



BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON
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***REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL***

DATE: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021
TIME: 7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark was called to order at 7:03 PM, by Borough Clerk Kevin D. Harris.

MEETING NOTICE STATEMENT

Borough Clerk Harris read the following statement.

Open Public Meetings Act – This meeting is being held in accordance with the Public Laws of 1975, Chapter 231 and proper notification was issued to the Jersey Journal, Star Ledger and posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building and on the official Borough website. Official Action may be taken.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Grilo lead the Assembly present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Borough Clerk Harris conducted a roll call of the dais.

Present:

Mayor Dina M. Grilo



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Council Member Jessica Diaz
Council Member Rose M. Evaristo
Council Member Kenneth J. Graham
Council President Hans Peter Lucas
Council Member Charles F. Tighe
Council Member Jeanne Zincavage

Also Present:

Sharon E. Johnson, Esq., Borough Attorney
Kevin F. Catrambone, Borough Administrator (by telephone)
Michael Vaughn, Borough Engineer
Rosangela Zayas, Mayor's Office
Kevin D. Harris, Borough Clerk

There were approximately three (3) members of the public present.

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Mayor and Council that a quorum had been established.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Mayor and Council that there were three (3) ordinances on the agenda for first reading this evening.

Borough Clerk Harris presented the following Ordinance for consideration on first reading:

14-2021 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE RECREATION CENTER IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK, IN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$500,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.



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Borough Clerk Harris asked Mayor Grilo or Borough Administrator Catrambone if they had any comments. Neither had comments.

Borough Clerk Harris then asked Council Members if there were any questions or comments. There were no questions and/or comments from Council Members.

Borough Clerk Harris asked for a motion regarding Ordinance #14-2021. Council Member Graham moved that Ordinance # 14-2021 be introduced on first reading by title. The motion was seconded by Council Member Zincavage and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo			X			
Graham	X		X			
Lucas			X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage		X	X			

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote, that the motion carried and Ordinance # 14-2021 was introduced on first reading.

Borough Clerk Harris presented the following Ordinance for consideration on first reading:

15-2021 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPROVEMENT OF SEARING AVENUE (FROM PASSAIC AVENUE TO GRANT AVENUE) AND MULOCK PLACE (FROM GRANT AVENUE TO 100 FEET EAST OF PASSAIC AVENUE) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK, IN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$300,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.



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Borough Clerk Harris asked Mayor Grilo or Borough Administrator Catrambone if they had any comments. Neither had comments.

Borough Clerk Harris then asked Council Members if there were any questions or comments. There were no questions and/or comments from Council Members.

Borough Clerk Harris asked for a motion regarding Ordinance #15-2021. Council Member Evaristo moved that Ordinance # 15-2021 be introduced on first reading by title. The motion was seconded by Council Member Graham and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo	X		X			
Graham		X	X			
Lucas			X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage			X			

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote, that the motion carried and Ordinance # 15-2021 was introduced on first reading.

Borough Clerk Harris presented the following Ordinance for consideration on first reading:

16-2021 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK IN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TITLED "ADMINISTRATION", SPECIFICALLY BY AMENDING ARTICLE VII TITLED "ADMINISTRATIVE FEES" AND SECTION 2-50 TITLED "FEES CHARGED FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES" BY ADDING AN ADDITIONAL SECTION AND/OR SUBSECTION AUTHORIZING FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS.



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Borough Clerk Harris asked Mayor Grilo or Borough Administrator Catrambone if they had any comments. Neither had comments.

Borough Clerk Harris then asked Council Members if there were any questions or comments. There were no questions and/or comments from Council Members.

Borough Clerk Harris asked for a motion regarding Ordinance #16-2021. Council Member Evaristo moved that Ordinance # 16-2021 be introduced on first reading by title. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lucas and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo	X		X			
Graham			X			
Lucas		X	X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage			X			

Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote, that the motion carried and Ordinance # 16-2021 was introduced on first reading.

Borough Clerk Harris announced that the public hearings and dates for possible future consideration for Ordinance Numbers 14-2021, 15-2021 and 16-2021 shall be the regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 12, 2021, beginning at 7:00 P.M..

