

## REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 6, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Highland Park Mayor and Council was held in Borough Hall, 221 South 5th Avenue, on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 and was called to order by Mayor Brill Mittler at 7:04 PM. Mayor Brill Mittler read the Open Public Meetings Statement.

Present: Mayor Brill Mittler; Councilpersons Fine, George, Hersh, Kim-Chohan, Welkovits; Borough Attorney Schmierer; Borough Administrator Jover; Borough Clerk Hullings.

Absent: Councilwoman Foster-Dublin.

On motion made by Councilman Hersh, seconded by Councilman George, the minutes of the Regular and Conference Meetings held on October 3, 2017, October 17, 2017, and November 8, 2017, were approved as distributed by affirmative voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Mayor Brill Mittler asked the Council members to present their reports.

Councilman Fine reported that earlier today, the CDBG Advisory Committee met at Borough Hall to discuss the 2018-2019 funding. The Public Hearing will be held on February 13, 2018 at 5:00 PM and then they will make recommendations to the Governing Body for a resolution to be adopted.

Councilwoman Kim reported that the Aging Department will kick off their free tax assistance program, provided by United Way, on Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. at the senior/youth center. Residents are asked to call or stop by the center to schedule an appointment and meet the guidelines to take part in this free service. This is open to all residents and will take place every Wednesday through the tax season. On Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> they will be hosting a senior luncheon in celebration of Valentine's Day. Seniors will enjoy Italian cuisine and entertainment by vocalist Christopher Corbin. Free tickets are available to the State Theater on Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> for Drumheart at 8:00 p.m. If interested, please contact the center to sign up and get details. On Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, the seniors will be taking a bus trip to the New Jersey Flower and Garden Show at the Expo Center in Edison. Please contact the center if interested to find out how to obtain discounted tickets. The youth basketball season is in full swing with clinic practices and games weekly. Indoor soccer winter one finishes this week and winter two will begin February 20<sup>th</sup>. All winter adult programs have begun. These programs run throughout the year so you can begin in September, January or March. The robotics and junior mechanical engineering classes are mid-session and they are registering now for baseball and softball which will begin in March. The youth tai chi club began today at 4:30 p.m. The youth art painting classes will begin on February 14<sup>th</sup>. The youth theater program will begin on Thursday and they will begin rehearsing Willy Wonka Jr. and show dates will be May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Many of the programs have been filling to capacity. The Arts Commission will meet February 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Borough Hall. Mycentraljersey.com named windows of understanding, in their recent article, one of the 10 best activities for central jersey outdoor winter family fun. If you haven't heard, the New Brunswick Community Arts Council, Mason Gross School of the Arts, Rutgers University and the Highland Park Arts Commission have banded together for this project. The public art unites local artists, organizations and businesses to promote compassion and awareness around social justice issues. Two dozen storefront windows showcase works of art that address cultural identity based initiatives and environmental, homelessness, food and security and youth mentoring. The project will be on display until February 15<sup>th</sup> and it is a great way to turn youngsters onto the arts and justice. She encouraged residents to check out [www.windowsofunderstanding.org](http://www.windowsofunderstanding.org) for more details.

Councilwoman Welkovits reported that both the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment held their reorganization meetings recently and re-elected their existing officers. The Planning Board re-elected Kim Hammond as Chair, Alan Kluger as Vice Chair and Allen Williams as Secretary. The Board of Adjustment re-elected Judy Richman as Chair and Rob Roesener as Vice Chair. She also noted that both boards have appointed Roger Thomas as their Attorney, CME Associates as their Engineer, Jim Constantine as their Planner, and Jennifer Santiago as their Clerk. She also noted that registration for the 10<sup>th</sup> annual 5K run is officially open. You can sign up now at [runinthepark.org](http://runinthepark.org). Special race perks include a long sleeved t-shirt with a new logo celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> year. The 5K is followed by one of the Borough's signature events, the Highland Park Spring Fling Street Fair. Both events will be held Sunday, May 6, 2018. She encouraged residents to stay in town that weekend to participate in all the activities.

