

3/11/2014 10:00 AM

MEETING AGENDA OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF HIGH BRIDGE BOROUGH

MEETING DATE: March 13, 2014 MEETING TIME: 7:30PM

MEETING PLACE: High Bridge Firehouse, 7 Maryland Ave.

Actual meeting may contain discussion of items not mentioned on the agenda and alternatively any items specifically listed may be omitted.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor calls meeting to order and makes the following statement: "Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of 2014 Meeting Dates was published in the Hunterdon County Democrat on January 9, 2014 and posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall. Action may be taken."
2. **FLAG SALUTE:** Led by Mayor or presiding officer.
3. **ROLL CALL:**
4. **VISITORS:**
 - "Friend of High Bridge Award"
 - "Citizen of the Year"
 - "Ambassador of the Year"
 - "Volunteer of Year"-Individual
 - "Longevity Award"
5. **MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:**

Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2014.
Motion to approve: ____ Second: ____ Roll Call Vote: _____
6. **MOTION TO APPROVE OR CORRECT PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:**

Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2014.
Motion to approve: ____ Second: ____ Roll Call Vote: _____
7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** It is the policy of the Borough Council that all public comments on an issue shall be limited to five (5) minutes per person and no person may make more than one (1) comment per subject. Comments may be made on any subject pertaining to Borough issues. Comments pertaining to Public Hearings should be saved for that section of the agenda. No debating between residents. Comments should be addressed to Mayor and Council.
8. **COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT: Reports/Goals on February 27, 2014**
 - a. Councilman Flynn: **PLANNING & ENGINEERING**
 - b. Councilwoman Hughes: **PUBLIC HEALTH, ENVIRONMENTAL, SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING & OPEN SPACE**
 - c. Councilwoman Scarcia: **INFORMATION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CULTURAL & HERITAGE & EVENTS**
 - d. Councilwoman Miller: **EMERGENCY SERVICES, EDUCATION & MUNICIPAL COURT**
 - e. Councilman Rapp: **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & RECREATION**
 - f. Councilman Stemple: **FINANCE & GOLF**
 - g. John Gregory: **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
 - h. Mayor Mark Desire: **EXECUTIVE SERVICES**
9. **PUBLIC HEARING: 2nd reading. None at this time.**
10. **CONSENT AGENDA:** All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- a. **RESOLUTION #78-2014:** Authorizing Redemption of Tax Lien.
- b. **RESOLUTION #79-2014:** Award Contract for Removal of Underground Tanks.
- c. **RESOLUTION #80-2014:** Award Contract for Cregar Road Phase 3 & 4 to Top Line Construction for \$778,960.73.
- d. **RESOLUTION #81-2014:** Approve Plenary Special Permit for Fire Department, Annual Golf Outing on June 16, 2014 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM at High Bridge Hill Golf Club, 203 Cregar Rd.
- e. **RESOLUTION #82-2014:** Approve the Re-Opening of Solitude House, Associated Building and Grounds.
- f. **RESOLUTION #83-2014:** Approve Environmental Commission Sponsorship of Annual Electronics Recycling Event to be held on April 26, 2014 from 8:30AM to 12:30PM at Union Forge Park.
- g. **RESOLUTION #84-2014:** Approve Environmental Commission Sponsorship of Shredding and Rigid Plastics Event to be held on June 28, 2014 from 9:00AM to 11:00AM.
- h. **RESOLUTION #85-2014:** Support the Submission of a Strategic Plan for Voorhees Municipal Alliance.
- i. **RESOLUTION #86-2012:** Approve Calling on the Legislature to Make Permanent the 2% Cap on Interest Arbitration Awards.
- j. **RESOLUTION #87-2014:** Authorize going out to bid for Field Maintenance.
- k. **RESOLUTION #88-2014:** Approve that the Law Has Been Met So the Budget May be Read by Title.
- l. **RESOLUTION #89-2014:** Re-appoint Diane L, Seals, Municipal Clerk and Registrar of Vital Statistics.
- m. **RESOLUTION #90-2014:** Approve the Release of Executive Session Minutes from December 16, 2010 through January 23, 2014.

