

**Borough of Highlands
Mayor & Council
Workshop/Regular Meeting
May 7, 2014**

Ms. Kane called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

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: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane

Absent: Mayor Nolan

Also Present: Debby Dailey, Deputy Clerk
Tim Hill, Borough Administrator
Steve Pfeffer, Chief Financial Officer
Patrick DeBlasio, Tax Collector
Bruce Padula, Labor Attorney
Dale Leubner, Borough Engineer

Executive Session Resolution

Ms. Kane offered the following Resolution for approval:

**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: Shared Service Agreement**
- 3. Real Estate: Clam Plant Lease, 11 Marine Place, OLPH Building**
- 4. Personnel Matters:**
- 5. Attorney-Client Privilege: Willow Street, First Street Right of Way, Noise Ordinance, Legal Service Contract**

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.

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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 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 collecting 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 publics 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. Francy and approved on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mayor Nolan
ABSTAIN: None

The Governing Body then entered into Executive Session.

Ms. Kane called the Regular Meeting back to order at 8:11 p.m.

Ms. Kane asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Ms. Kane asked for a moment of silence for Joseph Hawley who recently passed.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan

ABSTAIN: None

Highlands Elementary School Presentation:

Ms. Kane introduced Nina Flannery for a presentation from the Highlands Elementary School.

Nina Flannery introduced Dr. Compton and Dan Van Larkin.

Dr. Compton thanked the council for allowing them to come to the meeting tonight to update them. She spoke of no tax increase for the school. They are working together with other school districts. They will be expanding and adding STEM Academy. She further explained the program. The enrollment of 176 students is stable here since the storm. They are moving forward to the next level of academics. She then introduced Dan Van Larkin.

Dan Van Larkin thanked all for their support and for having them at this meeting. He spoke of a Strategic Planning meeting held a few weeks ago to get ideas on where they wanted to go. The State of NJ has changed the teacher evaluation system. He spoke of the State Test Growth score for Highlands. Highlands Elementary School did better than any school like this school in the State of New Jersey. Overall, we were in the 95th percentile of over 470 school districts. He further explained how HES takes a student farther along. It's a great testament to our teachers. All the details will be available on their website. He further described the handouts given to council that explained the various programs and electronic improvements available.

Mr. Francy recommended that they do a similar presentation to real estate group.

Mr. Van Larkin said they did do one recently this year. They will do it again. The principal had a meeting with a group of realtors at the school and spoke of all they had to offer.

Dr. Compton said that they do showcase Highlands Elementary School statistics with realtors at meetings.

Consent Agenda:

Ms. Kane left the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Mr. Francy asked if anyone had an item they would like to discuss separately.

Ms. Ryan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

**R-14-124
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SPECIFIC AGENT
TO AUTHORIZE WIRE TRANSFERS ON ALL BOROUGH ACCOUNTS**

WHEREAS, Stephen Pfeffer, Chief Financial Officer will be retired effective April 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body adopted Resolution R-13-296 appointing Patrick DeBlasio as Chief Financial Officer for the Borough of Highlands effective May 1, 2014.

WHEREAS, there is a need to authorize a Chief Financial Officer to have one single authority be able to authorize wire transfers.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands that effective May 1, 2014 Patrick DeBlasio, CFO be hereby authorized as a single authority on wire transfer on all borough bank accounts held in both TD Bank, National Association and Two River Community Bank.

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane
ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Ryan offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

R-14-125

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**RESOLUTION - SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
AMERICAN WATER ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and;

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of a special item of revenue in the 2014 budget in the amount of \$10,000 which is now available from American Water.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$10,000 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

American Water:

Rain Barrel Installation Project	\$10,000
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk forward two (2) certified copies of the resolution to said Director for his review and approval.

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane
ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Ryan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

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**R-14-126
RAISING AWARENESS OF
FIBRODYSPLASIA OSSIFICANS PROGRESSIVA**

WHEREAS, Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva is an illness characterized by normal bone forming in muscles and connective tissue, forming an extra skeleton that immobilizes the body; and

WHEREAS, Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva affects children, usually in the first or second decade of life being diagnosed by the age of ten, depriving them of normal development; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 2,500 people worldwide are afflicted with Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva, with 200 diagnosed cases in the United States and 12 cases in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, currently the University of Pennsylvania is the only medical research facility investigating a cure for Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva; and

WHEREAS, numerous states, countries and international organizations have joined together to increase public awareness of this devastating, rare genetic disorder, to promote research to find the cure; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands wishes to help to increase awareness of Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva and to provide public support to find a cause and a cure for this devastating disorder.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands wishes to raise awareness of this devastating disease and support research to find a cause and cure for **Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva**. We urge all residents of Borough of Highlands to learn about this devastating disorder with the hope of developing a treatment and cure.

