inform you of something that is quite disturbing. I was at the park with my father the one across the street from Starbucks and we went into the gazebo; there was stuff written all over it which included suicide notes, cursing, inappropriate drawings and much more. I was hoping that the town, you, could maybe paint the gazebo or maybe try to get rid of all the stuff. I feel that this may help make the town a better place for the kids who have seen these writings and drawings so that they can grow up knowing and feeling safe in an environment where people don't think about suicide or actually doing it. I hope that you will take this into consideration. Thank you, Sophia Tochio. She says have a great day. " Yes, we will address the graffiti issue; that is the easiest part of the whole spirit here but I was personally moved by her note and also sad to get a note such as this in the way that she has to confront an issue of suicide amongst our young. It is a sad commentary on all of us as parents, as educators, as elected officials, as religious leaders that this is so apparent and I guess growing in our society and it seems that between the different social media effects that are thrown at our youth this seems to be increasing and if you saw the article in Sunday's Record about the young man who committed suicide in Wooddale Park not this past Thanksgiving but the Thanksgiving before, it resonates home. I had the opportunity of listening to his Mom talking at a gun control seminar that Assembly Woman Schepisi sponsored in Westwood two months ago. Sophia, thank you for the letter and we will do our best to get rid of the graffiti and hopefully we as a Council as leaders of Hillsdale will do whatever we can to address the more systemic and underlying issues that are represented in the letter.

Council Member Segalas said the Fire Department will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on the morning of the 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 AM to 11:00 AM in conjunction with the Hillsdale Fishing Contest also taking place. Flyers are on the Borough website as well outside the Council Chamber. The fishing contest starts at 8:00 AM. If you have a child and as well help stock the brook, get to St. Johns at 7:00 AM of Brookside Place Westwood at 7:00 the day of the contest can help to stock the brook. It is a nice event and the Friends of the Pascack Brook do a wonderful job.

Borough Clerk Kohn said this Friday and Saturday there is a clothing drive at Meadowbrook School; you can leave your clothes, toys, bikes out front at the school and they will pick it up Saturday by 12:00 PM. St Johns Academy is also doing a clothing drive this Saturday until 12:00 PM as well.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:**

R18107 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 – *Public Assistance, Borough Personnel, Shared Services, Affordable Housing*

**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 – *Shared Services, Affordable Housing*
- (8) Matters relating to the employment relationship – *Borough Personnel/Public Assistance*
- (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 Council Member DeRosa, Second by Council Member Lundy, and unanimously carried.

[R18108](#) Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to sign a Separation Agreement

**WHEREAS**, Victoria Walker is an Administrative Assistant in the Borough of Hillsdale and is currently employed as such; and

**WHEREAS**, Victoria Walker and the Borough of Hillsdale have mutually agreed that Victoria Walker will separate from her employment with the Borough of Hillsdale effective May 1, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale deem it to be in the best interest of the Borough of Hillsdale to enter into such Agreement with Victoria Walker.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Agreement be and hereby is agreed to and that the Borough of Hillsdale will enter into said Agreement with Victoria Walker; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and the Labor Attorney are authorized to sign and/or effectuate the Agreement with Victoria Walker.

Motion by Council Member DeRosa, Second by Council Member Segalas, and unanimously carried.

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:**

Motion to reconvene by Council Member DeRosa, Second Council Member Karcich, and unanimously carried.

Mayor Ruocco said we pulled R18103 and R18106; those questions have been answered.

Motion for R18103 and R18106 by Councilmember DeRosa, Second by Council President Pizzella.

Mayor Ruocco said this motion is on both Resolutions.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lundy, Horvath, Karcich, Segalas, DeRosa and Council President Pizzella

Nays: None

Mayor Ruocco said we have a matter on the Agenda, Resolution R18108 Authorizing the Mayor to sign a Separation Agreement.

Motion by Council Member DeRosa, Second by Council Member Karcich.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lundy, Horvath, Karcich, Segalas, DeRosa and Council President Pizzella

Nays: None

Council Member Segalas said there was a motion to support Kathy Elgert our Welfare Director and her application for a waiver from the State of New Jersey so that she might continue to provide valuable services. This was seconded by Council Member Lundy.

Attorney Madaio we can follow up with a motion; the motion was that the Mayor correspond with Westwood and its correspondence in support.

Mayor Ruocco said we have that motion, do we have a second.

Council President Pizzella seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Council Members Horvath, Lundy, Karcich, Segalas, DeRosa and Council President Pizzella

Nays: None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Karcich, Second by Council Member DeRosa, and unanimously carried.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE**

**May 1, 2018 7:30 pm**

Denise Kohan, Municipal Clerk

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APPROVED AS PRESENTED

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Denise Kohan, Municipal Clerk