

169. Executive Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haworth held on September 3, 2014 at the Municipal Center

Present: Hon. John Dean DeRienzo, Mayor

Councilmembers: Vincent Iacobino
Glenn Poosikian
Mary Anne Groh
Andrew Rosenberg
Anthony Volpe
Michael Bain

Borough Attorney: Robert T. Regan

Mayor DeRienzo called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM and upon roll call all members of the Council were present. The Mayor then read the following statement: "This is an Executive Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haworth. I am informed by the Clerk that adequate public notice has been provided by mailing notice to The Record, by posting a notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center, by filing a copy of the notice in the office of the Municipal Clerk and by mailing notice to all persons who requested same and prepaid the cost fixed by the Council."

Correspondence

<u>Letter From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Referred to</u>
Gov. C. Christie	Information re. NJDOT 2015 State Aid Programs	All Council
OEM County Coordinator	Approval of Borough's Emergency Operations Plan	All Council
Green Sky Industries	Recycling Payments – July, 3 Weeks	All Council

In connection with the letter from the County OEM Coordinator, Mr. Poosikian noted that a great deal of thanks should be given to Mr. Swarthe, the various volunteers and administrative staff, particularly, Mrs. Celotto who worked extremely hard to put this huge document together.

Refund of Driveway Permits

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Poosikian, seconded by Mrs. Groh and unanimously carried:

Refund of Driveway Permits – cont'd.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works has inspected and found that work has been satisfactorily completed on the following Driveway Permits,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council that the following refunds be made:

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>PERMIT #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Shannon Walsh 128 Hardenburgh Avenue Haworth, New Jersey 07641	1326	\$100.00
Kristen Luhrsen 330 Lake Shore Drive Haworth, New Jersey 07641	1327	\$100.00

Authorization to Execute Agreement with Bergen County for 3 Year Community Development Program

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Volpe, seconded by Mrs. Groh and unanimously carried:

WHEREAS, certain Federal funds are potentially available to the County of Bergen under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended and HOME Investment Partnership Act of 1990, as amended; and Emergency Solutions Grant Act of 2012, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to supersede an existing interlocal services cooperative agreement for the County and its people to benefit from this program; and

WHEREAS, an agreement has been proposed under which the Municipality of Haworth and the County of Bergen in cooperation with other municipalities, will modify an Interlocal Services Program pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et.seq.; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Municipality of Haworth to enter into such an agreement,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipality of Haworth that the agreement entitled “Three Year Cooperative Agreement”: An Agreement Superseding the Cooperative Agreement dated July 1, 2000 – June 30, 2003, to clarify the planning and implementation procedures, and to enable the Municipality to make a Three Year irrevocable commitment to participate in the Community Development Program, the HOME Investment

Authorization to Execute Agreement with Bergen County for 3 Year Community Development Program – cont'd.

Partnership Act Program and the Emergency Solutions Grant program for the Program Years: 2015, 2016, 2017 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2018) to be executed by the Mayor and Municipal Clerk in accordance with the provisions of law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately in accordance with law.

Authorization to Prepare Bid Documents for Conversion for DPW Dump Truck

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Poosikian, seconded by Mrs. Groh and unanimously carried:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Borough Attorney to prepare Bid Documents in order to go to bid for a Conversion for a Department of Public Works Dump Truck and the Municipal Clerk be authorized to advertise for same.

Fixed Asset Inventory

A motion was offered by Mrs. Groh, seconded by Mr. Bain and unanimously carried to approve a proposal by Acclaim Inventory LLC, 8 Hamilton Avenue, Edison, NJ 08820 to conduct an asset inventory system for the Borough in the amount of \$2,700.00.

Mrs. Groh explained the Borough had received two proposals, Acclaim was far less and she has spoken to the Finance Department which agreed the Acclaim proposal with a \$500.00 threshold was more prudent.

SEC Initiative Compliance Review

It was concurred this would be discussed at next week's meeting.

Municipal Pool Items

Mr. Iacobino requested that the Borough Engineer be asked to look at the pad at the rear pool in order to prepare for a grant.

Dumpster Enclosure. Mr. Iacobino noted that the area of the dumpster at the parking lot is unsightly during the pool season and a fence around the area would be appropriate.

Trees. Mr. Iacobino reported there is one tree in the parking lot which needs to be removed and others which should be attended to, questioning if this work could be part of the winter tree program.

Municipal Pool Items – cont'd.

In connection with the grant application for the pool improvements, Mrs. Groh asked if the diving board stands would be removed for the new pad.

Mr. Iacobino responded they would be as well as a life guard chair on the south side of the pool which is not used. He further noted that the grounding of the pool will be due next year and the diving blocks will be re-installed.

Mr. Volpe questioned if we are currently compliant with the grounding. Mr. Iacobino responded in the affirmative.

Further discussion was held as to what other work has to be done in connection with a new deck and the question was raised as to spending for the Borough Engineer prior as to what would be put in for the grant, noting there was a time issue.

Mrs. Groh noted her concern with asking the engineer to look at several projects, the time frame for the submission of the grant was discussed as well as the proposals received for the dumpster enclosure – those proposals will be discussed further next week.

Further discussion ensued regarding requests to Borough Engineer for work. It was agreed that the Engineer should only undertake work authorized by the Council.

Open Meeting to Public

The meeting was opened to the period of public discussion.

Mr. K. Pavlik, member of the Fire Department said he is aspiring to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout; his project is the construction of a 9-11 Memorial at the Fire House using a piece of steel from the Twin Towers. He said the project includes lighting, a flagpole, commemorative pavers and a ceremony will be held on September 21st with a ribbon cutting and guest speakers, noting engraved pavers can be purchased for \$80.

Mayor DeRienzo noted new benches have been purchased by the Cub Scouts for the Memorial 9-11 Garden at the Borough Hall and a ceremony will take place at that area on September 11th.

As there were no further comments, the meeting was closed to public discussion

Appointment to Fire Department

Mr. Volpe offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Poosikian and unanimously carried that Joseph Galla be appointed a regular member of the Haworth Fire Department.

Recission of Resolution on July 8, 2014

Mrs. Groh offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Bain to rescind a resolution approved at the July 8th meeting authorizing the repair of a storm drain in the Borough parking lot and the sanitary sewer lateral from the library to Stevens Place.

On discussion Mrs. Groh noted she requested the two quotations referenced in the resolution for this work and she had reviewed them and had issues with them.

Mr. Bain noted the ordinance for TV monitoring of sewer and improvements, which was to provide for the funding for the project however this project has now been cancelled.

Mr. Regan said that we need to rescind the project even if cancelled by the Mayor, since it had previously been authorized by the Council.

Mr. Volpe asked for the basis of the motion. Mrs. Groh explained it is based on fact that there are no quotations for the work that was awarded, the work is couched as “repair” work when it is actually part of the library expansion and the work pulled out of the contract may be precluded from being awarded without being subject to bidding.

Mr. Bain explained what items were taken out of that contract in order to meet the budget, noting there were two rounds of cuts.

Mrs. Groh discussed the sanitary sewer work possibly being done by the DPW and said the money has to be found somewhere and that she doesn't think it was properly before the Council.

Mr. Bain responded there is a Library Board meeting scheduled for September 8th at which time he will tell the Board the Council did not approve the sewer work.

Mr. Rosenberg noted there are two different matters – where the potential funding is coming from and the question of the project being covered by the ordinance and how the matter came before the Council. He noted his issue is that he thought this was all for repair work. He said it would still be borough taxpayers' money and it is not appropriate to allocate Borough funds for this work regarding public input about the project.

Mayor DeRienzo reiterated the contractor was sent a cancellation notice and discussion will be held with the DPW as to work they could do. Also discussed will be the repair to the catch basin, he said.

Mrs. Groh suggested the catch basin could be part of this year's road program.

Mayor DeRienzo suggested proceeding to rescind the prior resolution and researching an alternate way to do the storm drain.

Mrs. Groh offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Bain and unanimously carried to rescind the July 8th approving resolution for the library sewer and drain work.

Recission of Resolution on July 8, 2014 – cont'd.

A discussion was held to have the contractor for this year's road program look at the storm drain.

Mr. Volpe questioned the work needed for the sanitary sewer at the library.

Mayor DeRienzo said it is a new sanitary sewer tie in and storm water drain.

Mayor DeRienzo commented the Library Board would have to go to bid for storm drain work because it was over the bid threshold.

Mrs. Groh asked if Pharos Construction could now do the sanitary sewer tie in for the price of \$6,200 originally included in the contract and was told no.

Mr. Volpe said the sanitary sewer is in the scope of the work at the library and asked Mr. Regan if the Library Board will have to go out to bid for any or all of the sewer work if it was originally part of the contract.

Close Meeting to Public

The following resolution was duly offered, seconded and carried at 8:15 PM:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Haworth, as follows:

1. That the Governing Body, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, shall exclude the public from the next portion of this meeting in order to discuss matters pertaining to personnel.
2. That the items under discussion in the closed meeting will be disclosed to the public at the conclusion of the matter.

Re-Open Meeting to Public

The meeting was reopened to the public at 8:30 PM.

FEMA Maps

Mayor DeRienzo noted new preliminary FEMA maps have been received which will be referred to the Borough Engineer and the information will be posted on the Borough's website.

As there was no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM on motion duly offered, seconded and carried.

Ann E. Fay, RMC, CMC
Clerk-Administrator