

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG HELD (BY WAY OF TELEPHONIC) ON APRIL 5, 2021 AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 16 WALLKILL AVE., HAMBURG, NJ

CALL TO ORDER:

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

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Marino shall request a roll call:

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

Absent: Councilmember Sena

Also: Present: Doreen Schott
Attorney Clemack

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION:

Clerk advised:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the public and the press January 10, 2021 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".

March 1, 2021 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to approve the March 1, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Mayor and Council

Roll Call

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

March 15, 2021 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to approve the March 15, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Mayor and Council.

Roll Call

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

As there are no additions or deletions to the bill list, motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded

by Councilmember Burd to open the meeting to the public regarding the bill list. All present in favor. Hearing no comments from the public, motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to close the meeting to the public. All present in favor. Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to approve the bill list for payment.

Roll Call

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

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE #06-2021 Second Reading

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REGARDING STORMWATER CONTROL

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to have the attorney read the ordinance by title. All members present in favor

Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to open the meeting to the public for questions or comments they may have with regards to the ordinance prior to adoption.

All members present in favor. The ordinance was introduced March 1, 2021 and published as provided by law.

PUBLIC HEARING

Hearing no comment from the public, motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to close to the public. All present in favor. Motion by councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to adopt.

Roll Call

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

RESOLUTIONS:

2021-36 - Month of April 2021 – Child Abuse Prevention Month

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Burd to accept Resolution 2021-36. All members present in favor

2021-37 – Governors Council on alcoholism and Drug Abuse FY 2022 Grant

Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to accept Resolution 2021-37. All members present in favor.

BUDGET ADOPTION

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to open the meeting to Ms. Man Lee, Auditor and CFO Christine Licata. All present in favor

Ms. Lee advises that the budget was introduced last month. No changes have been presented.

Mayor advises that increase to budget was not due to the hiring of police officers, most was due to the yearly increase in pension and benefits. Yearly increases are necessary to keep up with increased costs. The auditor re-confirmed that for a home assessed at \$154,000 the tax increase will be \$3.77 per month and that is due to pension, benefits and contractual obligations. Mayor advises that they are responsible for being fiscally responsible to the tax payers.

Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to open the meeting to the public. All members present in favor.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Councilmember’s of the Borough of Hamburg, County of Sussex that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriation, and authorization of the amount of \$3,478,768.36

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to adopt.

Roll Call

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

ATTORNEY HOUR:

ENGINEERING:

Mayor advises that we will be submitting to FEMA costs associated with the Limekiln Generator repairs

Councilmember Garrett spoke with engineer and the Nano grant deadline had been met and will move ahead with the Storage Tank repairs.

MAYOR’S AGENDA

-Covid 19 update- We have been following all guidelines for the past year. We are actively working on getting reimbursement costs from FEMA for certain items associated with COVID expenditures.

-Meetings will be able to be attended by more board members if the member feels safe. All protocols will be kept in place with regards to meetings.

-Mulberry Street has an adjoining paper road. Paper roads do not have private access. Resident at 55 Mulberry is requesting that the paper road be repaired due to deterioration. We will continue to work with the resident to find a solution.

CONSENT AGENDA:

ALL MATTERS LISTED BELOW ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE IN NATURE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION, THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF ANY DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT PARTICULAR ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

Zoning Report – February 2021

Construction Report – February 2021

Police Report – February and March 2021

EMS Report – February 2021

Tax Collector Report – February 2021

Treasurer Report – February 2021

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COUNCILMEMBER KRASNOMOWITZ:

- Damage to the electronic sign has been filed with insurance, partial payment has been received, work will begin on replacement.
- Land Use Board Meeting will be held next Monday, April 12th

COUNCILMEMBER OEHLER

- Resignation Emily Banta -Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to accept the resignation with regret. Ms. Banta is presently on both Land Use and --
- Historic and cannot hold a seat on a third board.
- Eagle Scout Elijah McLean will be building a remembrance area by the Hamburg Park in honor of all Covid 19 victims. Recreation will authorize the donation in the amount allowed by cap.
- Hamburg Family Golf Day is scheduled for May 30, 2021 at Black Bear Golf Club – Leadbetter Golf Academy. There is an 80-person max and Hamburg residents are free.
- There will not be Hamburg Day this year, possibly planning a family picnic day to include ice cream social, picnic lunch. Tentative date is Sunday, August 15th. All Covid regulations would be followed.
- Hamburg Park is open

COUNCILMEMBER BURD

- Hamburg School is operating on half day schedule till noon. There have been several outbreaks which caused the school to close.
- Budget meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2021
- Hamburg Fire Calls – 18 this month

COUNCILMEMBER LAW

- Follow up on Recycling is discussed, Councilmember Law will follow up with attorney for bid specs once we hear back from Hardyston Township.
- Councilmember Law questions when we will begin looking into a replacement for the DPW Supervisor position. Ad is being placed in the paper, NJLM website and Borough website.

