

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF HAMBURG HELD ON OCTOBER 1, 2018 AT THE MUNICIPAL
BUILDING, 16 WALLKILL AVE., HAMBURG, NJ**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Marino called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and opened with a flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Marino requested a roll call:

- Councilmember Krasnomowitz
- Councilmember Oehler
- Councilmember Burd
- Councilmember Law
- Councilmember Garrett
- Councilmember Sena
- Mayor Marino

Also Present: Doreen Schott

Kathy Garrett

Richard Clemack, Attorney

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION:

Clerk will advise:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the public and the press January 5, 2018 by delivering to the New Jersey Herald and the Sunday Herald and posting at the Municipal Building a copy of the "Annual Notice of Meetings" pursuant the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act".

September 5, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Law to approve the September 5, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Mayor and Council.

Roll call showed all Councilmembers present in favor.

September 5, 2018 Executive Session Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Garrett. Seconded by Councilmember Burd to approve the September 5, 2018 Executive Session Meeting Minutes of the Mayor and Council.

Roll call showed all Councilmembers present in favor.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

As there are no additions or deletions to the bill list, motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to open the meeting to the public with regards to the bill list only.

All Councilmembers present in favor.

Hearing no comments from the public, motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to close to the public. All Councilmembers present in favor.

Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Law to approve and pay the bill list as presented.

Roll call showed all Councilmembers present in favor.

ORDINANCES:

None

RESOLUTIONS

#2018-72 – Resolution to submit DOT 2019 Municipal Aid Grant Application.

Mayor Marino stated the Borough will submit a 2019 Municipal Aid Grant application but may not receive one this time around. Should we receive it, Mayor said we will start with Mulberry Street and finish paving the road. Councilmember Burd added there were some upset residents that the entire road was not done.

Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to approve #2018-72 – Resolution to submit DOT 2019 Municipal Aid Grant Application. All Councilmembers present in favor.

ATTORNEY HOUR:

MAYOR’S AGENDA:

1. Zoning Officer / Property Maintenance Officer

Mayor Marino informed Councilmembers that that the end of the 2018 year our shared service for our Zoning Officer will end as Hardyston is reassigning this person’s position. Borough Clerk Doreen Schott called surrounding towns that are equal in size to Hamburg for information on what they pay for zoning and property maintenance. Mayor Marino said we currently pay \$6,000.00 and would like neighboring towns to be contacted first before we advertise. Mayor Marino and Councilmember Krasnomowitz will begin working on this, possibly splitting the position and offering up to \$4000.00 per position.

2. 2017 Road Resurfacing Project – Notice of Change Order #1(As Bid vs As Built Quantity for a 7.45% decrease in cost).

The 2017 Road Resurfacing Project has been completed and under budget. Council is in receipt of the change order notice #1 in the amount of \$7,458.59. Attorney Clemack asked for verification this was included in the bill list and was answered yes.

3. Hamburg Day

Mayor Marino thanked all Recreation members, volunteers, Road Dept. workers, and all that participated to make Hamburg Day the success it was despite the weather.

4. Lawn Signs

Mayor would like to look into police signs that state “Support Hamburg Police – Slow Down for our Children”, with possibly the website listed on it for the police. He said this way it promotes the police department and makes people aware to watch for children.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNCILMEMBER KRASNOMOWITZ:

1. POLICE COMMISSIONER

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Garrett to open the meeting to Police Director Mike Postorino. All Councilmembers present in favor.

Monthly Report September 2018

The September 2018 monthly report for the Police Department showed 1059 calls of service, including 0 arrest, 10 motor vehicle accidents, 128 motor vehicle stops, and 137 motor vehicle summonses issued. Director Postorino stated Thursday the 4th will be the annual inspection for the detention facilities for the Borough. He advised the Council the report received on previous inspections had numerous violations on compliance. In 2016 we received a wavier on the structure. This inspection is done through the State Corrections and the penalties would be that our liability insurance would be higher.

Mr. Postorino will look into the lawn signs and also digital / radar signs to measure the speed of a vehicle.

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Law to close to the Police Director. All Councilmembers present in favor.

2. CONSTRUCTION REPORT

Monthly Report August 2018

The monthly report for August 2018 showed there were 12 permits issued, 2 certificates of occupancy, and 6 certificates of approvals with a total of \$4289.00 collected in fees for the month of August.

4. LAND USE BOARD

Land Use met in September with Mr. Oriolo for a concept of a Halloween Fest at the Gingerbread Castle with Councilmember Krasnomowitz stating Mr. Oriolo had a lot of work to do. He was unsure if Land Use was meeting in October.

COUNCILMEMBER OEHLER

1. RECREATION COMMISSION

Councilmember Oehler said Hamburg Day went well even though the weather was not the greatest. People did come out for the day, vendors were happy, kids were thrilled with the balloons, bubbles and bounce houses. The next event will be the Trunk or Treat on October 27 at 1 pm at the rec fields.

Councilmember Oehler said that the Littell Center will no longer hold dances there for the high school students as Drug Alliance would pay the DJ and they decided since the attendance at the dances was down, to no longer pay for the DJ. She asked Councilmember Sena if we could incorporate this in with Drug Alliance. He replied that he is working on programs with the school right now and will give a more detailed report under his committee report.

COUNCILMEMBER BURD

2. FIRE COMMISSIONER

Fire calls for the month of August totaled 7 (seven). David Compton from St. Clare’s was asked to submit a daytime report by the beginning of the month but he has not submitted one yet. No EMS report.

