

**Borough of Highlands
Mayor & Council
Regular/Workshop Meeting
December 5, 2012**

Ms. Kane called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

This meeting was not electronically recorded.

Mrs. Cummins read through the following statement: As per requirement of P.L. 1975, Chapter 231. Notice is hereby given that this is a Work Shop/Regular Meeting of the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Highlands and all requirements have been met. Notice has been transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times. Notice has been posted on the public bulletin board.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane
Late Arrival: Mayor Nolan arrived at 7:22 p.m.
Also Present: Carolyn Cummins, Borough Clerk
Tim Hill, Borough Administrator
Steve Pfeffer, Chief Financial Officer
Bruce Padula, Labor Attorney

Executive Session Resolution

Ms. Kane offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**R-12-262
RESOLUTION
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following portion of this meeting dealing with the following generally described matters shall not be open to the public:

- 1.Litigation:**
- 2.Contract:** Chief Blewetts Contract, PBA Contract, Mutual Aide Agreement with Atlantic Highlands, Storm Removal & Public Assistance Contracts
- 3.Real Estate:**
- 4. Personnel Matters:** George Roxby, Jen Strehl, Hurrican Grant Temp Employees, DPW Supervisor Position
- 5. Attorney-Client Privilege:**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is anticipated that the matters to be considered in private may be disclosed to the public at a later date when the need for privacy no longer exists; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no portion of this meeting shall be electronically recorded unless otherwise stated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the private consideration is deemed required and is permitted because of the following noted exceptions set forth in the Act:

- 1. Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law, State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from public discussion. Rendered confidential by Federal law or that if disclosed would impair receipt of Federal funds.**
- 2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government.**
- 3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a**

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public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

4. Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and the conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

5. Any matter involving the purchase lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investments of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of law

7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.

8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting. Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under South Jersey Publishing Co. v. New Jersey Expressway Authority, 124, NJ 478 (1991).

9. Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that action may be taken after the executive session.

Seconded by Mr. O'Neil and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Nolan
ABSTAIN: None

The Governing Body then entered into Executive Session.

Mayor Nolan called the meeting back to order at 8:30 p.m.

Mayor Nolan asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Consent Agenda:

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Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

R-12-248

**Resolution Approving an Employment Agreement with Joseph Blewett For the Period of
July 1, 2013 Through December 31, 2016**

WHEREAS, Joseph Blewett, Chief of Police contract expired on June 30, 2012 and since has negotiated the terms of a new contract with the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Mr. Blewett have agreed upon the terms of the attached contract which covers the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council approve the terms of an employment agreement with Joseph Blewett for the term of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016 in substantially to form attached hereto; and

Be it further RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the Borough.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

R-12-249

AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Borough of Highlands has reviewed the rolls and determined that certain monies are due and payable by the Borough of Highlands to certain residents and property owners within the Borough of Highlands, as a result of an overpayment of taxes, and

WHEREAS, the overpayment was created as a result of the property owner making a double payment on his property taxes,

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WHEREAS, the Tax Collector recommends the immediate reimbursement of the excess funds currently collected by the Borough of Highlands to certain enumerated individuals,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is authorized to immediately refund and pay the overpayment of taxes to the individuals and property owners of the specific properties listed below, and attached hereto,

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BLOCK LOT YEAR AMOUNT NAME

58 11 2012 \$2,400.00 James Barry

23 Maple Ave

Madison, NJ

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Seconded by

Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

**R-12-250
RESOLUTION APPROVING STIPEND FOR ACTING
DPW SUPERVISOR
FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012**

WHEREAS, Reggie Robertson of the DPW Department has been asked to perform additional supervisory duties for the period of October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of has a genuine need for Reg Robertson to continue duties of Acting DPW Supervisor for the period of October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands that Reggie Robertson be paid a stipend in the amount of \$625.00 for his services as Acting DPW Supervisor for the period of October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ASTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
R-12-251**

RESOLUTION - DEFERRAL OF LOCAL SCHOOL TAX

WHEREAS, regulations of the State of New Jersey provide for the deferral of school taxes in an amount not to exceed fifty percent of the annual school tax levy when such taxes are raised on a fiscal year basis; and