Motion to adopt Resolutions #78 thru #90: ___ Second: ___ Roll Call Vote: _____

11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Letter from Tara Shepherd of “Hart” thanking the DPW for the great work done to keep the roads clear.
- b. Utilities Report for month of February, 2014.
- c. Ordinance from Township of Lebanon “Amending Chapter 400, Zoning.”

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. **RESOLUTION #66-2014:** 2014 BUDGET Public Hearing.,
 Mayor Desire asks for a motion to open the Public Hearing on the 2014 BUDGET.
 Motion to open: ___ Second: ___ Roll Call Vote: _____
 Questions and Comments
 Mayor Desire asks for a motion to close the Public Hearing.
 Motion to close: ___ Second: ___ Roll Call Vote: _____
 Mayor Desire asks for a motion to adopt the 2014 Budget.
 Motion to adopt: ___ Second: ___ Roll Call Vote: _____

13. NEW ORDINANCES:

**ORDINANCE #2014-7
 ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$11,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL
 IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF A CLAMSHELL
 BUCKET IN THE BOROUGH OF HIGH BRIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF
 HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY.**

Mayor Desire asks for a motion to introduce Ordinance #2014-7.
 Motion to introduce: ___ Second: ___ Roll Call Vote: _____
 Mayor Desire states that Ordinance #2014-7 shall be published in its entirety in the Hunterdon County Democrat along with the Public Hearing date of March 27, 2014.

**ORDINANCE #2014-8
 “REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES BOROUGH OF HIGH BRIDGE”, TO BE ENTITLED “
 “NUISANCES, PUBLIC HEALTH” UTILIZING NEW CHAPTER 276, TO BE ENTITLED “MAINTENANCE
 OF VACANT / ABANDONED PROPERTIES”**

Mayor Desire asks for a motion to introduce Ordinance #2014-8.
 Motion to introduce: ___ Second: ___ Roll Call: _____
 Mayor Desire states that Ordinance #2014-8 shall be published in its entirety in the Hunterdon County Democrat along with the Public Hearing date of March 27, 2014.

ORDINANCE #2014-9
“REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES BOROUGH OF HIGH BRIDGE”, TO BE ENTITLED “CHAPTER 265, DISORDERLY TENANT ORDINANCE”

Mayor Desire asks for a motion to introduce Ordinance #2014-9.

Motion to introduce:____ Second:____ Roll Call Vote:_____

Mayor Desire states that Ordinance #2014-9 shall be published in its entirety in the Hunterdon County Democrat along with the Public Hearing date of March 27, 2014.

ORDINANCE #2014-10
REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGH BRIDGE ESTABLISHING AND ADOPTING THE ABANDONED PROPERTY REHABILITATION ACT, N.J.S.A. 55:19-78 ET SEQ, CHAPTER 277.

Mayor Desire asks for a motion to introduce Ordinance #2014-10.

Motion to introduce:____ Second:____ Roll Call Vote:_____

Mayor Desire states that Ordinance #2014-10 shall be published by synopsis in the Hunterdon County Democrat along with the Public Hearing date of March 27, 2014

14. NEW BUSINESS: None at this time.

15. PUBLIC COMMENTS: It is the policy of the Borough Council that all public comments on an issue shall be limited to one minute (1) per person and no person may make more than one (1) comment per subject. Comments may be made on any subject pertaining to Borough issues. No debating between residents. Comments should be addressed to Mayor and Council.

16. LEGAL ISSUES:

17. BILL LIST: Approval of Bills as signed and listed on the Bill Payment List.

Total Amount: _____

Motion to approve:____ Second:____ Roll Call Vote:_____

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION: RESOLUTION #-2014: Litigation, Town of Clinton Sewer update.

Motion to adopt :____ Second: _____ Roll Call Vote: _____

Motion to return to Open Session: _____ Second :____ Roll Call Vote:_____

19. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Desire or presiding officer asks if there is any further business. If none, motion to adjourn:____ Second:____ Vote:_____

Next Council Meeting- March 27, 2014, 7:30PM, Fire House, 7 Maryland Ave., High Bridge, NJ.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS: (space for members of council and clerk to take notes on each item)
