

**BOROUGH OF HATORO
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27th, 2014**

PRESENT

President Zygmunt, Vice President Tompkins, Councilpersons Harbaugh, Hegele, Palmer, Sheedy & Rich; Mayor Hawkes, Borough Manager Zollers, Assistant Secretary Hegele, Chief Gardner, Fire Marshal Reading, Solicitor Pionzio, Engineer Dougherty, and Treasurer Kalnajs.

ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER

President Zygmunt called to order the October 27th, 2014 meeting of Borough Council to order at 7:00 PM.

INVOCATION – Mayor Hawkes gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Gardner.

President Zygmunt announced that the staff is taping this meeting. He stated that there are two opportunities on the agenda for the public to address Council. The first privilege of the floor is for voting agenda items only. President Zygmunt announced that there was a last minute item added to the agenda. Solicitor Pionzio stated that she has prepared a resolution for Council approval outlining Rules & regulations under Act 50, the taxpayer bill of rights. She stated this is boiler plate material that covers everything, she stated the resolution appoints the Borough Manager as the hearing officer for BPT and LST.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mr. Mike Woerger 28 S. Linden Avenue stated tonight was the first time he was hearing about the Police Facility Site Plan and Victorian Village Tree Donation. President Zygmunt stated both these items were discussed at the Committee meeting two weeks ago. He advised that the trees are a donation and the site plan is for Gilmore Assocs. To do drawings of existing facility in order to move forward with the project. There was no public comment at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hawkes stated this past weekend was busy, there were 4 events. The YMCA held their annual skeleton skurry, which he stated Mr. Zollers was the first Borough Manager to every run in. The Chamber held their annual Halloween Stroll and kick off for the Tri-Centennial and finally Representative Murt held his annual disability walk. He thanked everyone involved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – President Zygmunt stated he had no report this evening.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Treasurer Kalnajs gave the Treasurer's report for the month of September 2014. He noted a balance of \$3,746,712.69. Interest earned for the month totaled \$322.59 on all accounts.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Solicitor Pionzio stated she had no report this evening.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – Borough Engineer Dougherty stated he had no report this evening.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Manager Zollers stated that the 2014 Road Paving Program has started. He stated that the Woodwinds Buy-out Grant has been submitted and 5 buildings have been accepted. He stated this is good news.

DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS' REPORT

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT – Chief Gardner thanked everyone for their help during the Skeleton Skurry. He reminded everyone that Friday was Halloween and asked everyone to drive carefully and stated safety tips on Halloween trick or treating could be found on the CDC website. He stated he would like people to keep times reasonable and go out during the hours of 6 to 9:00 PM. He also announced that the Mayor has had new signs installed in the Borough reminding everyone to drive carefully.

TAX COLLECTIONS REPORT – President Zygmunt noted the Tax Collection Report was submitted to Council in advance of tonight's meeting, and that copies of the report were available.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – President Zygmunt noted the Public Works Report was submitted to Council in advance of tonight's meeting, and that copies of the report were available on the sign in table. Manager Zollers stated he had nothing further to report.

FIRE MARSHAL REPORT – President Zygmunt noted the Fire Marshal Report was submitted to Council in advance of tonight's meeting, and that copies of the report were available on the sign in table.

VOTING ITEMS

Acknowledgement of Reports – Vice President Tompkins motioned to acknowledge the receipt of the reports for the month of October 2014, motion seconded by Councilman Harbaugh, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Warrant List, Payment of Bills, Manual Checks and Transfers – Vice President Tompkins motioned to approve the warrant list, payment of bills, manual checks and transfers for the month of October 2014, motion seconded by Councilman Rich, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

September 22, 2014 Council Meeting Minutes – Councilman Sheedy motioned to approve the September 22, 2014 Council Meeting minutes. Assistant Secretary Hegele stated she made some minor corrections, motion seconded by Councilman Hegele, all ayes. Vice President Tompkins abstained as he was absent. Motion carried 6-0.