WHEREAS, said taxes subject to deferral have not been requisitioned by or paid to the school district; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, to avail the Borough of the deferral as permitted by regulations promulgated by the Local finance Board, Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, fifty percent of the school tax levy of the Highlands School District is \$1,533,852.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth hereby authorize the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough to defer \$16,211 of school taxes as permitted by the aforementioned regulation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
R-12-252**

**RESOLUTION – REDUCING DEFERRAL OF REGIONAL
HIGH SCHOOL TAX**

WHEREAS, regulations of the State of New Jersey provide for the deferral of school taxes in an amount not to exceed fifty percent of the annual school tax levy when such taxes are raised on a fiscal year basis; and

WHEREAS, said annual school tax levy has been reduced from the prior year and necessitated the need to reduce the deferral of school taxes; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, to comply with the regulations promulgated by the Local Finance Board, Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, fifty percent of the school tax levy of the Henry Hudson Regional School District \$2,056,921.17.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough to reduce the deferral of school taxes by \$3,038.25 to comply with the aforementioned regulation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

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**BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
R-12-253**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF
FINANCIAL OFFICER TO CANCEL TY 2012 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
CURRENT FUND & SEWER UTILITY AT YEAR END**

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has recommended that budget appropriations be reviewed and canceled at year end after the December 30, 2012 payroll and all other expenses are posted to the Borough's accounting system and;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended balances may be credited to surplus and;

WHEREAS, the last regular Governing Body meeting for TY 2012 is December 19, 2012;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to cancel current and sewer utility budget appropriations as of December 31, 2012 and formally report said cancellations to the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands a regular meeting in January or February of 2013.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

R-12-258

Resolution Approving Facilities Use Agreement with Highlands Landing Corporation and its affiliate SeaStreak LLC

Whereas, Hurricane Sandy caused extensive damage within Borough of Highlands; and

Whereas, as part of the recovery effort, a benefit concert entitled "Hope for Highlands" was held on November 25, 2012; and

Whereas, the concert was held in the parking lot of the SeaStreak Ferry, owned by Highlands Landing Corporation and SeaStreak LLC; and

Whereas, in order to use the aforementioned parking lot, Highlands Landing Corporation and SeaStreak LLC required execution of a facilities use agreement.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the governing body of the Borough of Highlands that the attached facilities use agreement between the Borough, Highlands Landing Corporation and SeaStreak LLC is hereby approved; and be it further

Resolved that the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the Borough.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

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AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

**R-12-255
RESOLUTION
AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
WASHINGTON AVENUE REPAIRS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands has advertised for bids for Washington Avenue Road Repairs in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the following three (3) bids were received and reviewed by the Borough Engineer and the Borough Attorney:

Name	Total Bid
L & L Paving Company, Inc.	\$46,150.00
Fiore Paving Company, Inc.	\$48,230.00
DeFino Contracting Company	\$69,800.00

; and

WHEREAS, the L & L Paving Company, Inc., appeared to be the lowest responsible bid for the base bid in the amount of \$46,150.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has reviewed all bids and finds the above referenced bid to be the lowest responsible bids.

WHEREAS, certification of funds is hereby made by the Chief Financial Officer that funds are available in the municipal bond ordinance adopted for said purpose:

Bond Ordinance#O-12-12 \$46,150.00

Stephen Pfeffer, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands that the contract for the Washington Avenue Repairs is hereby awarded to L & L Paving Company, Inc., in the sum of \$46,150.00 subject to the NJ Department of Labor, Office of Wage and Hour Compliance.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

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R-12-256**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADMINISTRATION
OF THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT**

WHEREAS, Henry Hudson Regional School District has requested the moving of the administration of the Municipal Alliance Grant back to the Municipality of the Borough of Highlands effective January 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands has agreed to accept the responsibility of administering the Municipal Alliance Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands that effective January 1, 2012 the Borough of Highlands agrees to take over the administration of the Municipal Alliance Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized to execute agreement for the administration of the Municipal Alliance Grant.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

**R-12-259
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT WITH
GRALA, LLC d/b/a THE CHUBBY PICKLE**

WHEREAS, the Grala LLC, d/b/a The Chubby Pickle, ("Licensee") a liquor licensed establishment in Highlands, New Jersey has been charged with violations of the New Jersey Alcoholic Beverage Content Act, N.J.S.A. 33:1-1 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands (the Borough) and the Licensee are desirous of settling via amicable resolution the charges against the Licensee; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and the Licensee have agreed upon the terms and conditions of an amicable resolution and Stipulation of Settlement in the form annexed hereto; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Borough approves the Stipulation of Settlement in the form annexed hereto so as to bind the Borough and the Licensee to the terms within.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption;

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R-12-260

Resolution Approving a Lease between the Borough and 19 Bay Avenue LLC

Whereas, Hurricane Sandy caused extensive damage to the Borough including the Borough Municipal Building, rendering it unusable; and

Whereas, as a result of Hurricane Sandy, a State of Emergency existed in the Borough; and

Whereas, it is necessary for the Borough to obtain office space to conduct municipal business; and ‘

Whereas, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-6, “Emergency Contracts”) allows the award of contracts without public advertising for bids and bidding when an emergency affecting public health, safety or welfare requires the immediate delivery of goods or the performance of services; and

Whereas, the provisions of Chapter 19, P.L. 2004 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.5 1) of the Pay-to-Play Laws (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.) are waived when an emergency exists affecting the public health, safety or welfare which requires the immediate delivery of goods or performance of services; and

Whereas the Borough has identified office space in a vacant commercial building located at 19 Bay Avenue, Highlands, New Jersey; and

Whereas, the Borough has negotiated terms of a lease with the owner of 19 Bay Avenue; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funding is available for the lease.

Now therefore, be it Resolved by the governing body of the Borough of Highlands that the Borough is authorized to enter into a lease with 19 Bay Avenue, LLC for office space to conduct Borough Business for a one-year term in substantially the form attached hereto.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O’Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

**RECAP OF PAYMENT OF BILLS
12/05/2012**

CURRENT:		\$ 867,730.46
Payroll	(11/30/2012)	\$ 145,084.07
Manual Checks		\$ 8,439.88
Voided Checks		\$
SEWER ACCOUNT:		\$ 421.00
Payroll	(11/30/2012)	\$ 5,725.47
Manual Checks		\$
Voided Checks		\$
CAPITAL/GENERAL		\$ 5,283.93

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CAPITAL-MANUAL CHECKS		\$	
Voided Checks		\$	
WATER CAPITAL ACCOUNT		\$	
TRUST FUND		\$	2,010.81
Payroll	(11/30/2012)	\$	350.00
Manual Checks		\$	1,342.36
Voided Checks		\$	
UNEMPLOYMENT ACCT-MANUALS		\$	
DOG FUND		\$	
GRANT FUND		\$	
Payroll	(11/30/2012)	\$	
Manual Checks		\$	
Voided Checks		\$	
DEVELOPER'S TRUST		\$	
Manual Checks		\$	
Voided Checks		\$	

THE COMPLETE PAYMENT OF BILLS IS AVAILABLE IN
THE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR ANYONE THAT WISHES TO REVIEW THE LIST.

**SUPPLEMENTAL BILL LIST
December 5, 2012**

CURRENT FUND

Central Jersey Septic	Pumping Services -Waterwitch Pump Station	19,125.00
Cleary, Giacobbe,Alfieri,Jacob	Legal Retainer - September-December	21,000.00
Defined Contribution Benefit Program	Group Life/Disability	16.71
Gibbons	Bond Ordinance	450.00
Horizon Blue Cross	Dental - January 2013	2,890.14
NJSHBP	November 2012 Health Benefits	72,103.69
Swanton Fuel	Diesel	18,530.25
Verizon	Police Repeaters	249.32
VSP	Vision Plan Dec 2012	761.54
Total Current Fund		135,126.65

CAPITAL FUND

Total Capital Fund 0.00

GRANT FUND

Total Grant Fund 0.00

SEWER UTILITY FUND

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R-12-254 Resolution Authorizing Bond Aggregate:

Mr. Pfeffer explained the resolution and read the resolution and bond.

