

REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 2, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Highland Park Mayor and Council was held in Borough Hall, 221 South 5th Avenue, on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 and was called to order by Mayor Brill Mittler at 6:59 PM. Mayor Brill Mittler read the Open Public Meetings Statement.

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

Absent: None

On motion made by Councilwoman Welkovits, seconded by Councilman Potts, the minutes of the Regular and Conference Meeting held August 5, 2014; were approved as distributed by the following roll call vote, to wit:

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

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

Mayor Brill Mittler administered the Oath of Office and Allegiance to Police Officer Alaina Giles.

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Safety Committee, was duly adopted on motion made Councilwoman Welkovits, seconded by Councilman Potts, and carried by the following roll call vote, to wit:

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

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

No. 9-14-253

WHEREAS, the position of Police Officer became available due to retirement/promotions; and

WHEREAS, Alaina Giles has applied for and is qualified to fill the position; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Board recommends that Alaina Giles be hired as a Police Officer in the Highland Park Police Department;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highland Park, that Alaina Giles be hired for the position of Police Officer in the Highland Park Police Department, effective August 18, 2014 at a base salary of \$56,428.00.

There was a brief recess taken at 7:05 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 7:19 PM with all those previously in attendance still present.

Presentation – Summary of Remediation Reports – Honeywell Properties was given by Allan Williams of the Environmental Commission. There are two major reports of the Honeywell properties in Highland Park. There are two sites – the Waldron property, which will be the site of Pulte’s “The Crossings at Highland Park”, and is located behind Cleveland Avenue from River Road to Janeway Avenue. The second site is the former Illuminating Experience on Cleveland Avenue north of Janeway Avenue. The Waldron property had previously received a RAO (Response Action Outcome) in 2013 that indicated the soil contamination had been remediated to meet NJDEP standards for residential use. During removal and crushing of concrete slabs and foundations on the property in preparation for building condominiums, one site with black soil was discovered, which suggested contamination from oil. This site was designated an Area of Concern 21, and is located in the central portion of the site. A 425-gallon underground gas tank was also discovered in the southern portion of the site and was designated as Area of Concern 22. All remediation work is complete on the Waldron site and meets the DEP standards for residential development. One of the conditions of approval from the Planning Board for this site is that the Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) certify that the site meets residential standards prior to occupancy. For the Illuminating Experience property a Receptor Evaluation report was issued. The site is known to be contaminated and has been partially remediated. The primary contaminant is trichloroethylene (TCE). There are multiple monitoring wells on the site and the majority of the wells have no detectable contamination. There are numerous concrete slabs on the site, which will have to be removed before further remediation can occur. Two of the monitoring wells had samples with TCE significantly above allowed limits. In order to further evaluate the contamination additional testing was required within 200 feet of the wells and these properties are along Cleveland Avenue – Menlo Engineering, Control Layout, Mid Atlantic Industrial Service Corporation and the Garlatti Professional Building. Samples were taken from the subsoil beneath the first three buildings as well as air samples from these buildings. No TCE was detected from the three properties which supports the idea that the TCE is not leaving the Illuminating Experience site and no further action is required for those three properties. Honeywell is currently pursuing access to the Garlatti property. As part of the Receptor evaluation, a water well search has been performed with a radius of 0.5 miles. Two wells were found within this radius. Neither well has been used for many years. All residences and buildings in Highland Park receive water from Middlesex Water Company. TCE contamination of the Illuminating Experience site is NOT contaminating adjacent properties. There is significant remediation work that must be completed prior to redevelopment of the site for residential use.

Lou Pichinson, 200 Jackson Avenue, asked if the LSRP would be the same person at the rear site. Mr. Williams responded that he was not 100% sure, but believes it would be the same person as they work for Honeywell International. Mr. Pichinson commented that he believes it would be advantageous to have the same person who is familiar with the front site do the analysis on the rear site. He asked about Illuminating Experiences site cleanup in 2015 and whether it pertains to both soil and groundwater. Mr. Williams noted that when they pull up the slabs they will do more testing to see what contamination is under there. Mr. Pichinson asked whether the responsibility for the various cleanups on this property been

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resolved among the three parties. Borough Attorney Schmierer noted that as far as the Borough knows the responsibility for the cleanup is Honeywell's.