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane
ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Ryan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

**R-14-127
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
WAIVER OF MUNICIPAL FEE FOR FIRE HYDRANT INSTALLATION**

WHEREAS, the Fire Official has been working on a fire hydrant project and has been notified that New Jersey American Water will be installing new water main fire service protection and new fire hydrant installations and relocation on the following Streets:

Orchard Street, Scenic Drive, Central & Bay Ave, Snug Harbor Ave and Cheerful Place, Snug Harbor Ave and Marine Place, Huddy Ave, Barberie Ave, Washington Ave and Marine Place, Washington Ave and Cheerful Place, Seadrift Ave and Marine Place;
and

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WHEREAS, the Fire Official has requested that the Borough waive any and all fees associated with the installation of a fire hydrant that the Borough requested be installed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands that municipal permit fees for the installation of a new fire hydrant are hereby waived for New Jersey American Water.

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane

ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Ryan offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

R-14-129

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**RESOLUTION - SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
N.J. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
2014 SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and;

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of a special item of revenue in the 2014 budget in the amount of \$11,797.86 which is now available from State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$11,797.86 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

2014 Summer Food Program	\$11,797.86
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk forward two (2) certified copies of the resolution to said Director for his review and approval.

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane

ABSTAIN: None

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

**R-14-130
RESOLUTION APPROVING DISABLED PARKING SPACE**

WHEREAS, an application for a Disabled Parking Designation was submitted to the Highlands Police Department by Lisa Santiangelo of 72A Seadrift Ave and Terianne Nash of 2 Roger Street Apt A-9 and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has reviewed the application and recommends the approval of said Disabled Parking Designation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands that the application for Disabled Parking Designation for the following is hereby approved:

1. Lisa Santiangelo of 72A Seadrift – sign be erected on Seadrift Ave (50) feet back from the stop sign at Bay Ave with Placard #P1082579.
2. Terianne Nash of 2 Roger Street Apt A-9 – sign be erected with placard #P1152495 eighteen (18) feet south of the existing handicap parking space on Rogers Street.

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane

ABSTAIN: None

Ms. Ryan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

**R-14-131
RESOLUTION
APPROVING RAFFLE LICENSE
APPLICATIONS FOR THE HIGHLANDS BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Highlands Business Partnership has submitted Raffle License Applications No. RA1317-14-10 through RA#1317-14-13

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands hereby approves Raffle License Applications RA#1317-14-10 through RA#1317-14-13 for the Highlands Business Partnership and the Borough Clerk is authorized to sign off on licenses.

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane

ABSTAIN: None

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Ms. Ryan offered the following Payment of Bills and moved on its approval for payment:

**RECAP OF PAYMENT OF BILLS
05/07/2014**

CURRENT:		\$	677,381.11
Payroll	(04/30/2014)	\$	233,264.09
Manual Checks		\$	11,130.90
Voided Checks		\$	
SEWER ACCOUNT:		\$	3,248.84
Payroll	(04/30/2014)	\$	5,167.99
Manual Checks		\$	57,933.94
Voided Checks		\$	
CAPITAL/GENERAL		\$	
CAPITAL-MANUAL CHECKS		\$	
Voided Checks		\$	
WATER CAPITAL ACCOUNT		\$	
TRUST FUND		\$	13,390.56
Payroll	(04/30/2014)	\$	13,533.33
Manual Checks		\$	11,169.45
Voided Checks		\$	
UNEMPLOYMENT ACCT-MANUALS		\$	
DOG FUND		\$	
GRANT FUND		\$	1,360.00
Payroll	(04/30/2014)	\$	3,486.38
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.**

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and approved for payment on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane
ABSTAIN: None

Minutes Approved on Consent Agenda:

Ms. Ryan offered a motion for the approval of the April 16th, 2014 Regular Minutes and Executive Session Minutes, seconded by Mr. Redmond and all were in favor on the following roll call vote:

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ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan, Ms. Kane

ABSTAIN: None

Other Resolutions:

R-14-128 – Resolution – Authorizing Emergency Notes for Master Plan ReExam

Mrs. Cummins read the title of R-14-128 Resolution Authorizing Emergency Notes for Mast Plan ReExam.

Mr. DeBlasio explained that this resolution authorizes the CFO to borrow the funds. He recommended not issuing the notes now and wait until funds start drawing down.

Mr. Francy said we feel that we will get funds for this.

Mr. Hill said Millenium Strategies is working on it.

Resolution R-14-128 was tabled due to lack of four votes.

Ordinances: 2nd Reading, Public Hearing & Adoption:

O-14-13 – Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to establish a CAP Bank

Mrs. Cummins read the title of O-14-13 on for 2nd reading and public hearing. This ordinance was published in the April 26th edition of the Asbury Park Press and is now ready for public hearing.

Mr. Francy opened the public hearing.

Kim Skorka of 315 Shore Drive asked why the town is rewarding the bars for bad behavior. Why are we allowing them to extend the noise ordinance? When will the council say enough is enough?

