

Resolution 2014-164

*BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
COUNTY OF MERCER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY*

AUTHORIZING A MEETING WHICH EXCLUDES THE PUBLIC

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that this body will hold a meeting on August 4, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the First Aid Building located at 168 Bank Street, Hightstown that will be limited only to consideration of an item or items with respect to which the public may be excluded pursuant to section 7b of the Open Public Meetings Act.

The general nature of the subject or subjects to be discussed:

Contract Negotiations – Shared Services
Attorney-Client Privilege – Enchantment

Stated as precisely as presently possible the following is the time when and the circumstances under which the discussion conducted at said meeting can be disclosed to the public: November 4, 2014 or when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

The public is excluded from said meeting, and further notice is dispensed with, all in accordance with sections 8 and 4a of the Open Public Meetings Act.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting held on August 4, 2014.

Debra L. Sopronyi
Borough Clerk

Resolution 2014-165

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AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, certain bills are due and payable as per itemized claims listed on the following schedules, which are made a part of the minutes of this meeting as a supplemental record;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the bills be paid on audit and approval of the Borough Administrator, the appropriate Department Head and the Treasurer in the amount of \$417,021.54 from the following accounts:

Current	\$164,467.05
W/S Operating	52,917.66
General Capital	197,748.03
Water/Sewer Capital	12.00
Grant	0.00
Trust	1,771.72
Housing Trust	0.00
Animal Control	0.00
Law Enforcement Trust	0.00
Housing Rehab Loans	0.00
Unemployment Trust	105.08
Escrow	<u>0.00</u>
Total	<u><u>\$417,021.54</u></u>

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*BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
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AUTHORIZING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MONMOUTH COUNTY FOR TRUCK WASHING FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the Hightstown Borough Public Works Superintendent is in need of a location in which to wash the Borough trucks within DEP compliance; and

WHEREAS, Hightstown Borough has a shared service agreement with Roosevelt Borough for trash collection; and

WHEREAS, Monmouth County has truck wash facilities which is in compliance with DEP regulations, and has agreed to permit Hightstown to utilize the facility as needed; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into a shared services agreement for the use of truck washing facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40:65-1 et seq. authorizes the approval of Shared Services Agreements by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed the proposed Shared Services Agreement for truck washing facilities through September 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Borough shall be invoiced pursuant to use of the facility; and

WHEREAS the Treasurer has certified that funds are available for this expenditure in the 2014 budget, and it is the intention of the Mayor and Council to provide adequate funding for this expenditure in the future budgets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown as follows:

1. The Shared Services Agreement with the County of Monmouth for truck washing facilities for the period ending September 30, 2018 is hereby approved, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:65-1 et seq.
2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the agreement for same.
3. This agreement is approved subject to the provision of adequate funds in subsequent budgets of the Borough.

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Resolution 2014-167

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AUTHORIZING A REIMBURSEMENT FOR CELL PHONE USAGE

WHEREAS, the Borough finds it cost effective to permit certain employees to utilize their private cell phone for Borough business throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to authorize a reimbursement for private cell phone usage during 2014 to Sharon Lane, Public Health Nurse for the period January 1, 2014 through August 31, 2014 in the amount of \$100.00; and

WHEREAS, this reimbursement has been pro-rated to coincide with Ms. Lane's retirement date of September 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the funds for this reimbursement are available and the Treasurer has so certified in writing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the Treasurer is authorized to issue reimbursement as stated above for private cell phone usage during 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be given to the Treasurer and Ms. Sharon Lane.