Larry Perfetti, 214 Cleveland Avenue, commented that the Illuminating Experience site represents the highest point in Highland Park. He wondered about the barrels that were on the site and he wanted to know if there would be borings done near the residential neighborhood. Mr. Williams commented that if and when the property is developed, those are questions that will need to be addressed. The Environmental Commission has a good relationship with Honeywell and they can make those requests.

Councilwoman Welkovits thanked Mr. Williams for reviewing the report and asked about the wells that are located within ½ mile of public drinking water. Mr. Williams commented that wells in New Jersey have to be documented by NJDEP. There are no wells currently used for potable water.

Mayor Brill Mittler thanked Mr. Williams for taking on this report and explaining it to the Council and the public. Mr. Williams indicated that he will post the summary on the Environmental Commission Website which is accessible from the Borough's website.

Councilman George reported that he has been meeting with his various boards. He sat in on the Redevelopment Agency meeting with their new attorney. He attended his first meeting with Main Street Highland Park and the meet and greet at Pino's. He also met with the Design Committee of Main Street and attended a presentation.

Councilman Erickson – No report.

Councilman Millet reported the Council will be awarding the bid for Shade Tree Planting Project and he thanked the committee for their hard work. The Sidewalk Improvement Program is 75% complete. The Council is always interested in feedback about the program and they plan to implement another program. The Borough plans to seek proposals for energy aggregation and hope to be able to pick the right consultant to get lower prices on energy costs.

Councilwoman Foster-Dublin reported that September is hurricane season and information on emergency preparedness is available on the borough's website under Emergency Management. The Police Department will be enforcing the Drive Sober or get Pulled Over initiative this month. Lastly, she reported on the passing of Life Volunteer Fire Department member Vince Murphy.

Councilman Potts reported that registration for fall sports programs is still open. Coaches are needed and interested parties should contact Andrea Baay. The next senior lunch is scheduled for September 12<sup>th</sup>.

Councilwoman Welkovits reported that she would like to thank Rich Lear of the Middlesex County Parks Department for switching out the swing seats. The Highland Park Housing Authority will be holding a large indoor/outdoor yard sale on September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> from 9AM-5PM. The Library is conducting lots of programs and recently was awarded two grants. A listing of all programs is available on the library website. The Complete Streets group is working on a National Parking Day event to bring attention to the amount of blacktop space that is used. It will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup> from 12-7PM in 2 parking spots on South 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Sustainable Highland Park is planning to do a count of pedestrians and bicyclists that utilize Raritan Avenue and that will take place on September 17<sup>th</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup> and they are looking for volunteers.

Borough Administrator Kovach – No report.

Borough Attorney Schmierer – No report.

Mayor Brill Mittler reported on the passing of former Volunteer Firefighter Vince Murphy. She also reported the loss of former Mayor Herb Tanzman. She asked for a moment of silence for both. There will be changes along Raritan Avenue in the next few months. She signed an agreement with PSE&G to switch out the light heads and to add pedestrian lights to increase the light in the area. The DOT has approved sharrows for Raritan Avenue, which are shared lanes for cars and bicyclists, and they will be painted in the near future. This is a big step forward for Complete Streets and for the safety of all residents. Educational materials will be made available. On September 20<sup>th</sup> Main Street Highland Park will hold their annual Arts in the Park Event.

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

Resident, 69 Lincoln Avenue, asked if the redevelopment plan will be revisited. Councilman George reported that the Redevelopment Agency is taking a look at it along with their attorney. The plan was done in 2005.

Matt Hersh, 333 Felton Avenue, reminded everyone that the town-wide garage sale will take place on September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. He asked for an overview of what is happening with the properties on Cleveland Avenue. Councilman Millet noted that those properties are the subject of litigation. One case has been resolved and one is still being litigated. Councilwoman Foster-Dublin asked that Allan Williams put his report on the borough's website.

Lou Pichinson, 200 Jackson Avenue, asked about the current status of the American Properties lawsuit. Borough Attorney Schmierer reported that the settlement discussions are ongoing. They last met August 15<sup>th</sup> and the Judge and Master are kept informed. Do not have a new court date yet.

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Ted Weaver, 289 Crowells Road, asked about new garbage can program. Councilman Millet noted that the Borough will be getting a new garbage truck that will allow a single operator to pick up trash. They will be implementing a pilot program in a select target area and the Borough will purchase the appropriate containers. This will free up DPW personnel to do other things.

