



MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 09, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council, of the Borough of Atlantic Highlands, was held on March 09, 2011 in the public meeting room of Borough Hall, 100 First Avenue Atlantic Highlands NJ.

Mayor Rast called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. After a silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, the following roll call was taken:

Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman L Fligor, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Borough Administrator A Hubeny, Borough Engineer D Marks, Mayor F Rast, Borough Attorney B Reilly and Municipal Clerk D Harris.

Mr. Harris stated that notice of this meeting has been transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times, continuously posted in the Borough Hall on a bulletin board reserved for such announcements, and filed with the Municipal Clerk of Atlantic Highlands, on 1/03/2011. He read the "Open Public Meetings Act" compliance statement and stated that formal action would be taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

February 23, 2011 – Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve these minutes was offered by Councilman R Sutton and was duly seconded by Councilman R Dellosso

This motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman L Fligor, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton (6)

Nays: None (0)

Abstain: None (0)

Absent: None (0)

REPORTS – COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION, PROFESSIONAL, OTHER

Councilman Dellosso – reported the Borough had received a retirement letter from our Harbor Master and we [the Council] will speak on that later. The Borough received a welcome letter from the Monmouth County Library system.

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Councilman Sutton reported on February flows. The meter installation voted on last meeting will be take place next week. The engineer will report on the 7th ave flows at the next meeting.

Councilman Fligor reported the NJNG project is moving along soothingly. He has received a complaint about the silting, building up on the south side of Highland Ave by the bridge. They [NJNG] are doing what can be done considering the hindrances they face. He reported on the class on "Cutting Budgets" presented by Jersey Professionals. The osprey nest will be up in about 30 days. There is a Vegetable Gardening lecture being held March 15 at 7:00pm in the Senior Bldg. There is only enough room for 82 people and they already have 50 so an R.S.V.P. is requested.

Councilman Archibald reported on the police activity for the month of February. He also asked everyone to read the story on page two of monthly Police report.

Councilman Hoffmann reported the fire dept was called out for a rain event here at Borough Hall. They and the Borough employees did a great job cleaning up after a flood occurred in the administration office. He reported the harbor is moving forward with a project to replace pier number 4, because of the extensive repair work it requires. This will be done in 2012/2013 after the dredging is completed. The permitting will also take quite a bit of time. People also like the floating docks and we will be able to fabricate a lot of these docks in house. We can start making finger piers and floats, once we get the okay, out of our capitol money over the next few years. There is a real dollar savings by doing it ourselves. There would also be an addition of 50 – 80 slips. The anticipated cost would be about \$500,000 which would be recouped in approximately 6 years.

Councilman Doyle had no report

Administrator Hubeny reported on the information from the updated census. The Borough population is estimated to be 4385 down 6.80%. It looks overall the county rose 2.45%. He commented on the major water leak in the work area at Borough Hall which made its way to the police locker room and IT room. The contractor has been pretty responsive and stayed today to clean up everything on the roof, to prevent the same occurrence with the anticipated rain tonight and tomorrow.

Clerk Harris reported on the Rabies Clinic

Engineer, David Marks reported that JADS has started on the 2009/2010 Road program. Streetscape Phase IV is also underway. The Borough has been working with the contractor to try to add on alternates that were not awarded by the original contract. Ground breaking should be within 2 weeks. The 2007 project should be completed with all issues resolved within the next two weeks.

James Krauss – Environmental Commission reported the commission had discussed what the Borough might do to memorialize Paul Boyd who recently passed away. On a more permanent basis, they feel something should be named in his memory. Suggested

was the bridge in Lenape` Woods that crosses over Manymind Creek.

Chief Vasto commented that everything was in his report and asked everyone to take time to read it.

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:

Monmouth County SPCA -Trap Neuter Release Program - Laurie Garrison came to talk about Trap Neuter Release which is a program to save the cats in Atlantic Highlands. The program is designed to stop the euthanizing of cats. Cats start reproducing at 4 years old and can have litters of 4-6 up to 4 times yearly. The program would catch them, spay or neuter them, clip the ears, vaccinate them and return them to the population. This will stabilize the population and hinder other cats from coming in. There would be designated certified care givers that will help care for the cats and collect data.

Borough Hall Renovations – Alternates - Administrator Hubeny updated everyone on the alternates discussed a few weeks ago. He mentioned that the precast for the patio doors are already made and ready to be delivered. There have been two payments/deposits made on the cabinets. We would lose about \$18,000 if we cancel. The only thing not done is the sally port and he cannot get a price better than \$20,000 and it is in the contract for \$18,000.00. The Mayor took an informal consensus of who wanted to leave them in.

Payroll Company Discussion – Paylocity. The finance officer suggested a change in our payroll company. Mr. Gagliano found another company, called Paylocity which could save us about \$5,000 in our payroll services as well as expanding the services provided. He would like to move forward with this. Also Paylocity will guarantee their price for two years.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ed Cetron – Auditorium Drive – commented that his wife is a certified vet tech who has been involved in the trap neuter release programs. They are about the only thing that works in a community. Overtime the population will reduce to about zero.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ordinance 05-2011 – Authorizing Contract to Convey Borough Land to Adjoining Owners
Public Hearing/Possible Adoption

A motion to open the public hearing was offered by Councilman R Sutton and was duly seconded by Councilman J Archibald

This motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman L Fligor, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton (6)

Nays: None (0)

Abstain: None (0)

Absent: None (0)

Jim Krauss – 77 Bayside Dr.

8:02 pm Council man Fligor left the meeting.

A motion to close the public hearing was offered by Councilman R Dellosso and was duly seconded by Councilman J Hoffmann

This motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman L Fligor, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton (6)

Nays: None (0)

Abstain: None (0)

Absent: None (0)

A motion to adopt this ordinance was offered by Councilman R Dellosso and was duly seconded by Councilman R Sutton

This motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton (5)

Nays: None (0)

Abstain: None (0)

Absent: Councilman L Fligor (1)

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 050-2011, COMMENCING THE DISSOLUTION PROCESS OF THE AH/HRSA

A motion to approve this resolution was offered by Councilman J Hoffmann and was duly seconded by Councilman R Dellosso

This motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton (5)

Nays: None (0)

Abstain: None (0)

Absent: Councilman L Fligor (1)

RESOLUTION 051-2011, PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion to approve this resolution was offered by Councilman J Archibald and was duly seconded by Councilman R Dellosso

This motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton (5)
Nays: None (0)
Abstain: None (0)
Absent: Councilman L Fligor (1)

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION –

Terry Meusing - 85 Center Ave asked if we get rid of the sewer authority, would not the savings in salaries be applied to the \$150,000 we have been billed by them?

Shelly Kennedy -104 E. Highland Ave asked if Highlands was passing similar legislation on eliminating the Sewer Authority. She also asked if there would be any loss of services. She asked if there was any basis that would cause the current litigation to come back once dissolved.

RESOLUTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and,

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

1. Item- Litigation – AH/HRSA
2. Item – Litigation – Harmon vs. Atlantic Highlands
3. Item- Litigation – Personnel
4. Item – Contract Negotiation – PBA/MEA/MSA Contracts

Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes will be made public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council to go into Executive Session to discuss the above items and the public is excluded from this meeting.

ADJOURN - There being no further business before the Mayor and Council, a motion to adjourn was offered by Councilman R Dellosso and was duly seconded by Councilman J Archibald

This motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton (5)
Nays: None (0)
Abstain: None (0)
Absent: Councilman L Fligor (1)

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A motion to approve these minutes was offered by Councilman J Hoffmann was duly seconded by Councilman R Dellosso

This motion was passed by the following vote:

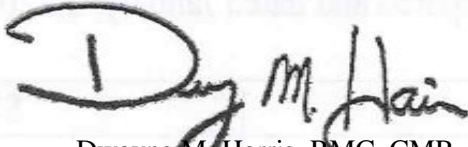
Ayes: Councilman J Archibald, Councilman R Dellosso, Councilman P Doyle, Councilman L Fligor, Councilman J Hoffmann and Councilman R Sutton (6)

Nays: None (0)

Abstain: None (0)

Absent: None (0)

I, Dwayne M, Harris, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Atlantic Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, hereby certify this to be the action of the Governing Body at its meeting held March 23, 2011.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dwayne M. Harris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "D".

Dwayne M Harris, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk