

REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 8, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Highland Park Mayor and Council was held in Borough Hall, 221 South 5th Avenue, on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 and was called to order by Mayor Minkoff at 7:04 PM. Mayor Minkoff read the Open Public Meetings Statement.

Present: Mayor Minkoff, Councilpersons Brill Mittler, Erickson, Foster-Dublin, Millet, Potts, Welkovits; Borough Attorney Schmierer; Borough Administrator Kovach, Borough Clerk Hullings.

Absent: None

Main Street Minute – Jenni Chapman, President of Main Street Highland Park, congratulated Rebecca Hersh and Randy Solomon on the birth of their child. They have not stopped planning for future events. Planting Day will be May 15<sup>th</sup> and May 17<sup>th</sup>. All events are on Mainstreet.org.

Jon Erickson asked if there was any news on Charlie Brown's site. Ms. Chapman reported that there are rumors going around. Two businesses are moving, Sushiana is moving to North 4<sup>th</sup> and expanding and the Kosher Bakery is also moving near Pino's.

Mayor Minkoff asked the Council members to present their reports.

Councilwoman Foster-Dublin reported Sergeant Abrams provided Safety Training for lockdown, evacuation and shelter in place for Borough Employees. She also reported that former Police Lieutenant Tony Morra passed away. Chief Rizco added that he worked with him. Lt. Morra worked 40 years at the Highland Park Police Department and had a distinguished career. He was a life member of the Highland Park Volunteer First Aid Squad. He moved to Florida with his wife Vivian, who also worked at Borough Hall. The viewing will be from 5-9 p.m. at Jaqui Kuhn Funeral Home and the funeral will be Saturday. He offered condolences to his family.

Mayor Minkoff extended his condolences to Lieutenant Morra's family.

Councilman Potts reported the Senior lunch is on April 11<sup>th</sup> and the Senior Prom will be June 19<sup>th</sup>. The Teen Advisory Committee will work with Sustainable Highland Park on River Clean Up on June 1<sup>st</sup>. The Arts Commission is getting started up again. The Memorial Day Parade is May 26<sup>th</sup> beginning in New Brunswick and ending in Highland Park. He congratulated the Highland Park High School Drama Club on their presentation of The Wizard of Oz.

Councilwoman Welkovits thanked Demetrius Kambitsis for donating a swing for handicapped kids at Karsey Street Park. The Commission For Universal Access applied with Park Partners Group and was not awarded grant. The Theater Arts Group will meet on Fridays at 1:30 at the Senior Center (ACT OUT). The Habitat House project is moving forward and fundraising will be done in the future. They will have a table at the Street Fair and will be selling 2 x 4's. They also plan to host a breakfast. The Friends of Library will host a poetry series at the Library on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Oscar Lee, a High School student, won one of the Park Partners Awards.

Councilwoman Brill Mittler reported that the Park It event will be April 21 – April 27. The Borough is executing a marketing plan to get new people to town. Events will occur throughout the town and culminate with Earth Day Celebration at the Environmental Education Center. She is proud of several of the winning Park Partners Groups because they are Highland Park High School Students.

Mayor Minkoff gave compliments to Gayle Brill Mittler and the communications committee for the Highland Park News. He thanked her and the committee. Friends from a variety of places were impressed.

Councilman Erickson reported that the public hearing for 2014 Municipal Budget would be held tonight. He thanked people who sent cards and notes asking how he is doing. He is doing pretty well.

Councilman Millet and Mayor Minkoff thanked Jon Erickson for his work and they are glad that he is feeling better.

Ron Gardner reported that the Borough has received approval to adopt their budget from the Department of Community Affairs. He puts the numbers onto the budget document. The work is done by the Borough Administrator and the Council. This is the first budget for towns they work with to be adopted.

Councilman Millet – No report.

Borough Administrator Kovach reported that the Communications Department is newly added to the budget for 2014.

Mayor Minkoff stated that the Borough's Department Heads are in attendance tonight. He thanked the Department Heads for their efforts as the Borough continues to give them new sets of challenges and ask them to do more with less. They are the first people in contact with residents who are not always satisfied, yet all still here and he is proud of their camaraderie and dedication. The Governing Body provides leadership along with Borough Administrator and the Department Heads execute day in and day out.

Borough Attorney Schmierer – No report.

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Mayor Minkoff reported he met with Board of Public Utilities with PSE&G with Padraic Millet, Kathleen Kovach and Chief Rizco. The meeting lasted for well over two hours. They went over the issues Highland Park faced after the fire at the Edison substation, the lack of communication, the delays in the repairs, etc.

Mayor Minkoff opened the meeting for public discussion and called upon all those wishing to speak to identify themselves.

No one appearing to be heard, the Mayor closed the public discussion session.

The Clerk reported advertising an Ordinance entitled CALENDAR YEAR 2014 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A.40A:4-45.14) for consideration of passage on final reading by title and that affidavits of publication thereto are on file. She also reported that the ordinance had been posted and made available to the public, as required by law.

On motion made by Councilman Erickson seconded by Councilwoman Brill Mittler, and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote, the above entitled ordinance was taken up on final reading by title.

Mayor Minkoff declared the public hearing on the ordinance open to all officials and persons present and called upon all those wishing to speak for or against the ordinance to do so.

No one appearing to be heard and no objections having been received in writing, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

On motion made by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits, the ordinance entitled as above, being Ordinance No. 14-1860, was duly adopted, by the following roll call vote, to wit:

Ayes: Councilpersons Brill Mittler, Erickson, Foster-Dublin, Millet, Potts, Welkovits.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted on motion made by Councilman Erickson seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote:

No. 4-14-125

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Ordinance entitled, CALENDAR YEAR 2014 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A.40A:4-45.14), passed on final reading at this meeting be delivered to the Mayor for his approval, and if approved by him, that the same be recorded in full by the Borough Clerk in a proper book kept for that purpose, and be advertised by publishing the same by title in the "Home News Tribune", of East Brunswick, New Jersey, a newspaper published in the County of Middlesex and circulating in this municipality, there being no newspaper published in this municipality, in the manner prescribed by law.

The Clerk reported advertising a summary of the 2014 Municipal Budget and Tax Resolution, introduced and approved on first reading March 4, 2014, with the public hearing scheduled for April 8, 2014, and that affidavits of publication thereto are on file. She also reported that copies of the budget were made available to the public in Borough Hall and the Highland Park Library.

On motion made by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits, and carried by affirmative voice vote of all Councilpersons present, the public hearing on the 2014 Municipal Budget amendment was opened.

No one appearing to be heard, on motion made by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Councilman Millet, and carried by affirmative voice vote of all Councilpersons present, the public hearing on the 2014 Municipal Budget was closed.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted on motion made by Councilman Erickson seconded by Councilman Millet and carried by the following roll call vote, to wit:

Ayes: Councilpersons Brill Mittler, Erickson, Foster-Dublin, Millet, Potts, Welkovits.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

No. 4-14-126

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park, County of Middlesex, that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

(a) \$10,359,470.33 (Item 2a below) for Municipal Purposes

(c) \$ 428,725.67 (Item 2c below) for Minimum Library Tax

\$10,072,066.39 Total tax levy

**SUMMARY OF REVENUES**

General Revenues

1. Surplus Anticipated	\$900,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	2,407,098.00
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	0.00
2. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Municipal Purposes	
Municipal Support (Item (a), Sheet 11)	10,359,470.33
Minimum Library Tax (Item (c), Sheet 11)	428,725.67

**Total Revenues**

**\$14,095,294.00**

**SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS**

5. General Appropriations	
Within "CAPS"	
(a&b) Operations Including Contingent	\$9,531,124.00
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures-Municipal	1,352,539.00
(f) Judgements	
Excluded from "CAPS"	1,061,758.00
(a) Operations – Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	1,093,041.00
(c) Capital Improvements	33,330.00
(d) Municipal Debt Service	1,836,543.00
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures – Municipal	0.00
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	<u>280,000.00</u>
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b><u>\$14,095,294.00</u></b>

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the CY 2014 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

The Clerk reported advertising an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, 2010" CHAPTER 64 CONCERNING RATES OF PAY FOR OFF-DUTY POLICE SERVICES for consideration of passage on final reading by title and that affidavits of publication thereto are on file. She also reported that the ordinance had been posted and made available to the public, as required by law.

On motion made by Councilman Millet seconded by Councilman Welkovits, and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote, the above entitled ordinance was taken up on final reading by title.

Mayor Minkoff declared the public hearing on the ordinance open to all officials and persons present and called upon all those wishing to speak for or against the ordinance to do so.

No one appearing to be heard and no objections having been received in writing, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

On motion made by Councilman Millet, seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits, the ordinance entitled as above, being Ordinance No. 14-1861, was duly adopted, by the following roll call vote, to wit:

Ayes: Councilpersons Brill Mittler, Erickson, Foster-Dublin, Millet, Potts, Welkovits.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted on motion made by Councilman Millet seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote:

No. 4-14-127

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, 2010" CHAPTER 64 CONCERNING RATES OF PAY FOR OFF-DUTY POLICE SERVICES, passed on final reading at this meeting be delivered to the Mayor for his approval, and if approved by him, that the same be recorded in full by the Borough Clerk in a proper book kept for that purpose, and be advertised by publishing the same by title in the "Home News Tribune", of East Brunswick, New Jersey, a newspaper published in the County of Middlesex and circulating in this municipality, there being no newspaper published in this municipality, in the manner prescribed by law.

The Clerk reported advertising an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, 2010" CHAPTER 368, ARTICLE I CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF THE COST OF SNOW OR ICE REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS OR CURB CUTS BY THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK for consideration of passage on final reading by title and that affidavits of publication thereto are on file. She also reported that the ordinance had been posted and made available to the public, as required by law.

On motion made by Councilman Millet seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits, and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote, the above entitled ordinance was taken up on final reading by title.

Mayor Minkoff declared the public hearing on the ordinance open to all officials and persons present and called upon all those wishing to speak for or against the ordinance to do so.

No one appearing to be heard and no objections having been received in writing, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

On motion made by Councilman Millet, seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits, the ordinance entitled as above, being Ordinance No. 14-1862, was duly adopted, by the following roll call vote, to wit:

Ayes: Councilpersons Brill Mittler, Erickson, Foster-Dublin, Millet, Potts, Welkovits.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

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The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted on motion made by Councilman Millet seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote:

No. 4-14-128

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, 2010" CHAPTER 368, ARTICLE I CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF THE COST OF SNOW OR ICE REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS OR CURB CUTS BY THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, passed on final reading at this meeting be delivered to the Mayor for his approval, and if approved by him, that the same be recorded in full by the Borough Clerk in a proper book kept for that purpose, and be advertised by publishing the same by title in the "Home News Tribune", of East Brunswick, New Jersey, a newspaper published in the County of Middlesex and circulating in this municipality, there being no newspaper published in this municipality, in the manner prescribed by law.

Consent Agenda Resolution Nos. 4-14-129 through 4-14-141 were duly adopted on motion made by Councilman Millet, seconded by Councilwoman Brill Mittler, and carried by the following roll call vote, to wit:

Ayes: Councilpersons Brill Mittler, Erickson, Foster-Dublin, Millet, Potts, Welkovits.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-129

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that all claims presented prior to this meeting as shown on a detailed list prepared by the Borough Treasurer, and which have been submitted and approved in accordance with Highland Park Ordinance No. 1004, shall be and the same are hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall include in the minutes of this meeting a statement as to all such claims approved as shown in a Bills List Journal in accordance with said Ordinance.

The bills approved for payment at this meeting, Bills List 4/8/14, can be found in the Bills List Journal Book No. 33.

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Works & Public Utilities Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-130

WHEREAS, Treetops @ Highlands, LLC, received an extremely high water and sewer bill; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Highland Park Water & Sewer Department that the water meter malfunctioned thereby causing the issuance of an erroneous water and sewer bill; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector recommends that this account be credited for the erroneous charges;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue a credit to Account # 30230849-0 of \$10,212.91 for water and \$6,228.65 for sewer for a total amount of \$16,441.56 to the water and sewer account of Treetops @ Highlands, LLC, Highland Park, NJ 08904.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector and Finance Director forthwith.

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Safety Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-131

WHEREAS, bids were duly advertised for and received on March 10, 2014 for new telephone system for the Police Department, Municipal Building and Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Johnston Communications	\$50,119.94
Hunter Technologies	\$49,857.39

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Building Architect has reviewed said bids and recommended that a contract be awarded to Hunter Technologies based on their bid of \$49,857.39 and compliance with specifications; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in Account No. C-04-55-811-200 in the amount of \$49,857.39, as reflected by the Certification of Funds Available by Finance Director Kathleen Kovach, shown below; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are of the opinion that said bid should be accepted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Mayor and Borough Clerk shall be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of said Borough with Hunter Technologies, 1709 Route 34, Suite 3, Wall Township, NJ 07727, for the Police Department, Municipal Building and Fire Department for the total amount of \$49,857.39, said contract to be in a form approved by the Borough Attorney.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-132

