

**BOROUGH OF FAR HILLS**  
Borough Council Regular Meeting  
**MINUTES**  
November 13, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council President Karner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Far Hills Municipal Building and read the open public meetings statement in accordance with the law.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council President Karner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Chimenti, Karner, Surks, Tweedie  
Absent, as Excused: Carty, Hand, Vallone  
Absent:  
Also Present: Clerk Hicks, Attorney Visconi, Chief DeCarolis

**REPORTS**

**Councilwoman Tweedie – Health/Sanitation**

No report.

**Councilman Surks – Roads**

Councilman Surks informed the Council that, with the exception of Ludlow Avenue Road Improvement Project to be discussed later in the meeting, there was no report at this time.

**Councilwoman Chimenti – Laws, Ordinances & Elections**

No report.

**Council President Karner – Police**

Council President Karner expressed gratitude to those who were able to attend the Veterans Day ceremony that took place at the Borough of Far Hills Memorial on November 12, 2018. He especially acknowledged members of the Bedminster Police Department, Far Hills-Bedminster Fire Department, Borough of Far Hills Police Department as well as Mayor Vallone, Councilman Surks and Monsignor Puleo from Saint Elizabeth Parish in Far Hills. Council President Karner stated the Borough of Far Hills would continue the Veterans Day ceremony to honor those who fought for our country in the years to come.

**Chief DeCarolis – Police**

Chief DeCarolis reported that a high visibility DUI enforcement detail, funded by a grant from the Division of Highway Safety, was scheduled for November 21-25, 2018.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

10/22/18 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilman Surks, seconded by Councilwoman Tweedie, was unanimously carried that these minutes be approved for content and release.

10/22/18 – Executive Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilman Surks, seconded by Councilwoman Chimenti, was unanimously carried that these minutes be approved for content only.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION**

**ORDINANCE 2018-08** – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-07 ESTABLISHING PARKING REGULATIONS ON A PORTION OF PEAPACK ROAD SUBJECT TO APPROVAL FROM THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET.

Clerk Hicks stated Somerset County requested an amendment to the delineation of the restriction zone, indicating a street and municipal boundary.

Motion by Councilman Surks, seconded by Councilwoman Tweedie and unanimously carried to open the public hearing.

There were no comments from the public. Clerk Hicks advised that the notice of the public hearing was published in the newspaper of record, and that no communication, either written or verbal, was received regarding the Ordinance.

Motion by Councilman Surks, seconded by Councilwoman Tweedie and unanimously carried to close the public hearing.

Motion by Councilwoman Chimenti, seconded by Councilman Surks that Ordinance 2018-08 be adopted.

Roll Call:

Aye: Chimenti, Karner, Surks, Tweedie

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion Carried.

**ORDINANCE 2018-09** – APPROPRIATING \$35,000.00 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO LUDLOW AVENUE.

Councilman Surks provided a brief overview of the process in finalizing the selection of the contractor and advised the resolution authorizing the contract would be on the Agenda for the November 26, 2018 Borough Council meeting.

Motion by Councilman Surks, seconded by Councilwoman Tweedie and unanimously carried to open the public hearing.

There were no comments from the public. Clerk Hicks advised that the notice of the public hearing was published in the newspaper of record, and that no communication, either written or verbal, was received regarding the Ordinance.

Motion by Councilman Surks, seconded by Councilwoman Tweedie and unanimously carried to close the public hearing.

Motion by Councilman Surks, seconded by Councilwoman Chimenti that Ordinance 2018-09 be adopted.

Council President Karner recused himself at this time.

Roll Call:

Aye: Chimenti, Surks, Tweedie

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion Carried.

## CONSENT AGENDA

The items listed within the consent agenda portion of the meeting have been referred to the Borough Council for reading and study and are considered routine and will be enacted with one motion of the Borough Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is required, the item may be removed from the agenda by Borough Council action and placed on the regular agenda under new business.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution 18-146 - Authorizing a Transfer of Funds
2. Resolution 18-147 - Authorizing Refund of Board of Health Escrows – Various Accounts
3. Resolution 18-148 - Authorizing Submission of Strategic Plan and Acceptance of Award  
SHMAYSC Fiscal Year 2019-2020
4. Resolution 18-149 - Awarding Contract – Ludlow Avenue Road Improvements
5. Resolution 18-150 - Awarding Contract – Snow Removal and Ice Control
6. Resolution 18-151 - Payment of Bill List

Motion by Council President Karner, seconded by Councilman Surks that Resolutions 18-146 through 18-151 be approved, with the exception of Resolution 18-149 which was tabled until the November 26, 2018 Council meeting as the requirement for a two-thirds affirmative vote of the authorized membership of the governing body was not as Council President Karner recused himself from voting on the resolution.

Roll Call:

Aye: Chimenti, Karner, Surks, Tweedie

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion Carried.

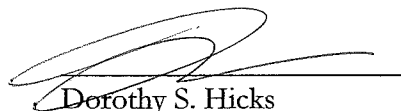
**PUBLIC COMMENT** – *The Council President and Council welcome comments from any member of the public. To help facilitate an orderly meeting and to permit the opportunity for anyone who wishes to be heard, speakers shall limit their comments to 5 minutes.*

Rick Rinzler, 11 Hurlingham Road, Far Hills inquired as to the status of the affordable housing agreement submitted to the court.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilwoman Tweedie, seconded by Council President Karner and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dorothy S. Hicks

Borough Clerk

APPROVED 11/26/18