

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 Council Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey. Present were Councilpersons Bennett, Bertollo, Lane, Mele, Sinning, Wojtecki, and Matthews. Also present were Mayor Goldberg, Borough Administrator Maurer, Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt, Municipal Engineer Representative Mike Kelly of Boswell Engineering, Auditor Joe Kelly, and Borough Clerk Witkowski. Borough Attorney Pasquale and Borough Engineer Boswell arrived late.

### **FLAG SALUTE**

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

### **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, emailed to the Hawthorne Press, Herald News, Record, The Gazette and 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 December 15, 2010.

Council President Matthews acknowledged and commended the officers involved in the apprehension of the Wyckoff jewelry store suspects over the weekend.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of April 6, 2011 as amended and Closed Session Minutes of April 6, 2011, moved by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Sinning. On roll call, all said yes. Councilman Bennett abstained.

### **ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES**

#### **Ordinance No. 2038-11 for Adoption**

#### **2011 MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14**

#### **Public Hearing**

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No. 2038-11 please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record.

Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2038-11 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. Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve adoption of Ordinance No. 2038-11, moved by Councilman Lane, seconded by Councilman Bennett.

Council President Matthews asked if there was any discussion. Hearing none, on roll call, all voted yes.

Council President Matthews called upon Auditor Joe Kelly to report on the budget.

Auditor Joe Kelly reported the following: Since the budget was introduced, the State has enacted a law with respect to the reporting of Library taxes. Previously the amount to be raised for the library was included in the Municipal tax levy, now there will be a new line item in the budget and on the tax bill to break out the library tax from the general municipal tax. Tonight's amendment is for the changes as the total amount of taxes to be raised has not changed but the analysis has. The new line item amount to be raised for the minimum library tax is \$925,644 and the Municipal tax has been reduced by the same amount. Residents' tax bill this year will see separate rate and dollar amount for the municipal library tax. Amount reported as library tax is the statutory minimum while the Borough of Hawthorne provides funds in excess of the statutory minimum to the library, approximately \$250,000, that amount will still be reported in the local tax rate. The State used only the minimum amount because it is calculated based upon the state equalized value and statistically they evaluate all municipalities based upon the minimum. Library Tax is reported at \$925,000 but we have over one million in library appropriations on the spending side of the budget. Council President Matthews asked if this is removed from the cap requirement. Auditor Joe Kelly responded that it has always been outside the 1977 spending Cap, however, it was part of the 2% levy cap and has been removed from the levy cap calculation. Going forward the 2% levy cap will be only on the municipal piece. However, if you increase library appropriation in future budgets by more than the minimum amounts, it will decrease the 2% you can apply to other departments. Councilman Lane inquired as to why it is called a tax. Auditor Joe Kelly explained the State now legislates a separate library tax which the Borough previously provided a spending appropriation for the library in the budget funded by general budget revenues. Now you need to identify the statutory minimum as determined by the law, referred to as library tax, and listed as separate line item in the budget. If you were to compare last year's tax rate versus this year's, you would have to remove the library tax. Councilman Lane continued this line item showing another tax in addition to municipal, board of education, and county taxes, may be mistaken for an additional new tax. Auditor Joe Kelly suggested an explanation be included in the tax bill which will show the municipal tax has been decreased by the same amount. Mayor Goldberg commented he normally includes a letter with the tax bill and it will explain these new line items. Discussion ensued on the topic of communities with and without libraries and fire districts as opposed to fire departments. Auditor Joe Kelly stated the total levy has not changed, tonight's amendment tonight is for minor line item changes and in general the budget is status quo from its introduction. Council President Matthews asked if there were any other questions. None were raised.

### **PUBLIC HEARING: 2011 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desires to be heard regarding R 84-11, Resolution to Amend 2011 Budget, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record. He stipulated this be for the 2011 Budget only.

Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion that the public hearing on the 2011 Budget be closed.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that this resolution be approved. Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve R 84-11, moved by Council Vice President Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Mele. Council President Matthews asked if there were any questions. None were raised. On roll call, all voted yes.