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Mayor and Council that there were no ordinances on the agenda for second reading this evening.



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RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT AGENDA

Borough Clerk Harris informed the Mayor and Council that there were eight (8) resolutions on the Consent Agenda for consideration this evening.

Borough Clerk Harris read the titles for the following resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

86-21 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 11, 2021 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

87-21 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM YIRCE TO SERVE AS THE TAX ASSESSOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

88-21 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK EMPLOYEE MELANIE MATTOS

89-21 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK TO AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW JERSEY COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW GROUP TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM AGREEMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND PUBLIC INFORMATION SERVICES RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE OF NJPDES PERMITS

90-21 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH SEPTEMBER 08, 2021, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$232,076.12

WHEREAS, certain bills which are contained on the bills list which is annexed hereto and incorporated herein have been submitted to the Borough of East Newark for payment, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5:16, it has been certified to the governing body that the goods or services for which said bills were submitted have been received by or rendered to the Borough of East Newark and;



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WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of East Newark has certified to the governing body that there are funds legally appropriated and available in the budget for the payment of said bills and that the said payment will not result in the disbursement of public monies or in the encumbering of same in excess of the 2020 and/or 2021 appropriation for said purpose;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the Acting Chief Financial Officer and the designated signatories to sign checks in payment of the bills set forth in the annexed schedule.

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Bill List
(September 08, 2021 as part of the Meeting Minutes)

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>
ALPHA DOG ANTHONY MONTEIRO	695.00	24915 - AUGUST 2021	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E –
BELLA VISTA SUPPLY	1,621.90	MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT	INSURANCE – EMPLOYEE GROUP HEA
BUG ELIMINATOR & CITY FIRE	21.50	0821-0397	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
BUG ELIMINATOR & CITY FIRE	85.00	SEPTEMBER 2021	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
COMCAST	65.00	SEPTEMBER 2021	SENIOR CITIZENS OE
CREAM-O-LAND	165.00	204426 KITCHEN	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
CUSTOM BANDAG INC.	99.98	INTERNET & CABLE	FIRE DEPT. OE
	664.23	4743770, 4748004,	SENIOR CITIZENS OE
	544.56	30241282 & 30244294	MOTOR VEHICLE POOL OE



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DIANA BATHO CLARK	150.00	8/10/2021	MUNICIPAL COURT OE
DINA GRILO	370.15	SENIOR LUNCHEON	SENIOR CITIZENS OE
DRAEGER INC EAST NEWARK BOARD	179.00	5951308114	POLICE DEPT. O/E
ECONOMY SUPPLY CO.	126,013.17	SEPTEMBER 2021	SCHOOL TAXES PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
ECONOMY SUPPLY CO.	56.45	215962 & 218446	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
EVENING JOURNAL EXELEGENT	19.79	220253	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
FEDERAL EXPRESS	773.95	0002754903	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E –
FEDERAL EXPRESS	20.00	21-7016, AUGUST 2021	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E –
FEDERAL EXPRESS	40.16	7-4600-96587	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E –
GULYA	12.03	7-4600-96587	POLICE DEPT. O/E
HAYS SAFE & LOCK HEYER GRUEL &	180.00	04/13/2021, P-33537	MUNICIPAL COURT OE
HORIZON BCBSNJ	13.25	37524 - JULY 2021	SENIOR CITIZENS OE
HORIZON BLUE CROSS	270.00		LEGAL SERVICES & COSTS O/E
HUDSON COUNTY	11,459.02	SEPTEMBER 2021	INSURANCE – EMPLOYEE GROUP HEA
HUDSON COUNTY	3,384.06	297320983 - SEPTEMBER	INSURANCE – EMPLOYEE GROUP HEA
HUDSON COUNTY JOHNSON & JOHNSON	5,014.90	17975 & 18029 JULY	GARBAGE COLLECT OE
	9,270.33	18058 - AUGUST 2021	GARBAGE COLLECT OE
	2,500.00	AUGUST 2021	LEGAL SERVICES & COSTS O/E