Mr. Francy explained the ordinance is not about louder noise at later times. It is under the normal noise control.

Carolyn Broulon of Miller Street stated that she lives near Windansea. She recommends security in the parking lots or around the establishment along with the noise ordinance.

Mr. Redmond stated that we can have police presence.

Mr. Francy asked Mr. Redmond to discuss this with Chief Blewett.

Melissa Pedersen of Barberie Avenue spoke about a compromise. The Labor Day extension is subject to behavior on Memorial Day.

Mr. Padula said we can change it over the summer, if there is issues on Memorial Day, to rescind Labor Day.

Ms. Kane returned to the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Doug Card of Shrewsbury Avenue asked if we can hire a special officer during these events.

Mr. Redmond stated that he sees no reason why we can't do that. We will have someone patrol there. He spoke to Chief Blewett about this.

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Carla Braswell of Gravelly Point Road said that we should hire special officers and digital signage to remind people to be considerate of the residents.

Don Manrodt of 268 Bayside Drive asked if this ordinance was just for two days.

The table answered – yes.

Don Manrodt stated that we should put restrictions on liquor licenses when they are renewed.

Mr. Redmond we will look in to that.

Kim Skorka asked if the cost of a special officer will be billed to the establishment.

Mr. Francy stated that they are not sure yet but they will direct the Chief of Police to enhance supervision of noise specifically to the establishments for the Memorial Day Event.

Mr. Francy closed the public hearing.

Mrs. Cummins read the title of O-14-13 on for 3rd and final reading and adoption.

Mr. Redmond offered the following ordinance pass final reading and moved on its adoption:

O-14-13

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-2.3, “ENUMERATION OF NOISES” TO
PERMIT THE PLAYING OF OUTDOOR MUSIC UNTIL 11:00 P.M. ON
SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2014 AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2014**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands regulates the emanation of noise by and through Section 3-2, “Noise” of the Code of the Borough of Highlands; and

WHEREAS, adjusting the permitted hours for outdoor music is anticipated in increase tourism and enable local business to attract more patrons on the Sunday evenings on Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekends, which are traditionally the start and end of the summer season at the Jersey Shore; and

WHEREAS, the Borough finds that it is in its best interests to amend Section 3-2.3 of the Code of the Borough of Highlands to permit to permit the playing of outdoor music until 11:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 25, 2014 and Sunday, August 31, 2014; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION ONE. Borough Code Section 3-2.3(b)(2), “Enumeration of Noises” shall be amended to provide as follows:

(2) On Sunday, May 25, 2014 and Sunday, August 31, 2014, the time restriction provided by subparagraph (b)(1) above shall read “the playing of music outdoors, either live or recorded, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and the following 8:00 a.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday is hereby prohibited;”

SECTION TWO. 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

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affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

SECTION THREE. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION FOUR. Effective. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage as provided by law.

Seconded by Ms. Ryan and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan

ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Francy turned the meeting back over to Ms. Kane.

Other Resolutions:

R-14-128 – Resolution Authorizing Emergency Notes for Master Plan Re-Exam

Mrs. Cummins asked Ms. Kane if we could go back to Resolution R-14-128.

Mr. Redmond offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

R-14-128

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, IN
THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW
JERSEY (THE “BOROUGH”), AUTHORIZING SPECIAL
EMERGENCY NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
\$100,000 TO FUND THE PREPARATION OF A MASTER
PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey (the “Borough”), finally adopted an ordinance on April 16, 2014 authorizing special emergency appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53, in the aggregate amount of \$100,000 to meet certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, to fund the engagement of special consultants for the preparation, and the preparation of a master plan or plans, when required to conform to the planning laws of the State of New Jersey (the “State”) (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53 provides that it shall be lawful to make such appropriations specifically for the purposes of the Project and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55 allows “special emergency notes” (the “Notes”) to be issued to finance the costs of such Project, which payment for such Notes shall be provided for in the succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of an appropriation of at least one-fifth (1/5) of the amount of such Notes; and

WHEREAS, the Borough now seeks to authorize the issuance of Notes in the amount of \$100,000.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (by not less than two-thirds (2/3) of all the members of the governing body affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55 as follows:

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1. Pursuant to the ordinance finally adopted on April 16, 2014, special emergency appropriations have been made for the Project in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

2. The special emergency appropriations set forth in Section 1 hereof shall be provided for in the budgets of the succeeding years by the inclusion of not less than \$20,000 annually in each of the next five years' succeeding budgets.

3. Special emergency notes (the "Notes"), in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 are hereby authorized, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55 to provide for such special emergency appropriation to fund the costs of the Project. Such Notes may be renewed from time to time, but shall not be issued for a period to exceed one year. At least 1/5 of all such Notes, and the renewals thereof, shall mature and be paid in each year so that all Notes and renewals shall have matured and be paid no later than the last day of the fifth year following the date of this resolution.