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

R-12-254

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BONDS AGGREGATING THE PRINCIPAL SUM OF \$645,000
AUTHORIZED BY THREE BOND ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED TO FINANCE
PART OF THE COST OF VARIOUS GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE BOROUGH OF
HIGHLANDS, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY INTO ONE CONSOLIDATED
ISSUE OF BONDS AND PROVIDING FOR THE FORM, MATURITIES AND OTHER
DETAILS OF SAID CONSOLIDATED ISSUE.**

Adopted: December 5, 2012

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey (the "Borough"), has heretofore adopted three bond ordinances authorizing bonds to finance part of the cost of various general improvements in said Borough; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to issue bonds pursuant to said ordinances in an aggregate principal amount of \$645,000 and it is deemed advisable and in the best interests of the Borough, for the purpose of the orderly marketing of said bonds and for other financial reasons, to combine the bonds authorized under said three ordinances into one consolidated issue in the aggregate principal amount of \$645,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) that:

Section 1. There shall be issued bonds of the Borough in the following principal amounts pursuant to the following bond ordinances:

A. \$278,659.95 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 0-10-14):

"BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$170,000 FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF HIGHLAND AVENUE FOR AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$161,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION"

as amended by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 0-11-6):

"BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 10-14 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, NEW JERSEY ON AUGUST 18, 2010"

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness stated in said ordinance is 20 years.

B. \$303,177.13 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 0-11-7):

"BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$760,000 FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF BAY AVENUE FOR AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$310,075 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION"

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness stated in said ordinance is 20 years.

C. \$63,162.92 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 0-11-22):

"BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$68,000 FOR ACQUISITION OF COMPUTERS AND SOFTWARE FOR AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF

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**\$64,600 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING PART OF THE
APPROPRIATION”**

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness stated in said ordinance is 5 years.

Section 2. The bonds referred to in Section 1 hereof are hereby combined into one consolidated issue of bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$645,000 and are sometimes hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Bonds.” The bonds referred to in subsections A to C of Section 1 shall be designated “General Improvement Bonds, Series 2012” and shall be numbered with the prefix G from one (1) consecutively upward. The bonds of said consolidated issue shall be dated the date of delivery of the Bonds and will be issued in fully registered form.

The Bonds shall bear interest and shall mature on December 1 of each of the following years and in the following principal amounts:

General Improvement Bonds, Series 2012

Maturity

Date	Principal	Amount	Interest	Rate	Maturity
Date	Principal	Amount	Interest	Rate	

2013	\$35,000	2.00%	2021	45,000	4.00%
2014	35,000	2.00	2022	45,000	4.00
2015	35,000	2.00	2023	45,000	4.00
2016	40,000	2.50	2024	50,000	2.00
2017	40,000	3.00	2025	50,000	3.00
2018	40,000	3.00	2026	50,000	2.00
2019	40,000	3.00	2027	55,000	2.00
2020	40,000	4.00			

The Bonds maturing on or prior to December 1, 2022 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities. The Bonds maturing on or after December 1, 2023 are subject to redemption at the option of the Borough on or after December 1, 2022 upon notice as described in a bond resolution adopted by the Monmouth County Improvement Authority on November 13, 2012, either in whole or in part by lot within a single maturity from maturities selected by the Borough, on any date, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof (the “Redemption Price”), plus in each case accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

If Notice of Redemption has been given as provided herein, the Bonds or the portion thereof called for redemption shall be due and payable on the date fixed for redemption at the Redemption Price, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

Section 3. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes for which the said General Improvement Bonds, Series 2012 is to be issued, taking into consideration the amount of such General Improvement Bond, Series 2012 to be issued for said improvements or purposes, is 18.53 years.

Section 4. The Bonds shall be payable as to interest at the corporate trust office of U.S. Bank National Association, payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15 prior to each June 1 and December 1 in each year until maturity, commencing on June 1, 2013, and payable as to principal at the corporate trust office of U.S. Bank National Association, payable on November 15 prior to each December 1, commencing on December 1, 2013. Interest on the Bonds shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year or twelve 30-day calendar months.

