

SPECIAL MEETING - OPEN SESSION

Mayor Robert Patten called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and read the Open Public Meetings Act statement which stated that adequate notice and posting of the meeting had taken place in accordance with the requirements of P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

The flag salute was followed by the roll call.

ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT
<i>Mayor Patten</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Harinxma</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Quattrone</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Rosenberg</i>		✓
<i>Councilmember Schneider</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Sikorski</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Thompson</i>	✓	

Also in attendance: Candace Gallagher, Borough Clerk/Administrator

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was moved as submitted by Council President Sikorski, seconded by Councilmember Harinxma and approved by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the May 9, 2006 joint meeting with the East Windsor Township Council and the Board of Education regarding the 2006-07 defeated school budget were moved by Council President Sikorski, seconded by Councilmember Thompson and unanimously approved as submitted.

Minutes of the May 17, 2006 joint meeting with the East Windsor Township Council and the Board of Education regarding the 2006-07 defeated school budget were moved by Council President Sikorski, seconded by Councilmember Thompson and approved by all except Councilmember Harinxma, who abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Patten opened the floor for public comment.

Shawn Hiers, 419 Stockton Street, stated that she was only in attendance at this meeting because she thought the issue of the chickens being kept by her family may have been brought up.

Eugene Sarafin, 600-628 South Main Street, stated for the record that he is complaining about the high property taxes he pays. He said that the Borough has not done a good job seeking "economies of scale," and that he would vote for "PTR – Property Tax Relief" in the fall.

No one else came forward and the floor was closed.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2007-183 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 1 – S. BROTHERS, INC. (DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PHASE 3)

Ms. Gallagher noted that the Borough Engineer has recommended approval of Resolution 2007-183. The Resolution was moved by Council President Sikorski and seconded by Councilmember Schneider.

Roll Call: Councilmembers Harinxma, Quattrone, Schneider, Sikorski and Thompson voted yes.
 Councilmember Rosenberg was absent.

Resolution adopted, 5-0.

RESOLUTION 2007-183 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 1 – S. BROTHERS, INC. (DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PHASE 3)

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2007, the Borough Council awarded a contract for the Borough's Downtown Revitalization Phase 3 project to S. Brothers General Contractors, Inc. of South River, New Jersey in the total amount of Four Hundred and Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty (\$402,780.00) Dollars; and

WHEREAS the contractor has submitted Payment Request No. 1 for work done in the total amount of \$54,587.96, together with the required certified payrolls; and

WHEREAS the Borough Engineer has recommended approval of this payment request;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that Payment Request No. 1 to S. Brothers General Contractors, Inc. of South River, New Jersey in the amount of \$54,587.96 is hereby approved, and the Treasurer is authorized to issue same.

RESOLUTION 2007-197 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

Resolution 2007-197 was moved by Council President Sikorski and seconded by Councilmember Schneider.

Roll Call: Councilmembers Harinxma, Quattrone, Schneider, Sikorski and Thompson voted yes.
 Councilmember Rosenberg was absent.

Resolution adopted, 5-0.

RESOLUTION 2007-197 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 and the Treasurer in the amount of **\$345,113.95** from the following accounts:

Current	\$ 153,135.29
W/S Operating	111,896.70

General Capital	54,653.96
W/S Capital	4,386.00
Animal Control	192.30
Grant	957.60
Trust	7,713.10
Public Defender	450.00
COAH	9,250.00
Escrow – Subdivision & Site Plan (1 st Constitution Bank)	<u>2,479.00</u>
Total	<u>\$345,113.95</u>

With no further business, adjournment was moved Council President Sikorski, seconded by Councilmember Thompson and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candace B. Gallagher, RMC
Borough Clerk