Councilman Hersh reported that on January 25<sup>th</sup>, just nine days after the Borough presented him with a plaque for the 2018 MLK Humanitarian Awards, Harry Pangamanan entered sanctuary at the Reformed Church of Highland Park, for fear of being detained by officers from Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE. ICE had visited Harry's house that morning to detain him. Harry, who have lived in the United States since 1993 and has two citizen children in the Highland Park public schools, is not a criminal and been an invaluable member of the community. Over the next few days, he spent time with Harry Pangamanan, Arthur Jemmy, and Yohanes Tasik, all of whom are Indonesian Christians who have taken refuge at the church out of fear of being sent back to their country and face near-certain persecution. The next few days were a whirlwind as neighbors, friends, his colleagues on Council and even Congressman Pallone and Governor Murphy visited to make sure these men were cared for and safe. Last Friday, they received some hopeful news. Thanks to the hard work of the ACLU and the Rev. Kaper-Dale, they got word that a Federal Judge issued a temporary restraining order that prevents the government from executing deportation orders against Harry, as well as Roby Sanger and Gunawan Liem, who were detained on January 25<sup>th</sup> while dropping off their children at school, despite never having missed check-ins with ICE. While it's been reported that those in sanctuary are free to return home, it's important to note that they can still be detained; they just can't be deported right now. Rounding up community members without notice using years-old removal orders instills fear in our communities and shakes us to our core. Our kids go to school with their kids, we work with them and we pray with them. There's no question that no matter where you stand on immigration, that what's happening here is wrong.

When laws are wrong and immoral, they need to change. In the meantime, we have the courts, which could determine that these individual cases represent a violation of the Fifth Amendment right to due process. Thanks to the ACLU, our neighbors could have the opportunity to argue their case for asylum as U.S. law prohibits removal of people who would likely face persecution or torture, “a risk that courts have ruled Christians, especially of Chinese descent, would encounter in Indonesia,” according to the ACLU. As a community, we enact policies on the local, level, provide comfort and we try to instill a sense of normalcy for our neighbors, while advocating on their behalf and working with the organizations whose task it is to defend them from injustice. On February 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Council’s Health and Human Services standing committee met to discuss several items, including a bill in the Assembly sponsored by Assemblywoman Annette Quijano of Elizabeth and co-sponsored by Assemblywoman Nancy Pinkin, which would extend driving privileges to all eligible residents, regardless of immigration status. We also discussed some next steps in the inclusive communities’ resolution. They also discussed an exciting proposal from the Human Relations Commission, an “All Are Welcome Here” decal project that would feature involvement from our business community. The concept is still in the works, but stay tuned for more. The Highland Park Community Food Pantry will meet on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Senior/Youth Center for their bi-monthly meeting. The Highland Park Board of Health will hold its monthly meeting on February 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the lower level conference room in Borough Hall. They have a full agenda including the planned health fair and a discussion on opioid abuse and needle exchange programs. In addition to discussion in the Council’s conference session, he and the Board of Health are working with Mayor Brill Mittler and Councilwoman Foster-Dublin on identifying designated warming and cooling centers in Highland Park. Highland Park Gives a Hoot will hold its regular monthly meeting on February 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the lower level conference room in Borough Hall. The Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs will hold its first meeting of 2018 on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM in the lower level conference room in Borough Hall. The Highland Park Housing Authority will hold its regular meeting on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at the Samuel Kronman Building. The next Highland Park Human Relations Commission book club will meet to discuss a very important book, *White Rage*, by historian Carol Anderson. This text examines the obstacles that stand in the way of black progress in America. The event will take place on March 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Senior/Youth Center. If you haven’t already, he encouraged everyone to get their official Highland Park Municipal ID. You can review the application and get addition information at [www.hpboro.com](http://www.hpboro.com). He is pleased to report that the Highland Park branches of Unity Bank and Wells Fargo will now accept the HP ID as a second form of ID for all transactions, including opening a checking account. Finally, he invited everyone to come to Middlesex County’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pan-African Flag Raising on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM at the County Administration Building on Bayard Street in New Brunswick.

Councilman George reported that the Department of Public Works received delivery of the new RTV machine, which is the first in the area. He took a look at the machine at the Public Works Garage and it should be very helpful in expanding our ability to clear snow in some of the tighter areas under municipal snow removal. Essentially, it is an oversized ATV recreational “4-wheeler” but equipped for municipal work. It has a plow which can alter shape from a narrow “V” to a wide stance, and has a brine tank in the rear bed which also has a hand held hose for pre-treating tight areas. Because of its size, it can be used for cleanup at events without encumbering our larger sanitation trucks and it will also free up man hours for other work. We are also engaged in PSE&G solar field cleanup discussions with PSE&G and NJDEP with the assistance of the Environmental Commission regarding the site work required to return the Upper Meadows to use. The site is a “legacy landfill,” meaning it was closed long before there were regulations covering environmental cleanup procedures. NJDEP has requested some additional work before a permit is issued to start installation, and Public Works is working with the Environmental Commission toward a new solution. The Environmental Commission will meet on February 7<sup>th</sup> at the Environmental Commission at 8:00 PM. The Environmental Commission is working on a new website with links to a number of important environmental partners as well as photos of our own environment in town. The new website will archive older materials while presenting new information from around the County and State. As noted, Commission members are also working with PSE&G, the Administration and NJDEP to implement the Solar Field cleanup program at the Meadows, which has hopefully moved to the advanced planning stages at last. The resolution opposing restrictive bee-keeping regulations proposed by the Department of Agriculture, which Borough Council passed on the recommendation of the Environmental Commission and Sustainable Highland Park has been passed along to a number of other municipalities and the State. As discussed at the last meeting, these regulations targeted small scale bee-keeping and essentially wiped them out, and the Borough opposed them as contrary to the State Agricultural Council’s resolution of February 2017 and the interests of pollinator protection. The Shade Tree Advisory Committee will meet next week. They have developed a 2018 Tree Replacement Program which utilizes the Tree Replacement Fund, paid for by developers and others who remove trees and not by taxpayer funds. Applications for tree planting requests are available online on the Borough’s website. STAC’s planning for the upcoming season, once the Spring arrives will be more firmly set in the next month. Earth Day is set for April 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Environmental Center. Sustainable Highland Park is anticipating more activities, vendors and exhibits than last year and this event is something to look forward to in Springtime along the Raritan. Sustainable Highland Park’s plastic bag reduction program has been successful for several months in renewing our awareness of the need to reduce or eliminate these one-use only bags, and remind us to keep our reusable shopping bags ready at hand. Thanks to a grant which Sustainable Highland Park worked hard to secure and the generosity of Stop & Shop, over a thousand reusable bags have been given out and Sustainable Highland Park’s dedication continues this program. Sustainable Highland Park recently held a planning session to set goals and define target projects for the coming year and for long term projects. Their next meeting is February 21<sup>st</sup> at the Environmental Education Center. He was asked to mention the problem of dog waste cleanup. Dog waste has been a problem lately. Please clean up after your pets, it makes life nicer for all. In particular, school children walk in the verge area between the curb and sidewalk when they are walking with their friends on the way home from school. Also, the public space is for everyone’s use and enjoyment, so we should all be engaged in cleaning up after our own pets.

Borough Administrator Jover reminded residents that Borough Hall will be closed on February 12<sup>th</sup> for Lincoln’s Birthday and also on February 19<sup>th</sup> for President’s Day.

Borough Attorney Schmierer - No report.

Mayor Brill Mittler reiterated some of Councilman Hersh's comments about what happened last week when Highland Park was jarred as one of our most loved residents, Harry Pangamanan was forced to seek sanctuary at the Reformed Church of Highland Park in order to escape unwarranted detention. Today, thanks to the efforts of many Highland Park residents, Pastor Kaper-Dale and the ACLU, Harry is back home again. Harry and so many other Indonesian Christians escaped to America for religious freedom and from persecution for practicing their faith. Last week, she held the first of what she hopes will be quarterly meetings with faith-based leaders in and around Highland Park. They represented Highland Park residents of Christian, Muslim and Jewish faiths. They opened a dialogue of shared interests and concerns. The enthusiasm for the opportunity to share thoughts and issues was evident throughout our meeting. We discussed common concerns such as homelessness in our community, immigration, and affordable healthcare. She looks forward to working together with these faith leaders towards their common goals for Highland Park residents. The cement has been poured for the Teen Center and they will be exploring programming by visiting the Brick Teen Center. The Mayor's Wellness Campaign is off to a great start in 2018. They have several returning and active committee members and are looking for more with health policy experience. The NJ Quality Health Institute grant that they received will go towards several programs, including the new Move with the Mayor, which is a yoga program. The first session was Monday morning. Stay tuned for new times for the rest of the winter.