Section 5. The Bonds shall be signed by the Mayor or Deputy Mayor and the Borough Chief Financial Officer, by their manual or facsimile signatures, and the corporate seal of the Borough shall be affixed thereto, or imprinted or reproduced thereon and shall be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Borough.

Section 6. The Bonds are hereby sold and awarded to the Monmouth County Improvement Authority at the price of \$698,606.50. The Mayor and Deputy Mayor are hereby authorized on behalf of the Borough to execute the Bond Purchase Agreement by and between the Borough and the Monmouth County Improvement Authority and the Continuing Disclosure Agreement by and between the Borough and U.S. Bank National Association.

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Section 7. The Bonds and the registration provisions endorsed thereon shall be in substantially the following form:

No. 2012 G-__

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS

GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BOND, SERIES 2012

DATE OF

ORIGINAL

ISSUE: December 19, 2012

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey, hereby acknowledges itself indebted and for value received promises to pay to

THE MONMOUTH COUNTY IMPROVEMENT

AUTHORITY (the "Authority")

c/o U.S. Bank National Association

(the "Trustee")

Account No. _____

the principal sums on the dates and in the amounts set forth on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof and to pay interest on such sum from the DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE of this bond until payment in full at the interest rates per annum and in the amounts shown on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof. Interest is payable to the Authority at the corporate trust office of the Trustee on the May 15 and November 15 prior to each June 1 and December 1, commencing June 1, 2013, in an amount equal to the interest accruing to each such June 1 and December 1. This bond as to principal will be payable on the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the due date therefor at the corporate trust office of the Trustee. Amounts not paid when due hereunder shall bear interest at the Late Payment Rate until paid. This bond shall be prepayable as set forth in Section 1303 of the bond resolution adopted by the Authority on November 13, 2012 (as the same may be supplemented and amended, the "Resolution").

Both principal of and interest on this bond is payable in lawful money of the United States of America and in immediately available funds.

As used herein, "Business Day" shall mean any day that is not a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday in the State of New Jersey or the State of New York or a day on which the Trustee is legally authorized to close. "Late Payment Rate" shall mean a rate per annum equal to the lower of (i) the greater of three percent above the interest rate that JPMorgan Chase publicly announces from time to time as its prime lending rate, such interest rate to change on the effective date of each announced change in such rate and (ii) the maximum interest rate allowed by law.

The Bonds maturing on or prior to December 1, 2022 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities. The Bonds maturing on or after December 1, 2023 are subject to redemption at the option of the Borough on or after December 1, 2022 upon notice as described in a bond resolution adopted by the Authority on November 13, 2012, either in whole or in part by lot within a single maturity from maturities selected by the Borough, on any date, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof (the "Redemption Price"), plus in each case accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

This bond is one of an authorized issue of bonds and is issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey, and is one of the Bonds referred to in a resolution of the Borough of Highlands adopted on December 5, 2012 and entitled "Resolution Authorizing Bonds Aggregating the Principal Sum of \$645,000 Authorized By Three Bond Ordinances Heretofore Adopted To Finance Part Of The Cost of Various General Improvements In The Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, New Jersey into One Consolidated Issue of Bonds and Providing for the Form, Maturities and Other Details of Said Consolidated Issue," and the bond ordinances referred to therein, each in all respects duly approved and published as required by law.

The full faith and credit of the Borough of Highlands are hereby irrevocably pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on, and all other amounts due under, this bond according to its terms.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, acts and things required by the Constitution or statutes of the State of New Jersey to exist, to have happened or to have been performed precedent to or in the issuance of this bond exist, have happened and have been performed and that the issue

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of bonds of which this is one, together with all other indebtedness of the Borough of Highlands, is within every debt and other limit prescribed by such Constitution or statutes.

The Borough of Highlands agrees to pay (i) all costs and expenses (including legal fees) in connection with the administration and enforcement of this bond and (ii) its share of the amounts payable pursuant to Section 9(vi)(B) of the Bond Purchase Agreement between the Borough of Highlands and the Authority.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey has caused this bond to be executed in its name by the manual or facsimile signatures of its Mayor or Deputy Mayor and its Chief Financial Officer, its corporate seal to be hereunto imprinted or affixed, this bond and the seal to be attested by the manual signature of its Borough Clerk, and this bond to be dated the DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE as specified above.

