

**REGULAR MEETING
Mayor and Council
Borough of Harrington Park, New Jersey
August 17, 2020**

**NOTICE
BOROUGH OF HARRINGTON PARK
NEW JERSEY**

Under the provision of the Open Public Meetings Law, you are hereby notified, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, will hold their Regular Meeting scheduled for **Time: Aug 17, 2020 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

Join Zoom Meeting

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(PAH) Call Meeting to Order 7:10pm

Mayor's Announcement:

In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the meeting was made. It is included in the Annual Meetings posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been emailed to the BERGEN RECORD, SUBURBANITE and THE NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been provided to individuals requesting the same.

(ALB) Roll Call:

	PRESENT	ABSENT
NAPOLITANO(AN)	x	
EVANELLA (GE)	x	
WALKER (DW)	x	
BROCKMAN (JB)	x	
PEDERSEN (JP)	x	
CHUNG (JC)	x	

Also Present:

**Ann H. Bistriz, Borough Clerk (ALB)
Kunjesh Trivedi, CFO Tax Collector (KJT)
John R. Dineen, Borough Attorney (JRD)**

(PAH) Consent Agenda-Resolutions-

All matters listed under this section are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion as listed below. There will not be separate discussion of these items. Should discussion be desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately under New or Old Business on the Agenda.

Consent Approval:

- (A) Award of Contract-NJDOT 2020 Paving-Laroche Avenue -2020-106
- (B) Refund Tax Overpayment of Taxes on Block 414 Lot 9- 2020-107
- (C) Payment of Claims 2020-108
- (D) Bergen County Health Services CY2021 -2020-109

Motion JP

Second GE

No Discussion

Roll Call Vote-AIF

Individual Committee Reports

(PAH) Mayor Hoelscher

(AN) Planning Bd., Bd. of Adjustment, Construction, Fire, Ambulance

July Volunteer Fire Department:

13 calls, 2 drills, 2 inspections, 1 business meeting and 1 officers meeting

July Volunteer Ambulance Corps:

17 calls, 5 Assists, 2 with Fire Department. 11 calls in town. Assisted Alpine, Closter and Northvale.

No report received from Building Department but will forward if received.

(GE) Police, Municipal Court, Personnel

462 calls, 128 traffic enforcements. 3 summonses, 4 moving violations (YTD 139)

Chief has returned from vacation and has met with Sgt. Kiely and Officer Flyge to commence stepping up the traffic enforcements by following the guidelines that other locations are using. However, a proactive stance shall be taken as everything begins to return to normal.

4 accidents, no DUI. Only 1 DUI YTD

3606 miles driven YTD-22,461

\$15,200 left in OT Budget some of which addresses coverage for paving projects and department injuries.

No pending IAs.

(DW) DPW, Building & Grounds, Sanitation/Recycling

5 applications received for DPW employee position. Interview are starting this week.

Applicants have a wide range of skills that could be beneficial.

(JB) Board of Health, Environmental Commission

EC is in discussion with Allegro to landscape the jug handle on Bogerts Mill Road. Peter Ardito is working with Joe Miklavich from Allegro and a local consultant.

Orange and Rockland will be sharing some of the costs, along with Suez to replant the area along Schraalenburgh and Closter Road. Cleatus Farm has provided an estimate for \$4200. Hoping the project will take place in the Fall.

SWAN is working with EC to plant native friendly specimens scheduled for Spring 2021. Shred Truck September 12 at the Borough Hall.

2020 Honey harvest is on its way for sale at the upcoming Farmers Market.

Inquiries and consideration should be made by Council for an Adopt-a-Block program along the county roads to minimize the litter and trash

(JP) Finance, Admin. & Exec., Grants

Jesse Baragato has been in discussion with Finance Committee for purchase of necessary equipment.

New vehicles for all departments are on the table for consideration for 2021 (Fire, Building and Police)

(JC) Recreation Commission, Liaison to Board of Education, Public Information

Thank you for DPW for clearing up Highland Field for Kindergarten Round-Up (Junior Woman's Club)

Pavilion will be completed in October/November

NVRHS will start classes virtually or hybrid September 2, 2020. HP School will start with flexible program on September 14, 2020.

George Street Park had a light pole by the pond fall during the recent storm. It was installed by residents, but the Borough pays for the electric. JC will discuss plans for replacement with Mr. Nappi and KJT.