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JOSEPH SMENTKOWSKI	3,680.50	108053, 105054 -	MANDATORY RECYCLING OE
JOSEPH SMENTKOWSKI	8,227.00	108053, 105054 -	GARBAGE COLLECT OE
JUNIOR FIORI	5,739.67	MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT	INSURANCE - EMPLOYEE GROUP HEA
KENNETH M.	136.49	MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT	INSURANCE - EMPLOYEE GROUP HEA
KIRBY BUILT	1,691.08	SOKSA7540	HC CARES ACT REIMBURSEMENT
LARACY ASSOCIATES	3,333.33	1172 - AUGUST 2021	FINANCIAL ADMIN. O/E
LAWMEN SUPPLY	245.25	QT1503878	POLICE DEPT. O/E
METLIFE INSURANCE	1,508.66	TM05977289- SEPTEMBER	INSURANCE - EMPLOYEE GROUP HEA
MICHAEL A. CIFELLI	714.67	SEPTEMBER 2021	MUNIC PROSECUTOR S&W
MUNICIPAL RECORD	1,063.00	210336	MUNICIPAL COURT OE
NORA C. ADAMS	150.00	JULY 27, 2021	MUNICIPAL COURT OE
OFFICE DEPOT, INC.	167.92	182271756002	UNIFORM FIRE SAFETY ACT OE
P.S.E.&G.	42.21	JULY 2021	UTILITIES - ELECTRICITY
P.S.E.&G.	4,024.45	JULY 2021	UTILITIES - STREET LIGHTING
P.S.E.&G.	66.05	AUGUST 2021	UTILITIES - ELECTRICITY
P.S.E.&G.	560.85	AUGUST 2021	UTILITIES - STREET LIGHTING
PITNEY BOWES	222.27	1018756649	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E
QUALITY	380.46	SEPTEMBER 2021	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E -



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QUALITY	145.40	SEPTEMBER 2021	POLICE DEPT. O/E
QUALITY	28.65	SEPTEMBER 2021	SENIOR CITIZENS OE
QUALITY	28.65	SEPTEMBER 2021	PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS O/E
RICK'S AMERICAN &	39.69	15017-352509	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
ROGUT MCCARTHY LLC	1,443.91	01/01/2021 -	LEGAL SERVICES & COSTS O/E
ROYAL PRINTING	4,690.00	159709,	PRIMARY ELECTIONS O/E
SCOTTIE JIMENEZ	9.99	REIMBURSEMENT	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
SCOTTIE JIMENEZ	18.00	REIMBURSEMENT	SENIOR CITIZENS OE
SCOTTIE JIMENEZ	287.69	REIMBURSEMENT	CELEB PUBLIC EVENTS OE
SOS CARFIX LLC	2,100.81	13965,13907,13807,1398	MOTOR VEHICLE POOL OE
TOWN OF HARRISON	5,000.00	JULY - SEPTEMBER 2021	INTRLCL - STREET CLEAN HARRISO
TOWN OF HARRISON	1,625.00	JULY - SEPTEMBER 2021	INTRLCL - AMBULANCE HARRISON
TOWN OF HARRISON	11,250.00	JULY - SEPTEMBER 2021	INTERCL-DISPATCH SERVICES
TRAFFIC CONTROL	537.75	BEN01-21-08	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
TRAFFIC CONTROL	227.50	BEN01-21-08	CELEB PUBLIC EVENTS OE
UNIVERSAL	62.88	32095	MUNICIPAL COURT OE
VERIZON	135.40	INTERNET AUGUST 2021	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E -
VERIZON	305.65	AUGUST 2021 VERIZON	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E -



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VISION SERVICE	219.93	12219588 - SEPTEMBER	INSURANCE – EMPLOYEE GROUP HEA
W.B. MASON CO.,	132.04	222903429, 222867982,	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E –
W.B. MASON CO.,	3.87	222903429, 222867982,	POLICE DEPT. O/E
W.B. MASON CO.,	29.13	222903429, 222867982,	PUBLIC BLDG & GRNDS OE
W.B. MASON CO.,	130.98	222903429, 222867982,	SENIOR CITIZENS OE
W.B. MASON CO.,	35.99	222903429, 222867982,	PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS O/E
WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & XEROX CORP.	250.00	40802079 -	ST. ANTHONY LEGAL SERVICES & COSTS O/E
	157.87	014180920 AUGUST	ADMIN. & EXEC. O/E –
Total fund 01	224,539.07		