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS

By:

Frank L. Nolan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carolyn Cummins, Clerk

By:

Stephen Pfeffer, Chief Financial
Officer

(Assignment Provision on Back of Bond)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED _____ hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto _____ (Please Print or Type Name and Address of Assignee) the within bond and irrevocably appoints _____ as Attorney to transfer this bond on the registration books of the _____ with full power of substitution and revocation.

NOTICE

The signature of this assignment must correspond with the name as it appears on the face of the within bond in every particular.

Dated:

Signature of Guarantee:

**SCHEDULE A
BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
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Schedule of Principal and Interest Payments**

Maturity Date		
(December 1)	Principal Amount	Interest
2013	\$35,000	2.00%
2014	35,000	2.00
2015	35,000	2.00
2016	40,000	2.50
2017	40,000	3.00
2018	40,000	3.00
2019	40,000	3.00
2020	40,000	4.00
2021	45,000	4.00
2022	45,000	4.00
2023	45,000	4.00
2024	50,000	2.00
2025	50,000	3.00
2026	50,000	2.00

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2027 55,000 2.00**

Section 8. The Borough Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed (a) to cause a copy of the written opinion with respect to the Bonds which is to be rendered by the firm of Gibbons P.C. (complete except for omission of its date) to be printed or referred to on the Bonds, and at the time of the original delivery of payment for the Bonds and when such written opinion is rendered, to cause the Borough Clerk to certify to the truth and correctness of such copy of opinion by executing on each of said Bonds, by manual or facsimile signature, a certificate subjoined to each such copy, and to file a signed duplicate of such written opinion in such Clerk's office and at each place at which the Bonds are payable, (b) to cause the applicable CUSIP number (if any) assigned for each of said Bonds by the CUSIP Service Bureau of Standard & Poor's Ratings Services of New York, New York, to be printed on each of the Bonds, and (c) to cause, in the event that the Bonds shall qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance at the option of the purchaser thereof, such legend or reference (if any) of such insurance to be printed (at the expense of such purchaser) on the Bonds.

Section 9. Upon the date of issue of the Bonds, the Borough Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed as of said date of issue, to execute and deliver to said successful bidder (a) an arbitrage certification with respect to the Bonds under and for the purpose of Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (b) an accompanying opinion of Gibbons P.C. as of said date of issue with respect to said arbitrage certification for the purposes of said Section 148.

Section 10. The proceeds of the Bonds shall be applied in the amounts and for the purposes provided in Section 1 hereof, and to pay and fund any bond anticipation notes theretofore issued for such purpose and then outstanding.

Section 11. The Mayor or Deputy Mayor and Borough Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized, as is the Borough Clerk or Deputy Clerk, to execute all documents and certificates necessary for the sale and delivery of said Bonds.

Section 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Ms. Kane and adopted on the following Roll Call Vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution R-12-261:

R-12-261 Resolution Approving Authorizing Bond Aggregate:

Mr. Francy offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**R-12-261
Resolution Approving PBA Contract and Authorizing Mayor to Execute Agreement on Behalf of
the Borough**

Whereas, the Borough previously engaged in negotiations for a successor collective negotiations agreement ("CNA") with PBA Local No. 48 and agreed to terms of a successor CNA; and

Whereas, the Borough previously approved a memorandum of agreement ("MOA") with PBA Local No. 48 which incorporated the terms of the successor CNA; and

Whereas, the changes agreed to and memorialized in the MOA have been incorporated into a new collectively negotiations agreement.

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Now therefore, be it RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Borough of Highlands hereby approves the draft of the collective negotiations agreement between the Borough and PBA Local No. 48 for the term July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2016 and authorizes the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the Borough.

Seconded by Mayor Nolan and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ordinances: 2nd Reading, Public Hearing & Adoption:

O-12-22:

Ordinance O-12-22 Bond Ordinance-Bayside Drive Reconstruction:

Mrs. Cummins read the title of Ordinance O-12-22 for 2nd reading and public hearing. Notice was served and published in the October 26th, 2012 edition of the Two River Times and the November 26th edition of the Asbury Park Press. It may now be open for public hearing.

