

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING (HELD BY WAY OF TELEPHONIC) OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG HELD ON OCTOBER 5, 2020 AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 16 WALLKILL AVE., HAMBURG, NJ

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Marino called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Marino requested a roll call:

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

Absent: Councilmember Burd

Also Present: Doreen Schott

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION:

Clerk will advise:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the public and the press January 10, 2020 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 9, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to approve the minutes of September 9, 2020.

Roll Call

Ayes:	Krasnomowitz, Oehler, Law, Garrett
Nays:	None
Abstain:	Sena
Absent:	Burd

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

As there are no additions or deletions to the bill list, motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to open the meeting to the public for the bill list only. All members present in favor

Hearing no comments from the public, motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to close the meeting to the public. All members present in favor.

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to pay the bills.

Roll Call

Ayes:	Krasnomowitz, Oehler, Law, Garrett, Sena
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Burd

ORDINANCES:

There are no ordinances

RESOLUTIONS:

2020-60 – Adjusted funding allocation for 2021 Municipal Drug Alliance

Mayor Marino advises this is a revised strategic plan for the Wallkill Valley Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2021. Grant amount is \$4,017.00, the In-Kind is \$3014.00. The cash match for Hamburg Borough is \$1,004.00

Motion by Councilmember Sena, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to accept resolution #2020-60. All members present in favor.

ATTORNEY HOUR

Collective Bargaining – Teamsters Union

Attorney advises that members were sent a copy of the final draft copy of the agreement between the Borough of Hamburg and L.B.T.C.W.H.A. Local 125. Upon review and at the direction of the members the attorney responded back to the union with two areas they would like to see amended. Page 17 Article 15 Emergency Response – Adding a stand by clause that would include any emergency in the borough could supersede employees going out on emergency response calls, this would be at the discretion of the supervisor and/or public safety officer.

Page 19, Article 16 Grievance Procedure / Arbitration -

With regards to Page 19, Article 16 Step 2 (B) and Step 3 (A). Contract uses the term “Road Committee Chairperson”, members would like the wording be changed to “Road Department Liaison”.

Attorney advises that there has been no response from the DPW with regard to the above changes. Mayor and Council discuss the start date of the contract. The contract reads from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022. Council discusses. Mayor questions whether it should not begin on date of signing as this is not a contract already in place but a new contract. If doing so the contract would be extended to January 1, 2023. Attorney Clemack advises that this would have to be brought back to the union for discussion. Upon discussion, members agree that they are not in disagreement, but would not want it if it would delay the contract any further.

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Garrett to approve the contract as presented with the 2 previous amendments discussed with no changes to the time frame of the contract.

Roll Call

Ayes: Krasnomowitz, Oehler, Law, Garrett, Sena
 Nays: None
 Abstain: None
 Absent: Burd

MAYOR’S AGENDA:

1. Notice of Retirement – Police Administrator Assistant Jane Fahrenfeld effective March 1, 2021

Mayor Marino advises that he has received a letter of resignation from Jane Fahrenfeld.

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Law to accept the resignation from Jane Fahrenfeld, Police Administrator Assistant with regret.

All members present in favor.

2. 2020 Best Practice

Mayor Marino advises that all members have received a copy of the Best Practice 2020 for their review and/or comments. This year the Borough has attained a score of 19 which is above the required amount of 16 to retain funding.

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Law to accept the 2020 Best Practice as presented. All members present in favor.