### **R 84-11      Resolution, introduced by Councilman Lane**

<b>BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE</b>		
	COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	RESO NO. 84-11
<b>RESOLUTION TO AMEND 2011 BUDGET</b>		
WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2011 was approved on the 16th day of March, 2011 and		
WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and		
WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said approved budget, now		
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, County of Passaic, that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2011 be made:		
<b>CURRENT FUND BUDGET</b>		
<b>ANTICIPATED REVENUES:</b>		
	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
4. Miscellaneous Revenues-Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset by Appropriations:		
Municipal Alliance Grant	\$ 27,700.00	\$ 25,163.00
Total Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues	66,440.00	63,903.00
<b>SUMMARY OF REVENUES:</b>		
1. Surplus Anticipated	1,225,000.00	1,225,000.00
3. Miscellaneous Revenues:		
Total Section A: Local Revenues	1,254,000.00	1,254,000.00
Total Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations	1,468,278.00	1,468,278.00
Total Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees	190,917.00	190,917.00
Total Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public & Private Revenues	66,440.00	63,903.00
Total Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Other Special Items	80,000.00	80,000.00
	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 3,059,635.00	\$ 3,057,098.00
4. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	775,000.00	775,000.00
5. Subtotal General Revenues (Items 1, 2, 3 and 4)	5,059,635.00	5,057,098.00
6. Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:		
a. Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	13,507,606.00	12,581,962.00
c. Minimum Library Tax		925,644.00
Total Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget	13,507,606.00	13,507,606.00
7. Total General Revenues	\$ 18,567,241.00	\$ 18,564,704.00
<b>GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:</b>		
Operations - Within "CAPS"		
Public Safety		
Police- Other Expenses	\$ 97,961.00	\$ 99,311.00
Fire- Other Expenses	194,318.00	192,923.00
Public Works		
Road Repairs & Maintenance- Other Expenses	252,087.00	242,866.00
Buildings and Grounds- Other Expenses	83,138.00	90,038.00
Parks and Recreation		
Maintenance of Parks- Other Expenses	33,000.00	36,000.00
Total Operations Within "CAPS"	11,180,152.00	11,180,786.00
Total Operations Including Contingent- Within "CAPS"	11,182,152.00	11,182,786.00
Detail:		
Other Expenses	5,309,800.00	5,310,434.00
Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes- Within "CAPS"	12,586,811.00	12,587,445.00
Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"- Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:		
Municipal Alliance Grant		
Grant Funds	27,700.00	25,163.00
Local Match	6,925.00	6,291.00
Total Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:	73,365.00	70,194.00
Total Operations Excluded From "CAPS"	2,510,768.00	2,507,597.00
	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
Detail:		
Other Expenses	\$ 1,922,957.00	\$ 1,919,786.00
(H-2) Total General Appropriations For Municipal Purposes- Excluded from "CAPS"	4,530,430.00	4,527,259.00
(O) Total General Appropriations - Excluded From "CAPS"	4,530,430.00	4,527,259.00
(L) Subtotal General Appropriations	17,117,241.00	17,114,704.00
Total General Appropriations	\$ 18,567,241.00	\$ 18,564,704.00
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services for certification of the local municipal budget so amended.		
It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of a resolution amending the budget, adopted by the governing body on the 20th day of April, 2011.		

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services for certification of the local municipal budget so amended.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve R 84-11, moved by Councilman Lane, seconded by Vice President Bertollo. Council President Matthews asked if there was any discussion. Vice President Bertollo stated a synopsis of the amendment has been put together by Administrator Maurer which outlines the net reduction of \$2,500.37 and the additions and deletions to the budget. Increases include: clay for Wag Fields Two and Three after the flooding which should be reimbursed by FEMA, \$1,350.00 for the Police Department and \$900.00 for Department of Public Works for employee hearing tests as required by new OSHA mandate, \$6,000.00 for upgraded sound system in Court room, \$1,100.00 for annual testing and maintenance of Fire Department's compressor used for the Cascade system. Decreases include: \$2,537.00 in the municipal alliance grant from the county and decreasing our match to \$634.00, \$2,495.00 in service awards in the Fire Department, \$9,221.00 savings in road salt. Revenue reduction side includes the same \$2,537.00 in Municipal Alliance grant reduction. Vice President Bertollo thanked the Administration, Administrator Maurer, Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt, Deputy Treasurer Bartalotta, Department Heads, and the Finance Committee for their work and effort. The Finance Committee believes the zero-base budget is working and is an acceptable practice as the committee stays frugal and continues to monitor the budget.

On roll call, all voted yes.

#### **R 85-11 Resolution, Introduced by Vice President Bertollo**

#### **MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following statements of revenue and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2011;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that said Budget was published in the Hawthorne Press in the issue of March 24, 2011;

The Governing Body of the Borough of Hawthorne does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2011:

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Hawthorne, County of Passaic, on April 20, 2011. A Public Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2011 was held at the Municipal Building, on April 20, 2011 at 8:00 o'clock (p.m.)

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve R 85-11, moved by Council Vice President Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Mele. On roll call, all voted yes.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Council President Matthews 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 be for agenda items only.

Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion to close the public portion, moved by Councilman Lane, seconded by Council Vice President Bertollo. On roll call, all said yes.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Council President Matthews asked if there was any old business to discuss.

Borough Attorney Pasquale arrived at 8:29 p.m.

Councilman Lane addressed Engineer Representative Mike Kelly and inquired whether there were any results from the videotaping of the sewer line repair on Goffle Road. Engineer Representative Mike Kelly indicated he would research the information and report back. Councilman Lane asked for an update on the house on Mohawk Avenue and North 8<sup>th</sup>. Administrator Maurer indicated a summons has been issued to the bank who owns the property and a potential buyer has taken on a construction application to repair the wall which may be constructed by June. Court maintains jurisdiction due to the summons. Councilman John inquired as to the status of the burnt out building on the corner of Rock and Goffle Roads. Administrator Maurer replied this matter has not been to court as yet and will confer with our Code Enforcement inspectors as to the status. Council Vice President Bertollo stated he observed contractors walking that property today. Councilman Lane inquired whether Administrator Maurer had any response from the County on the Rea and Third Avenue's project. Administrator Maurer indicated he had not. Council Vice President Bertollo asked Administrator Maurer if he could get a response by Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> for the next Department of Public Works meeting. Councilman Lane addressed Administrator Maurer and asked whether Engineer Boswell had reviewed the specs of the street paving/blacktop project. Administrator Maurer indicated he did not know if that had taken place as yet.

Councilman Wojtecki stated debris and broken glass are in the grass at the pool parking lot and could it get cleaned as soon as possible. The damaged utility pole has been removed from the premises. Thank you for the speed trailer posted on May Street but it was not displaying the speed number. Council Vice President Bertollo indicated this device only captures the speed and amount of cars passing by and does not display the speed. Administrator Maurer indicated he would obtain the report from this speed trailer. Councilman Wojtecki indicated both the Certified Tree Expert (CTE) and Downes Tree Service have been to 133 Mohawk Avenue to mark and remove the tree, but there is some confusion as to how many are to be removed, thus, no work has taken place as yet. Administrator Maurer indicated he would follow up on this matter. Councilman Wojtecki asked for update on Congress Textiles and the additional issue of the fencing now undermining Goffle Road. Administrator Maurer indicated they have been issued two summonses, a meeting has taken place with the owners who have committed to cleaning up the debris and broken concrete within the thirty day deadline. Attorney Pasquale interjected this property is a priority with issues that need to be addressed and resolved. The Department of Environmental Protection has some responsibility with regard to the waterway as well as the property owners, with rules and approvals necessary in the process. Discussion ensued.

Council President Matthews asked if there was any other old business to discuss. No other issues were raised.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Council President Matthews asked if there was any new business to discuss.

Councilman Lane stated he read a large article in last week's paper about the Borough of Westwood using vegetable oil as a means of fuel for their fleet which prompted a discussion with their Administrator to gather additional details. The Westwood Administrator stated they obtain the vegetable oil from the restaurants who would be disposing of this oil and they save \$15,000 a year using vegetable oil rather than diesel fuel. In addition, the EPA reports one gallon of diesel fuel equals 67% particle pollution, therefore the use of vegetable oil would also reduce pollution. An offer was extended to bring a truck to Westwood to fill half the tank with vegetable oil so we could test it out. Administrator Maurer responded it would look into this possibility. Attorney Pasquale commented we have researched this in the past and makes sense to revisit again.

Councilman Lane reported he and Mayor Goldberg had a successful meeting last week with a developer interested in 55 Westervelt who has the resources to move the project forward and may be contacting the Planning Board soon.

Councilman Sinning inquired as to the status of approved applicants, Hawthorne Market and Dunkin Donuts, moving into town. Several comments indicated for sale signs back on the buildings, lack of funding and the economy as reasons for the delay and/or halt of these new tenants.

Council President Matthews asked if there was any other new business to discuss. No other issues were raised.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR**

Mayor Goldberg reported Anthony Limone, a 4<sup>th</sup> grader from Jefferson Elementary School, has won the prize of Police Chief for the Day. On Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup>, Anthony will spend the day with the chief observing operations and having lunch. Congratulations to Sargent Michalksi and Patrolman Carr for their great police work in subduing the suspects in the Wyckoff jewelry store robbery. Saturday's rain flooded the athletic fields and caused a partial collapse of a building on Goffle Road, we are working with the owners engineer to safely remove that portion of the building. Thank you to Fire Companies Three and Four who stayed the night and the next day at the site and to the entire Fire and Police Departments for their time and effort during the floods. The Borough is working to find alternate fields for baseball and softball games. Wag Fields One and Four will be open tonight. Your patience and understanding is appreciated as we continue to reach out to our neighbors North Haledon, Glen Rock, and Hawthorne Christian Academy for use of their fields. Shredding Day was a success with the shredding of 14,000 pounds of paper versus 5,000 pounds last year. Due to the success, a second shredding day will be scheduled for the Fall, details forthcoming. The resignation of Mary Jeanne Hewitt from the Library Board of Trustees has been accepted.

Mayor Goldberg called upon Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt for her report.

Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt reported on the following:

Reminder that second quarter taxes are due May 1<sup>st</sup>; to date, \$1.7 million has been collected. Property tax reimbursement forms (PTR) need to be picked up in the Finance office. The first round of shut-off notices for unpaid water usage are ready to be mailed, these notices amounted to approximately seven hundred versus two hundred sent last year at this time. One or two additional mailings will follow prior to the tax sale.

This concluded Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt's report.

Mayor Goldberg called upon Attorney Pasquale for his report.

Attorney Pasquale reported on the following:

Tax appeals for this year totaled approximately one hundred-fifty; they will be heard in several batches with the first taking place on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Plaintiff's briefs in the Enterprise matter are due May 5<sup>th</sup>. If they do not submit, we will win the case. Application for liquor license transfer at 67 Goffle Road will be heard next meeting due to incomplete documentation at this point.

This concluded Attorney Pasquale's report.

Mayor Goldberg called upon Municipal Engineer Representative Mike Kelly of Boswell Engineering for his report.

Engineer Representative Mike Kelly reported on the following:

Goffle Brook Bank Stabilization – in the process of finalizing plans.

Brockhuizen Lane – weather permitting, the contractors expect to return the week of April 25<sup>th</sup> to address punch list items and the Division Street driveway.

Christian Health Care Center – hearings will continue on Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> before the Wyckoff Board of Adjustments.

Drainage Improvement Project – Stacey Contracting will not be meeting the completion date of April 22; liquidated damages will be assessed every day after April 22.

Library Roof - The Borough is investigating the utilization of the FY2010 CDBG funds to address the repair of the library roof. HUD and SHPO requested some additional information which was forwarded to them on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

2011 Road Program – Administrator Maurer has been provided estimates for the 2011 Road Program candidates and Dixie Avenue, the 2011 CDBG candidate. The Public Works Committee will review the estimates and finalize the list of roads. PSE&G's is in town to mill and pave sections of Goffle Road.

Mohawk Avenue (2011 NJDOT Local Aid) – proposal was submitted at the last meeting. At Mayors direction, we have proceeded in the preparation of plans and specs at our own risk.

Sanitary Sewer Repair – 890 Goffle Road – was reported in Old Business.

This concluded Engineer Representative Mike Kelly's report.

Mayor Goldberg called upon Administrator Maurer for his report.

Administrator Maurer reported on the following:

Letters to last year's pool members will be mailed early next week; application and membership information will also be posted on the website, [www.hawthornenj.org](http://www.hawthornenj.org), as well as information on other recreation programs.

Mayor and Council representatives met with PSE&G regarding the solar panel project. PSE&G still plans to proceed with installation of the solar panels and have committed to be more attentive to the aesthetics and point of installation of previously and newly installed panels.

Installation of energy saving lighting improvements at Municipal Building and Department of Public Works building under the 2010 Direct Install Program should get under way by end of May. Meeting took place with representatives from Ridgewood regarding bulk water rates; a revised shared service agreement will be forthcoming. A shared service agreement will be drafted with Ridgewood who will provide us with street signs rather than having to use private vendors. The Police Department is obtaining an updated quote for the e-ticketing system which has been included in this year's budget for installation this year. The recycling RFP (Request for Proposal) will be issued once discussions with the Department of Public Works have been completed. Code Enforcement officials are investigating three possible illegal apartments in town. Responsible party of vehicles parked in lot adjacent to Royal Avenue has been found guilty and should be moved by next court appearance in two weeks. Additional summons have been issued to One Washington Holdings on the Pan Chemical site.

This concluded Administrator Maurer's report.

Council President Matthews asked Council if there were any questions for the Administration.

Councilman Bennett questioned Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$22,000.00 to Stacey Contracting. Engineer Representative Mike Kelly stated he was not familiar with this item and would ask Engineer Boswell to clarify. Administrator Maurer explained the increase is due to two issues: (1) the original pipe shape did not fit under the railroad tracks thus the correct pipe was a higher price, and (2) additional manholes had to be installed in the back of the property. Vice President Bertollo questioned the difference in quantities of manholes as the amended contract lists four and the Change Order lists two. He suggested they hold the bill until Engineer Boswell can clarify and it can be discussed at the DPW committee meeting. Councilman Wojtecki questioned if holding the bill and/or not passing this resolution jeopardizes the imposed completion deadline of April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Attorney Pasquale indicated as long as the Change Order is processed timely it will not have any bearing on the deadline and its penalties. Engineer Representative Mike Kelly stated work is not being held up pending this Change Order approval. Attorney Pasquale indicated the work has been completed and is being requested as a field change. Vice President Bertollo reiterated he would like clarification on the manhole quantities and would like this information by next Tuesday. Engineer Representative Mike Kelly responded he would take care of it.

Councilman Lane addressed Administrator Maurer for an update on the RFP (Request for Proposal) for the landscaping services. Administrator Maurer stated bids came in below the bid threshold and a few of the prospective vendors had questions and uncertainties which he will be addressing. Information will then be submitted to the Department of Public Works and Council.

Councilman Mele asked how long would installation take on the e-ticketing system. Administrator Maurer stated approximately six weeks.

Councilman Sinning inquired as to the resolution concerning tax appeals. Attorney Pasquale responded the resolution would be a good one to jump into as these are refunds we never recovered just as school board taxes and county taxes. Mayor Goldberg commented the school board's tax bill is not based on tax ratable's, it is a definitive line item. Auditor Joe Kelly explained the reserve for uncollected taxes is built into the budget. \$1,450,000.00 is built into the municipal budget which grosses up the amount of taxes to be billed to allow for those who do not pay by the end of the year and taxes cancelled by appeal or from credits from prior year's refunds. Discussion ensued.

Councilman Wojtecki inquired if all Administrative Directors/Department Heads were to attend Council meetings. Mayor Goldberg stated yes; there is only one not present tonight.

Councilman Mele addressed Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt and asked the total dollar amount in outstanding water bills. Director of Revenue and Finance Hewitt replied she did not have an exact amount but a large majority of the bills were under one hundred dollars.

Engineer Boswell arrived at 9:15 p.m.

Mayor Goldberg addressed Engineer Boswell to clarify Change Order No. 1 (R83-11). Engineer Boswell explained the type of pipe was switched and two seven-foot manholes were needed due to compression and bend points which will be located on either side of the railroad tracks. Vice President Bertollo asked if they are on New Jersey Transit property and would it change the easement. Engineer Boswell stated he would verify whose property they were on and the easement does allow for pipes or manholes. Vice President Bertollo stated the original plans show the manhole eliminated at 149 Washington Avenue. Engineer Boswell stated it may still be eliminated. Councilman Lane asked Engineer Boswell if there was a report as yet from the videotaping of the sewer line repair on Goffle Road. Engineer Boswell indicated it has not been reviewed as yet and would be by the next meeting. Councilman Lane also asked if the hairline crack under the sidewalk would affect the repaving done in that area. Engineer Boswell responded no, because it is under the sidewalk.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to record the Administrative Agenda, moved by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Mele. On roll call, all said yes.

## **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2040-11 for Introduction**

**AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 505 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, SO AS TO DESIGNATE STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS WHERE POSTED, AND TO REVISE ARTICLES VIII AND IX, SCHEDULES, SO AS TO ADD THERETO THE SAID LOCATIONS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Ordinance No. 2040-11 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 May 18, 2011 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.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve introduction of Ordinance No. 2040-11, moved by Council Vice President Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Bennett. Council President Matthews asked if there were any questions. None were raised. On roll call, all voted yes.

**CONSENT AGENDA R 75-11 through R 81-11, R 83-11 and R 86-11**

**R 75-11 Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Lane**

To ratify actions of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne payroll dated April 20, 2011

CURRENT FUND	WT 888889	\$	231,995.19
WATER OPERATING FUND	WT 888889	\$	39,139.07
OTHER TRUST II FUND	WT 888889	\$	21,225.44
ORDINANCE TOTAL	WT 888889	\$	-
TOTAL PAYROLL		\$	<u>292,359.70</u>

CURRENT FUND TO PAYROLL/FICA	WT 888889	\$	13,237.41
WATER OPERATING FUND TO PAYROLL/FICA	WT888889	\$	-
TOTAL FICA		\$	<u>13,237.41</u>

**R 76-11 Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Lane**

**WHEREAS**, the owner of 192 South Avenue, known as Block 41 Lot 13.01 on the Tax Duplicate, has requested tax exempt status, and

**WHEREAS**, said property owner has been deemed 100% disabled by the Department of Veterans Affairs, has supplied all necessary paperwork and the Tax Assessor has approved the exempt status as of January 1, 2011,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tax Collector be authorized by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne to cancel taxes for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarters of 2011 in the amount of \$5,505.01.

**R 77-11 Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Lane**

**WHEREAS**, tax records show an overpayment of \$153.99 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2011 due to the application of the Homestead Rebate on Block 41 Lot 13.01 for 192 South Avenue, and

**WHEREAS**, said property has been granted 100% exempt status per the Tax Assessor,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a refund to Victor and Grace Colon in the amount of \$153.99.

**R 78-11 Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Lane**

**WHEREAS**, Tax Sale Certificate #2009-06 was sold on December 1, 2009 in the amount of \$9,754.23 on Block 28.03 Lot 1 then assessed to Douglas & Elizabeth Rizzo and said lien was originally purchased by US Bank Cust for CCTS Capital, TLSG 2 LP 50 S 16<sup>th</sup> St., Philadelphia, PA 19102, and

**WHEREAS**, said lien was redeemed on April 8, 2011 in the amount of \$31,855.47, said lienholder is entitled to a refund including the amount of the lien \$9,754.23, penalty of \$390.17, search and recording fee of \$55.00, subsequent taxes of \$18,931.82 and interest of \$2,724.25 for a total of \$31,855.47 and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Collector of Taxes recommends that a check be issued by the Treasurer from the Other Trust II/Trustee Account to US Bank Cust for CCTS Capital in the amount of \$31,855.47 to reimburse the lienholder for the lien, penalty, fees, subsequent taxes and interest and a check from the Other Trust I account for \$6,500.00 for Premium paid.

**R 79-11 Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Lane**

**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>
<b>2009</b>				
34/ 9	\$300,000.	\$270,000.	\$30,000.	\$1,402.80
Paul Tannenbaum, Esq. Trustee for Power Test Realty 253 Wagaraw Rd.				

<b>2009</b>				
152/1	\$527,300.	\$470,000.	\$57,300.	\$2,679.35
Paul Tannenbaum, Esq. Trustee for Goffle & Rea c/o Getty Petroleum 710 Goffle Rd.				

**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 2009 in accordance with the state judgment.

**R 80-11 Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Lane**

**WHEREAS**, Tax Sale Certificate #2010-06 was sold on September 28, 2010 in the amount of \$7,571.97 on Block 131 Lot 15 then assessed to DKA Realty LLC and said lien was originally purchased by Robert Rothman 411 Grand Ave., Englewood, NJ 07631, and

**WHEREAS**, said lien was redeemed on April 13, 2011 in the amount of \$19,297.17, said lienholder is entitled to a refund including the amount of the lien \$7,571.97, penalty of \$302.88, search and recording fee of \$55.00, subsequent taxes of \$10,552.94 and interest of \$814.38 for a total of \$19,297.17 and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Collector of Taxes recommends that a check be issued by the Treasurer from the Other Trust II/Trustee Account to R. Rothman in the amount of \$19,297.17 to reimburse the lienholder for the lien, penalty, fees, subsequent taxes and interest and a check from the Other Trust I account for \$4,000.00 for Premium paid.

**R 81-11 PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA TO OFF-CONSENT AGENDA**

**R 83-11 Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Lane**

Approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$22,000.00, Stacey Contracting, Inc. for field conditions during construction, Drainage and Stormwater Improvements Project (Ordinance 1956-09)

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Hawthorne has heretofore entered into a contract with Stacey Contraction, Inc. for Drainage and Stormwater Improvements in the Borough of Hawthorne authorized by Ordinance #1956-09, and,

**WHEREAS**, and Boswell Engineering has recommended approval of the following change order:

<b>Change Order No. 1</b>	
Field Conditions during Construction	\$22,000.00

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that the above-cited Change Order No. 1 increasing the amount of the payment required under said contract by the sum of \$22,000.00, shall be and hereby is approved, and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the same for and on

behalf of the Borough of Hawthorne subject to the certification of availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer.

**R 86-11 Resolution, Introduced by Councilman Lane**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Hawthorne has the need from time to time to purchase signs for various purposes, most notably for traffic and parking control; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Ridgewood maintains a shop that produces signs for use by Ridgewood and also makes use of such service available to other governmental entities on a time and material basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the price structure offered by Ridgewood is significantly less costly than that available in the private sector, resulting in savings of as much as 50% to the taxpayers of the Borough of Hawthorne; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Ridgewood and its taxpayers will likewise benefit from the receipt of additional revenue and the off-set of expenses from the sign fabrication process; and

**WHEREAS**, such mutual benefit to the citizens of each community is the essential objective of the Interlocal Services Act, NJSA 40:SA-1, et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the price structure and ability to make purchase on an “as needed” basis makes the execution of a formal contract unnecessary under the Local Public Contracts Law but the Borough of Hawthorne does nevertheless wish to express its appreciation of the collaborative effort between the municipalities;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough of Hawthorne does hereby acknowledge the agreement of the Village of Ridgewood to provide signs to the Borough of Hawthorne on a time and material basis and at a cost below that available in the open market as the type of mutual benefit authorized and anticipated by the Interlocal Services Act and does authorize, to the extent required, the Administrator to enter into such purchase orders as he may deem appropriate in furtherance of the same.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve R75-11 through R80-11, R83-11 and R86-11, moved by Councilman Lane, seconded by Council Vice President Bertollo. Council President Matthews asked if there were any questions. None were raised. On roll call, all said yes.

**OFF CONSENT AGENDA R 81-11**

**R 81-11 Resolution, Introduced by Council Vice President Bertollo**

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne has heretofore established and created a Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) for the benefit of eligible volunteer fire department and ambulance corps members; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the LOSAP program, a list of eligible members and corresponding award has been presented to the Administration, a copy of the same being annexed hereto;

**WHEREAS**, the list of eligible members and proposed award has been reviewed and approved by the Administration, the list has been posted in accordance with law, and funds have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, does hereby approve the list of eligible members and proposed award of LOSAP benefits for eligible fire department and ambulance corps members as annexed hereto and made a part hereof and authorizes payment in accordance therewith.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve R81-11, moved by Council Vice President Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Mele. Council President Matthews asked if there

were any questions. None were raised. On roll call, all said yes with the exception of Councilman Lane and Councilman Wojtecki who abstained.

## **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

### **Councilman Wojtecki**

Arbor Day will be celebrated on April 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. at the entrance to Eight Acres Woods by the Boys & Girls Club. The next Shade Tree Commission meeting is May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

### **Councilman Sinning**

Ordinance Committee is finalizing the clothing allowance and will be ready for next meeting. Awaiting stop sign data from May Street and decision where four-way stop will be installed.

### **Council Vice President Bertollo**

Congratulations to those involved with Arbor Day, Cel-Earth-bration and Shredding Day. The high school character and leadership club was assisting on Shredding Day, Keystone Club of the Boys and Girls Club benefitted from the proceeds which totaled \$1,100.00. As their appreciation, they will be giving back to the community by planting another tree at Eight Acres Woods which will take place on Arbor Day, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **Councilman Mele**

Municipal Alliance Committee will host dinner and the high school play "Oklahoma" for the Seniors on April 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Annual leadership training was held and attended by eighteen children. Parent Awareness night is April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Library. The Municipal Alliance Committee will enter a float in the Memorial Day parade.

### **Councilman Lane**

Cable TV Committee met this afternoon to review the two bids for a new sound system for the court/council room. Additional questions regarding the bids need to be answered. Details of equipment will be presented at next council meeting. The new sound system is not related to Cablevision and/or Verizon broadcast channels. Cablevision engineers will be here tomorrow to diagnose sound issues with Channel 77 broadcasts. The Ambulance Corp has done a fantastic job responding to eighty-eight calls in March totaling 343 miles and 231 crew hours. The week of May 15<sup>th</sup> is EMS week; the Ambulance Corp will be having service at the Reformed Church followed by a blood drive at the Ambulance Corp building, 970 Goffle Road, between 12:00 noon and 3:00 p.m., no appointment necessary.

### **Councilman Bennett**

Department of Public works meeting is next Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

### **Council President Matthews**

Chamber of Commerce is updating their website and launching a separate linked "shop local" website to promote local activity with incentives while tying into the Green Committee. The Planning Board meeting application included a new business moving into American Blast on Goffle Road, next meetings application will be the subdivision on Mazur Place after Shade Tree and Environmental Commissions reports.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**C-1** Approve application received from the Fire Board Commissioners for membership to Engine Company #1, Nicholas R. Canova, 315 Calvin Court, Wyckoff. Council approval is required on the application for the New Jersey State Fireman's Association.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve the C-1 correspondence, moved by Council Vice President Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Bennett. On roll call, all voted yes with the exception of Councilman Lane and Councilmen Wojtecki who abstained. Councilman Wojtecki welcomed the three new members.

**C-2** Approve application received from the Fire Board Commissioners for membership to Tower #2, Zachary J. Hine, 392 Monroe Avenue, Wyckoff. Council approval is required on the application for the New Jersey State Fireman's Association.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve the C-2 correspondence, moved by Council Vice President Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Bennett. On roll call, all voted yes with the exception of Councilmen Wojtecki and Councilman Lane who abstained.

**C-3** Approve application received from the Fire Board Commissioners for membership to Engine Company #1, Aleksei S. Shoomiloff, 35 McKinley Avenue, #1L, Hawthorne. Council approval is required on the application for the New Jersey State Fireman's Association.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve the C-3 correspondence, moved by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Council Vice President Bertollo. On roll call, all voted yes with the exception of Councilman Lane and Councilmen Wojtecki who abstained.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

None recorded.

**BILLS**

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve the bills and forward them to the Treasurer for payment. Motion moved by Councilman Mele, seconded by Council Vice President Bertollo. Council President Matthews asked if there was any discussion. Councilman Lane addressed Administrator Maurer and asked why checks 4215 and 4216 would be coming out of the UCC penalty fund. Administrator Maurer explained there was additional money in this fund due to less money in the permits funds. On roll call, all voted yes. Council Vice President Bertollo abstained from Downes Tree Service check #11681. Councilman Lane and Councilman Wojtecki abstained from checks #11664, 11667, 11668, 11683, 11684, 11694, 11696, 11697, 11698, 11703 and 11729.