There were no questions.

Mayor Nolan closed the public hearing.

O-12-22 Bond Ordinance-Bayside Drive Reconstruction:

Mrs. Cummins read the title of Ordinance O-12-22 for 3rd and final reading and adoption.

Mr. Francy questioned the reimbursement process.

Mr. Pfeffer explained.

Mr. Hill thought will follow up with Exxon.

Mayor Nolan offered the following Ordinance pass third and final reading and moved on its adoption and authorized its publication according to law:

ORDINANCE NO. O-12-22

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION AND REPAVING OF BAYSIDE DRIVE FROM MARIE AVENUE TO MATTHEWS STREET FOR THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS AND APPROPRIATING \$137,000 FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey, authorizes the reconstruction and repaving of Bayside Drive from Marie Avenue to Mathews Street for the Borough of Highlands to be funded from the sources specified in Section 2 of the Ordinance.

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Section 2. The amount of \$137,000 is hereby appropriated for the purposes stated in Section 1 of the Ordinance and which amount was funded from a settlement with Exxon Mobile Corporation in the amount of \$137,000.

Section 3. In connection with the purpose and the amount authorized in Sections 1 and 2 hereof, the Borough determines the purpose described in Section 1 hereof is not a Current Expense and is an improvement which the Borough of Highlands may lawfully make as a general improvement.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon due passage and publication according to law.

Seconded by Mr. Francy and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

O-12-25:

Ordinances: Introduction & Setting of P.H. Date for December 19th for O-12-25:

Ordinance O-12-25 Ordinance Permitting Parking in Front of Driveway for Homeowners:

Mrs. Cummins read the title of Ordinance O-12-25 on for introduction and setting of public hearing date for December 19th, 2012.

Mayor Nolan offered the following Ordinance and moved on its introduction, setting of a public hearing date for December 19, 2012 at 8:00 P.M. and authorized its publication according to law:

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
ORDINANCE NO. O-12-25

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH THE
BOROUGH OF ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS REGARDING USE OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS II
FOR HIGHLANDS MUNICIPAL COURT SECURITY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands Municipal Building, including Highlands Municipal Court, suffered severe damage as a result of Superstorm Sandy resulting in an emergency and as a result, Highlands Municipal Court will be utilizing the Atlantic Highlands Borough Hall Municipal Court Facilities to conduct its court proceedings; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of its operations and in order to conduct court proceedings, Highlands Municipal Court utilizes Highlands Special Police Officers II as security officers; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.14 permits special law enforcement officer to perform their duties within the jurisdictional limits of another municipality pursuant to a mutual aid agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1, it would be appropriate to enter into Mutual Aid Agreement with the Borough of Atlantic Highlands, in order to provide that Highlands Special Police Officers II will have appropriate police powers and authority within Atlantic Highlands for actions or potential actions arising from the Highlands Municipal Court and Highlands Special Officers operating in the Borough of Atlantic Highlands; and

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WHEREAS, the Borough of Atlantic Highlands has previously expressed an intent to approve such an agreement; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1 allows two or more municipalities to enter into a mutual aid agreement for mutual police aid in the case of an emergency by way of reciprocal ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the governing body of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1: The Borough of Highlands approves the mutual aid agreement in substantially the same form as attached hereto; and

SECTION 2: The Borough Administrator is authorized to execute a Mutual Aid Agreement with the Borough of Atlantic Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, for the Borough of Highlands to use the Borough of Atlantic Highlands Municipal Building and Municipal Court facilities to conduct the Borough of Highlands Municipal Court Proceedings, for the Highlands Special Police Officers II to provide security for the Borough of Highlands court proceedings; and

SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4: REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage as provided by law.

Seconded by Ms. Kane and introduced on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Redmond, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Committee Reports:

Mayor Nolan stated that we would dispense with committee reports tonight.

Finance:

Mr. Pfeffer gave a financial update to the Governing Body.

Mr. Pfeffer stated that we are behind in revenues, both tax and sewer. We are in the process of sending out delinquent notices. He further explained. He spoke with the State to extend year end. He is waiting for State approval.

