

BOROUGH OF HIGH BRIDGE – COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Date: October 26, 2017 – 7:30 p.m. – Location: 7 Maryland Ave., High Bridge, NJ 08829

Please note: This meeting may contain discussion of items not mentioned on the agenda and, alternatively, any items specifically listed may be omitted.

CALL TO ORDER:

Presiding Officer calls meeting to order and states: “Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of 2017 regular meeting dates were published in the Hunterdon County Democrat and Express Times on December 16, 2016, and posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall. Action may now be taken.”

FLAG SALUTE: LED BY MAYOR OR PRESIDING OFFICER

ROLL CALL:

Councilman LoIacono _____ Councilman Strange _____ Mayor Desire _____
Councilwoman Shipps _____ Councilwoman Hughes _____
Councilman Stemple _____ Council Pres. Zappa _____

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MINUTES – OCTOBER 7TH, 12TH, AND 17TH

Mayor asks if any corrections are necessary or for a motion to dispense with the reading of the prior meeting(s) minutes.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the October 7th, 12th, & 17th, 2017 minutes: _____ ; Second: _____ ;
Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

Motion to approve the October 7th, 12th, & 17th, 2017 minutes: _____ ; Second: _____ ;
Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

VISITORS / PROCLAMATIONS:

- A. Proclamation - Colleen Hann and Girl Scout Troop #80330 presenting their Bronze Award project
- B. Foundry Festival volunteer certificate presentation
- C. New Jersey Office of Historic Preservation – Andrea Tingey

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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Ordinance 2017-24: Appropriating \$8,000 from the capital improvement fund for a 36” steel snow plow

Motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance 2017-24: _____ ; Second, _____ ;
Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

Motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance 2017-24: _____ ; Second, _____ ;
Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-24: _____ ; Second, _____ ;
Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

A. **Ordinance 2017-25:** Appropriating \$10,000 from the capital improvement fund for drainage system improvements to the golf course parking lot

Motion to open the public hearing for **Ordinance 2017-25:** _____ ; Second, _____ ;
 Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

Motion to close the public hearing for **Ordinance 2017-25:** _____ ; Second, _____ ;
 Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

Motion to adopt **Ordinance 2017-25:** _____ ; Second, _____ ;
 Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A.** Sale of old Borough Hall – 71 Main St.
- B.** Parking concerns

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

A. **Ordinance 2017-26:** Ordinance setting construction fees

Motion to introduce **Ordinance 2017-26:** _____ ; Second: _____ ;
 Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

The presiding officer states that the **Ordinance 2017-26** shall be published in whole or summary in the Express Times and/or the Hunterdon County Democrat along with the public hearing date of November 16, 2017.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: END OF MONTH

Mayor, member, or official	Department
Councilman Zappa	Planning , Engineering, Department of Public Works
Councilwoman Hughes	Public Health, Environmental, Solid Waste / Recycling, & Open Space
Councilman LoIacono	Golf, Recreation
Councilman Strange	Emergency Services, Municipal Court, Cultural and Heritage
Councilwoman Shipps	Special Events, Economic Development, Newsletter, Website
Councilman Stemple	Finance, Utilities, & Education
Michael Pappas	Administrator
Mayor Mark Desire	Executive Services

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
Resolution 230 – 2017	Authorize RFP for professional services
Resolution 231 – 2017	Escrow Refund - JSS
Resolution 232 – 2017	Lien Redemption
Resolution 233 – 2017	Approval to submit grant application – Local Freight Impact Fund

Motion to approve the consent agenda items (add “as amended” if needed): _____ ; Second: _____ ;
 Roll call vote: LoIacono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

A. End of month Tax and Finance reports

PUBLIC COMMENTS: 3 MINUTES PER PERSON

It is the policy of the Borough Council that all public comments on an issue shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person. No debating between residents. Comments should be addressed to Mayor and Council at the public microphone.

LEGAL ISSUES:

BILL LIST:

Approval of Bills as signed and listed on the Bill Payment List. **Total Amount: \$ _____**

Motion to approve bill list: _____ ; Second: _____ ;

Roll call vote: Lolocono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

EXECUTIVE SESSION: PBA CONTRACT, LEGAL ADVICE FOR FAIR SHARE HOUSING AND LEGAL ADVICE FOR TOWN OF CLINTON ARBITRATION

Resolution 234-2017 - Motion to move into executive session: _____ ; Second, _____ ;

Roll call vote: Lolocono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

Action may now be taken.

Motion to move into open session: _____ ; Second, _____ ;

Roll call vote: Lolocono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

ADJOURNMENT: PRESIDING OFFICER ASKS IF THERE IS ANY FURTHER BUSINESS.

Motion to adjourn: _____ ; Second: _____ ;

Roll call vote: Lolocono, ___ ; Shipps, ___ ; Stemple, ___ ; Strange, ___ ; Hughes, ___ ; Zappa, ___ ;

Next Regular Council Meeting: November 16, 2017 - 7:30 pm – 97 West Main Street, High Bridge NJ