3. Covid Update

Mayor advises that we will not be changing anything for the rest of the year. Meetings will be held by way of telephonic. There will be no recreation events though January. Other boards if necessary, would hold meeting by telephonic. With regards to Halloween, the borough will be taking no separate action and will follow the guidelines set forth by the governor. Trick or treating will be up to the parents. The town will not be holding its annual Trunk or Treat

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COUNCILMEMBER KRASNOMOWITZ

- **Loss Control Service visit – 9/22/2020**

Councilmember Krasnomowitz discusses the Loss Control Service Visit letter dated September 23, 2020 from Statewide's Edge. At the visit review of workman compensation cases were discussed. It is noted that attention was given to safety as reflected the safety record. With regards to cyber security we are also in compliance. Overall visit was positive and any previous issue was dealt with and now in full compliance

COUNCILMEMBER OEHLER

COUNCILMEMBER BURD

COUNCILMEMBER LAW

- **Announcement of new Morris/Sussex Municipal Manager**

Councilmember Law discusses the letter dated September 28, 2020 from NJ Courts, Tricia Nikiel, Morris / Sussex Vicinage Municipal division Manager advising the announcement of new Morris/Sussex Municipal division Manager Rebecca Muller. Councilmember advise that in speaking with members of the court this will be a very smooth transition.

- **Recycling Budget**

Councilmember advises that New Jersey did pass the budget which will reduce the recycling / clean communities funding by 50%. This will be a massive hurt to municipalities and we will need to see where we can cut costs in our budget. Mayor Marino references Correspondent #9; resolution from Hardyston Township opposing reallocation from the state recycling fund. and advises he would like to see Hamburg support same.

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz for Hamburg to support resolution opposing the reallocation from the state recycling fund. All members present in favor.

COUNCILMEMBER GARRETT

- **Well House Demolition**

Councilmember advises that he will not be looking into the Well House Demolition this year due to budget concerns but will revisit next spring.

With regards to meter installation, the State BPU will be holding a meeting on October 15, 2020.

We will wait to see what guidelines they have or if any existing ones have changed. The Mayor and OEM coordinator will advise as to what direction we will go in after that meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER SENA

Motion by Councilmember Sena, seconded by Councilmember Garrett to approve Resolution for

refund for tax overpayment for Block 29, Lot 5.01 in the amount of \$1607.69. All members present in-favor.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed below are considered to be routine in nature. There will be no separate discussion of the items, if any discussion is desired, that particular item will be removed from the consent agenda.

- Zoning Reports –
- Construction Reports –
- Police Report – September 2020
- EMS Report –
- Tax Collector Report – September 2020
- Treasurer’s Report –

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Sena to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. All members present in favor.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to open the meeting to the public for any questions, comments they may have. All members present in favor.

Ms. Kimberly Sigman – Hamburg School Superintendent asks whether the correspondence she sent in was given to all members. Mayor advises that yes, all councilmembers were given a copy. He further advises that they both had a discussion and worked out some issues. Ms. Sigman agrees that all want an open line of communication.

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Garrett to close the meeting to the public. All members 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:

1. None

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.

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

1. JCPL – Public Hearing for basic generation service (9/11/2020)
2. From Andover Township resolution to provide for separate taxation to municipalities that
3. that utilize dispatch services (9/11/2020)
4. From Sandyston Township resolution urging Governor Murphy to reopen businesses.

5. From Sandyston Township resolution opposing the exclusive use of mail in ballots for the General Election (9/11/2020)
6. From Franklin Borough resolution regarding November General Election (9/11/2020)
7. From Byram Township resolution request the return of In-Person voting process (9/18/2020)
8. From the Borough of Sussex opposing the exclusive use of mail – in ballots for the November General Election (9/18/2020)
9. From the State of NJ – Fiscal Year DOT 2021 Local Freight Impact Fund (9/18/2020)
10. From Hardyston Township resolution opposing reallocation from the state recycling fund. (9/25/2020)
11. From the State of NJ – No further action letter, block 35, Lot 2 (9/25/2020)
12. Rules and Regulations regarding standards for Remote Public Meetings (9/28/2020)
13. From Borough of Beach Haven resolution supporting High Speed Internet Accessibility (9/26/2020)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Law to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 7:35 All members present in favor.



Doreen Schott, RMC
Municipal Clerk

11/2/2020
Date Released