

**MINUTES  
FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING,  
BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG,  
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 111 RIVER STYX ROAD  
HOPATCONG, NEW JERSEY  
NOVEMBER 22, 2016  
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING 6:00 PM**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Announce Quorum

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT:** Council President Padula stated "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, and posted on the bulletin board maintained in the Municipal Building for public announcements." (Council President notes fire exits)

**ROLL CALL:** The Clerk called the roll and the following members were present: Councilman Bunce, Councilman Francis, Councilwoman Galate, Councilman Padula, Councilman Schindelar (6:17) and Councilman Young.

**MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Council President Padula invited all present to salute the flag and to remain standing for a moment of silence

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Councilman Bunce made a motion to open the meeting to the public for any questions or comments concerning items on the agenda for which no public discussion is provided. (Comments limited to 5 minutes). Seconded by Councilman Young. All were in favor.

John Flaherty stated that he wanted to be at the meeting to represent the public.

After giving all persons present an opportunity to address the Governing Body, Councilman Bunce made a motion to close the meeting to the public and return to the regular order of business. Seconded by Councilman Young. All were in favor.

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**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Resolution #2016-236 – Payment of Bills

Councilman Bunce made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the payment of bills for the meeting of November 22, 2016. Seconded by Councilman Young.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Bunce, Francis, Padula, Young

Nays: None Absent: Schindelar Abstentions: Galate

**RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Councilman Bunce made a motion to adopt a resolution to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss personnel (appointment of Business Administrator and Municipal Judge). Seconded by Councilman Young.

THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ALLOWS THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM A PORTION OF A MEETING IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG THAT THE PUBLIC SHALL BE EXCLUDED FROM DISCUSSION OF MATTERS ALLOWED BY NEW JERSEY LAW.

THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES WILL BE PLACED ON FILE IN THE BOROUGH CLERK'S OFFICE, AND WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AS PROVIDED FOR BY NEW JERSEY LAW.

Be further advised this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Councilman Bunce made a motion to adjourn Executive Session at 7:31 and return to the regular order of business. Seconded by Councilman Young. All were in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilman Bunce made a motion to adjourn the special meeting of November 22, 2016. Seconded by Councilman Young. All were in favor.

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Frank Padula, Council President

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Amanda Nevins, Deputy Clerk