4. Such Notes shall be executed by the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and the official seal shall be thereunto affixed and attested to by the Clerk of the Borough.

5. All Notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough. The Notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. It is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough the authority to determine all matters in connection with the Notes issued, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the Notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. The Chief Financial Officer is also hereby authorized to sell part or all of the Notes from time to time at a public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the Notes pursuant to this resolution is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate, the maturity schedule of the Notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

6. The Borough covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under section 103(a) of the Code, of the interest on the Notes issued under this resolution.

7. (a) The Borough reasonably expects to reimburse the expenditures toward the costs of the Project described in this resolution incurred and paid for by the Borough prior to the issuance of the Notes authorized by this resolution with the proceeds of such Notes. No funds from sources other than the Notes have been or are reasonably expected to be reserved or allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside by the Borough, or any member of the same "controlled group" as the Borough, within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e), pursuant to its budget or financial policies with respect to expenditures of the Borough to be reimbursed.

(b) This paragraph 7 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Borough's official intent to reimburse the expenditures toward the costs of the Project described in this resolution incurred and paid for prior to the issuance of the Notes with the proceeds of such issuance of the Notes by the Borough, in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2(e)(1), and no action (or inaction) will be an artifice or device in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-10 to avoid, in whole or in part, arbitrage yield restrictions or arbitrage rebate requirements or to avoid restrictions under Sections 142 through 147 of the Code. The proceeds of the Notes used by the Borough to reimburse itself for expenditures towards the Project described in this resolution incurred and paid for, will not be used directly or indirectly (i) to "refund" an issue of governmental obligations within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code, (ii) to create or increase the balance of a "sinking fund" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(c)(2) with respect to any obligation of the Borough, or to

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replace funds that have been, are being or will be used for sinking fund purposes, (iii) to create or increase the balance in a “reserve or replacement fund” within the meaning of Section 148(d) of the Code and Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-2(f) with respect to any obligation of the Borough or to replace funds that have been, are being or will be so used for reserve or replacement fund purposes, or (iv) to reimburse the Borough for any expenditure or payment that was originally paid with the proceeds of any obligation of the Borough (other than borrowing by the Borough from one of its own funds or the funds of a member of the same “controlled group” within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e))

(c) The Notes to be issued by the Borough to finance those expenditures towards the Project described in this resolution to be reimbursed will be issued in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, which moneys shall be expended from a fund of the Borough, entitled “Current Account,” which fund contains moneys which can be expended for any lawful project of the Borough.

(d) That the expenditures incurred and paid towards the Project described in this resolution to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the Notes will be “capital expenditures” in accordance with the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2(d)(3).

8. Two (2) certified copies of this resolution will be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53.

10. This resolution will take effect immediately.

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mayor Nolan
ABSTAIN: None

R-14-132 – Resolution Authorizing Professional Legal Services

Mrs. Cummins stated that we have an added resolution and then read the resolution in to the record.

Mr. Padula explained that Mr. McNamara represented the Regional Sewerage Authority. There are still some ongoing legal matters. Those matters have now devolved to the two municipalities.

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

**R-14-132
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Borough is in need of legal services concerning matters which arose with the Atlantic Highlands/Highlands Regional Sewerage Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Atlantic Highlands/Highlands Regional Sewerage authority was represented by Patrick J. McNamara; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to retain Mr. McNamara for those matters in which Mr. McNamara was involved on behalf of AHHRSA but which the Borough is now involved as a result of the dissolution of the AHHRSA.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough approves a contract for legal services for those matters in which Patrick McNamara was engaged previously for the authority subject legal review and retains Mr. McNamara at a rate of \$150 per hour to be allocated with Atlantic Highlands; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that Patrick McNamara shall comply with the provisions of the local unit pay to play law, borough code regarding public contracting and chapter 271.

Seconded by Ms. Ryan and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan

Committee Reports:

Finance

Mr. DeBlasio did not have a report for tonight.

Ms. Kane welcomed Mr. DeBlasio as our new CFO and introduced him to the audience.

Public Safety Report

Chief Blewett read thru his report.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS



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- * During the early morning hours of March 21, 2014, officers were called to the Captains Cove Marina regarding a body seen floating in the Shrewsbury River. After confirming that it was in fact a human body the New Jersey State Police Marine Unit was notified and responded to retrieve the body. The body was later identified as that of missing clammer, Edward Broderick. Circumstance surrounding the death are still under investigation.

- * While on routine patrol on March 28, 2014, Special Officer Michael Carlino observed the accused operating his vehicle while his dog was attached by the leash. Officer Carlino pulled the vehicle over and identified the driver; Keith Guastamacchia, 49 years of age, Belford. Mr. Guastamacchia was arrested and charged with animal cruelty after admitting that he had stopped to allow his Chihuahua to relieve himself and after having

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an argument on his cellphone inadvertently drove off with the dog still attached to the vehicle. The dog was transported to a local animal hospital for treatment of its injuries and Mr. Guastamacchia was released with a summons to appear in court. Highlands Animal Control Officer Kerry Gowan and Victor Amato of the Monmouth County SPCA were contacted to conduct a further investigation.

