

**REGULAR AGENDA
FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING,
BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG,
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 111 RIVER STYX ROAD
HOPATCONG, NEW JERSEY
AUGUST 1, 2018
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING 7:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: Announce Quorum

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT: Mayor Francis 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.” (Mayor notes fire exits)

ROLL CALL: The Clerk will call the roll.

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Francis will invite all present to salute the flag and to remain standing for a moment of silence.

Public Hearing – Grant Application 2018 USDA Section 533 Housing Preservation Grant

A motion is in order to open the meeting to the public to discuss the 2018 USDA Section 533 Housing Preservation Grant. The Program will provide Repairs and Rehabilitation Activities for Single Family Housing of Low Income Households.

Resolution #2018-148 – Submission of USDA Housing Preservation Grant

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of an application for the USDA Housing Preservation Grant.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Mayor Francis will allow each member of the Council to present their respective committee reports.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Francis will request 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).

After giving all persons present an opportunity to address the Governing Body, Mayor will request a motion to close the meeting to the public and return to the regular order of business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion is in order to approve the meeting minutes of July

ADMINISTRATOR’S UPDATE: At this time Borough Administrator, Ron Tappan, will give an update to the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mayor Francis will request that all persons present review the consent agenda. If any member of the Council or public wishes an item on the consent agenda to be discussed and considered separately, a motion to this effect shall so be made at this time.

After all persons have had an opportunity to review the consent agenda and offer requests for changes, Mayor Francis will request a motion to approve the consent agenda.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. Introduction Ordinance #15-2018 – Tax Exemption, 468 River Styx Road

A motion is in order to introduce an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A FIVE (5) YEAR TAX EXEMPTION ON THE ASSESSED VALUE OF NEW IMPROVEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 468 RIVER STYX ROAD, WHICH PROPERTY IS IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 30703, LOT 11 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, PURSUANT TO THE FIVE-YEAR EXEMPTION AND ABATEMENT LAW, N.J.S.A. 40a:21-1 ET SEQ.”.

FINAL READING: SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

2. Introduction Ordinance #16-2018 – Bond Ordinance – Various Water Utility Improvements

A motion is in order to introduce an ordinance entitled “ A BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS WATER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$1,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF”.

FINAL READING: SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution #2018-147 – Submission of Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Application

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation through the 2018 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program.

2. Resolution #2018-149 – 2017-2018 Liquor License Renewal

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution renewing a 2017-2018 Liquor License. (Shital Megha Corporation – Pocket License)

3. Resolution #2018-151 – Payment of Bills

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution authorizing the payment of bills for the meeting of August 1, 2018.

4. Resolution #2018-152 – Award of Professional Services – Appraisal Systems

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution authorizing an award of a professional service contract to Appraisal Systems, Inc. for real estate appraisal and tax appeal consulting services for 2018 tax year, in an amount not to exceed \$9,800.00.

5. Resolution #2018-156 – Hunting on Municipal Property (Natural Area Preserve)

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution allowing hunting in the Natural Area Preserve (Municipally owned property) for the 2018-2019 hunting season.

6. Resolution #2018-157 – Purchase of Replacement Vehicles

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution authorizing the purchase of three replacement vehicles from DFFLM, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$122,671.75.

7. Resolution #2018-158 – Hiring of Class III Special Officers

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution authorizing the hiring of 4 Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers, funded by the Hopatcong Borough Board of Education.

8. Resolution #2018-159 – Appointment of Qualified Purchasing Agent

A motion is in order to adopt a resolution appointing Ron Tappan as the Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Hopatcong.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Report of Bond Anticipation Note Sale

At this time the Governing Body will acknowledge the Report of Bond Anticipation Note Sale submitted by the CFO.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Francis will request a motion to open the meeting to the public for any questions or comments concerning the good and welfare of the Borough. (Comments limited to 5 minutes).

After giving all persons present an opportunity to address the Governing Body, **Mayor Francis** will request a motion to close the meeting to the public and return to the regular order of business.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: **Mayor Francis** will request a motion to adjourn the meeting.