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MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION MEETING OF  
THE TEANECK TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING CHAMBERS ON  
TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2013

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by Resolution 283-12, setting the 2013 meeting dates, sending a copy to THE RECORD and THE JEWISH STANDARD, filing a copy in the Township Clerk's Office and posting it on the Municipal Building bulletin board, and the Mayor hereby directs that this statement be included in the minutes.

Mayor Hameeduddin called the Closed Session Meeting of the Teaneck Township Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: C. Parker, C. Stern, D.M. Gussen, C. Schwartz (arrived 7:20 p.m.), Mayor Hameeduddin.

Absent: C. Katz, C. Pruitt.

Also Present: W. Broughton, Township Manager; J.L. Evelina, RMC, Township Clerk; Stanley Turitz, Esq. - Ferrara, Turitz, Harraka & Goldberg, P.C.

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The Township Clerk read Resolution #101-2013, authorizing the Council to enter into Closed Session into the record.

Having adopted Resolution #101-2013, D.M. Gussen made a motion to close the meeting to the public to discuss matters concerning advisory board applicants, negotiations, security procedures and legal issues. Seconded by Mayor Hameeduddin and carried by the following vote:

In Favor: C. Parker, C. Stern, D.M. Gussen, Mayor Hameeduddin.

Opposed: None.

Absent: C. Katz, C. Pruitt, C. Schwartz (at time of vote).

CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hameeduddin called the Open Session Meeting of the Teaneck Township Council to order at 8:00 p.m. and asked all present to please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: C. Parker, C. Stern, D.M. Gussen, C. Schwartz, Mayor Hameeduddin.

Absent: C. Pruitt, C. Katz.

Also Present: W. Broughton, Township Manager; J.L. Evelina, RMC, Township Clerk; I. Abbasi, Executive Assistant; J. Jackson, Senior Clerk; S. Turitz, Esq. - Ferrara, Turitz, Harraka & Goldberg, P.C.

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The Mayor announced Niko Sanabria of the Youth Advisory Board, participating in Youth Shadowing Day. He also provided the public with information pertaining to the upcoming

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Council Meeting, Volunteer Appreciation Day, Clean and Green Weekend, Emergency Preparedness Seminar and matters discussed during Closed Session.

**PRESENTATIONS**

NONE.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES**

The Township Clerk to read the titles of the following Ordinances into the record:

ORDINANCE NO. 18-2013 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III OF CHAPTER 37 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK RESPECTING THE CUTTING, REMOVAL, TRIMMING OR PRUNING OF PUBLIC TREES  
(Hearing to be rescheduled for June 11, 2013)

ORDINANCE NO. 20-2013 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 36-28.5 OF DIVISION 3, OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 36 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK RELATING TO TIME LIMITED PARKING ALONG A PORTION OF CHADWICK ROAD TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FOR RESIDENT PARKING PERMITS

The Mayor inquired whether any member of the Council had any comments respecting these ordinances prior to opening the public hearing.

No member of Council commented.

The Mayor declared that the public hearings on the above ordinances are now open. Any members of the public wishing to be heard on any of said ordinances or to ask questions concerning said ordinances may come forward and state their name and address for the record. Comments or questions shall be limited to five minutes per person.

No member of the public commented.

There being no further persons wishing to speak concerning said ordinances, the Mayor to declare that the public hearing on this ordinance is now closed.

D.M. Gussen moved to pass Ordinance 20-2013 on second and final reading and adopt. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise same according to law. Seconded by Mayor Hameeduddin.

The Mayor inquired whether any member of the Council had any comments respecting these ordinances.

No member of Council commented.

There being no further comments, the Mayor called on the Township Clerk for a roll-call vote.

**ROLL CALL**

In Favor: C. Parker, C. Stern, D.M. Gussen, C. Schwartz, Mayor Hameeduddin.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: C. Pruitt, C. Katz.

The Mayor declared that said Ordinance was duly adopted.

**HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE 2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET, INCLUDING RESOLUTION B/102-2013, RESOLUTION B2/103-2013 & RESOLUTION C/104-2013**

Township Clerk to read Resolution No. 92-2013 (Amendment No. 1) into the record which was introduced by the Township Council on April 23, 2013. (Resolution No. 92-2013 Attached)

The Township Clerk to read Resolution B2/103-2013 (Amendment No. 2) into the record. (Resolution B2/103-2013 Attached).

The Mayor inquired whether any member of the Council had any comments prior to opening the public hearing.

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No member of Council commented.

The Mayor declared that the public hearing was now open. Any members of the public wishing to be heard or to ask questions concerning the above may come forward and state their names for the record. Comments or questions shall be limited to five minutes per person.

The following residents raised their issues with the budget:

Charles Powers  
Howard Rose  
Alan Sohn  
Art Vatsky  
Eva Leiman  
Mohammed Dauwood  
Carol Shaw

The following residents commended the Council with certain decisions made with respect to the budget:

Lenny Hennig

There being no further persons wishing to speak concerning Resolutions B/102-2013, B2/103-2013 and C/104-2013, dealing with the 2013 Municipal Budget, the Mayor to declare that the public hearing on same is now closed.