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

John Valeri, 106 South 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, commented on receiving the messages about the daytime burglaries. He asked if there was a way to get more cops on patrol on foot and suggested a neighborhood watch program. A friend of his had his home broken into with his son being home. They identified the guy, and nothing happened. Chief Rizco commented that he would be happy to start a neighborhood watch if enough people are interested. He also noted that if anyone sees anything suspicious, they should report it. Mayor Brill Mittler asked that this topic be discussed at a future Public Safety Committee Meeting. Mr. Valeri commented that he noticed that the parking situation in town is very intense and it has gotten crowded. He asked about parking on both sides of the street and why some streets only have parking on one side. Councilman George noted that a utilization study was done on parking and one of the biggest problems is commuters parking in residential neighborhoods near the Albany Street bridge and walking across into New Brunswick. There used to be a big parking area off of South Adelaide Avenue where 60+ cars parked. They have not specifically looked at parking plan in residential neighborhoods, but did look at downtown area for 2-hour parking restrictions. The streets in town are narrow and lines of sight are cramped. They are trying to come up with some solutions for the downtown area that do not increase problems for the residential area. Mr. Valeri commented that he would like to see more arts based events in town.

Carrie Leiberstein, 111 North 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, commented that she is concerned about the intersection of North 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and Harrison Avenue. It is a very busy intersection and it is very dark at night. The stop line is partially faded and more difficult to see at night. There is no direct light at the intersection and is dangerous to pedestrians. She feels the stop line is too close to the intersection. There is no light on North 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between Harrison Avenue and Cleveland Avenue. State guidelines about intersections encourages adequately lighting and one distinguishable white line at every stop sign. She asked why this intersection does not follow State guidelines. Mayor Brill Mittler noted that she will refer this matter to the Safe Walking and Cycling Committee and will ask the Police Department to look at the intersection. Councilman George noted that Ms. Leiberstein contacted him and he alerted the Public Safety Committee and will work with them to come up with a solution.

Jeffrey Bowden, 25 Cleveland Avenue, asked about 35 Harrison Avenue. He voiced his support for the Borough to press this issue. Borough Attorney Schmierer noted that the Borough has been to court several times and the Judge issued a court order. The scaffolding has been taken down and the debris has been removed. There is a new deadline for them to take down the illegal construction on the roof. They will meet with the property owner about ultimate plans for the property. If next deadline is not met, they will go back to court. They have authority to hire construction company to remove illegal part and put lien on the house.

Herb Gross, Adelaide Gardens, commented that the President in his State of the Union Address is the first one to give veteran's the recognition they deserve. The veterans can now get \$3,000 deduction in income tax.

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

Resolution Nos. 2-18-55 through 2-18-64 were duly adopted on motion made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits, and carried by the following roll call vote, to wit:  
Ayes: Councilpersons Fine, George, Hersh, Kim-Chohan, Welkovits.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: Councilwoman Foster-Dublin.

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

No. 2-18-55

WHEREAS, Randy Shutz, Chimaeze Oliver Nwaro, Carmine Joseph Tumminelli, Robert John Miller, and Akmal Magrufkhodzhayev have filed with the Clerk of this Borough an application for a License to operate taxicabs under the provisions of the Ordinance providing for such Licenses for the year 2018; and

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

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

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

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

No. 2-18-56

WHEREAS, DA No. 7 LLC (Akmal Magrufkhodzhayev), Matnikel LLC (Randy Shutz) and Randy Shutz have filed with the Clerk of this Borough an application for an Owners License to operate taxicabs in this Borough under the provisions of the Ordinance providing for such licenses for the year 2018; and

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

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

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

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

No. 2-18-57

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highland Park, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is authorized to issue an appropriate Duplicate Tax Sale Certificate for #13-00062 and #01-13 in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:5-52.1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk provide a certified copy of this Resolution to the Finance Department and the Tax Collector.

The following resolution, introduced by the Recreation and Arts Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 2-18-58

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that Section 3. of Resolution 1-18-18, adopted by the Borough Council on January 2, 2018, shall be supplemented by adding the following fees for programs conducted by the Community Services Department:

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>PARTICIPANT FEE</u>
Yearly Membership Fee	\$15.00 Resident \$85.00 Non Resident

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

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

No. 2-18-59

WHEREAS, the property owner and the Volturo Group, LLC, during the closing of the sale of property, both remitted payments for water and sewer charges on a property known as 224-240 South 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Account #30220480-0; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector recommends that the Volturo Group, LLC be refunded \$1,150.98 from water and sewer to be allocated to the appropriate parties;

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 refund in the amount of \$1,150.98 from the water and sewer account to the Volturo Group, LLC, c/o Bressler, Amery & Ross PC, PO Box 1980, Morristown, NJ 07962.