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

The Clerk reported advertising an ordinance entitled, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AND AGREEMENT WITH THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY-GUARANTEED CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2014 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY; 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 and that the public hearing was held at the August 5, 2014 meeting.

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

Mayor Brill Mittler 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 Councilman Erickson, the ordinance entitled as above, being Ordinance No. 14-1865, was duly adopted by the following roll call vote, to wit:

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

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted on motion made by Councilman Millet, seconded by Councilman Erickson, and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote:  
No. 9-14-254

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AND AGREEMENT WITH THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY-GUARANTEED CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2014 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY, 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 OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LOAN AND SECURITY AGREEMENT WITH THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS 2014 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION, AS APPLICABLE, OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT WITH AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$152,500.00, THE COST OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT TO BE FINANCED THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY-GUARANTEED CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2014 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY; 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 Erickson, and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote, the above entitled ordinance was taken up on final reading by title.

Mayor Brill Mittler 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 Councilman Erickson, the ordinance entitled as above, being Ordinance No. 14-1866, was duly adopted by the following roll call vote, to wit:

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

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted on motion made by Councilman Millet, seconded by Councilman Erickson, and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote:  
No. 9-14-255

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LOAN AND SECURITY AGREEMENT WITH THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS 2014 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION, AS APPLICABLE, OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT WITH AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$152,500.00, THE COST OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT TO BE FINANCED THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY-GUARANTEED CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2014 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY, 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

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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 290 CONCERNING PEDDLING, SOLICITING AND CANVASSING, 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 George, and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote, the above entitled ordinance was taken up on final reading by title.

Mayor Brill Mittler 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 Councilman George, the ordinance entitled as above, being Ordinance No. 14-1867, was duly adopted by the following roll call vote, to wit:

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

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

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

No. 9-14-256

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 290 CONCERNING PEDDLING, SOLICITING AND CANVASSING 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 TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, CHAPTER VII, “TRAFFIC”, 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 Councilwoman Foster-Dublin, seconded by Councilman Millet, and carried by unanimous affirmative voice vote, the above entitled ordinance was taken up on final reading by title.

Mayor Brill Mittler 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.

Borough Administrator Kovach noted that South 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue will become a 2-way street again between Benner and Mansfield on September 5<sup>th</sup>. Councilwoman Foster-Dublin noted that the one block area was made one way due to the public safety building construction.

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

On motion made by Councilwoman Foster-Dublin, seconded by Councilman Millet, the ordinance entitled as above, being Ordinance No. 14-1868, was duly adopted by the following roll call vote, to wit:

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

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

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

No. 9-14-257

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, CHAPTER VII, “TRAFFIC”, 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.

On motion made by Councilman Millet, seconded by Councilman George, and carried by affirmative voice vote of all Councilpersons present, Resolution No. 9-14-268 was tabled from consideration.

Consent Agenda Resolution Nos. 9-14-258 through 9-14-267 and 9-14-269 were duly adopted on motion made by Councilwoman Welkovits, seconded by Councilman Millet, and carried by the following roll call vote, to wit:

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

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

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

No. 9-14-258

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works obtained quotations for the 2014 Fall Tree Planting Project; and

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WHEREAS, three companies were contacted, with only the below listed company responding, as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
New Jersey Shade Tree Foundation	\$9,033.00

And

WHEREAS, after review by the Shade Tree Committee and Department of Public Works, it is recommended that the contract be awarded to New Jersey Shade Tree Foundation, Trenton, NJ based on their bid; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for tree planting in the amount of \$9,033.00 in Account No. T-12-56-806-100, as reflected by the certification of funds by Chief Financial Officer Kathleen Kovach;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized and directed to execute and attest a contract on behalf of the Borough with New Jersey Shade Tree Foundation, Trenton, NJ in the amount of \$9,033.00, for the planting of trees as listed in the contract, 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. 9-14-259

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 9/2/14, can be found in the Bills List Journal Book No. 33.

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Safety Committee, was duly adopted as above:  
No. 9-14-260

WHEREAS, Joseph Peter Majaros has filed with the Clerk of this Borough an application for a License to operate taxicabs under the provisions of the Ordinance providing for such License for the year 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and/or his designee has investigated said applicant and has reported favorably upon said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that said applicant is qualified and that public necessity and convenience would be served by the issuance of said License.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue an Operator License to the aforesaid applicant.