COUNCILMEMBER GARRETT

- Landscaping Proposal – Farmside Landscaping presented proposal for 2021 Landscaping services; two other vendors were non responsive. Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to approve the proposal from Farmside Landscaping for the 2021 year. All members present in favor.
- Recommendation from BPW for 40 EDUs for 98 Route 23 North Project – This project will be asset to the town. Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to approve the 40 EDUs for 98 Route 23 North. All members present in favor.
- BPW update – Meter installation has begun, 3 meters per day are being installed.
- Hot Water / Storage Tank – Fire Department and Borough Hall – Quotes were received to repair the hot water tank. Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Burd to authorize Joe’s Heating and Cooling for repair of hot water tank. All members present in favor.

COUNCILMEMBER SENA- given by Mayor Marino

- Resolution T03-2021 to redeem third party tax sale certificates 1028-018 in the amount \$82,901.28. Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by Councilmember Krasnomowitz to approve resolution T03-2021. All members present in favor.
- Interlocal Street Sweeping Agreement – Received quotes for Street Sweeping from Hardyston Township and TSS Facility Service Inc. Motion by Councilmember Garrett, seconded by

Councilmember Oehler to authorize Hardyston Township to continue street sweeping service for 2021. All members present in favor.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to open the meeting to the public at 7:40 pm for any questions / comments they may have. All members present in favor.

-Ms. Vinnie Davis, 55 Mulberry Street addresses the members regarding the road access to her property. Road is in need of repair. Mayor discussed what was discussed earlier, this is a paper road which the town does not maintain for public use. Ms. Davis advises the home was built in 1956 and that there must be some variance in place. Mayor advises that the town officials will meet with her but that they cannot pave an existing paper road. Liability of doing so is another factor. Ms. Davis appreciates the situation but hopes some resolution can be found.

-Mr. Michael Schneider questions his vacation time regarding his retirement

-Mr. Elijah McLean thanks the Mayor and Council for their donation towards his Eagle Scout Project, he will draw a conceptual plan and work with Councilmember Garrett.

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Burd 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.

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.

There was no Executive Session

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

1. NJLM 27th Annual Scholarship Competition (3/3/2021)
2. From Sussex County notice of 7-Eleven approved application and plan (3/3/2021)
3. Sussex County Open Space – January (3/10/2021)
4. From State of NJ BPW monitoring updates (4/5/2020)
5. From State of NJ withdraw of application Bl 16, Lot 11 (4/5/2021)
6. From SC Health January 2021 activity (4/5/2021)
7. 2021 Tax Equalization table (3/11/2021)

- 8. Sussex County Planning Board Minutes January 2021 (3/17/2021)
- 9. From Franklin Borough amending ordinance Land Development (3/17/2021)
- 10. Notice of Tax appeal Berger v Hamburg (3/18/2021)
- 11. From State NJ -Underground storage tank removal (3/17/2021)
- 12. Board of Health Activity Sheet 2/1/2021 – 2/28/2021 (3/24/2021)
- 13. From Sussex County information regarding Mosquito Control (3/26/2021)
- 14. Bicycle Event – July 29, 2021 (Bike4Chai) information (3/26/2021)
- 15. Accurate Forming Remedial Action- Groundwater Form (3/31/2021)
- 16. Notice of Tax Appeal GB Castle Road (3/31/2021)
- 17. Notice of Tax Appeal Wild Turkey (3/31/2021)
- 18. SC Solid Waste Advisory Minutes February 2021(3/31/2021)

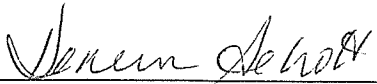
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Krasnomowitz, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to adjourn the meeting. All members present in favor.

Meeting adjourned 7:55 pm

Date Approved 5/3/2021

Date Released 5/3/2021



 Doreen Schott
 Municipal Clerk