Councilmember Burd stated a code lock had been installed at the EMS building as St. Clare’s is utilizing the building during the day.

EMS Application – Elyse Palmer

Council is in receipt of an EMS application for Elyse Palmer as a driver. There were no issues with the background check.

Motion by Councilmember Burd, seconded by Councilmember Law to approve the EMS application

for Elyse Palmer as a driver.

Mayor clarified the applicant lives in Crystal Springs but qualifies as she lives within a 2 mile radius of Hamburg.

All Councilmembers present in favor.

COUNCILMEMBER LAW

2. EMS / OEM

Councilmember Law spoke to Mrs. Smalley at the school about the fall clean-up and possibly a spring one also; a date needs to be determined. He added the Boy Scouts will be participating in the Community Clean-up also and asked Councilmember Oehler if recreation could do something at the Y for the participants.

Councilmembers Law and Garrett are contacting St. Clare's EMS to find out what will be needed to keep batteries, heaters, etc. charged before winter comes and are working with Mr. Schneider on this.

COUNCILMEMBER GARRETT

1. BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Councilmember Garrett said the EMS building needs a good cleaning, especially the floor, now that St. Clare's is using the building on a daily basis, with all Councilmembers agreeing it was necessary. He will bring quotes in for next month.

Councilmember Garrett asked Councilmember Oehler if the hedges on Linwood were cleaned up and was answered yes, except for one section.

3. BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

BPW will meet on October 10th at 7 pm.

COUNCILMEMBER SENA

1. FINANCE / TAX DEPARTMENT

The Tax Collector's report for August 2018 showed a total of \$2,023,489.15 being collected.

Motion by Councilmember Sena, seconded by Councilmember Garrett to redeem third party tax sale certificate # 2018-016 in the amount of \$2583.47; to redeem third party tax sale certificate #2018-004 in the amount of \$222.14. All Councilmembers present in favor.

2. ROAD DEPARTMENT

Councilmember Sena said the salt supply for winter is at full capacity.

3. BOARD of HEALTH

Board of Health meeting on October 9th at 6:30 pm.

4. MUNICIPAL DRUG ALLIANCE

Councilmember Sena relayed the budget for Drug Alliance takes place a year in advance. For this year, the portion we received was \$1100.00, and he is working with Mr. Jinks at the school but the cost of the programs will exceed the amount received. At the moment he is looking at Straight Talk 5 – 8 grades; Teen Peer Leadership Training for Youth for middle and high school students.

Councilmember Sena added that they are short \$600.-700.00 to do the LEAD program. Mayor Marino added we could possibly use money from the Recreation budget.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Law to open the meeting to the public for any questions or comments they might have with regard to the good and welfare with the Borough. All Councilmembers present in favor.

Virginia Jones – Linwood Ave – informed the Council that travelers are using Linwood as a short cut to bypass the intersection and are speeding through very quickly; they are also going the wrong way – up Linwood to come out on Rt. 23. Ms. Jones inquired about putting up DO NOT ENTER signs on both sides of Linwood starting at School Street. Mr. Jones added that during rush hour – 4 -6 pm there is noticeable activity. Ms. Jones also commended the Road Dept. on being efficient and professional when she had to have a new water meter installed. Councilmember Garrett added that they may see an increase in their bill as the new meters are very accurate. Mr. Jones also said a good Zoning Officer is needed to keep up with our properties to keep the town looking good.

Mike Schneider – Road Dept. Foreman – informed Council members that Main Street will be shut down on Thursday, the 4th for line striping. For the signs, he will order them from Vernon and they conform to the State manual.

Sheila Frayko – BOE Liaison – relayed the school's thank you for posting their notices in the Borough newsletter.

Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to close to the public. All Councilmembers present in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION:

Attorney Clemack will offer the following resolution to enter into executive session later this evening.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hamburg find it necessary to enter into executive session for the reasons hereafter cited:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:14012(b) of the Open Public Meetings Act provided for matters of this nature to be discussed in closed session; and

WHEREAS, the minutes of the closed session be taken and made available to the Public upon conclusion of the matter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council advises the public that formal action may be taken later this evening on the matters discussed in closed session or on other matter.

No Executive Session

NEW BUSINESS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE (Parenthesis indicate correspondence already copied and the date it was copied to Council)

1. Resolution from Hardyston Township regarding Open Space lands in deed restricted areas. (9/10/2018)
2. From NJ Herald Space for sale in "Visions" Magazine (9/10/2018)
3. Correspondence from "Lavallette Technology Service LLC. (9/10/2018)
4. JCPL Notice public hearing for basic generation service charges (9/10/2018)
5. Water Quality Management Agenda (9/4/2018)
6. NJ DEP notice to Water Purveyor regarding changes to the NJ Safe Water Drinking Act (9/1/2018)
7. Notice of pending foreclosure 56 Burlington Court (9/14/2018)
8. Littell Center July 2018 report (9/19/2018)
9. Littell Center August 2018 report (9/19/2018)_
10. Sandyston Township request for support for resolution for Assembly Bill 2534 (9/19/2018)
11. From State of NJ suspected hazardous substance discharge notification Accurate Forming (9/21/2018)
12. Sussex Rural Electric Cooperative newsletter (9/24/2018)
13. Notice of pending foreclosure 55 Route State 23. (9/24/2018)
14. Letter from William Hinkes, Esq. regarding State v. Hamburg Post Associates LLP (9/28/18)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. All Councilmembers present in favor.

Date Approved 11/5/18

Date Released 11/5/18



Doreen Schott, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Submitted by Kathy Garrett