Mayor Hameeduddin advised that funding for the PAL bathroom will be funded by grants. He also spoke in support of the Votee Park Project and the community's emergency services. He spoke of the importance of ratables.

C. Parker suggested the grant funds for the PAL bathroom be utilized for another area and advised the public that significant cuts to the budget would negatively impact the services offered to residents.

C. Stern questioned how the Votee Park and old Police Headquarters Projects would add to the budget this year, and in response, Manager Broughton advised that the projects may not add anything or very little to the budget.

C. Schwartz requested the costs associated with the demolition to the PAL Building from the Manager. He also spoke in support of pending projects and the budget.

D.M. Gussen supported residents' opposition to funding for the bathroom at PAL Building. He also spoke about the services offered by the Township and suggested studying staffing at the Police and Fire Departments for cost efficiency. He suggested systemic changes.

Mayor Hameeduddin advised that the Township cannot arbitrarily lay off employees.

**RESOLUTION B/102-2013 – ADOPT AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO 2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

Mayor Hameeduddin moved to pass Amendment No. 1 to the 2013 Municipal Budget on second and final reading and adopt. Seconded by C. Schwartz.

**ROLL CALL**

In Favor: C. Parker, C. Stern, C. Schwartz, Mayor Hameeduddin.  
Opposed: D.M. Gussen.  
Absent: C. Pruitt, C. Katz.

The Mayor declared that Amendment No. 1 to the 2013 Municipal Budget was duly adopted.

**RESOLUTION B2/103-2013 – ADOPT AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO 2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

Mayor Hameeduddin moved to pass Amendment No. 2 to the 2013 Municipal Budget on second and final reading and adopt. Seconded by C. Schwartz.

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ROLL CALL.

In Favor: C. Parker, C. Stern, C. Schwartz, Mayor Hameeduddin.  
Opposed: D.M. Gussen.  
Absent: C. Pruitt, C. Katz.

The Mayor declared that Amendment No. 2 to the 2013 Municipal Budget was duly adopted.

**RESOLUTION C/104-2013 – ADOPT 2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET, AS AMENDED**

Mayor Hameeduddin moved to pass the 2013 Municipal Budget, as Amended on second and final reading and adopt. Seconded by C. Parker.

ROLL CALL.

In Favor: C. Parker, C. Stern, C. Schwartz, Mayor Hameeduddin.  
Opposed: D.M. Gussen.  
Absent: C. Pruitt, C. Katz.

Mayor to declare that the 2013 Municipal Budget, as Amended was duly adopted.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR GOOD AND WELFARE AND  
PUBLIC INPUT ON ANY MATTERS ON THIS AGENDA**

The Mayor inquired whether any member of the Council had any comments prior to opening the meeting to any comments from the public.

No member of Council commented.

The Mayor declared that any members of the public wishing to be heard at this time shall come forward and state their names for the record. Comments shall be limited to five minutes per person.

The following residents spoke in support of Jason Castle speaking at the Memorial Day Observance:

John McGilchrist  
Vincent Napolitano  
Paula Rogevin  
Jeff Ostroth, Democratic Committee  
Alan Sohn [Also, raised issues with the budget]  
Robert Robinson  
Jan Bury (SIC)  
Walton Iguard (SIC)  
Jackie Granner (SIC)  
Lou Schwartz  
Senator Loretta Weinberg [Also, raised issues with PAL bathroom]  
Jason Castle  
Alice Nadleman (SIC)  
Carol Shaw  
Nick Lento, Cliffside Park  
Lorraine Kaplan  
Art Vatsky [Also, raised issues with the budget]  
Gloria Wilson  
Steven Goldstein, Garden State Equality  
Margaret Baker  
Leslie McKeon  
Elie Kelly (SIC) [Also, raised issues with traffic on Shepard Avenue]  
Gwen Acree  
Mohammed Dauwood (SIC)  
Ron Schwartz  
Alex Rashin  
Anthony Cureton  
Charles Powers [Also, raised issues with the contractual process]  
Micky Shilan  
Raymond Addison

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Clara Williams  
Theodora Lacey  
Joshua Spears  
Daniel Rosenblum

Lenny Hennig – commended the Township Manager for his actions upon his appointment with respect to cleaning up the Veteran’s Memorial; expressed concern as a veteran and as a member of the Patriotic Observance Advisory Board with respect to speeches at Memorial Day Observances being political in nature; expressed concern with respect to the lack of attendance of observances; and spoke about the meaning behind Memorial Day.

There being no further persons wishing to speak at this time (or the time limit of one hour having expired) the Mayor declared that the public comment portion of the meeting was now closed.

The Council recessed at 11:16 p.m.

The Mayor inquired whether any member of the Council or the Manager wished to respond to the public comments or whether a member of the Council wished to remove any item from the Consent Agenda and have a separate discussion thereon.

Council reconvened at 11:21 p.m.

