

The January 5, 2011 Sine Die meeting was called to order by Mayor Petillo at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 111 River Styx Road, Hopatcong, NJ.

This meeting is held in accordance with the 1975 Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6 et seq., annual notice having been forwarded to the New Jersey Herald/New Jersey Sunday Herald, the Daily Record, The Star Ledger, and posted on the bulletin board maintained in the Municipal Building for public announcements.

ROLL CALL – Councilmembers present: Howard Baker, Richard Bunce, Michael Francis, Marie Galate, Madeline McManus & John Young. Others present: Attorney John Ursin, Administrator Catherine Steinel & Clerk Lorraine Stark.

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT: Meeting open to public for comments on items on the agenda for which no public discussion is provided and any other comments. (Comments limited to 5 minutes). None was received. Bunce moved to close comment period, seconded by Baker. Those present voted affirmative.

Councilman Bunce moved the approval of minutes of the December 15, 2010 meeting, seconded by Young. The vote was unanimous.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

A. Ord. #25-2010 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 231 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG DESIGNATING THROUGH STREETS, STOP INTERSECTIONS AND MULTI-WAY STOP INTERSECTIONS. Open to the public for comment, none was forthcoming. Bunce moved to close comment period, seconded by Baker. All in favor. Ordinance moved by Bunce, seconded by Galate. Roll Call Vote: **YES** – Bunce, Galate, Baker, Francis, McManus, Young.

B. Ord. #26-2010 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 43 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG ENTITLED “SALARIES AND COMPENSATION” OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG. Open to the public for comment, none was received. Bunce moved to closed comment period, seconded by Galate. The vote was unanimous. Ordinance motioned by Bunce, seconded by Young. Roll Call Vote: **YES** – Bunce, Young, Baker, Francis, Galate, McManus.

C. Ord. #27-2010 AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF LOT BY THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG TO OWNERS OF CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 40001, LOT 8.03. Open to the public for comment, none was forthcoming. Bunce moved to end comment period, seconded by Young. Those present voted affirmative. Ordinance motioned by Bunce, seconded by Young. Roll Call Vote – **YES** – Bunce, Young, Baker, Francis. **ABSTAINED:** Galate, McManus.

D. Ord. #28-2010 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 186 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG ENTITLED “SEWERS, PUBLIC”. Open to the public for comment, none was received. Bunce moved to end comment period, seconded by Baker. All voted affirmative. Ordinance motioned by Bunce, seconded by Young. Roll Call Vote: **YES** – Bunce, Young, Baker, Francis, Galate, McManus.

RESOLUTIONS:

- #1-2011 Authorize NJ State Contract to Lawmen Supply Company of NJ Inc. for Police Holsters in an amount not to exceed \$2,578.50. Motioned by Bunce, seconded by Galate. Roll Call Vote: **YES** – Bunce, Galate, Baker, Francis, McManus, Young.
- #2-2011 Authorize Continuation of Stipend for R. Lawler in 2011. Motioned by

Bunce, seconded by Baker. Roll Call Vote: **Yes** – Bunce, Baker, Francis, Galate, McManus, Young.

- #3-2011 Authorize NJ State Contract to Hewlett-Packard in an amount not to exceed \$8,091.46. Motioned by Bunce, seconded by Baker. Roll Call Vote: **YES** – Bunce, Baker, Francis, Galate, McManus, Young.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Snow Ordinance Draft. Mayor Petillo informed those present that this ordinance has been revised several times by Mr. Ursin, and should be ready for the next meeting.
- On-Call Services NJDEP Bids. The two bids were not accepted by the Borough Engineer; the low bid company was over 2 hours away & would not provide the service in a timely manner. Mr. Ruschke recommends that bids be rejected and modifications be made for a re-bid regarding time/distance of the vendor. .#4-2011 Resolution – Reject Bids for On-Call Services NJDEP Pump Installers & Authorize Rebid with time/distance modification. Motioned by Bunce, seconded by Young. Roll Call Vote: **YES** – Bunce, Young, Baker, Francis, Galate, McManus.
- OPRA Complaint Filed with GRC. Mr. Ursin reported that Martin O’Shea filed an OPRA complaint in 2009 against the Borough, alleged that the Borough did something wrong. He was please to inform those present that the Government Records Council issued their 13 page opinion, and found in favor of the Borough. The governing body congratulated John and Lorraine. Mr. Ursin commented that these matters are difficult, and even when everything is done correctly they can sometimes end up with negative results.

Councilman Bunce moved to adjourn at 6:41 p.m., seconded by Galate. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted: