

**MAYOR & COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGH BRIDGE, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

Date: April 14, 2016: 7:30 PM 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 2016 Meeting Dates was published in the Hunterdon County Democrat and Express Times on December 24, 2015, and posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall. Action may be taken.

2. FLAG SALUTE: LED BY MAYOR OR PRESIDING OFFICER.

3. APPOINT NEW COUNCIL MEMBER

A. Kier LoIacono, Brent Dugan or George Columbus

4. ROLL CALL: P=PRESENT; A=ABSENT

Governing Body Member	P or A	Time Arrived if Late
Councilwoman Shipps		
Councilman Stemple		
Councilman Strange		
Councilman Zappa		
Vacant		
Council President Hughes		
Mayor Desire		

5. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: - REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 31, 2016

Mayor asks if there are any corrections to the prior meeting minutes. Mayor asks for a motion to dispense with the reading of the prior meeting(s) minutes and to approve minutes (*or corrected minutes*)

Motion to Dispense w/Reading of Minutes					Second					
Roll Call Vote					Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent					
Hughes				Shipps		Stemple		Strange		Zappa
Motion to Approve (corrected)Minutes					Second					
Roll Call Vote					Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent					
Hughes				Shipps		Stemple		Strange		Zappa

6. VISITORS:

A. Nate Schwartz Resolution 86-2016

Purpose	Appoint Assistant Admin for the Day.									
Motion to Introduce Amendment					Second					
Roll Call Vote					Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent					
Hughes				Shipps		Stemple		Strange		Zappa

7. PROCLAMATIONS

A. P8-2016 NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS: 5 MINUTES PER PERSON

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 at the public microphone

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9. PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

A. NONE

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A.** Sale of Borough owned Property, Block 4.02, Lot 9, Church St.; Block 4.06, Lot 8, Taylor St.; Block 7, Lot 19 McDonald St.; Block 22, Lot 7, Beavers St.
Requesting authorization to send letters of interest to neighboring property owners for private sale in accordance with Local Land and Buildings Law NJSA 40A:12-13(b)[5] and issue ordinance for said sale.
Resolution 115-2016

<i>Purpose</i>	<i>To seek interest via private sale undersized municipal property to neighboring property owners</i>											
Motion to Introduce Amendment								Second				
Roll Call Vote	Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent											
Hughes					Shipps			Stemple		Strange		Zappa

- B.** To seek permission from the NJ Highlands Council to break up and rezone Block 19 Lot 32, 3.11 acres with one, 1 acre lot deeded open space to protect the riparian rights and the forestry, and 2 lots rezoned R-4 but deed restricted to single family houses.
Resolution 116-2016

<i>Purpose</i>	<i>To seek Guidance from the Highlands regarding subdivision and sale of Block 19 Lot 32</i>											
Motion to Introduce Amendment								Second				
Roll Call Vote	Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent											
Hughes					Shipps			Stemple		Strange		Zappa

11. NEW BUSINESS: NONE

12. NEW ORDINANCES – IF ANY,

A. NONE

13. 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.

RESOLUTION #	TITLE	PURPOSE
117-2016	Approve Solicitors Permit	
118-2016	Authorize Tax Appeal Counter Claim	Property in Tax Appeal under assessed
119-2016	Cancel Capital Balances	Cancel Appropriation for Ambulance Equipment
120-2016	Authorize Sale of Surplus Property	Auction of Surplus vehicle/equipment

Motion to Approve 2016 Resolutions 117 – 120:							Second:					
Roll Call Vote	Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent											
Hughes					Shipps			Stemple		Strange		Zappa

14. COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT: NEXT REPORT APRIL 28, 2016

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15. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Detour approval for Cregar Rd

16. PUBLIC COMMENTS: 1 MINUTE PER PERSON

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17. LEGAL ISSUES:

A. NONE

18. BILL LIST:

Approval of Bills as signed and listed on the Bill Payment List.

Total Amount: \$ _____

Motion to Approve:		Second:	
Roll Call Vote		Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent	
Hughes		Shippis	Stemple Strange Zappa

19. EXECUTIVE SESSION: EXECUTIVE SESSION IF NEEDED OR MOVE TO ADJOURN.

RESOLUTION # 4E-2016 Discussion Affordable Housing Litigation and funding request, Steve Firkser attending

Motion to Move into Executive Session:		Second:	
Roll Call Vote		Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent	
Hughes		Shippis	Stemple Strange Zappa

Motion to Return to Open Session:		Second:	
Roll Call Vote		Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent	
Hughes		Shippis	Stemple Strange Zappa

A. Approve Resolution 121-2016

Purpose	<i>To provide additional funding for Econsult representation</i>		
Motion to Introduce Amendment		Second	
Roll Call Vote		Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent	
Hughes		Shippis	Stemple Strange Zappa

20. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Desire or presiding officer asks if there is any further business.

Motion to Adjourn:		Second:	
Roll Call Vote		Y=Yes; N=No; A=Abstain or Absent	
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21. LOOKING FORWARD – APRIL 28, 2016 MEETING

A. Budget Public Hearing moved due to amendment

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