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Resolution 2014-168

*BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
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AMENDING A LAND USE PLEDGE COMMITTING TO GOOD, PLANNED AND THOUGHTFUL LAND USE DECISIONS WITH THE INTENT OF MAKING HIGHTSTOWN BOROUGH A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, the Hightstown Borough Council adopted resolution 2012-250 on November 5, 2012 which established a Land Use Pledge committing to good, planned, and thoughtful land use decisions with the intent of making Hightstown Borough a sustainable community; and

WHEREAS, Hightstown Borough finds it necessary to amend the originally adopted Land Use Pledge;
and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hightstown is committed to having a sustainable future, and has enrolled as a participant in the state-wide Sustainable Jersey program, which provides education and incentives for sustainable lifestyles for all New Jersey residents; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hightstown prides itself on making informed, and beneficial land-use decisions to improve societal well-being, such as increased mobility, affordable housing, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, protection of its open space and natural resources, including its valuable trees and waterways; and

WHEREAS, Hightstown recognizes that poor land use decisions can degrade the environment, reduce housing and transportation choices, increase health costs, and reduce the overall well-being of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has a strong tradition of home rule and local authority over planning and zoning, which requires that municipalities must take a leading role in achieving statewide sustainable land use patterns.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Hightstown is committed to continuing to make good, planned, thoughtful land use decisions with the intent of making our Borough a sustainable community. It is our intent to include the following principles as hereby amended in the next master plan revision and re-examination report, under NJSA 40:55D-28 and NJSA 40:55D-89:

1. Regional Cooperation: We pledge to communicate with neighboring municipalities and Mercer County regarding land use decisions which affect them, and to take regional impacts into consideration when making land use decisions.

2. Transportation Choices: We pledge to continue to review transportation choices and include consideration of all modes of transportation when planning transportation projects and reviewing development applications. We recognize that pedestrians, bicyclists, buses, taxis and automobiles are all critical to improved transportation. We will re-evaluate our parking projects with the goal of improving congested parking, promoting shared parking and other parking alternatives, and encouraging structured parking alternatives, where appropriate.

3. Natural Resource Protection: We pledge to protect our natural resources for their environmental, recreational and cultural value, avoiding or mitigating negative impacts to these resources. We pledge to use our recently-adopted Natural Resources Inventory to identify and assess the extent of our resources and to link natural resource management and protection to carrying capacity analysis, land use, open space and recreational planning.

4. Mix of Land Uses: We pledge to use our zoning authority to continue to allow a mix of residential, retail, commercial, recreational and historic preservation land use types in the areas that make the most sense for Hightstown and the region. We intend to continue to develop our mixed use downtown area to achieve economic development and advantages for our residents.

5. Housing Options: We pledge to continue to foster a diverse mix of housing types and locations available to all income levels, including single- and multi-family, owner –occupied and rental options.

6. Green Design: We pledge to encourage the principles of green design and renewable energy generation into new or remodeled municipal and public facilities to the extent feasible, and when updating our site plan and subdivision requirements for new development.

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AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AUCTION LICENSE – EMPIRE ANTIQUES

WHEREAS, an application for a license to hold an auction on Saturday, September 13, 2014 at 278 Monmouth Street in the Borough of Hightstown has been submitted by Empire Antiques, together with the required fee; and

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed and approved by the Police Director; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council that a license be issued to Empire Antiques for this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to issue a license to Empire Antiques for their auction to be held on Saturday, September 13, 2014, at 278 Monmouth Street.

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SUPPORTING THE “DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER” 2014 STATEWIDE CRACKDOWN

WHEREAS, impaired drivers on our nation’s roads kill someone every 30 minutes, 50 people per day, and almost 18,000 people each year; and

WHEREAS, 19% of motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2012 were alcohol-related; and

WHEREAS, an enforcement crackdown is planned to combat impaired driving; and

WHEREAS, the summer season and the Labor Day holiday in particular are traditionally times of social gatherings which include alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, has asked law enforcement agencies throughout the state to participate in the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2014 Statewide Crackdown*; and

WHEREAS, the project will involve increased impaired driving enforcement from August 15 through September 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, an increase in impaired driving enforcement and a reduction in impaired driving will save lives on our roadways;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of Hightstown Borough supports the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2014 Statewide Crackdown* from August 15 through September 1, 2014 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving.

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REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2014 BUDGET

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown hereby request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of a special item of revenue and equal appropriation in the budget of the Borough of Hightstown for the year 2014 as follows:

Source	Amount	Revenue Title	Appropriation Title
State of New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety	\$5,000.00	Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2014 Crackdown	Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2014 Crackdown

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