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 Works and Public Utilities Committee, was duly adopted as above:

No. 2-18-60

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 6-17-210 adopted by the Borough Council on June 13, 2017, Rich Tree Service, was awarded the annual maintenance contract for tree pruning, tree removal, stumps removal and/or root grinding for 2017 and 2018; and

WHEREAS, a Blanket Purchase Order was generated for 2017, Purchase Order No. 17-00793, in the amount of \$19,958.00; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the Blanket Purchase Order by \$1,579.50;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that Purchase Order No. 17-00793 be increased from \$19,958.00 to \$21,537.50.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and the Superintendent of Public Works and Public Utilities.

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

No. 2-18-61

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 6-17-211, adopted by the Borough Council on June 13, 2017, a contract was awarded to Astro Electrical Contractor of Linden, NJ, for the purchase and installation of an emergency generator at the Senior/Youth Center; and

WHEREAS, it appears from Pay Estimate No. 2, filed by the CME Associates, that certain work under said contract has been completed and approved, and there is due to Astro Electrical Contractor, the sum of \$22,540.00 in accordance with said Pay Estimate for work performed from October 25, 2017 to December 8, 2017; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in Account No. C-04-55-827-205 in the amount of \$22,540.00, as reflected by the Certification of Funds Available by the Chief Financial Officer, 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 Astro Electrical Contractor the sum of \$22,540.00, as certified by the Engineer in Pay Estimate No. 2, 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 the Chief Financial Officer and CME Associates forthwith.

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

No. 2-18-62

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Borough Finance Director be and is hereby authorized to remit the amount set opposite the following, the same being the amount of overpayment of taxes, including accrued interest, for the overpaid 2017 taxes based on successful tax appeal to the New Jersey Tax Court in 2017, to wit:

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO</u>	<u>REFUND</u>
181	43	PNC Bank	\$13,048.82
(1202 Shep Drive)		F.B.O. Paul Alexander 3232 Newmark Drive Miamisburg, OH 45342	

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

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

No. 2-18-63

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to remit to the following the amount set opposite, the same being the amount of overpayment of 2018 1<sup>st</sup> quarter taxes for the properties indicated:

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>REMITTEE</u>	<u>AMOUNT TO BE REMITTED</u>
116	5	Rimma Elbert, Esq. 2698 Highway 516, Suite E Old Bridge, NJ 08857 (1620 Parker Road)	\$2,596.41
78	1	Magyar Bank f/b/o Kulikowski PO Box 1365 New Brunswick, NJ 08903 (323 Valentine Street)	\$2,506.07

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

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

No. 2-18-64

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 9-17-285, adopted by the Borough Council on September 19, 2017, a contract was awarded to Tri-Form Construction, Metuchen, NJ, for the construction of a Teen Center; and

WHEREAS, it appears from Pay Estimate No. 1, filed by Code Enforcement Director, Scott Brescher, that certain work under said contract has been completed and approved, and there is due to Tri-Form Construction, the sum of \$53,116.00 in accordance with said Pay Estimate for work performed from October 1, 2017 to January 19, 2018; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in Account No. C-04-55-826-210 in the amount of \$53,116.00, as reflected by the Certification of Funds Available by the Chief Financial Officer, 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 Tri-Form Construction the sum of \$53,116.00, as certified by the Engineer in Pay Estimate No. 1, 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 the Chief Financial Officer and CME Associates forthwith.

Mayor Brill Mittler appointed Samuel Klein and Company to serve as the Borough Auditor.

The above appointment was confirmed on motion made by Councilman Fine, seconded by Councilwoman Welkovits and carried by the following roll call vote, to wit:

Ayes: Councilpersons Fine, George, Hersh, Kim, Welkovits.

Opposed: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Councilwoman Foster-Dublin.

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.

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There being no further business, on motion made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilwoman Kim-Chohan, and carried by affirmative voice vote of all Councilpersons present, the meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Hullings  
Borough Clerk