WHEREAS, under the terms and conditions of the Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey, a municipality may purchase items or services without competitive bidding from a firm or corporation currently under contract with the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highland Park Police Department has a need to purchase a recording system, as more fully described on the attached proposal; and

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WHEREAS, under State Contract No. T-010983896, the Borough may obtain said recording system from OBS, Office Business Systems, Inc., 600M Ryerson Road, Lincoln Park, NJ, at the State contract prices; and

WHEREAS funds for this purpose are available in Account No. C-04-55-811-225 in the amount of \$26,768.00 as reflected by the certification of funds by Finance Director Kathleen Kovach, shown below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of Highland Park that the Borough Police Department is hereby authorized and directed to purchase said recording system from OBS, Office Business Systems, Inc., 600M Ryerson Road, Lincoln Park, NJ 07058, at a total price of \$26,768.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Police Chief, Stephen Rizco and Finance Director Kathleen Kovach, forthwith.

The following resolution, introduced by the Economic Development and Planning Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-133

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 7-12-218, adopted by the Borough Council on July 17, 2012, a contract was awarded to H & S Construction & Mechanical, Inc. Elizabeth, NJ, for Highland Park New Police Building Capital Project; and

WHEREAS, it appears from Pay Estimate No. 19, filed by the Goldstein Partnership, architects that certain work under said contract has been completed and approved, and there is due to H & S Construction & Mechanical, Inc. the sum of \$324,503.18 in accordance with said Pay Estimate for work performed from March 1, 2014 to March 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in Account No. C-04-55-811-225 in the amount of \$324,503.18, as reflected by the Certification of Funds Available by Chief Financial Officer Kathleen Kovach, shown below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized and directed to pay H & S Construction & Mechanical, Inc. the sum of \$324,503.18, as certified by the Architect in Pay Estimate No. 19, subject to the Clerk's receipt of the Certified Payroll and Project Manning Reports and additional documents as necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Chief Financial Officer Kathleen Kovach and the Goldstein Partnership forthwith.

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Works and Public Utilities Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-134

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Advisory Committee would like to institute a tree planting program for the spring of 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Advisory Committee has a list of interested residents; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Advisory Committee would like to purchase said shade trees utilizing funds from the Tree Replacement Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that Shade Tree Advisory Committee is hereby authorized to purchase said trees utilizing funds from the Tree Replacement Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and the Shade Tree Advisory Committee forthwith.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-135

WHEREAS, The Goldstein Partnership, the Project Architect for the renovation of the Public Safety Building, had heretofore submitted an invoice totaling the amount of \$4,580.36 for services in connection with the said project; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed the said invoice and have approved the same for payment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Finance Director shall be and hereby authorized and directed to issue payment in the amount of \$4,580.36 to The Goldstein Partnership, for architectural services in connection with the renovation of the Public Safety Building; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Finance Director forthwith.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-136

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Borough Clerk shall be and is hereby authorized and directed to notify the Borough Finance Director that since the adoption of a resolution on January 7, 2014 showing the names of the officers and employees of the Borough of Highland Park whose salaries are on an annual basis, there have been the following changes, to wit:

DAVID LUXENBERG, Day Camp Director, at an annual salary of \$8,500.00, effective May 1, 2014.

DAVID LUXENBERG, Teen Camp Director, at an annual salary of \$2,000.00, effective May 1, 2014. DAVID LUXENBERG, Pre-Camp Set up, at an annual salary of \$1,000.00, effective May 1, 2014.

RICHARD McGLYNN, Sports Camp Director, at annual salary of \$6,000.00, effective May 1, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Director be and he is hereby directed to make the necessary changes in the payroll records of the Finance Department in accordance with the changes established by this resolution.