- * April 1, 2014 a local business owner reported that unknown person(s) representing themselves as JCP&L employees attempted to collect cash for an outstanding electric bill.
- * Officers were dispatched along with Highlands First Aid to Hwy 36 & Miller Street during the early evening hours of April 3, 2014 for an unconscious male on the Academy bus. Upon arrival the individual was awake but highly intoxicated. It was discovered that the individual had fallen asleep and missed his stop in Hazlet. After the individual was checked by the Highlands First Aid Squad officers contacted family members to retrieve the individual and transport him home. While waiting for his ride the individual became irate and assaulted the two officers. Steven Corona, 27 years of age, Hazlet was subsequently arrested and charged with (2) counts of aggravated assault and resisting arrest. Mr. Corona's bail was set at \$22,500.00.
- * On April 4, 2014, officers responded to a fight outside the Claddagh Bar on Bay Avenue. Upon arrival the accused was observed straddling another male who was on the ground in the Driftwood parking lot and striking him. Nicholas Burbank, 20 years of age, Leonardo was subsequently arrested and charged with simple assault. The victim was transported to a local hospital for treatment of a head injury.

* **Administration:**

- Initiated Community Outreach Program
 - Purpose: To encourage interaction with the public and build a working trust that will benefit the police department and the public.
 - Officers will be proactively interacting with the general public and businesses by attending public events, sporting events, school functions, teen nights, as well as, talking to at risk youths and concerned citizens.
 - Foot Patrol will be another measure utilized under this program.
 - When call volume permits foot patrols will be established around active businesses on all shifts.
- Grants
 - Body Armor Grant
 - The department will be replacing (5) officers vests totaling approximately \$5000.00. Monies from both the State and Federal Grant awards will cover the costs 100%. The officers body armor is replaced every (5) years on a rotating basis.
 - Click It or Ticket Campaign
 - Applied to State Division of Highway Traffic and Safety for funding that would cover the cost of hiring off-duty officers for the enforcement of seat belt laws. \$4400.00
 - Campaign period: May 19, 2014 through June 1, 2014
 - COPS Hiring Program
 - The US Department of Justice is accepting applications for the hiring of additional officers in an effort to create and preserve jobs and increase community policing and crime prevention efforts. The grant would require hiring an additional officer and the borough would have to maintain the additional staffing level.
 - Henry Hudson Driver Education Program

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- Exploring private funding options from insurance companies towards the purchase of a Driving Simulator.
- The total cost of the simulator is approximately \$11,000.00

* **Training:**

- Firearms – all officers attended the first of four mandatory range qualifications for the year on April 7, 2014.
- Officers attended an Active School Shooter drill at Gateway National Park Station Sandy Hook.

* **Investigations:**

- Identity Thefts – (2) additional identity thefts reported
 - Increasing number of these crimes during tax season
 - Offenders are electronically filing tax returns in victim's name
- Extortion Scam – The Drug Enforcement Administration is warning the public about criminals posing as DEA agents as part of an extortion scam targeting online or telephone prescription drug buyers. In most cases, the criminals inform victims that purchasing drugs over the internet or by telephone is illegal and enforcement action will be taken against them unless they pay a fine. In most cases, the victims are instructed to pay the fine through wire transfer to a designated location. The public should be aware that no DEA agent will ever call members of the public demanding money or other forms of payment. Anyone receiving a telephone call from a person reporting to be a DEA agent or other law enforcement officer seeking money should refuse the demand and report the threat.

* **Community Policing:**

- Explorers
 - The advisors and membership would like to thank the Highlands Fire Department for allowing the post members to utilize the meeting room at the firehouse to hold meetings and training sessions twice a month. The Highlands Fire Department membership has been extremely supportive of the program which is greatly appreciated.

* Total Calls for Service: 449

* Arrests: Adults: 14 (1 for possession of CDS)

JV: 0

* Summons: Total: 80

Moving Violations: 27

Non-Moving: 25

DWI: 4

Boro Ordinance: 24

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(Statistical Information is from March 16, 2014 through April 15, 2014)

Administration

Mr. Hill read thru his report

1. Various Recovery Related items:

- a. Super Storm Sandy FEMA Reimbursement – rec'd notification of payment today 809K ----
19 Various Category A-G Projects = \$1.8 reimbursed to date.
- b. Municipal Building – We are meeting with FEMA to give the direct guidance for overview of costs, programmatic requirements and interpretation of requirements for critical facilities.
- c. Community Center – FEMA / Flood Insurance measures are still be reviewed. We have been advised that our existing ordinance may prohibit certain mitigations of the building and thus, have an impact on potential funding and flood insurance.
- e. Work Force Development – Awaiting confirmation of grant funds for various positions.
- f. Zoning C/E Grant – Rec'd notice that we have been awarded \$28,220 for assistance with Zoning Board / Zoning Office. Will include limited p/t staff, and eligible expenses phone, for legal advertising, contracted personnel and professional services.

