

March 5, 2008
Hawthorne, NJ

The Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne was held on the above date at 8:00 p.m., in the Auditorium of the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey. Present were Councilpersons Bennett, Bertollo, Matthews, Sinning, Wojtecki, and Goldberg. Councilperson English was absent. Also present were Mayor Botbyl, Borough Administrator Maurer, Borough Engineer Boswell, Borough Attorney Pasquale, Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt, and Borough Clerk Mele.

FLAG SALUTE

Council President Goldberg invited all present to join him in the flag salute.

STATEMENT

Council President Goldberg stated adequate notice of this meeting had 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, Gazette, Record and Herald & News, and all such 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 December 21, 2007.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular and Closed Session Meetings of February 20, 2008, moved by Councilman Sinning, seconded by Councilman Bennett. On roll call Councilpersons Bennett, Bertollo, Sinning, Wojtecki and Goldberg voted yes, Councilperson Matthews abstained.

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. He stipulated this was for agenda items only.

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

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1924-08 for Adoption

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES AND COMPENSATION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Public Hearing

Council President Goldberg opened the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 1924-08, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address.

(IF NO ONE DESIRES TO BE HEARD)

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1924-08 be closed and that it be resolved that this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board on which public notices are customarily posted and published in the Hawthorne Press. Copies of said ordinance were made available to the general public.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that this ordinance be adopted and the Clerk is authorized to advertise the same according to law, moved by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Sinning. On roll call all voted yes.

Ordinance No. 1925-08 for Adoption

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES AND COMPENSATION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Public Hearing

Council President Goldberg opened the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 1925-08, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address.

(IF NO ONE DESIRES TO BE HEARD)

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1925-08 be closed and that it be resolved that this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board on which public notices are customarily posted and published in the Hawthorne Press. Copies of said ordinance were made available to the general public.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that this ordinance be adopted and the Clerk is authorized to advertise the same according to law, moved by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Sinning. On roll call all voted yes.

Ordinance No. 1926-08 for Adoption

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT OVER AND UPON PRIVATE LANDS KNOWN AS THOMAS R.O.W. SOUTH

Public Hearing

Council President Goldberg opened the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 1926-08, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address.

(IF NO ONE DESIRES TO BE HEARD)

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1926-08 be closed and that it be resolved that this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board on which public notices are customarily posted and published in the Hawthorne Press. Copies of said ordinance were made available to the general public.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that this ordinance be adopted and the Clerk is authorized to advertise the same according to law, moved by Councilman Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Bennett.

Councilman Bertollo stated he hopes the agreement with the Graham Family be in hand by the next Council Meeting on March 19th, so the process is not stalled.

Attorney Pasquale stated he will make sure a new copy of the signed agreement will be in hand by the next meeting.

On roll call all voted yes.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Wojtecki asked for an update on the inquiry to charging surrounding municipalities for use of our firing range.

Administrator Maurer stated he will make sure an answer is ready for the next meeting.

Councilman Sinning asked for an update on the issue of benches in bad condition through the Eight Acre Woods.

Councilman Wojtecki stated they have been replaced. He stated the Environmental Commission with the assistance of the Passaic Valley Sewer Commission has supplied pressure treated benches made from recyclable materials. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Grand Re-Opening of the nature trails, walks, bird stanchions, and the area refurbished by the Eagle Scout, on Cele-Earth-Bratton Day.

Councilman Sinning asked for an update on the issue of installing crosswalks at previously discussed locations along Lafayette Avenue.

Administrator Maurer stated the striping for the crosswalks will be done in the spring.

Councilman Matthews stated the intersection of Sherman Avenue and Lee Avenue also needs the Stop Lines and Words painted on the roadway.

NEW BUSINESS

Council President Goldberg stated today the numbers for the aid to municipalities were released. He stated the Borough of Hawthorne is looking at over a \$200,000 cut in aid from the State. He stated the League of Municipalities has urged all municipalities to meet with their State Legislators over these cuts.

Council President Goldberg stated it has been agreed that the Mayor, Administrator and the Finance Committee will schedule one or several (as needed) meetings with Senator Girgenti and Assemblywomen Pou and Evans to discuss the impact to the community by these cuts.

Council President Goldberg stated he will be scheduling a meeting with Councilman Bertollo, a member of the Board of Recreation and a member of the Board of Education to discuss the County's new idea of charging for the use of the fields in the County Park that are used by our athletic and high school teams.

Councilman Bertollo stated this topic is on the Freeholders' agenda for Tuesday night. He asked if there was any way the borough could ask for it to be tabled? He stated he plans on attending the meeting.

Council President Goldberg suggested a joint letter be sent to the Freeholders from both the Mayor and himself voicing their displeasure with this proposal.

Councilman Wojtecki voiced his displeasure with the proposal for charging fees for the fields. He stated the cooperation door with regard to communication between the County and himself has closed whereas previously he was always able to receive an answer or reply on concerns.

Discussion continued.

Councilman Sinning stated the State aid figures appear to be going to all the Bergen County towns and all the cuts appear to be in Passaic County.

Council President Goldberg stated this is why a meeting is scheduled with the Legislators to hold them accountable for their decisions.

Council President Goldberg asked if there was any other New Business to be discussed?

There was none.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Mayor Botbyl stated over the past week he had participated in the final signing of the contracts with the union for both the PBA Local 200 and the White Collar Unit of the UPSEU.

Mayor Botbyl stated the public needs to understand the budgetary impact caused by the cuts in State aid to the municipality. He urged all residents to call and/or write

the Freeholders and the Legislators to voice their displeasure with the impact these issues will have on the taxpayers of Hawthorne.

Mayor Botbyl stated he will make every attempt possible to attend the Freeholder Meeting on March 11th on these issues.

Mayor Botbyl stated he has two re-appointments to make to the Board of Health Department:

The first is for the Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Carol Chamberlin
30 Dixie Avenue
Hawthorne, New Jersey

The second is for the Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Phyllis Wooldridge
31 McFarlan Avenue
Hawthorne, New Jersey

As they are not in attendance tonight, the Oath of Office will be administered tomorrow.

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to record the appointments, made by Councilman Matthews, seconded by Councilman Bertollo. On roll call all voted yes.

Mayor Botbyl called upon Administrator Maurer for his report.

Administrator Maurer reported on the following:

The State Aid cuts do create problems that need to be addressed.

The budget will be introduced at the next Council Meeting. A presentation will also be made on the Capital Improvement Plan.

That concludes Administrator Maurer's report.

Mayor Botbyl explained the long-term planning he has often spoken about, will be completed with this presentation at the next meeting.

Mayor Botbyl then called on Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt for her report.

Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt reported on the following:

The current rate of collection on taxes is 98.1%.

With regard to the discussion of the budget for the Finance Committee, now that the contracts are signed and the actual salary numbers are known for the bargaining units, the numbers are being refined to come in as close as possible.

That concludes Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt's report.

Mayor Botbyl then called on Borough Attorney Pasquale for his report.

Attorney Pasquale reported on the following:

The brief for Pan Chemical is in the process of being filed. Copies will be provided to Council within the next two weeks.

An ordinance covering growth share has been distributed to Council for review. Explanation of COAH regulations with regard to municipality growth ensued.

That concludes Attorney Pasquale's report.

Council President Goldberg stated the ordinance will be discussed at the April 2nd Work Session and then introduced at the April 16th meeting.

Council President Goldberg suggested Administrator Maurer make his Capital Budget presentation during the Work Session at the April 2nd Meeting.

Mayor Botbyl then called on Borough Engineer Boswell for his report.

Engineer Boswell reported on the following:

The fence at Lafayette Hills will be installed by next Friday.

The 2007 Road Program has been completed except for the removal of some millings at the end of Tuxedo Avenue. This will be completed by this Friday.

One price has been received for the construction of the weir inside the manhole on Brookside Avenue. A second estimate is expected shortly for comparison. Pricing for other drainage work has been asked for as well.

The municipal pool project will commence March 15th, weather permitting. A drop-dead date for completion is May 15, 2008.

The 2008 Road Program is awaiting the list of streets recommended by the DPW Committee. Once the list is received the specs will be drawn up.

Calls have been made to PSE&G regarding the gas smell reported by Councilman Wojtecki. They will recheck the area.

The slip lining job has not been completed as yet due to some wrinkles in the lining. Once they are addressed it will be cleaned up. The ruts will be gone and the area raked out and seeded.

Prices are being compiled from the contractors for the repair of the municipal building roof. The prices will be ready by the next meeting.

The HVAC system at the municipal building is still on schedule to be completed by March 12th to go out for bids before the upcoming air conditioning season.

The NJDOT has reported they will start work within two weeks on the Van Winkle Avenue bridge and another part of the Goffle Road bridge. They will do concrete repairs first and then do an asphalt overlay.

That concludes Engineer Boswell's report.

Council President Goldberg asked if there were any questions for Administration.

Council President Goldberg asked if the municipal building roof repairs will be coming out of the General Budget or the Capital Budget?

Administrator Maurer stated it will come out of the Capital Budget but it will not be bonded.

Councilman Bertollo asked Engineer Boswell what could be done with the Railroad to address the deplorable condition of the Diamond Bridge Avenue crossing. He stated a few years ago a letter had been received regarding funding for the Utter Avenue crossing. When the Borough asked if the Diamond Bridge Avenue crossing could be included, the NJDOT told us it could be included if the Borough was willing to pay \$250,000 to do it.

Administrator Maurer stated discussions have taken place with the Railroad. They will be upgrading the crossing. They have requested a meeting to discuss control of the traffic over the crossing. A date has not been set as yet.

Councilman Bertollo asked if the work that was to be scheduled for the Utter Avenue crossing could be transferred to the Diamond Bridge Avenue crossing?

Councilman Bennett asked when the swearing in ceremony will take place for the next round of police promotions that will be announced at the meeting of March 19th?

Mayor Botbyl stated the police promotions that have been announced so far will be sworn in on March 19th with an effective date of April 1st. The anticipated second round of promotions have not been determined as yet. They will probably be announced around the end of May, with the swearing in ceremony in June and the effective date in July.

Council President Goldberg asked with the unexpected retirement are there plans to now send someone to the Academy in September?

Administrator Maurer stated we have budgeted for a replacement either by sending someone to school or by hiring from another avenue.

Councilman Matthews asked if there has been any further communication with Wyckoff on water issues?

Engineer Boswell stated Administration is still attempting to set up the meeting.

Councilman Sinning stated there is a sinkhole on Goffle Road in the area of the "Sargeant" manhole that is getting larger by the day.

Engineer Boswell stated he will contact the County about this situation.

Councilman Wojtecki stated a phone call had been received about the remaining trees on the Brookside Avenue project. He stated the trees were included in the DOT project as reported by the Engineer at the last meeting. He asked the Engineer to call the Chairman of the Shade Tree Commission regarding this.

Engineer Boswell stated a change order was approved at the last meeting for \$12,000 for removal and replacement of trees. The DOT has agreed to fund those trees.

Administrator Maurer stated the amount of trees the Shade Tree Commission wants to have planted is greater than the amount that we had the money for. The DOT has agreed to pay for \$12,000 more of trees than originally was bid for.

Discussion continued.

Councilman Wojtecki asked Engineer Boswell to check the "shoving" on Mohawk Avenue, stating they are now speed bumps.

Engineer Boswell stated the quarry has admitted that they are responsible in large part for the conditions of the roadway. He stated he will check with them again on what they are willing to do and report back at the next meeting.

Councilman Wojtecki stated the Warburton Avenue bridge is decaying and is not included on the County list for repair.

Engineer Boswell stated that was the next bridge to be repaired. The reason the work has been delayed is the finalization of the bank stabilization project. If the County has the funding that bridge could conceivably be done this year.

Discussion on the condition of the bridge continued.

Council President Goldberg suggested the County Engineer, Steve Edmonds write a letter stating the bridge is safe to travel across.

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to record the Administrative Agenda, moved by Councilman Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Sinning. On roll call all voted yes.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance No. 1934-08 for Introduction

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 1817-04, HERETOFORE ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE, PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF A RECREATIONAL FACILITY AT WAGARAW ROAD, AS DESCRIBED SPECIFICALLY THEREIN, INCREASING THE COSTS PERMITTED BY N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 FROM \$20,000 TO \$50,000.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 1934-08 does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Governing Body in the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey, on April 2, 2008, at 8:00 p.m., and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in the Hawthorne Press once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage, moved by Councilperson Bennett, seconded by Councilperson Bertollo.

Council President Goldberg asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

On roll call all voted yes.

Ordinance No. 1935-08 for Introduction

ARTICLE XXI - R-9 AFFORDABLE HOUSING ZONE - MULTI-FAMILY ATTACHED HOUSING

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 1935-08 does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Governing Body in the

Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey, on April 2, 2008, at 8:00 p.m., and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in the Hawthorne Press once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage, moved by Councilperson Sinning, seconded by Councilperson Bennett.

Council President Goldberg stated this ordinance does not grant commencement of the project. The developers still have to go before the Planning Board for approval. He stated there will be ample time for residents to voice any concerns on the project.

Council President Goldberg asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

On roll call all voted yes.

R-1. Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Matthews

To ratify the actions of the Municipal Council of the borough of Hawthorne payroll dated February 29, 2008.

	Check #	
CURRENT ACCOUNT	51403	\$ 235,928.34
WATER ACCOUNT	14330	37,836.91
OTHER TRUST II	6405	13,674.74
TOTAL PAYROLL		\$ 287,439.99
CURRENT TO PAYROLL/FICA	51404	\$ 13,865.61
TOTAL FICA		\$ 13,865.61

R-2. Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Matthews

WHEREAS, the semi-annual interest payment for the General Serial Bonds of 2005 becomes due and payable on February 15, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to wire fund in the amount of \$45,937.50 in payment of interest from the Current Fund, made payable to CEDE & Co. Chase NYC, Account #066026776. This is to ratify the action taken on February 15, 2008.

R-3. Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Matthews

WHEREAS, an appeal was filed with the New Jersey State Tax Court for a reduction of the assessed value of property and a settlement was agreed upon as follows:

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>Judgement</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Overpayment</u>
2006				
131/4 Daniel G. Keough as Trustee for Hawthorne Auto Sales 491 Lafayette Avenue	\$ 499,200.	\$ 450,000.	\$ 49,200.	\$2,100.84
2006				
132/1 Daniel G. Keough as Trustee for Hawthorne Auto Sales 471 Lafayette Avenue	\$1,200,800.	\$1,050,000.	\$150,800.	\$6,167.72

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a refund for the overpayment of taxes for 2006 in accordance with the state judgment.

R-4. Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Matthews

WHEREAS, an appeal was filed with the New Jersey State Tax Court for a reduction of the assessed value of property and a settlement was agreed upon as follows:

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>Judgement</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Overpayment</u>
2006				
281/21 Daniel G. Keough as Trustee for John Englehardt 102 Braen Avenue	\$ 780,000.	\$ 650,000.	\$ 130,000.	\$ 683.00
2007				
281/21 Daniel G. Keough as Trustee for John Englehardt 102 Braen Avenue	\$ 780,000.	\$ 650,000.	\$ 130,000.	\$1,734.55

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a refund for the overpayment of taxes for 2006 and 2007 in accordance with the state judgment.

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to approve Resolutions R-1 - R-4, moved by Councilman Matthews, seconded by Councilman Bennett.

On roll call all voted yes.

R-5. Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Bertollo

WHEREAS, various appropriations in the 2007 Appropriation Reserves may be over expended and others under expended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Streets & Roads O/E	Ambulance Corps	\$ 130.00
Swimming Pool O/E	Muni Services Condos	\$ 5,000.00
Recycling O/E	Muni Services Condos	\$ 5,000.00

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to approve Resolution R-5, moved by Councilman Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Bennett.

On roll call all voted yes.

R-6. Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Bertollo

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to the amounts allocated in the 2008 Temporary Operating Budget and/or the 2008 Temporary Water Operating Budget other expenses due to the permanent budget not yet being adopted, and the 2008 temporary appropriations are inadequate to provide for these expenses for the aforesaid reason; and

WHEREAS, the total emergency temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2008 pursuant to the provision of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$471,600.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne (not less than two-thirds of the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20:

Emergency temporary appropriation be and is hereby made for the following line items in the listed amount:

Administration		
Salaries & Wages		8,750.00
Mayor/Council		
Salaries & Wages		1,750.00
Municipal Clerk		
Salaries & Wages		3,600.00
Financial Administration		
Salaries & Wages		9,950.00
Revenue Collection		
Salaries & Wages		1,950.00
Tax Assessor		
Salaries & Wages		2,700.00
Legal Services		
Salaries & Wages		100.00
Construction Code		
Salaries & Wages		1,800.00
Other Expenses		6,000.00
Planning Board		
Salaries & Wages		250.00
Uniformed Police		
Salaries & Wages		145,000.00
Police Dispatchers		
Salaries & Wages		6,250.00
Fire Safety		
Salaries & Wages		3,750.00
Prosecutor		
Salaries & Wages		100.00
Streets & Roads		
Other Expenses		15,000.00
Sewer System		
Salaries & Wages		1,350.00
Other Expenses		4,000.00
DPW Administration		
Other Expenses		5,000.00
Garbage Pickup		30,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance		
Streets		6,500.00
Board of Health		
Salaries & Wages		5,000.00
Other Expenses		10,000.00
Swimming Pool		
Salaries & Wages		4,500.00
Other Expenses		5,000.00
Board of Recreation		
Other Expenses		5,000.00
Maint of Parks/Fields		4,000.00

Free Public Library	
Salaries & Wages	15,850.00
Benefits & Costs	47,000.00
Statutory Expenses	
Social Security	22,150.00
No Haledon Sewers	1,400.00
Public Defender	
Salaries & Wages	900.00
WATER OPERATING	
Salaries & Wages	65,000.00
PERS	32,000.00

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to approve Resolution R-6, moved by Councilman Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Matthews.

On roll call all voted yes.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Councilman Wojtecki reported the Pinewood Derby will be held this Saturday at St. Anthony's church at 9:00 a.m.

Councilman Matthews stated the Rea Avenue Reformed Church is also holding a Pinewood Derby on Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

Councilman Wojtecki reported the Environmental Commission will be meeting on March 13th to discuss the final plans for Cele-Earth-Bration and the Eight Acre Woods, which will be held on April 12th from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the municipal building in the second floor conference room.

Monday, March 10th there is a feasibility study being held at the Prospect Park Council Chambers to discuss the expansion and development of the quarry property.

St. Anthony's Church is holding a fish fry on Wednesday, March 19th at 6:00 p.m.

Councilman Sinning reported the Ordinance Committee met yesterday to discuss an ordinance to cover the growth share in municipalities and the COAH regulations. He urged his fellow Council members to review the information provided them. An ordinance on this will be introduced at the first meeting in April.

The Shade Tree Commission will be invited to the next Ordinance Committee Meeting to review regulations covering trees.

Councilman Matthews reported the Chamber of Commerce is holding their next monthly meeting on March 11th at Puzos.

The Finance Committee will continue to meet weekly on Mondays to work on the budget. As previously discussed the State cuts have presented a challenge to be worked through.

Councilman Bennett reported the Public Works Committee will be meeting as soon as an egress agreement for Thomas R.O.W. is received to get things moving along.

Councilman Bertollo reported the Finance Committee continues to meet weekly. Hopefully the budget will still be able to be introduced on March 19th. Some aspects of the budget may need to be revisited due to the State cuts put forth recently.

Councilman Bennett stated New Jersey Transit is planning on doing some renovations at the Washington Street station. He stated he had spoken to Administration on this to see if the scope of the work could be found out.

Administrator Maurer stated he has called New Jersey Transit but has not received a reply as yet.

Discussion continued.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Rfl(s)-1. Council President Goldberg stated the VFW Post#1593 has requested permission to hold their annual Buddy Poppy Sale on May 17 through May 26, 2008 (no Sundays) from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to approve the solicitation application, moved by Councilperson Bennett, seconded by Councilperson Bertollo. On roll call all voted yes.

BILLS:

The following bills were presented for payment:

<u>Bill list</u>	<u>Current Fund</u>				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
02/21/08	SAVVY SOFTWARE, INC	51402	1800.00	IT SERVICES	
Total Bill List:			1800.00		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
02/28/08	PAYROLL ACCOUNT	51403	235928.34	MUNI COURT	
02/28/08	PAYROLL ACCOUNT	51404	13865.61	SOCIAL SECURITY	
Total Bill List:			249793.95		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
03/05/08	A-VAN ELECTRICAL	51405	161.02	RECYCLING PRO	
03/05/08	AAA EMERGENCY SUPPLY CO	51406	1409.95	VEHICLE MAINT FIRE DEPT	
03/05/08	AGL WELDING SUPPLY CO,	51407	19.74	STREETS & ROADS O/E	
03/05/08	AM/PM SERVICES	51408	99.00	GENERAL ADMIN O/E	
03/05/08	AMERICAN MOBIL GLASS INC	51409	214.00	VEHICLE MAINT ROAD	
03/05/08	B & C COMMUNICATIONS,	51410	138.40	CONSTRUCTION CODE	
03/05/08	BOB RAYOT TIRE SERVICE,	51411	395.95	VEHICLE MAINT ROAD	
03/05/08	BOB'S TIRES & WHEELS INC	51412	869.95	VEHICLE MAINT POLICE	
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	51413	11305.89	ENGINEERING SERVICES O/E	
03/05/08	BRIAN VANDERHOOK	51414	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	
03/05/08	C & C TIRE CO, INC	51415	239.00	VEHICLE MAINT ROAD	
03/05/08	CAMPBELL FOUNDRY CORP	51416	18152.00	STORMWATER MANDATE	
03/05/08	CARPET CYCLE, LLC	51417	250.00	RECYCLING PRO O/E	
03/05/08	CHIEF SUPPLY CORP.	51418	558.92	FIRE DEPT O/E	
03/05/08	CITY WIDE MAINTENANCE	51419	1350.00	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E	
03/05/08	COOK COLLEGE	51420	735.00	SHADE TREE COMMISSION O/E	
03/05/08	CORNELL EQUIPMENT CO INC	51421	330.00	VEHICLE MAINT ROAD	
03/05/08	DANIEL G KEOUGH AS	51422	2417.55	OPERATIONS	
03/05/08	DANIEL G. KEOUGH,	51423	8268.56	OPERATIONS	
03/05/08	DAVID WEBER OIL CO	51424	27.50	STREETS & ROADS O/E	
03/05/08	DUNKIN DONUTS	51425	69.93	MUNICIPAL CLERK O/E	
03/05/08	FIRST PRIORITY EMERGENCY	51426	2545.00	VEHICLE MAINT FIRE DEPT	
03/05/08	GRAINGER, INC	51427	414.50	PEOSHA O/E	
03/05/08	GREAT LAKES SPECIALTY	51428	1888.70	CLEAN COMMUNITIES	
03/05/08	GUARD LINE FIRE	51429	927.25	FIRE DEPT O/E	
03/05/08	HAWTHORNE PAINT CO INC	51430	44.00	STREETS & ROADS O/E	
03/05/08	HAWTHORNE PRESS INC	51431	806.52	MUNICIPAL CLERK O/E	
03/05/08	HENRY'S PLUMBING &	51432	347.19	RECYCLING PRO	
03/05/08	HFD #1	51433	1595.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	
03/05/08	HFD #2	51434	1595.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	
03/05/08	HFD #3	51435	1595.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	
03/05/08	HFD #4	51436	1595.00	FIRE DEPT O/E	
03/05/08	HFD #5 RESCUE	51437	495.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	
03/05/08	HOME SUPPLY & LUMBER	51438	93.20	STREETS & ROADS O/E	
03/05/08	INTERNATIONAL CODE	51439	790.01	CONST CODE O/E	
03/05/08	JAMES GEIER	51440	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	
03/05/08	JARED VAN EK	51441	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	
03/05/08	JOHN GURRIELL	51442	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	
03/05/08	JOHN TRIPICCHIO	51443	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES	

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03/05/08	JOSEPH SPERANZA	51444	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES
03/05/08	JOYCE COMERRO	51445	100.00	GROUP INSURANCE O/E
03/05/08	JP HOME ARAMA, INC	51446	25.75	POLICE DEPT O/E
03/05/08	JUNGLE LASERS LLC	51447	3010.00	FEEES PAYABLE JUNGLE
03/05/08	KEN'S AUTO ELECTRIC, LLC	51448	362.95	VEHICLE MAINT FIRE DEPT
03/05/08	LAUFER, KNAPP, TORZEWSKI	51449	3226.00	LEGAL SERV& COSTS O/E
03/05/08	LERCH VINCI & HIGGINS	51450	500.00	FINANCIAL ADMIN O/E
03/05/08	LUSCHER'S AUTO INC	51451	419.97	VEHICLE MAINT ROAD
03/05/08	M J HEWITT	51452	180.00	GROUP INSURANCE O/E
03/05/08	MARK SMITH	51453	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES
03/05/08	MARY ELLEN LYONS	51454	294.00	RECYCLING PRO
03/05/08	MARY JEANNE HEWITT	51455	144.28	VEHICLE MAINT POLICE
03/05/08	MC NERNEY & ASSO	51456	2500.00	TAX ASSESSMENT O/E
03/05/08	METLIFE	51457	350.60	GROUP INSURANCE O/E
03/05/08	MUNIDEX, INC	51458	1080.00	IT SERVICES
03/05/08	NEW CONCEPT OFFICE	51459	247.62	MUNICIPAL CLERK O/E
03/05/08	NJ LANDSCAPE ASSN	51460	80.00	STREETS & ROADS O/E
03/05/08	NJ STATE LEAGUE	51461	150.00	REVENUE COLLECTION O/E
03/05/08	NO JERSEY MUNI EMPL BNFT	51462	158270.00	GROUP INSURANCE O/E
03/05/08	NORTHERN SAFETY CO INC	51463	1127.90	SEWER SYSTEM O/E
03/05/08	PHILIP SAVOIE	51464	57.10	SHADE TREE COMMISSION O/E
03/05/08	PRINTMASTERS	51465	180.00	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
03/05/08	PROCOPY INC	51466	4625.00	ADMINISTRATIVE EQUIPMENT
03/05/08	PROFESSIONAL GOV	51467	180.00	REVENUE COLLECTION O/E
03/05/08	PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	51468	15.75	ELECTRIC CHARGES
03/05/08	RICHIES SERVICE CTR INC	51469	1023.95	VEHICLE MAINT POLICE
03/05/08	RIDGEWOOD TYPEWRITER	51470	1541.95	MUNI COURT
03/05/08	ROBERT M GLASSON	51471	750.00	LEGAL SERV& COSTS O/E
03/05/08	SHOTMEYER BROS FUEL CO	51472	8450.89	BULK PURCHASE GASOLINE
03/05/08	SOS GARAGE DOORS, INC.	51473	1600.00	STREETS & ROADS O/E
03/05/08	THE FIRESTORE.COM	51474	905.97	FIRE DEPT O/E
03/05/08	TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	51475	75.00	CONST CODE O/E
03/05/08	VAN DINE'S INC	51476	308.88	STREETS & ROADS O/E
03/05/08	VERIZON	51477	547.36	TELEPHONE CHARGES
03/05/08	VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	51478	579.43	EMERGENCY MGMGT O/E
03/05/08	WM B MAWHINNEY AMBULANCE	51479	50.00	MUNICIPAL CLERK O/E

Total Bill List: 254914.08

Bill list Water Operating Fund

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
02/28/08	PAYROLL ACCOUNT	14330	37836.91	WATER UTILITY S/W

Total Bill List: 37836.91

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03/05/08	A-VAN ELECTRICAL	14331	45.96	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	DOWNES TREE SERVICE,	14332	493.15	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	E S C ENTERPRISES, INC	14333	2115.00	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	GODWIN TOOL & HARDWARE	14334	1264.98	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	HAWTHORNE PAINT CO INC	14335	215.75	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	HOME SUPPLY & LUMBER	14336	410.96	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	JPSC, INC	14337	86.90	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	MIRACLE CHEMICAL, INC	14338	237.90	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	MUNIDEX, INC	14339	130.00	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	NORTHERN SAFETY CO INC	14340	972.33	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	POST & KELLY ELECTRIC	14341	2275.00	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	PROCOPY INC	14342	556.00	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	RIO SUPPLY, INC	14343	267.20	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	SAFETY LIGHTS STRIPES &	14344	694.48	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	SHOTMEYER BROS FUEL CO	14345	494.12	WATER UTILITY O/E
03/05/08	VILLAGE OF RIDGEWOOD	14346	780.00	LAB TESTING WATER

Total Bill List: 11039.73

Bill list General Capital Fund

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	2449	18802.05	SEWAGE PUMP STATIONS

Total Bill List: 18802.05

Bill list Builders Escrow

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u> ^(BUILDERS) _{ESCROW}	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
03/05/08	MICHAEL J. PASQUALE,	1962	990.00	BEDRIN ORG 12/8
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1963	940.70	BEDRIN RETAIL 47/16
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1964	377.50	ENTERPRISE OUTDR
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1965	188.75	ENTERPRISE OUTDR 281.01/
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1966	188.75	ENTERPRISE OUTDR
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1967	2275.00	JFWHOME 82/10&11
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1968	1290.06	LAFAYETTE REALTY
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1969	415.25	M&P USED CARS
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1970	3441.30	PAPAS 24/13.03
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1971	3240.75	NJC DEVELOPMENT CORP
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1972	839.25	PRT REALTY 12/6
03/05/08	BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	1973	226.50	SIKKEMA 249/13&14

Total Bill List: 14413.81

Bill list Housing Trust

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
03/05/08	COMMUNITY GRANTS &	80026	2065.50	HOUSING REHAB PROGRAM
Total Bill List:			2065.50	

Bill list Other Trust II

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
02/28/08	PAYROLL ACCOUNT	5405	13674.74	POAA
Total Bill List:			13674.74	

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03/05/08	GODWIN TOOL & HARDWARE	6406	449.99	RECYCLING TRUST
03/05/08	GREAT LAKES SPECIALTY	6407	7505.30	RECYCLING TRUST
03/05/08	RIDGEWOOD TYPEWRITER	6408	219.99	POAA
Total Bill List:			8175.28	

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03/05/08	MARY JEANNE HEWITT	6409	20.00	RECYCLING TRUST
03/05/08	GET A CAN	6410	2750.00	RECYCLING TRUST
Total Bill List:			2770.00	

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to approve the bills, including one for the Ford Credit Municipal Finance in the amount of \$8,144.93, and refer them to the Treasurer for payment, moved by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Sinning.

Council President Goldberg asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

On roll call all voted yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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

Tom Van Decker, 55 North 8th Street, voiced concerns on truck traffic on North 8th Street with the development of the 55 Westervelt Avenue site. Concerns on additional parking in the area as a result of the development were also discussed. Curbs and sidewalks along North 8th Street are practically non-existent due to numerous paving of the street.

Engineer Boswell stated he will take a look at the area to determine what could be done.

Discussion continued on flooding issues and lack of sufficient sanitary sewer line capacity in the area.

Joe Rooney, 84 Braen Avenue, asked if a meeting with Mayor of Wyckoff has been scheduled?

Administrator Maurer stated he does not have a set date as yet.

Mr. Rooney asked when the sinkhole near his house will be taken care of?

Engineer Boswell stated he will have it checked on tomorrow and a response provided thereafter.

Andrew Gause, 521 Lafayette Avenue (49 Payne Ave, Midland Park), voiced his displeasure with having to follow rules governing political signs and the timeframe in which they can be displayed.

Phil Speulda, 363 Diamond Bridge Avenue, asked for an update on plans to reconstruct the Rea Avenue bridge that was found to be falling apart two years ago.

Engineer Boswell stated the County needs to have the funding to do the necessary work. The design has been completed, it is strictly a matter of funding.

Discussion continued.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Council President Goldberg entertained a motion to adjourn, moved by Councilman Matthews, seconded by Councilman Bennett. On roll call all voted yes.

Richard Goldberg
Council President

Jean Mele
Borough Clerk