

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
MAYOR & COUNCIL CONFERENCE MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019

MINUTES

1. Mayor Brill Mittler called the meeting to order at 9:55 p.m.
2. PRESENT: Mayor; Council; Borough Attorney; Borough Administrator; Borough Clerk.

NOTE: Upcoming Meeting schedule:

June 18, 2019 July 2, 2019	Standing Committee Meetings; Special Meeting if needed. Agenda Meeting 6:30 PM; Regular Meeting 7:00 PM; Conference Meeting to follow.
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3. Public Discussion (15 minutes) – none.
4. Memorial or Commendatory Resolutions or Presentations scheduled as indicated:
 - a.
5. Ordinances on 1st Reading – no ordinances scheduled for introduction for 7/2/19:
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 - b.
6. Ordinances on 2nd Reading – no public hearings scheduled for 7/2/19:
 - a. Overlay Zoning Ordinance.
 - b. Handicapped Parking Ordinance.
 - c. Appropriation Ordinance Master Plan.
7. Resolutions for Next Meeting - scheduled for 7/2/19:
 - a. Bills List (7/2/19).
 - b. Main Street Highland Park Budget Public Hearing & Adoption.
 - c.
 - d.
8. Appointments – none.
9. Borough Attorney's Report – none.
10. Borough Administrator's Report – none.
11. Standing Committee Status Reports – none.
12. Discussion Items.
 - a. Community Garden – Lawrence Avenue Island – Borough Administrator Jover noted that a group of residents would like to have a community garden and would like to adopt the island on Lawrence Avenue. The Department of Public Works is okay with them handling the maintenance of the garden. She will check with the New Jersey Municipal Managers Association to see if there is a garden policy that the Borough can utilize and adopt. Councilman Hale expressed concern about traffic in that area and the speed with which it travels.
 - b. Policy Manual and guidelines for USDOT Grant Administration – Borough Administrator Jover advised that this is required as part of the Federal Grants Program. They will be utilizing a manual developed by the Township of East Brunswick and amending it to fit Highland Park's needs.

- c. Library Board Update – Item not discussed.
 - d. Vacant/Abandoned Property Acquisitions – Metuchen ordinance was provided by the Borough Clerk to the Mayor and the Borough Attorney. Ordinance will be circulated to the Governing Body. The Borough Administrator noted that she spoke to the Borough Administrator in Metuchen about this ordinance and asked for his input. Councilwoman Welkovits noted that her committee discussed whether the ordinance would solve issues downtown. Suggestion was made to put together list of problems and how we would like to see them fixed. Item to be listed again for discussion on the July 2nd Conference Agenda.
 - e. Millionaire’s Tax – Item deferred from discussion until the July 2nd meeting.
 - f. Anti-BDS Resolution – This item was not discussed as it needs to go through the proper channels and be discussed in Committee first.
13. Goals – Not discussed.
14. Executive Session – none.

There being no further business, on motion made by Councilwoman Foster-Dublin, seconded by Councilman George, and carried by affirmative voice vote of all Councilpersons present, the meeting adjourned at 10:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Hullings
Borough Clerk