2. Department of Public Works

- a. Continue with pot hole repairs
- b. Tended to various tree limbs, branches removal after rain events
- c. Built and Installed benches at park locations (HBP Bench Program)
- d. Ongoing storm drain and catch basin maintenance
- e. Next Borough wide brush pick-up in all zones will be June as scheduled.
- f. M&S Waste Management – many residents have been appreciative of the services being provided for garbage, recycling and bulk pick-up. Reminder from M&S to please inform residents that their items should be placed curbside early a.m.
- g. Installed barrier fencing along boardwalk at Vet's Park. Mon. County loaned us the fencing, DPW installed.

3. Building and Housing: April 1-30

a. Construction Office: No of Applications Received: Permits Issued: 37
Total Construction Fees Received: \$11,528
Inspection Details: Building / Electric 69/79 Plumbing: 32 Fire: 7
Total Value of Construction Performed \$286,772
YTD: 151 permits, 68K fees, 1.956M Value

b. Zoning Office: 11 Approvals 2 Denials 1 Mercantile Approval
3 Zoning Determinations 2 letters for working outside of approvals
1 letter regarding unapproved work taking place, 1 letter of consistency for grant purposes

Floodplain: 10 Approvals 8 Flood Zone Determination letters
1 Elevation Requirement letter 3 Substantial Damage Appeals

c. Code Enforcement 32 CO's inspections total = Other Activity:

1 Violation with Zoning/Engineer, 7 summonses issued, 2 cases adjourned, Additional letters requesting compliance were sent out to various properties.

4. Recreation Department

a. "Kids on the Move" Program - 48 registered, Easter Egg Hunt, April 12th - 150 participants, 6 staff, & 19 Key Club Volunteers; Adult Volleyball - 38 registered total (Program ended on April

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15th); High School Teen Night, April 17th - 27 participants; Kavookjian Field Permits issued - 2 Softball Leagues.

b. High School Teen Nights - May 9th & May 22nd at the Highlands Elementary School Gym from 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm. The event is for ages 14-18 and pizza and soda will be served. For more information please contact Heather DiBlasi at 908-601-5091.

c. The Recreation Dept. is now accepting applications for the following **Part Time Seasonal Positions: Summer Recreation Supervisors, Programmers, & Aides; Summer Food Program Food Preps; Certified Lifeguards; and a Head Lifeguard.** If interested in applying for a position, please pick up an application at the Borough Hall Trailer located at 42 Shore Dr. Application Deadline is May 16th.

d. **Twinlights Summer Sports Camps** - The Borough of Highlands Recreation Dept. is offering sports camps during the Summer of 2014. The camps are for boys & girls in grades 1-8 and will be held at Henry Hudson Regional School Gym & Athletic Fields from 9:00 am - 12:00 The sports camps being offered are: **Basketball - July 7th - July 11th; Baseball/Softball - July 14th - July 18th; Soccer - July 21st - July 25th; and Field Hockey - July 28th - Aug. 1st.** The fee is \$60 per participant for 1 week; \$100 per participant for 2 weeks; and \$150 per participant for 3 weeks. Registration forms are available at the Borough Hall trailer located at 42 Shore Drive.

e. **Summer Kidfest Registration - Begins May 19th at the Borough Hall Trailer at 42 Shore Dr. between the hours of 9:00 am - 4:30 pm.** The Summer Kidfest program is for Highlands children ages 6-14. This year the program will be held at the Highlands Elementary School from **July 7th - August 15th from 8:30 am - 2:00 pm.** The program includes weekly special events, a nutritious breakfast & lunch, games, arts & crafts, and field trips. Please register by June 20th. For further information please call 732-872-1224 ext. 232 or via email at communitycenter@highlandsnj.us.

5. Administration

a. 21 identified projects: 4 completed, 2 near completion, 14 underway.

b. Millennium Strategies: Have 5 Grant Applications in Progress: Municipal Beach Access & Coastal Vulnerability Study, USDHS Port Security, NJEDA (additional NCR if available), DOT Safe Routes To School – looking at various sidewalks, DOT Transportation Alternative Program. 3 submitted, 2 funded – NJ Tree Grant, NJ American & one awaiting disposition (FEMA Fire Prevention Safety Grant)

c. Continue working with the Borough of AH through the transition of the AHHRSA.

d. Initiating updated policy / procedures for purchasing for all borough departments in conjunction with our purchasing agent.

e. Initiating updated Safety and Compliance Program for all departments in cooperation with our Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

f. USACE Meetings held for business owners and public – will be setting up future session to be held in conjunction with Town Hall meeting.

g. Contacted by Twinlights Historical Society re: 5K race in August.