C. Stern offered his apologies to the public for not being able to attend the meeting of May 7, 2013 and made a motion to invite Jason Castle to speak at the Memorial Day Observance. Seconded by D.M. Gussen.

**ROLL CALL**

In Favor: C. Parker, C. Stern, D.M. Gussen, C. Schwartz, Mayor Hameeduddin.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: C. Pruitt, C. Katz.

Mayor Hameeduddin thanked the veterans for their service. He addressed Mr. Goldstein and Ms. Lacey, advising that their words impacted the Council. He assured the public that Council respects the veterans but expressed concern as a result of those who create divisions. He asked Mr. Castle if Mr. Castle is willing to speak at Memorial Day, and Mr. Castle accepted the invitation.

C. Parker expressed happiness that Mr. Castle will be speaking at Memorial Day. He spoke of strength in numbers and urged the public to attend Council Meetings.

C. Stern expressed that his motion reflects his feelings with respect to the matter.

C. Schwartz spoke about agreeing to disagree and emphasized that respect should be given and received.

D.M. Gussen recalled Mr. Castle being his opponent in a previous election. He recalled Dale Carnegie’s lessons, specifically, speaking responding “in kind”. He expressed that his response at the previous meeting was him responding “in kind”. He addressed Ms. Lacey and advised that her words were strong and encouraging which was easy to take to heart. He spoke about one not being less for righting wrongs.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed below are considered to be routine in nature by Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

**RAFFLES**

All subject to approval and conditions applicable with the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission and pursuant to State Statute.  
NONE.

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### MINUTES

April 23, 2013 – Closed Session Meeting (Absent: C. Stern) – Approved for Content Only.  
April 23, 2013 – Open Session Meeting (Absent: C. Stern).

### RESOLUTIONS

D/105-2013 Appoint Youth Members to the Youth Advisory Board.  
E/106-2013 Appoint Member to the Teaneck Municipal Alliance Against Substance Abuse Committee.  
F/107-2013 Amend 2013 Annual Council Meeting Schedule – Cancel May 21, 2013 Meeting.  
G/108-2013 Amend 2013 Temporary Capital Budget – Addition of Project 3.  
H/109-2013 Authorize Municipal Consent to Operate Taxicabs – Aura Express Enterprises, LLC – 2013.  
I/110-2013 Refund 2011 and 2012 Taxes Pursuant to State Tax Court Decision – Various.

### BILL LIST

The Township Clerk to read the amount of the Bill List into the record (\$7,155,764.95).

D.M. Gussen moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including Raffles, Minutes, Resolutions and the Bill List and to dispense with the reading of same inasmuch as it has been posted on the bulletin board all day. Seconded by C. Stern.

The Mayor to call on the Township Clerk for a roll-call vote.

### ROLL CALL

In Favor: C. Parker, C. Stern, D.M. Gussen, C. Schwartz, Mayor Hameeduddin.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: C. Pruitt, C. Katz.  
Abstained: D.M. Gussen – Bill List Item No. 13-03421.

The Mayor declared said items were passed.

### INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE(S)

NONE.

### OLD BUSINESS

NONE.

### MISCELLANEOUS

NONE.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Rededication of Eastern Star Plaque – Municipal Green.

Mr. Broughton advised Council that he received a request for the above, and Council consented to the Manager moving forward with the rededication.

### COMMUNICATIONS

1. SPRAB Chair Communication –  
Request to Appoint Alternate Member as Regular Member.

Ms. Evelina advised Council that she received a request from Gerald Rosen, Chair of the Site Plan Review Advisory Board to move Eric Outstacher from an Alternate position to a vacant position as a Regular Member of the Board. She further requested Council's consent to move forward with an appointing resolution, and Council approved same.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS - COUNCIL LIAISONS

Mayor Hameeduddin informed that the Zoning Subcommittee met and agreed to forward to the Planning Board matters regarding the gas station across from Dairy Queen and zoning changes to the World of Wings.

Mr. Turitz reported that the Manager will be moving forward with listing a proposed resolution authorizing a professional services contract for the planner to reexamine the Master Plan and zoning changes in the Alfred Avenue area.

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**COUNCIL-LISTED ITEMS**

1. “*Shop Teaneck Tax Credit*” – C. Schwartz.  
This matter was not discussed.

2. “*Level II Police Officers*” – Mayor Hameeduddin.  
Council requested information from the Manager with respect to the above.

**TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT**

1. Appointment of Mary Beth Hubbard, Senior Center Supervisor – Effective 4/29/13.

**TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

NONE.

**ADJOURNMENT**

D.M. Gussen moved to adjourn at 11:45 p.m. Seconded by Mayor Hameeduddin.

**ROLL CALL**

In Favor: C. Parker, C. Stern, D.M. Gussen, C. Schwartz, Mayor Hameeduddin.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: C. Pruitt, C. Katz.

I hereby certify that the above minutes were approved by the Township Council on June 11, 2013.

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JAIME L. EVELINA, RMC  
Township Clerk