



BOROUGH OF HADDON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, July 2, 2024, 7:00 pm

Mayor Houck called the meeting to Order at 7:00 pm. and then read the following statement:

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT:

“In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, 1975, notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board designed for that purpose and notice was transmitted to the official newspapers provided by Resolution adopted January 6, 2024.” *Notice has also been posted on the Borough website.*

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Houck asked the Clerk for roll call.

Under roll call, Council President Morgan, Councilmembers Ottoson, Russo, Harron were present as well as Borough Solicitor Howard Long, Borough Clerk, Councilmembers Philipps and Pagan were absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Houck asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Mayor Houck opened Public Comment on Caucus and Agenda items only.

Seeing no movement, Mayor Houck closed the public comment portion.

CAUCUS WORK SESSION:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the June 18, 2024 Business Meeting

Mayor Houck asked for a motion to adopt the Minutes of the June 18, 2024 Business Meeting. Motion was moved by Councilmember Harron, seconded by Councilmember Russo. All members present were in favor with the exception of Councilmember Ottoson who abstained.

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION Minutes of June 18, 2024 Business Meeting. Mayor Houck asked for a motion to approve the June 18, 2024 Executive Session Minutes. Motion was moved by Council President Morgan, seconded by Councilmember Russo. All members present were in favor with the exception of Councilmember Ottoson who abstained.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Craig Reilly, 304 White Horse Pike – submitted written report but highlighted the following:

The next phase of NJDOT Municipal Aid applications were submitted yesterday for the continuation of St. Martins, Wynnefield and New Jersey Avenues. Awards are typically announced in November.

Garden Street Project between 1st and 2nd Avenue – Pre-construction meeting was held this morning. Contractor is set to begin the middle of next week. August 22nd expected substantial completion date. Second phase of that program is E. High Street and Maple Avenue blocks. Engineering Committee project scope comments will be incorporated into the design and the project will be out in next couple of weeks with the hope of bidding it out by the August Council meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

INTRODUCTION of Ordinance 2024:1549 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 100 Entitled Vehicles And Traffic, Specifically Section 100-11 “Time Limit Parking” Within The Borough of Haddon Heights, in the County of Camden, and State of New Jersey

Mayor Houck asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 2024:1549. Motion was moved by Councilmember Ottoson, seconded by Councilmember Russo. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes.

Public Hearing and Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024:1549 is scheduled for Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at approximately 7:00 pm in the Municipal Building located at 625 Station Avenue, Haddon Heights, New Jersey.

INTRODUCTION of Ordinance 2024:1550 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HADDON HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$35,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS SEWER PUMP STATION REPAIRS

Mayor Houck asked for a motion to Introduce ORDINANCE 2024:1550. Motion was moved by Councilmember Russo, seconded by Council President Morgan. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes.

Public Hearing and Final Adoption of ORDINANCE 2024:1550 is scheduled for Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at approximately 7:00 pm in the Municipal Building located at 625 Station Avenue, Haddon Heights, New Jersey.

Mayor Houck read aloud Resolutions 2024:134 through 2024:141.

Resolution 2024:134 – Resolution Approving Active Membership of Brandon Walsh in the Haddon Heights/Barrington Fire Department

Resolution 2024:135 – Resolution Authorizing a Refund of Summer Recreation Fees

Resolution 2024:136 – Resolution to Close Escrow Account and Authorize Refund of Planning Board Escrow Balance – *Ghuman Enterprises*

Resolution 2024:137 – Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute A Shared Services Municipal Alliance 2024-2025 Agreement Between the Borough of Haddon Heights and the County of Camden in Conjunction with the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

Resolution 2024:138 – Resolution Authorizing the Borough of Haddon Heights Planning Board to Conduct a Preliminary Investigation to Establish a Non-Condensation Redevelopment Area within the Borough of Haddon Heights, Camden County

Resolution 2024:139 – Resolution Authorizing Payment of Bills and Claims for the First Half of July

Resolution 2024:140 – A Resolution Providing For A Meeting Not Open to the Public In Accordance With The Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12. *1.) Attorney Client Matter relating to Municipal Building HVAC and roof. Discussion is expected to be ½ hr. in duration. Formal action may be taken on the foregoing item following Executive Session.*

Resolution 2024:141 – Resolution Approving a Federal Aid Agreement for the Borough of Haddon Heights Safe Routes to School – Installation of Missing Sidewalk

Mayor Houck asked for a motion to adopt Resolutions 2024:134 through 2023:141. Motion was moved by Councilmember Ottoson, seconded by Councilmember Russo. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Houck opened Public Comment on any matter.

Seeing no movement or comment, Mayor Houck closed the Public Comment portion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:09 pm

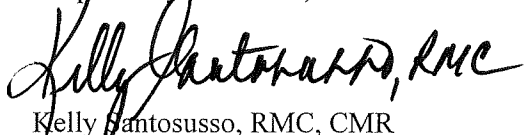
Mayor Houck asked for a motion to come out of Executive Session. Motion was moved by Council President Morgan, seconded by Councilmember Harron. All members present were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no business to act upon, Mayor Houck asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was moved by Councilmember Russo, seconded by Council President Morgan. All members present were in favor.

Time: 7:48 pm

Respectfully submitted,


Kelly Santosusso, RMC, CMR
Borough Clerk