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>CHECK#</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>CURRENT FUND</b>			
A-VAN ELECTRICAL	11663	134.58	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
AAA EMERGENCY SUPPLY CO INC	11664	2,742.44	VARIOUS
ACORN TERMITE & PEST CONTROL	11665	150.00	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
ADVANCED GRAPHIX, INC	11666	460.00	POLICE DEPT O/E
AIG-VALIC	11667	1,080.25	RESERVE FOR LOSAP
ALL HANDS FIIRE EQUIPMENT	11668	102.98	FIRE DEPT O/E
BERGEN COUNTY HARLEY-DAVIDSON	11669	120.00	VEHICLE MAINT POLICE
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	11670	4,984.50	VARIOUS
BRENDA DITTFIELD	11671	50.00	GROUP INSURANCE O/E
BRIAN WARNER	11672	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES
BRUNSWICK FAIRLAWN LANES	11673	29.90	BOARD OF REC
CABLEVISION	11674	203.68	VARIOUS
CINTAS CORP	11675	348.25	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
CLEAR VIEW ARCHITECTURAL	11676	1,820.00	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
COACHMAN INT'L TOURS INC	11677	750.00	BOARD OF REC O/E
DAVID TOBEY	11678	89.99	PEOSHA O/E
DELL GARDEN CENTER	11679	170.00	STREETS & ROADS O/E
DON'S AUTO REPAIR SERVICE LLC	11680	124.00	VARIOUS
DOWNES TREE SERVICE, INC.	11681	1,837.50	STREETS & ROADS O/E
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	11682	505.00	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
FEDERATED EMERGENCY SERVICES	11683	2,126.51	VEHICLE MAINT FIRE DEPT
FIRE COMPANIES. COM	11684	931.89	FIRE DEPT O/E
FIRST MOUNTAIN ARBORICULTURE L	11685	750.00	SHADE TREE COMMISSION O/E
FUTURE SANITATION INC	11686	39,375.00	VARIOUS
GALLS, INC	11687	474.69	POLICE DEPT O/E
GEORGE WEBER	11688	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES
GIANT TIRE SERVICE INC	11689	565.00	RECYCLING PRO O/E

GUARD LINE FIRE EQUIPMENT	11690	929.06	STREETS & ROADS O/E
HAWTHORNE AUTO LAB	11691	1,470.61	VARIOUS
HAWTHORNE BOARD OF EDUCATION	11692	2,620,524.00	SCHOOL TAX
HAWTHORNE CAFETERIA ACCT	11693	40.65	VARIOUS
HAWTHORNE FIRE DEPT	11694	75.42	FIRE DEPT O/E
HEWLETT-PACKARD CORP	11695	688.80	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION O/E
HFD #2	11696	1,595.00	VARIOUS
HFD #4	11697	1,595.00	VARIOUS
HFD #5 RESCUE	11698	495.00	VARIOUS
IMSA NEW JERSEY SECTION	11699	550.00	STREETS & ROADS O/E
J J KELLER & ASSOC INC	11700	512.94	PEOSHA O/E
JAMES GEIER	11701	30.00	TELEPHONE CHARGES
JOHN DEERE LANDSCAPE	11702	1,022.80	VARIOUS
KEN'S AUTO ELECTRIC, LLC	11703	203.95	VEHICLE MAINT FIRE DEPT
KNAPP, TRIMBOLI & PRUSINOWSKI	11704	2,169.00	LEGAL SERV & COSTS O/E
LOOSELEAF LAW PUBLICATIONS, IN	11705	24.90	POLICE DEPT O/E
LUK OIL	11706	11,086.98	BULK PURCHASE GASOLINE
LUSCHER'S AUTO INC	11707	2,803.02	VARIOUS
M & B SEPTIC SERVICE, LLC	11708	80.00	BOARD OF REC
MONSEN ENGINEERING CO	11709	6,482.85	VARIOUS
MONTONE REMOD & CONS CO, INC	11710	295.00	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
MUNIDEX, INC	11711	150.00	REVENUE COLLECTION O/E
NEW JERSEY DOOR WORKS INC	11712	388.00	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
NEWTEL PAYPHONE OPERATIONS	11713	50.00	PUB WORKS ADMIN O/E
NJ MEADOWLANDS COMMISSION	11714	929.50	TRANSFER STATION
PASSAIC VALLEY SEWER COM	11715	270,750.29	PASSAIC VALLEY SEWER
PAUL TANNENBAUM, ESQ TRUSTEE	11716	1,402.80	OPERATIONS
PAUL TANNENBAUM, ESQ. TRUSTEE	11717	2,679.35	OPERATIONS
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	11718	12.56	ELECTRIC CHARGES
R & R PUMP & CONTROL	11719	7,840.70	VARIOUS
SHOTMEYER BROS FUEL CO	11720	9,617.11	BULK PURCHASE GASOLINE
SIGNAL CONTROL PRODUCTS	11721	435.00	STREETS & ROADS O/E
SPRINT-WIRELESS	11722	319.92	POLICE DEPT O/E
THE STAR-LEDGER	11723	37.12	MUNICIPAL CLERK O/E
TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	11724	600.00	FEES PAY MARRIAGE
TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	11725	4,050.00	STORMWATER MANDATE
TURNOUT UNIFORMS	11726	188.50	POLICE DEPT O/E
US MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	11727	218.24	VEHICLE MAINT ROAD
VERIZON	11728	2,670.72	VARIOUS
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	11729	960.70	VARIOUS
VICTOR AND GRACE COLON	11730	153.99	TAX OVERPAY
VITAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	11731	500.00	TAX ASSESSMENT O/E
WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NJ	11732	37,753.57	TRANSFER STATION
WAYSIDE FENCE CO	11733	<u>97.50</u>	MAINTEN OF PARKS
<b>TOTAL CURRENT</b>		<b>\$ 3,054,466.71</b>	
 <b>GENERAL CAPITAL</b>			
STACEY CONSTRUCTION, INC	3107	<u>82,663.98</u>	INSTALL DRAIN & STORM IMPROV
<b>TOTAL GENERAL CAPITAL</b>		<b>\$ 82,663.98</b>	
 <b>WATER OPERATING</b>			
A-VAN ELECTRICAL	8503	18.24	WATER UTILITY O/E
AC SCHULTES INC	8504	5,345.00	WATER UTILITY O/E
AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL SVC	8505	1,550.00	VARIOUS
BARRY A HALEJIAN, MD	8506	150.00	WATER UTILITY O/E
CABLEVISION	8507	82.63	WATER UTILITY O/E
CAPITOL SUPPLY CONSTR PRODS IN	8508	17,224.88	VARIOUS