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>
KEARNY WATER DEPT. ONE CALL CONCEPTS	7,148.54	00307160000000 - JULY	WATER O/E
ONE CALL CONCEPTS	18.59	1075069 - JULY 2021	WATER O/E
ONE CALL CONCEPTS	1.43	1085069 AUGUST 2021	WATER O/E
PASSAIC VALLEY	278.50	16582 - JULY 2021	WATER O/E
Total fund 05	7,447.06		

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>
STAPLES CREDIT	89.99	2894642811 POAA	



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Total fund 14 89.99

Total Bill List: 232,076.12

91-21 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY'S LOCAL EFFICIENCY ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM ("LEAP") TO SUPPORT PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS IN THE BOROUGH THAT DEMONSTRATE COLLABORATION AND COOPERATION AMONG NEW JERSEY COMMUNITIES

Borough Clerk Harris asked if Council Members wished to have any of the above resolutions removed for separate vote.

There were no requests to remove any items on the Consent Agenda for separate vote.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there were any questions or comments from the Mayor and Council regarding items on the Consent Agenda. There were no questions and/or comments from the Mayor and Council Members.

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion regarding the resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

Council Member Evaristo moved that the resolutions on the Consent Agenda be adopted. The Motion was seconded by Council Members Graham and Lucas and approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Diaz			X			
Evaristo	X	X	X			
Graham			X			
Lucas		X	X			
Tighe			X			
Zincavage			X			



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Borough Clerk Harris announced the results of the vote and that the motion carried. Resolutions numbered 86-21; 87-21; 88-21; 89-21, 90-21, and 91-21 were all adopted.

OPEN MEETING OF PUBLIC CITIZENS

Borough Clerk Harris opened the meeting to the public and asked if there were any members of the public wishing to address the Mayor and Council on any issue.

There were three members of the public who addressed the Mayor and Council:

Seeing no other members of the public wishing to be heard; Borough Clerk Harris closed the public comments section of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was any old business for the evening. There was no old business to be presented for the evening.

NEW BUSINESS

Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was any new business for the evening. There was no new business for the evening.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Mayor and Council Members were in receipt of the August 2021 monthly reports from: (1) the Borough Administrator; (2) the Borough Engineer; (3) the Fire Department Chief; (4) the Fire Prevention Official; (5) the Municipal Court Deputy Administrator; (6) the Police Department Chief, and (7) the Borough Treasurer's monthly report. Borough Clerk Harris represented that more would be provided upon receipt by the Borough Clerk. There were no questions or comments from the Mayor and Council regarding same.



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FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOROUGH

Borough Clerk Harris asked prior to entertaining a motion to adjourn if there was anything further anyone wanted to offer for the “good of the Borough”. There were no comments regarding the “good of the Borough”, and Borough Clerk Harris closed discussion regarding same.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business for the Mayor and Council to consider this evening; Borough Clerk Harris asked if there was a motion to adjourn. Council Member Graham moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Tighe and approved unanimously on voice vote. The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Borough Clerk Harris also announced that the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Council would be on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 7:00 PM, with the Pre-Caucus Meeting beginning at 6:30 PM, in the Council Room, Borough Hall, 34 Sherman Avenue, East Newark, New Jersey 07029. The Pre-Caucus meeting would be closed to the public. As to the Regular Meeting; it shall be a live, in-person meeting; same would be subject to the COVID-19 emergency precautions in effect at the time. However, there shall be no option for those who wish to attend virtually through the Borough’s use of the Zoom Audio-Video Conferencing System. However, Borough Clerk Harris stated that at the Mayor’s discretion; the meeting could be changed to: (1) allow for a virtual option utilizing Zoom; or (2) being all virtual depending on the severity of the COVID-19 pandemic and if changed to allow a virtual option; or conducting an “all virtual” meeting that information on how to access the meeting via Zoom shall be provided.

Respectfully Submitted,

KEVIN D. HARRIS
Borough Clerk



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Dated: October 12, 2021

Accepted and approved by Council: October 12, 2021 by Resolution # 92-21.