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The following resolution, introduced by the Public Safety Committee, was duly adopted as above:  
No. 4-14-137

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 7-12-218 adopted by the Borough Council on July 17, 2012, a contract was awarded to H & S Construction & Mechanical, Inc., Elizabeth, NJ, for Highland Park New Police Building Capital Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said resolution a contract was duly executed; and

WHEREAS, the Architect, The Goldstein Partnership, has prepared the attached Change Order Nos. 81, 82, 83 & 84 to the said contract for the additional work outlined below; and

<u>CHANGE ORDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
#81	\$ 3,421.00	Encase Existing Site Conduit in Concrete
#82	\$ 1,783.00	Provide Additional Site Signage & Numbering
#83	\$-73,571.25	Cancel change order #59(Replacing Apron of Fire House)
#84	\$ 2,372.10	Modify Gutter Framing at Roof of Police Building

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in Account No. C-04-55-811-225 in the amount of \$(-65,995.15), as reflected by the Certification of Funds Available by Chief Financial Officer Kathleen Kovach, shown below;

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has reviewed the proposed Change Orders for this contract and has approved the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that Mayor Gary Minkoff be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute Change Order Nos. 81, 82, 83 & 84, for \$(-65,995.15) to the contract of H & S Construction & Mechanical, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to The Goldstein Partnership, H & S Construction & Mechanical, Inc., and the Finance Director forthwith.

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Works and Public Utilities Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-138

WHEREAS, the Highland Park River Road Pump Station has a need to make repairs to the roof, as more fully described on the attached quotation; and

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited and only one quote was received as follows:

Park Roofing & Sheet Metal Co., Inc. \$7,300.00

And

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in the amount of \$7,300.00 in the following account, as reflected by the certification of funds by Finance Director Kathleen Kovach shown below:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
4-05-55-500-430	\$7,300.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Capital Projects Coordinator is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for said repairs from Park Roofing & Sheet Metal Co., Inc., 427-1 Whitehead Avenue, South River, NJ 08882 at a total price of \$7,300.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Capital Projects Coordinator and Finance Director Kathleen Kovach, forthwith.

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Works and Public Utilities Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-139

WHEREAS, Lewis & Eileen Pichinson, 200 Jackson Avenue, received an extremely high water and sewer bill; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Highland Park Water & Sewer Department that there is problem with the meter and that it should be sent out for testing pursuant to Borough Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector recommends that this account be credited for the erroneous charges;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue a credit to Account # 10101340-0 of \$38.26 for water and \$25.54 for sewer for a total amount of \$63.80 to the water and sewer account of Lewis & Eileen Pichinson, 200 Jackson Avenue, Highland Park, NJ 08904.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector and Finance Director forthwith.

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Safety Committee, was duly adopted as above:  
No. 4-14-140

WHEREAS, Majestic Towing, South Plainfield NJ and Car Guys Auto Repair, Edison, NJ have filed with the Clerk of this Borough for a Wrecker/Towing License to operate heavy duty wreckers in this Borough under the provisions of the Ordinance providing for such license; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has investigated said applicants and has reported favorably upon said applications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Council hereby determines that said applicants are qualified and that public necessity and convenience would be served by the issuance of such Licenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue Heavy Duty Wrecker/Towing Licenses to the aforesaid applicants.

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The following resolution, introduced by the Community Services Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 4-14-141

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the Borough, an Amendment to the Contract between the County of Middlesex and the Borough of Highland Park for Information and Assistance Services, a copy of which is attached to the original of this resolution.

Mayor Minkoff appointed Bruce Tucker to serve as a member of the Library Board of Trustees for a term to expire December 31, 2016.

Mayor Minkoff appointed Chris Gash to serve as a member of the Arts Commission for a term to expire April 1, 2017.

Mayor Minkoff appointed the following to serve as members of the Council on Aging for terms to expire April 1, 2017:

Dee Donnelly, Alt. #2

Selma Goldblatt

Lilas Saltiel

Gertrude Gerr

Ceila Diamond

The above appointments were confirmed on motion made by Councilwoman Welkovits, seconded by Councilman Millet, and carried by the following roll call vote, to wit:

Ayes: Councilpersons Brill Mittler, Erickson, Foster-Dublin, Potts, Welkovits.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

The Clerk reported receipt of notification of the election of Volunteer Firefighters Andrew Schwartz and Michael J. Groskranz to the rolls of the Highland Park Volunteer Fire Department.

On motion made by Councilwoman Foster-Dublin, seconded by Councilman Millet, the above confirmation was confirmed by the following roll call vote, to wit:

Ayes: Councilpersons Brill Mittler, Erickson, Foster Dublin, Millet, Potts, Welkovits.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Mayor Minkoff opened the meeting for public discussion and called upon all those wishing to speak to identify themselves.

No one appearing to be heard, the Mayor closed the public discussion.

There being no further business, on motion made by Councilman Millet, seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits, and carried by affirmative voice vote of all Councilpersons present, the meeting adjourned to the Conference Meeting at 7:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Hullings  
Borough Clerk