Other Business:

Discussion RE: Zoning Officers Concerns:

Mr. Leubner stated that on Monday, FEMA will be coming out with flood elevations.

Mayor Nolan offered to carry this to the December 19th meeting and discuss ordinance to do away with variances for height requirements.

Mr. Francy said that certificates of occupancy and building inspections will be required.

Mayor Nolan stated that the construction office will open next week.

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Mr. O'Neil feels that the electrical inspections are most important.

Mayor's Appointments to Planning Board:

Mayor Nolan asked to table this to the January meeting.

Pending Capital Projects Update:

Mr. Francy spoke of the post storm projects, such as; the North Street Pump Station, Veteran Park Electric upgrade. He would like to move forward.

Mr. Leubner gave an update of the projects mentioned by Mr. Francy. He explained these projects are FEMA funded. He did an assessment on low streets and buildings. He will submit listings to the council and see how they want to proceed.

Mr. O'Neil stated that we have to keep the water out.

FEMA Work Force Development Plan:

Mr. Hill explained that FEMA representatives were here and explained their Work Force Development Plan funding temporary Borough positions. He also explained that the post office is restoring mail delivery.

Mayor Nolan read the notice regarding the public meeting with NJ State Senate Committee on Tuesday, December 11th at 3:00 pm at Henry Hudson High School.

Public Portion:

Tara Ryan of 17 Ocean Street spoke of with Senator Pallone's office. They assured her that the Highlands Post Office will reopen.

Donna O'Callaghan of 29 S. Bay Avenue thanked the town for South Bay clean up. She is grateful that that the deck at the park withstood the storm. She asked about school board meetings.

Tara Ryan stated that Highlands Elementary and High School Reorganization meeting is January 3rd at 6:00 p.m.

Donna O'Callaghan would like the town to look into school consolidations.

Eileen Scanlon – passed.

Carol Custer of 38 Central Avenue said the town did a good job with debris removal and asked if there is a deadline.

Mayor Nolan stated that it will be soon. We will give a two week notice.

Carol Custer asked who will benefit from the concert and when.

Mayor Nolan stated that the 40% goes to businesses and 60% to residence. The council will be involved in distributing the funds.

Carol Custer asked about house lifting.

Mayor Nolan encouraged all to attend the State Budget Committee Meeting on Tuesday.

S. Melincoff of 247 Bay Avenue asked how they will be notified if they need to raise the house.

Mayor Nolan said their bank will notify them.

S. Melincoff asked about the status of Bay Avenue and Atlantic Avenue repairs.

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Mr. Francy said that we will not proceed as previously planned.

S. Melincoff wants flooding from the rain on Bay and Atlantic Avenues fixed.

Lori Dibble of 32 Paradise Park asked if the Community Center will reopen.

Mr. Hill stated that it should open in the next two months.

Lori Dibble spoke of Paradise Park Homeowners. FEMA has said homes are repairable but the town put red stickers on them. The owner of the land won't put the power back on.

Mr. Padula spoke of litigation. It was the property owner and electric company who made the decision to shut off electric.

Arnie Fuog of 50 Valley Street said that he is the contact person to get volunteers to gut homes. He asked the town to waive building department fees.

Christian Lee of 2 Navesink Avenue thanked the Borough for cleaning up the town.

Joe Misiva of 16 Fourth Street also thanked the town.

Lynn Bedle stated that the town is moving quickly with debris removal.

Mayor Nolan spoke of the St. Bernard Project assistance. He further explained. He spoke of FEMA rental property and residents can apply for the SBA loan.

Laura Murray of Barberie Avenue spoke of homes that people walk away from.

Mayor Nolan commented that we will have to go door to door.

Lori Dibble commented on foreclosures.

Art Cavalo of Washington Avenue asked when paving will start.

Mr. Leubner stated it will start in the spring.

Mr. O'Neil stated that we will secure the road.

Representatives from FEMA gave out handouts and briefly explained. The deadline is the end of December and answered some questions from the public.

There were no further questions.

Mayor Nolan offered a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. O'Neil and all were in favor.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Debby Dailey, Deputy Clerk

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