Mr. Francy asked Mr. Hill about the \$809,000.00. Where is it going?

Mr. Hill responded that it comes back to the Borough for monies already spent.

Mr. DeBlasio explained that we put the funds aside and apply toward our debt.

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Mr. Hill stated that the Clam Depuration Commission has openings for anyone interested in serving. Please fill out a citizen participation form and submit it at borough hall.

Library

No report tonight.

Highlands Business Partnership

Carla Cefalo-Braswell gave her report.

Marketing & Events

We attended the Bike New York Five Boro Bike Tour on May 4th and distributed the 2014-2015 visitor guides. They have also been distributed to the MC Tourism Office, the GSP Visitor Center, Twin Lights of Navesink, Sandy Hook Visitor Center, Seastreak, Eastpointe Condo's, Ptak and local businesses.

We secured billboards and lawn signs for the Taste of Highlands, Clamfest and Oktoberfest.

14th Annual Seaport Craft Show will take place on May 25th, 10am – 4pm. Vendors are still applying; we expect a great turnout this year.

Taste of Highlands will be taking place on June 28, 12-5. We have 20 participants this year. Tickets are \$40.00 and available now, and can be purchase online via PayPal. Ticket holders will receive a keepsake cinch backpack and have access to transportation on a party limo bus. Proceeds will go to Veterans Park improvements.

Our 20th Annual Clamfest will be coming up July 31st – Aug. 3rd. We have 4 nights of great entertainment booked and a fantastic new ride company joining us this year, along with expanded choice of games and a spectacular 120' ft. food court.

Diane coordinated with HHRS, Mrs. Elliott and her art students for the window painting contest for Paint the Town Pink. Students will receive cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Pl.

Visual Improvement

The Bay Avenue maintenance program will soon be underway. We have completed the new sign project in Cornwall Square and will be refurbishing the Veterans Park sign to be consistent with the Highway Sign. We have 6 new benches from the Adopt-A-Bench program placed in Veterans Park and one in Huddy Park. The wayfinding sign program and the Memoria sign installation is scheduled for next week. We are organizing a sub-committee to submit a spreadsheet with property maintenance nightmares in the district.

Economic Development – We attended the NJDRMI Digital Downtown Seminar on April 30th in South Orange. We also participated in Creative Highlands on May 2nd. Some of the waterfront business owners attended a FEMA meeting coordinated through Mr. Hill. We are looking forward to Rutgers Design Studio presentation next week.

Shared Services

No report tonight.

Other Business:

Mayor's Appointment to Planning Board

Ms. Kane stated that this item is tabled due to the Mayor's absence.

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G. Hawley Memorial Foundation Fundraiser

Ms. Kane directed Mrs. Cummins to do the ad the same as last year.

Ms. Ryan said the fundraiser is on June 7th. Anyone interested in tickets, may contact Borough Hall.

Website Committee

Ms. Ryan stated that she has had a few residents show interest in the committee. If anyone is interested, please fill out a citizen participation form. They will have a report at the next meeting.

Community Garden Request

Mr. Hill explained that he received a request regarding a community garden at the ballfield. He told him we would look in to it. Maybe we can find an appropriate spot.

Mr. Francy said that Suzanne Eckert is running a community type garden at O.L.P.H. He will forward the information to Mr. Hill.

Ms. Ryan does not think having a garden at the ballfield is not a good idea.

Mr. Padula will look into paying insurance on previous community garden.

Community Electronic Information Signage

Mr. Hill has been contacted about this program. He explained the program. We need to do more research. It is an interesting concept.

Mr. Hill explained that our message sign board at the old Borough Hall. It was suggested to see if we can get it up and running. He explained the repairs and it would cost \$2700.00 to make repairs to get it up and running. He further explained additional remote computer hook ups that would be involved.

DPW Summer Seasonal Help

Mr. Hill stated that we request seasonal help annually. We will put information out and start in late May. We will be looking at the budget closely. We are looking to hire two seasonal workers.

NJAW Grant

Mr. Hill explained that we applied for this \$10,000.00 grant. We would purchase rain barrels. There is an educational component. He further explained the program.

Mr. Francy questioned Millenium and working on grants toward certain goals. He would like a summary from them regarding grants toward long term recovery goals. He would like a presentation at the next meeting.

Request to Amend Resolution R-14-110 Designate Reps for MCPB Master Plan

Ms. Kane stated that Resolution R-14-133 will amend Resolution R-14-110. It is to replace Alternate Representative Carla Braswell with Ken Braswell.