(ALB) Borough Clerk/Administrator

Delinquent Dog Licenses-10 left will be personally called as a reminder

Patricia Migliore is the new sales manager of Allegro-ALB has known her for a very long time. She is very experienced in the area of senior living and should be a great asset for Allegro as well as for our community.

(KJT) CFO/Tax Collector

Auditors will be done within in the next few days.

Old Business

(ALB) Girl Scout Silver Award-Little Libraries

Council requested additional information about locations and caretaking of reading materials.

(ALB) Girl Scout Gold Award-Peace Garden at Don Horsey Park

Motion

The Girl Scouts in conjunction with the cooperation and consent of the Harrington Park Mayor and Council, in conjunction with the Environmental Commission and Harrington Park Beautification Committee have a duty and responsibility to keep our community in compliance with DPW and the Environmental Commission.

Motion DW

**Second JC
Vote AIF**

(AN/JRD) Cork and Crust Request to Expand Outdoor Dining to Semmens Road

While the Borough understands and is sympathetic to a new business owner, the business only has rights to the sidewalk as per discussion with his landlord. The Mayor and Council hold the rights to the street. Discussion followed pertaining to the submitted plans to Council. Over-usage of the sidewalk and placement of tables in the street pose health and safety risks that could negatively impact the community.

JRD noted that any of these allowances are only temporary and fall under the Governor's Executive Order.

PAH reported that the Chief of Police does not endorse using the streets for any business. GE requested for the record that the Chief has the public safety as his main priority. Other communities have used concrete barriers to help keep the dining areas safe. Sawhorses would not be appropriate or safe.

JC had definite concerns over vehicle and emergency vehicle traffic.

JB added that as a firefighter, the response route would not change; the quickest route possible to respond to the back of Semmens Road or anything in that area would be a problem if tables were allowed in the street along the curve on Semmens Road.

JP agreed with the sharp turn that one has to take on Semmens. Perhaps the owner should consider more tables in the front of his business where there is room.

AN concluded that there are too many safety concerns for those that reside in the vicinity of the restaurant. Everyone should work together to make things work under the COVID restrictions that are placed on everyone and all businesses.

Motion was made by Councilman Napolitano to deny the request of Cork and Crust to utilize the roadway space in the rear of the business due to both the safety of the Borough and resident concerns.

Second by JC

No further discussion

Roll Call Vote-AIF

Mr. Dineen will provide official correspondence to the business owner.

Response to Board of Adjustment for Fence Height Limitations

AN suggested that the Council continue to follow the current protocol and continue the individual Boards determine approvals on a case basis. Council in agreement.

New Business

(JB) Board of Health Flu Vaccine Clinic-Borough Hall Use.

The BOH is requesting permission to use the Borough Hall for their annual Flu Vaccine Clinic. Plans include an outdoor location for registration with participants waiting in their cars until it is their turn. Entrance will be at the parking lot entrance with exit through the court room. CVS will be providing the service at a date to be determined soon.

Motion

Motion was made by Councilman Brockman to permit the Board of Health to use the Borough Hall facilities, at a date to be determined, for the Annual Flu Vaccine Program following the guidance of the Governor's Executive Order for COVID-19.

Second JP

All in Favor

(JC) Requested that JRD reach out to CSX once again and remind them to continue construction on Harriot Avenue. School will be opening soon and having that area closed will cause unnecessary confusion.

ALB will send JRD her email contacts to expedite the request.

PAH noted that supplies have been delivered and a port-a-potty in place-may be a good sign that work in due to come soon.

Ordinances

(DW) Stormwater Control Ordinance #746-Second Reading (49 pages)

<http://harringtonparknj.gov/images/PDFS/Ordinances/Stormwater-Ordinance-746-revised.pdf>

Motion for Adoption: DW

Second: JP

Discussion by Council for Ordinance #746-none

Roll Call Vote AIF

(PAH Meeting Open to the Public for General Discussion

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

No one in attendance

(PAH Meeting Closed to the Public

Motion GE

Second JP

Vote AIF

(PAH) Mayor's Report

COVID reporting has changed. They are now only reporting active cases, rather than a collective total. The personal information is provided to a designated police officer who enters into our system for use ONLY if there is an emergency call to a home.

Thank you again to Steve Nappi and the DPW staff for all their hard work during the recent storm. Mr. Nappi is doing well for his first major event. PAH requested that the DPW Committee hire another worker as soon as possible since the Fall clean up season is upon the Borough.