October 13th, 2014 Committee Meeting Minutes – Councilman Harbaugh motioned to approve the October 13th, 2014 Committee Meeting minutes, motion seconded by Councilman Sheedy, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Fire Company Expenditure List – Councilman Palmer motioned to approve the September 2014 Expenditure list in the amount of \$7,789.91, motion seconded by Councilman Hegele, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Fire Company Capital Expenditure List – Councilman Palmer motioned to approve the Capital Expenditure list in the amount of \$46,670.13, motion seconded by Vice President Tompkins, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Request for Funding – Borough Authority – Resolution #2014-16 – Councilman Sheedy motioned to approve Resolution #2014-16, motion seconded by Councilman Harbaugh, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Hatboro Memorial – Project Resolution #2014-17 – Councilman Sheedy motioned to approve Resolution #2014-17, motion seconded by Councilman Hegele, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Police Facilities Project – Site Plan Approval – Councilman Hegele motioned to authorize Gilmore & Associates to prepare a site plan for 120 E. Montgomery Avenue for the Police Facilities Project, motion seconded by Councilman Rich, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Works Land Acquisition & Project – Councilman Hegele motioned to authorize staff to proceed with the Public Works Land Acquisition and Project, motion seconded by Vice President Tompkins, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Victorian Village Tree Donation - Councilman Rich motioned to acknowledge receipt of trees from Victorian Village to be planted in Eaton Park and Miller Meadow, motion seconded by Councilman Sheedy, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Station Park Tax Appeal Settlement – Councilman Sheedy motion the Station Park Tax Appeal Settlement to be signed by Solicitor and paid in 4 installments, motion seconded by Vice President Tompkins, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Pennypack Creek Project – Request for Payment – Councilman Rich motioned to approve payment in the amount of \$163,796.00 to Eagle Contracting for the Pennypack Creek Project, motion seconded by Councilman Harbaugh, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Pool Liner Project Payment – Vice President Tompkins motioned to approve payment in the amount of \$65,000 to Renosys LLC for the Pool Liner Project, motion seconded by Councilman Rich, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Hometown Streets Project – Authorization to advertise – Vice President Tompkins motion to approve authorization to advertise RFQ for Hometown Streets Project, motion seconded by Councilman Harbaugh, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Employee Ratification List – Councilman Rich motioned to approve the Employee Ratification List for October 2014, motion seconded by Councilman Hegele, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting Announcements – President Zygmunt announced the Overlay Ordinance hearing will be on November 24th at 7:00 PM. He also announced the ZHB is meeting on November 12th to hear two applications and the Planning Commission will be meeting on November 13th for two matters.

Taxpayer Bill of Rights Resolution #2014-18 – Vice President Tompkins motioned to approve Resolution 2014-18, motion seconded by Councilman Rich, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

SPECIAL UPDATES

Councilman Harbaugh stated there would be a budget workshop meeting on November 3rd at 5:00 PM. The public is invited to attend.

Mayor Hawkes stated that the intersection improvements at Horsham/Academy/Moreboro seem to be working well.

OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business to come before Council this evening.

NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business to come before Council this evening.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Tracy Thatchford 3 Drummers Way asked when the project documents would be submitted to FEMA. Manager Zollers stated it was done already.

Karen Shubick, 37 Fulmor Avenue asked if the property on Fulmor Avenue would be posted. Solicitor Pionzio stated it would be.

Lynda Clauser, 205 E. Mill Road stated that there are changes in the creek since Eagle Contracting did work there. She stated she had concerns over the stone placement. She asked when the Army Corp would be out to inspect. Engineer Dougherty stated that Eagle did everything there were supposed to and per the plan. He stated the Borough would have to wait for the Army Corp to inspect. He stated the Army Corp did contact the Borough to come out but when heard work was being done, they decided to wait to inspect when the project was complete. He stated they send out approximately 6 to 10 people for the inspection. Manager Zollers stated he would call to follow up. He stated that Eagle did what they were to do and that is what the Army Corp asked. Mrs. Clauser stated she feels they narrowed the creek. Engineer Dougherty stated they did widen it somewhat, but again reiterated all the work was done to Army Corp specifications.

ADJOURNMENT

The October 27th, 2014 meeting of Borough Council was adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred "Fred" Zollers
Borough Secretary

Transcribed by Assistant Borough Secretary Diane Hegele