

Meeting Minutes
Hightstown Borough Council
Regular Meeting
October 4, 2010 7:30 pm

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patten at 7:30 pm and he read the Open Public Meetings Act statement which stated, "Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice was advertised in the *Trenton Times* and the *Windsor-Hights Herald*, and is posted in the Borough Clerk's office."

The flag salute was followed by roll call.

ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT
<i>Councilmember Bond</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Gilmartin</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember McGinty</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Musing</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Quattrone</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Sikorski</i>	✓	
<i>Mayor Patten</i>	✓	

Also in attendance: Debra Sopronyi, Borough Clerk; Herbert Massa, Borough Administrator; Frederick Raffetto, Borough Attorney; Carmela Roberts, Borough Engineer; and James Eufemia, Chief of Police.

Council President Quattrone motioned to accept the agenda, Councilmember Sikorski seconded; all approved.

Councilmember McGinty requested that the approval of the minutes be postponed to the next meeting to allow time for her review. All agreed.

Resolution 2010-214 Authorizing Payment #1 to S. Batata Construction, Inc. – Stockton Street Historical District Infrastructure Project

Councilmember Musing recused himself from discussion and vote on this matter.

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-214, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

The Engineer gave a review of the resolution.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Quattrone and Sikorski voted yes; Councilmember Musing was recused.

Resolution adopted, 5-0.

Resolution 2010-214

BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
COUNTY OF MERCER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT #1 – S. BATATA CONSTRUCTION, INC.
(STOCKTON STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT STREETSCAPE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT)

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2010, the Borough Council awarded a contract for the Stockton Street Historic District Streetscape Infrastructure Project to S. Batata Construction, Inc. of South River, New Jersey in the amount of \$791,506.00; and,

WHEREAS, the contractor has submitted Payment Request #1 for work done in the total amount of \$126,825.74; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has recommended approval of this payment request, subject to receipt of all required certified payrolls; and

WHEREAS, The Treasurer has certified that said funds are available for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the Payment Request from S. Batata Construction, Inc. of South River, New Jersey in the amount of \$126,825.74, as detailed herein, is hereby approved, and the Treasurer is authorized to issue same, subject to receipt of all required certified payrolls.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Treasurer and Contract file.

Councilmember Musing returned to the dais.

Resolution 2010-215 Authorizing Payment #1 to Earle Asphalt Company – Leshin Lane Reconstruction Project

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-215, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

The Engineer gave a review of the resolution and it was requested that a typographical error in the resolution be corrected.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski voted yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-215

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

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT #1 – EARLE ASPHALT COMPANY
(LESHIN LANE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT)**

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2010, the Borough Council awarded a contract for the Leshin Lane Reconstruction Project to Earle Asphalt Company of Farmingdale, New Jersey in the amount of \$456,113.13; and,

WHEREAS, the contractor has submitted Payment Request #1 for work done in the total amount of \$128,374.95; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has recommended approval of this payment request, and has verified that all required certified payrolls have been received; and

WHEREAS, The Treasurer has certified that said funds are available for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the Payment Request from Earle Asphalt Company of Farmingdale, New Jersey in the amount of \$128,374.95, as detailed herein, is hereby approved, and the Treasurer is authorized to issue same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Treasurer and Contract file.

Resolution 2010-216 Authorizing the Engineer to Apply for a NJDOT Permit for the Installation of Franklin Street Coach Lamp Street Lighting

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-216, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

The Engineer gave a review of the resolution and there was discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski voted yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-216

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

**AUTHORIZING THE ENGINEER TO APPLY FOR A NJDOT PERMIT FOR THE
INSTALLATION OF FRANKLIN STREET COACH LAMP STREET LIGHTING**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation has installed new curbing and sidewalk on Franklin Street to Maxwell Avenue; and,

WHEREAS, the Hightstown Borough Department of Public Works has installed underground conduit for coach lamp street lighting and drip irrigation along this same portion of Franklin Street; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has quoted a price of \$9,700.00 to design and prepare plans of sufficient quality to apply for a permit from the New Jersey Department of Transportation to install said street lighting system; and

WHEREAS, said price of \$9,700.00 will also include the necessary inspections to be performed during the course of said installation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough will receive an anonymous donation to fund this expenditure and the Treasurer will use these funds to pay same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the Borough Engineer is hereby authorized to prepare plans, and submit a permit application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the installation of coach lamp street lighting on Franklin Street as stated herein.

Resolution 2010-217 Awarding a Contract for Etra Road Mill & Pave – Gres Paving Company

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-217, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

The Engineer gave a review of the resolution.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski voted yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-217

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

**AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR ETRA ROAD MILL AND PAVE – GRES PAVING
COMPANY**

WHEREAS, the County of Mercer is requiring the milling and paving of Etra Road as restoration for the Water Main Extension Leshin Lane and Mercer Street; and

WHEREAS, this restoration was not requested until the pre-construction meeting and was not included in the original plans for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has solicited quotations for the milling and paving of Etra Road and received four (4) quotes pursuant to the solicitation; and

WHEREAS, Gres Paving has submitted a quotation for this work at the unit price of \$15.00 per square yard for a total price of \$21,900.00, which includes traffic control, and this price is below the Engineer's estimate of \$22,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the cost of this work will be offset by a change order related to County Road repairs under the originally awarded contract to Tomco Construction for the Water Main Extension Leshin Lane and Mercer Street project; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer recommends that a contract be awarded to Gres Paving Company in the amount of \$21,900.00

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified the availability of funds for this expenditure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that a contract is hereby awarded to Gres Paving Company for the Etra Road mill and pave project as stated herein at a cost not to exceed \$21,900.00.

Presentation

The Chief of Police gave a brief presentation on Police Officer deployment with the department staffed at its present count of ten officers. He advised that there will be two officers on duty from midnight to noon and three officers on duty from noon to midnight, with each officer investigating their own cases. Chief Eufemia stated that, if needed, the Borough could hire part-time officers to provide additional coverage for vacations, sick time, injury or training of a full-time officer; the cost for this coverage would be at approximately half the cost of hiring an additional officer just to fill in. He advised that Hightstown Borough can be efficiently policed with our existing force. There was discussion regarding the scheduling of officers.

The Mayor opened the floor for Public Comment Period I. The following individuals spoke during the public comment period: J. P. Gibbons, 602 S. Main Street; Anna Harewood, 320 Park Avenue; Paul Byrne, 320 Stockton Street; Kathy Patten, 135 South Street; Scott Caster, 12 Clover Lane; Lynne Woods, 315 Park Avenue; and Rob Thibault, 504 S. Main Street.

There being no further comments, the Mayor closed the public comment period.

Ordinance 2010-17 Public Hearing and Final Reading: Amending Section 2-55.2 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Hightstown Regarding Fees for Copies

The Borough Clerk gave a review of the ordinance and the Mayor opened the public hearing. There being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

Council President Quattrone moved ordinance 2010-17, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Ordinance adopted, 6-0.

Ordinance 2010-17

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

**AMENDING SECTION 2-55.2 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF
HIGHTSTOWN REGARDING FEES FOR COPIES**

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has set forth new fees to be charged for copies obtained from Government Entities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk finds that revisions to the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Hightstown are necessary for compliance with the new fees; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk also recommends that the fee charged for Vital Statistic Records be updated to bring them in line with those currently being charged by municipalities.

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

Section 1.Section 2-55.2 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Hightstown is hereby amended as follows (Cross-outs are deletions and underlines are additions):

Subsection 2-55.2 Fees for Copies.

The following fees shall be charged for copies of public documents:

a. For copies of public documents on letter-size or legal-size paper, fees shall be charged in accordance with those listed in N.J.S.A. 47:1A-25(b).

b. For oversized copies of public documents, ~~one (\$1.00) dollar per page~~ the actual cost incurred in making the copy shall be charged. If the document must be copied by another source, e.g. a printer, for duplication, the actual cost paid by the Borough shall be paid by the requestor.

~~c.~~ There shall be no charge for electronic transmission of documents via fax or e-mail.

~~e. d.~~ For certified copies of birth certificates, marriage certificates, death certificates, domestic partnership certificates, or depositions, ~~ten (\$10.00)~~ twenty (\$20.00) dollars per certified copy.

~~d. e.~~ Municipal Court discovery and police accident reports

1. All requests for discovery in matters pending in the Hightstown Municipal Court shall be submitted through the Municipal Prosecutor.
2. The following fees shall be payable by the requestor to the Borough of Hightstown for the discovery or accident report provided:

~~i.~~ \$.75 per page for each of the first 10 pages photocopied

~~ii.~~ \$.50 per page for each of the next 10 pages photocopied

~~iii.~~ _____ \$.25 per page for each of the pages photocopied thereafter

~~i.~~ For documents on letter-size or legal-size paper, fees shall be charged in accordance with those listed in N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5(b)

~~iv. ii.~~ Actual postage for any discovery or accident report sent by mail

~~v. iii.~~ \$.25 for the envelope for any discovery or accident report sent by mail

~~vi. iv.~~ Photographs will be photocopied at the rates established herein. If requests are made for duplicate photographs, the actual cost of making the photographs shall be charged.

~~vii. v.~~ Duplication of video tapes constitutes an extraordinary duplication process and will be charged at the rate of \$5.00 per video tape.

