

January 28, 2008
Hawthorne, N. J.

The Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne was held on the above date at 4:46 p.m., in the Auditorium of the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey. Present were Councilpersons, Bertollo, English, Matthews, Sinning, Wojtecki and Goldberg. Councilperson Bennett was absent. Also present were Mayor Botbyl, Administrator Maurer, Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt, and Borough Clerk Mele.

STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Annual Schedule of Regular Meetings heretofore adopted and posted on the Public Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building, mailed to the Hawthorne Press and Herald & News, Record and Gazette and to all persons who have requested the mailing of such schedule, and a copy of said schedule has remained on file in the office of the Borough Clerk from and since Thursday, January 24, 2008.

AGENDA

Council President Goldberg then stated the reason for tonight's special meeting is to authorize payment of the first quarter payment to the Passaic Valley Sewer Commission due February 1, 2008, in the amount of \$244,044.36.

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to approve the payment, moved by Councilman Sinning, seconded by Councilwoman English.

Council President Goldberg asked Administrator Maurer to explain why a Special Meeting had to be called to pay the invoice.

Administrator Maurer stated on Thursday, January 17th, a copy of the invoice was hand delivered to the borough. Their CFO was on vacation and unavailable last week. Today an explanation was given stating the bill had to be approved by their board meeting held on Thursday, January 17th and then they were hand delivered.

Further explanation of meeting schedules continued. Discussion on optional ways of paying the bill ensued.

Council President Goldberg asked that a resolution be drafted for the next regular meeting covering the payment schedule of invoices from the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission and our displeasure with their process.

Councilman Wojtecki suggested contacting Commissioner Flynn to express our disapproval of their expected time frame for payments.

Discussion continued.

On roll call all voted yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council President Goldberg opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address.

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to close the public portion, moved by Councilperson Matthews, seconded by Councilperson English. On roll call all voted yes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to adjourn the Special Session, moved by Councilperson Matthews, seconded by Councilperson Sinning. On roll call all voted yes.

Richard Goldberg
Council President

Jean Mele
Borough Clerk