FIRESTONE COMPLETE AUTO CARE	8509	25.99	WATER UTILITY O/E
HESS CORPORATION	8510	164.48	WATER UTILITY O/E
LUK OIL	8511	953.63	WATER UTILITY O/E
LUSCHER'S AUTO INC	8512	372.90	WATER UTILITY O/E
ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC.	8513	64.20	WATER UTILITY O/E
PASSAIC CO ROAD DEPT	8514	375.00	VARIOUS
SHOTMEYER BROS FUEL CO	8515	460.36	WATER UTILITY O/E
STATE OF NJ - PWT	8516	1,157.70	WATER UTILITY O/E
VERIZON	8517	798.80	WATER UTILITY O/E
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	8518	<u>198.92</u>	WATER UTILITY O/E
<b>TOTAL WATER OPERATING</b>		<b>\$ 28,942.73</b>	
<b>OTHER TRUST II</b>			
CHIEF SUPPLY CORP.	4209	193.41	RECYCLING
HAWTHORNE HITCH AND TRAILER	4210	5,995.00	RECYCLING
POSITIVE PROMOTIONS, INC	4211	761.40	RECYCLING
RIZZO'S REPTILE DISCOVERY LLC	4212	475.00	RECYCLING
ROBERT ROTHMAN	4213	19,297.17	TRUSTEE
US BANK CUST-CCTS CAPITAL	4214	31,855.47	TRUSTEE
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	4215	70.14	UCC PENALTIES
VITAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	4216	<u>75.00</u>	UCC PENALTIES
<b>TOTAL OTHER TRUST II</b>		<b>\$ 58,722.59</b>	
<b>DOG DEDICATED</b>			
NJ DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	6036	<u>76.80</u>	STATE OF NEW JERSEY
<b>TOTAL DOG DEDICATED</b>		<b>\$ 76.80</b>	
<b>OTHER TRUST I ESCROW</b>			
ROBERT ROTHMAN	7021	4,000.00	TAX SALE PREMIUMS
US BANK CUST-CCTS CAPITAL	7022	<u>6,500.00</u>	TAX SALE PREMIUMS
<b>TOTAL OTHER TRUST I ESCROW</b>		<b>\$ 10,500.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL BILL LIST</b>		<b><u>\$ 3,235,372.81</u></b>	

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Council President Matthews 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 Matthews asked if anyone wished to be heard.

Ray Kerwin, 29 Cheryl Hills Drive, thanked Mayor Goldberg, Council President Matthews, and Councilman Wojtecki for attending the baseball/softball opening day ceremonies as well as searching for alternate ball fields for use in surrounding towns. Mayor Goldberg stated Hawthorne Christian Academy will be lending their fields to us the next two Saturdays from 12:00 noon until dusk. Mr. Kerwin stated this would help with scheduling the senior girl's games. He continued and pointed out that the dugouts at the two ball fields at Goffle Brook Park could use fencing in front of them to shield from foul balls and would it be possible to include in the Goffle Brook stabilization project. Council Vice President Bertollo stated at last year's Project Pride meetings with Anthony DeNova, open space funds would allot for this fencing as well as repairs to the back stops. Council Vice President Bertollo has also had conversations with Nick Rocca, Parks Director, who is on board in making these improvements. Councilman Wojtecki commented the back hoe is digging and removing dead trees in preparation for the brook stabilization project. Once the project is completed, fencing will be installed to prevent any further erosion into the brook by the Diamond Bridge Two soccer field on the Eight Acres Woods side; Nick Rocca is very active and dedicated to improving the park. Mr. Kerwin continued and announced the baseball/softball association is selling banners to sponsors who may want their business or organization advertised at Wag Fields.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to close the public comment portion of the meeting, moved by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Lane. On roll call, all voted yes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:44 p.m., moved by Council Vice President Bertollo, seconded by Councilman Mele. On roll call, all voted yes.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MATTHEWS INDICATED THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WILL BE ON **MAY 4, 2011**. THE WORK SESSION WILL BEGIN AT 7:00 PM AND THE REGULAR MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 8:00 P.M. PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHICH REQUIRE AIDES SUCH AS: SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, BRAILLE, TAPES OR LARGE PRINT, THE BOROUGH CLERK'S OFFICE SHOULD BE NOTIFIED TEN DAYS PRIOR TO ATTENDANCE AT A MEETING SO ACCOMMODATIONS MAY BE MADE.

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Frank E. Matthews  
Council President

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Susan Witkowski  
Borough Clerk