~~viii. vi.~~ For any item that cannot be photocopied on the Borough's copy machine or for any item not otherwise provided for in this schedule, the actual cost incurred in making the copy shall be charged.

~~ix. vii.~~ Where the discovery must be obtained from an entity other than the Borough of Hightstown, e.g. another police department, the actual costs paid to the other entity shall be paid by the requestor.

~~x. viii.~~ There shall be no charge to persons over the age of 65 for discoveries or police accident reports.

~~e. f.~~ For duplicate tax, water and sewer bills, five (\$5.00) dollars each.

~~f. g.~~ For a certificate as to approval of subdivisions, as follows:

1. When the property described in the application is shown on the Assessment Map subdivided into Borough lots and does not exceed five thousand (5,000) square feet in area, three (\$3.00) dollars, and for each additional five thousand (5,000) square feet in area or fraction thereof, an additional fifty (\$0.50) cents.

2. When the property is shown on the Assessment Map as acreage or is so assessed and lies wholly within the limits of a single block, three (\$3.00) dollars, and if within the limits of two (2) or more blocks, an additional one (\$1.00) dollar for each block.

3. When the property described in the application is or has been subdivided and assessed as more than one (1) item, an additional fee of one (\$1.00) dollar shall be allowed for each subdivision separately assessed.

4. Five (\$5.00) dollars shall be the maximum charge for a certificate covering lands lying wholly within one (1) block as shown on the Assessment Map of the Borough, unless there is a subdivision of proprietorship indicated by the assessment.

~~g.~~ h. For a certificate as to approval of subdivision within three (3) years from the date of the original search, one (\$1.00) dollar per year.

~~h.~~ i. For official searches for municipal liens (tax searches) or for improvements authorized but not assessed, ten (\$10.00) dollars.

~~i.~~ j. For a continuation of an official search for municipal liens or for a continuation of an official search for improvements authorized but not assessed, two (\$2.00) dollars per year.

~~j.~~ k. For a duplicate tax sale certificate, one hundred (\$100.00) dollars.

~~k.~~ l. For a full copy of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Hightstown, one hundred (\$100.00) dollars.

~~l.~~ m. For a full copy of the Borough's Master Plan, one hundred and ninety-five (\$195.00) dollars.

~~m.~~ n. For a copy of an audio or video tape, the actual cost of the media and duplication thereof.

Section 2. That all other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

Section 3. That, in the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to that portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged to be invalid, and the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable therefrom and shall not be affected.

Section 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect on November 9, 2010 upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Resolution 2010-218 Authorizing the Payment of Bills

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-218, Councilmember Sikorski seconded

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-218

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

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 Mayor, the appropriate Councilmember and the Treasurer

in the
amount of \$ 738,762.76 from the following accounts

Current	\$ 378,011.66
W/S Operating	183,909.02
General Capital	158,378.24
W/S Capital	14,233.84
Grant	1,810.00
Trust	2,420.00
Housing Trust	-
Animal Control	-
Law Enforcement Trust	-
Housing Rehab Loans	-
Escrow	-
Total	<u>\$ 738,762.76</u>

Resolution 2010-219 Requesting Approval for Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the 2010 Budget

The Borough Clerk reviewed the resolution.

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-219, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-219

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

**REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE
2010 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 2010 as follows:

Source	Amount	Revenue Title	Appropriation Title
State of New Jersey Division of Parks & Forestry	\$7,000.00	2009 Business Stimulus Fund (BSF) Grant - Trees	2009 Business Stimulus Fund (BSF) Grant - Trees

Resolution 2010-220 Authorizing the Administrator to Execute an Application and Participation Agreement for the 2010 Direct Install Program and Applications for Associated Grants

The Borough Administrator reviewed the resolution.

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-220, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-220

*BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY*

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION AND PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT FOR THE 2010 DIRECT INSTALL PROGRAM AND APPLICATIONS FOR ASSOCIATED GRANTS

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has launched the 2010 Direct Install Program administered by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities; and

WHEREAS, Hightstown Borough would like to participate in said program and receive funds associated with same. and

WHEREAS, Hightstown Borough finds that participation will enable the Borough facilities, including the Firehouse and First Aid Building, to take advantage of an Energy Assessment and apply for grants associated with the recommendations it contains; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hightstown can benefit directly from cost effective energy conservation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hightstown encourages energy conservation for the benefit of the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized to execute and deliver all documents required to participate in the Direct Install 2010 Program and any grant applications associated to the program.

Resolution 2010-171 Authorizing an Agreement for Animal Control Services

The Borough Administrator reviewed the resolution and Councilmember Musing reviewed his visit to the facility. There was discussion and it was decided that this resolution would be postponed until a definition of the word “wildlife” could be implemented into the agreement.

Council President Quattrone moved to postpone resolution 2010-171, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Resolution postponed, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-221 Authorizing a Refund for a Temporary Food License – Next Level Youth

The Borough Clerk reviewed the resolution.

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-221, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

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Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-221

*BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
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**AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF A TEMPORARY FOOD LICENSE FEE – NEXT LEVEL
YOUTH**

WHEREAS, the Borough requires that a Temporary Food License be issued for vendors participating in the Annual Hightstown Harvest Fair; and,

WHEREAS, the fee for said permit is \$35.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk has found that Next Level Youth paid \$35.00 on September 14, 2010 for this license for the Annual Hightstown Harvest Fair; and

WHEREAS, Next Level Youth is a non-profit organization and should not have been charged a fee for said license; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk finds that Next Level Youth is due a \$35.00 refund for the fee paid for a Temporary Food License to participate in the Annual Hightstown Harvest Fair; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified the availability of funds for this expenditure;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a refund to Next Level Youth in the amount of \$35.00 to refund them for the fee paid for a Temporary Food License to participate in the Annual Hightstown Harvest Fair.

Resolution 2010-222 Accepting Membership of David J. DeForest in Hightstown Engine Co. No. 1

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-222, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-222

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

**ACCEPTING MEMBERSHIP OF DAVID J. DEFOREST
IN HIGHTSTOWN ENGINE CO. NO. 1**

WHEREAS, David J. DeForest of Hightstown, New Jersey has applied for membership in Hightstown Engine Company No. 1; and

WHEREAS Mr. DeForest has undergone and passed the required physical examination, and his membership application has been reviewed and approved by Fire Chief Lawrence Van Kirk;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the membership of David J. DeForest in Hightstown Engine Company No. 1 is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to Hightstown Engine Co. #1.

Resolution 2010-223 Accepting Membership of Wade H. Clark in Hightstown Engine Co. No. 1

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-223, Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0.

Resolution 2010-223

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

**ACCEPTING MEMBERSHIP OF WADE H. CLARK
IN HIGHTSTOWN ENGINE CO. NO. 1**

WHEREAS, Wade H. Clark of Hightstown, New Jersey has applied for membership in Hightstown Engine Company No. 1; and

WHEREAS Mr. Clark has undergone and passed the required physical examination, and his membership application has been reviewed and approved by Fire Chief Lawrence Van Kirk;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that the membership of Wade H. Clark in Hightstown Engine Company No. 1 is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to Hightstown Engine Co. #1.

The Mayor then opened Public Comment Period II. The following residents spoke during the public comment period: Scott Jenkins, 200 Mechnic Street; Scott Caster, 12 Clover Lane; Kathy Gravely, 40 Westerlea Avenue; Rob Thibault, 504 S. Main Street; J. P. Gibbons, 602 S. Main Street; Arthur Linderman, Attorney for J. P. Gibbons presented legal papers to the Borough Attorney regarding a possible lawsuit should Council abolish the police department; Mary Stazzone, 304 Park Avenue; Paul Byrne, 320 Stockton Street; David Bell, 114 First Avenue; and Kathy Patten, 135 South Street.

There being no further comments, the Mayor closed the public comment period.

Council/Mayor/Administrative Comments

Councilmember McGinty – advised that the Ordinance Review Committee will no longer be meeting. She stated that Council needed directly to address the ordinances and enforcement issues raised by the public.

Council President Quattrone – advised that the First Aid is in need of volunteers and commended the new Firefighters for volunteering. He also commented that there are rules and regulations that must be followed when addressing ordinance enforcement.

Councilmember Musing – advised that there is a Walking bridge Committee meeting tomorrow evening and everyone is invited to attend.

Borough Attorney Raffetto – commented regarding a request received by the Borough concerning regulation of adult street behavior, such as “peace and good order” and “disorderly conduct”.

Chief Eufemia – reviewed the process for detouring traffic during the Community Fair and Fire Department parade.

Mayor Patten – welcomed everyone to attend the Community Fair and the 175th Anniversary of Hightstown Engine Co. #1. He also commented that the Borough must follow a process when investigating and acting on ordinance violations.

Resolution 2010-224 Executive Session

Council verified the legality of the subject matter for the executive session with the Borough Attorney.

Council President Quattrone moved resolution 2010-224 Councilmember Sikorski seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Council members Bond, Gilmartin, McGinty, Musing, Quattrone and Sikorski yes.

Resolution adopted, 6-0

Resolution 2010-224

*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 October 4, 2010 at approximately 8:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers 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 – Police/Court Shared Services & PBA

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: January 4, 2011, 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.

Council adjourned into executive session at 9:13pm.

Council re-convened into open session at 11:00 pm.

Councilmember Sikorski moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 pm and Council President Quattrone seconded; the Motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra L. Sopronyi

Borough Clerk