The following resolution, introduced by the Finance Committee, was duly adopted as above:  
No. 9-14-261

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Borough Clerk 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 hourly basis, there have been the following changes, to wit:

ASHTON BURRELL, Recreation Assistant, at an hourly rate of \$12.00, effective August 25, 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.

The following resolution, introduced by the Council as a Whole, was duly adopted as above:  
No. 9-14-262

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the following shall be and is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the Highland Park Housing Authority for a term to expire as indicated:

Morgan Chen

September 1, 2019

The following resolution, introduced by the Public Safety Committee, was duly adopted as above:  
No. 9-14-263

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 4-14-131, adopted by the Borough Council on April 8, 2014, a contract was awarded to Hunter Technologies, Wall Township, NJ, for new telephone system for the Police Department, Municipal Building and Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, it appears from Pay Estimate No. 1, that certain work under said contract has been completed and approved, and there is due to Hunter Technologies the sum of \$24,928.69 in accordance with said Pay Estimate for work performed from August 1, 2014 to August 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in Account No. C-04-55-811-200 in the amount of \$24,928.69, 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 Hunter Technologies the sum of \$24,928.69, in Pay Estimate No. 1; and

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

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

No. 9-14-264

WHEREAS, the following business/property owners have submitted a completed application to the Borough of Highland Park for matching grant under the Highland Park Façade Improvement Program and/or the Highland Park Awning Promotion Program, both funded through the Community Block Development Grant and further described on the Purchase Requisition attached to the original of this resolution for the location designated, to wit:

APPLICANT  
Unity Bank

BUSINESS LOCATIONS  
104 Raritan Avenue

and

WHEREAS, the Main Street Design Committee has reviewed the applications and has recommended that the above applications be approved by the Mayor and Council; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose will be available in Account No. G-02-12-CD2-210 in the amount of \$766.81 and Account No. G-02-13-CD3-210 in the amount of \$733.19, for a total amount of \$1,500.00, 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 application from the above named business/property owner be approved for funding under the Highland Park Façade Improvement and Awning Promotion Program in the amount set opposite, to wit:

APPLICANT  
Unity Bank

AMOUNT  
\$1,500.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the applicant, Finance Department and the Main Street Executive Director forthwith.

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

No. 9-14-265

WHEREAS, The Goldstein Partnership, the Project Architect for the renovation of the Public Safety Building, had heretofore submitted an invoice totaling the amount of \$5,838.78 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 \$5,838.78 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 Council as a Whole, was duly adopted as above:

No. 9-14-266

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highland Park have established as a part of its Affordable Housing Program a Home Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the owners of Block 25, Lot 24, Borough of Highland Park have qualified to participate in said Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Homeowner Program Agreement with the owners of the above-referenced property so as to permit said owners to undertake and complete renovations to their home as reviewed and approved by the Borough Program Administrators, Community Grants, Planning and Housing.

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

No. 9-14-267

WHEREAS, there is a need at times for Contractors to hire Off-Duty Police Officers for traffic control; and

WHEREAS, Off-Duty Police Officers were needed for work done by AAA All Service, Inc. at 323 South 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue; and

WHEREAS, AAA All Service, Inc. overpaid for off-duty services and is thereby due a refund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to process refund of \$26.00 to AAA All Service, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer forthwith.

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

No. 9-14-269

WHEREAS, Judith Bodner, 335 North 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, received an extremely high water and sewer bill; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Highland Park Water & Sewer Department that there was a problem with the water meter; 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 # 10020430-0 of \$47,800.41 for water and \$28,889.49 for sewer for a total amount of \$76,689.90, plus any interest charges, to the water and sewer account of Judith Bodner, 335 North 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

Mayor Brill Mittler appointed Gary Leslie to serve as member of the Cable TV Advisory Committee for term to expire August 6, 2017.

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Mayor Brill Mittler appointed Christine Thornton to serve as a member of the Capital Improvements Planning Task Force for a term to expire December 31, 2014.

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

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

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

Mayor Brill Mittler appointed the following to serve as members of the Planning Board for terms to expire as indicated:

Heather Wilkerson	September 2, 2018
Paul Lanaris	September 2, 2018
Stephen Nolan	September 2, 2018
Stephany Kim, Alt. #1	September 2, 2016

Mayor Brill Mittler 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.

There being no further business, on motion made by Councilman Millet, seconded by Councilman Potts, and carried by affirmative voice vote of all Councilpersons present, the meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Hullings  
Borough Clerk