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

R-14-133

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**RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION
R-14-110 RESOLUTION APPOINTING REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BOROUGH
OF HIGHLANDS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTY'S
NEW MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands adopted Resolution R-14-110 on April 2, 2014 designating Chris Francy and Barbara Ianucci as the representatives and Carla Cefalo-Braswell as an alternate for the Borough of Highlands involvement with working with the County Planning Board on a new Master Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands that Ken Braswell be the alternate member in place of Carla Cefalo-Braswell

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

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Nolan

ABSTAIN: None

Review of Estimated Repair Costs for Veterans Park

Mr. Leubner explained the estimated cost for repairs would be over \$400,000.00. The cost could come down based on the design that we chose for the park and what we find when digging into the soil. He further explained that 70% of the cost is for repairs along the water's edge.

NJDEP Grant – Public Access for Beaches

Mr. Hill reported on this in his Administration Report earlier.

Depuration Commission Membership

Mr. Francy explained that their expiration date is May 31st. We are sending a letter to the Commission requesting their recommendations and we will consider their recommendations at the first meeting in June.

Navesink Capital Partners Project – Sewer Connections

Mr. Leubner explained that the Planning Board told this applicant to investigate the new sewer line location. We worked with them during this process. The line would not be feasible along Shore Drive. The matter than gets reverted back to the Borough and decide how to proceed. Mr. Bollerman wants to connect at Willow Street.

Mr. Francy stated that we need guidance from Mr. Leubner. T&M can work with Mr. Bollerman and come back with a proposal.
The table had a brief discussion.

Mr. Redmond asked how old the sewer line is that runs along Shore Drive.

Mr. Leubner explained that the original line goes back to the 1920's. In 2005-2006 we rehabilitated that area of town with sanitary sewer lines which included Bay Avenue, Central Avenue, Ocean Street, Shore Drive and Willow Street.

Mr. Redmond asked if there has been any problem with the flow from the trailer park and the marina.

Mr. Leubner said not with the lines.

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Table continued a brief discussion.

Mr. Redmond feels we should use existing lines.

Rutgers Study Presentation Announcement

Ms. Kane announced that there will be a town hall meeting for the Rutgers Studio Presentation on Wednesday, May 14th at 7:30 p.m. at the OLPH gym. The information is on the website.

Ms. Kane also mentioned the garden club will be holding their flower sale this Saturday.

Public Portion:

Kim Skorka of 315 Shore Drive liked the monthly calendar in the meeting packet and asked if it could be posted on the website.

Mrs. Cummins will speak to Mr. Braswell.

Kim Skorka spoke about the Army Corp of Engineers meeting. There was confusion on the meeting date. She suggested a reverse 911 message and an email blast.

Mr. Hill explained the meeting location problem. The facility was changed.

Kim Skorka asked about the cost of repairs to Veterans Park.

Mr. Leubner explained that there will be a meeting on June 11th and all costs will be explained.

Ms. Kane asked Mr. DeBlasio to give an update on available Open Space Funds at the June 11th meeting.

Kim Skorka asked about the status of the transit village.

Mr. Hill explained that it is still on hold.

Kim Skorka knows our finances are tight. We should have the Fire Department do fundraisers to help pay for Fire Trucks.

Doug Card of 28 Shrewsbury Avenue feels that Mr. Bollerman made it clear that he will walk away from his project if the sewer connection is not approved. He also asked if Sea Bright has insurance on our building where they park their fire trucks.

Ms. Kane stated that they do.

Barbara Ianucci of 28 Shrewsbury Avenue asked about the DOT grant for Shrewsbury Avenue.

Mr. Leubner explained that it is for resurfacing roadways. He further explained the process.

Barbara Ianucci spoke of flooding concerns at the corner of Shrewsbury and Bay Avenues.

Mr. Leubner explained that outfall and the high water table. We will keep an eye on it.

Barbara Ianucci inquired about the rain barrel grant.

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Mr. Hill responded that Sandy Hook had a group that would supply the education component.

Don Manrodt of 268 Bayside Drive asked who designed Bayside Drive wall. The new wall was put up but the water is still coming down.

Mr. Leubner explained that the gutters were not clear.

Don Manrodt continued to complain about the wall and the curb material used in front of his son's house.

Mr. Leubner explained that the Mr. Manrodt's son requested that material.

Eileen Scanlon of 24 5th Street agrees that Army Corp of Engineer do need to be advertised. She feels the council should form a committee to keep all informed about the Army Corp of Engineers meetings and updates.

Ms. Kane stated that going forward; this information will be included in the newsletter as well. We need to pressure them to give us quarterly updates.

Eileen Scanlon asked also for a presentation in the summer months.

Mrs. Scanlon complained about the ferry traffic and speeding.

Chief Blewett will look in to it.

Don Manrodt said that they have the fire lane open again at the ferry.

Ms. Kane will have this looked in to.

Melissa Pederson – passed.

Carolyn Broullon said the council packets were not available outside this evening. She also asked about updates on Borough Hall and the Community Center.

Mr. Hill explained that he will be meeting with FEMA again. They will be discussing flood levels.

There were no further questions.

Mr. Francy offered a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Kane and all were in favor.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Debby Dailey, Deputy Clerk