(PAH) Motion for Closed Session GE Time: 8:04

Second DW

Vote AIF

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits a public body to conduct business in Closed Session during a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council deem it necessary to discuss certain matters in Closed Session as permitted by the aforesaid statute.

(DW) Personnel - Mr. Kevin Murphy, DPW Supt.
(JB) Potential Litigation-Health Code Enforcement

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that discussion of the aforementioned subjects may be made public at such time as disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect the interest and Borough as to said discussion.

Return to Open Session 8:17pm

Motion

Motion was made by Councilwoman Walker to increase the annual stipend for Kevin Murphy, Foreman for the Harrington Park DPW to \$4500 annually. \$2000.00 increase shall be pro-rated as of August 1, 2020 as per the 2020 Salary Ordinance.

Second by GE
Roll Call Vote AIF

Adjournment-Time: 8:19pm

Motion: GE
Second:
Vote:

Addendum A

Resolution 2020-106

AWARD OF CONTRACT

Be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of Neglia Engineering Associates that the Contract for:

LaROCHE AVENUE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID FUNDED

be awarded to Frank A. Macchione Construction, Inc., 168 Midland Avenue, Paramus, New Jersey 07642 for the bid amount of One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$142,500.00) being the lowest bid of six (6) bids submitted for the Base Bid portion of the project. This Resolution is to take effect upon certification of this Resolution by the Borough Treasurer that sufficient funds are available.

Addendum B

Resolution 2020-107

Refund Tax Overpayment of Taxes on Block 414 Lot 9

WHEREAS, the following homeowner is entitled to a refund of property tax for overpayment of the 4th quarter 2020

BAZAZ JASON & TAMAR
52 MARTIN DR
HARRINGTON PARK, NJ 07640

WHEREAS, the total of the overpayment due to double payment on the account in the amount of \$3786.56

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that the Chief Financial Officer shall issue a refund in the amount of \$3786.56 for overpayment of the 2020 property taxes.

Addendum C

2020-108

Payment of Claims

WHEREAS, claims have been submitted to the Borough of Harrington Park in the following amounts under various funds of the town:

Current Appropriations (2019)	\$	
Current Appropriations (2020)	\$	818,859.45
General Capital Fund	\$	
Animal Trust	\$	30.00
Miscellaneous Trust	\$	9,772.00
Affordable Housing Trust	\$	0.00
Open Space Trust Fund	\$	0.00
Grants	\$	14,708.00
Total	\$	843,369.45

WHEREAS, above claims have been listed and summarized in the attached Bills List Report, and the corresponding vouchers have been reviewed and approved by the department head, Borough Council, and the chief financial officer; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the funds have been properly appropriated for such purposes and are available in the Borough of Harrington Park and that the claims specified on the schedule attached hereto, following examination and approval by the Council and Chief Financial Officer and Department Head be paid and checks issued accordingly; and

WHEREAS, claims have already been paid in the following amounts for the purpose specified below:

Payroll- Salaries/Wages	07/27/2020	\$ 122,725.19
Payroll- Salaries/Wages	08/11/2020	\$ 122,283.58
Payroll- Salaries/Wages		
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Pensions		
Health Benefits April, May, June 2017		
Local School April 2017		\$1,061,660.00
Regional School April 2017		\$ 569,327.80
Debt Services		\$ 362,375.08

TOTAL \$ 2,238,371.65

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that the claims totaling **\$3,081,741.10** be approved and ratified respectively.

**Addendum D
2020-109**

BERGEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Health Services (“BCDHS”) has been established for the purpose of providing health services to municipalities and citizens of the County of Bergen in accordance with the Local Health Services Act, N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Harrington Park desires to contract for the furnishing of health services of a technical and professional nature to be rendered by the BCDHS; and

WHEREAS, this contract shall provide for health services to the Borough of Harrington Park which also include comprehensive animal control and sheltering services.

WHEREAS, said Agreement would be for a one (1) year period January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the budgeting for County Health Officer shall be as follows: \$7087.62 CY2021.

WHEREAS, the budgeting for County Animal Control Services shall be as follows: \$6902.72 CY2021.

WHEREAS, Animal Cruelty Services Option 1 is included in the contracted services at the cost of \$1,400.00 CY2021.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that funds are available for such services annually.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that Mayor Paul A. Hoelscher and Borough Clerk Ann H. Bistriz are hereby authorized to execute an Agreement for public health services for the one (1) year period of CY2021 with the County of Bergen.

