

**SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING**  
**Mayor and Council**  
**Borough of Harrington Park, New Jersey**  
**January 14, 2013**

**(PAH) Call Meeting to Order**                      **Time: 7PM**

**Mayor's Announcement:**

In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the meeting was made. It is included in the Annual Meetings posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been mailed to the BERGEN RECORD, SUBURBANITE and THE NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

**(ALB) Roll Call:**

	PRESENT	ABSENT
DUNLEA (JD)	x	
EVANELLA (GE)	x	
PEDERSEN (JP)	x	
RYAN (MR)	x	
NAPOLITANO(AN)	x	
CHUNG (JC)	x	

**(JD) Budget Discussions**

Council received an overview of the budget issues of 2013.  
 Council is required to remain under the 2% CAP

Police contract calls for a 3.5% salary increase  
 DPW contract has expired

It is the responsibility of the Council to keep the budget as flat as possible.  
 Council needs to cut \$192,345 out of the budget.

The two areas that are way over the budget are the Police and the Fire Department. JP will be discussing this with Chief Maalouf and AN will be meeting with the Fire Department by week's end since they are up about \$20,000 over last year's budget.

MR will be meeting with Recreation Commission on Thursday and will have all information for the next meeting.

GE explained that last year the Police had a large overtime budget since they had 3 injured officers.

PAH added that the dispatch cost may be eliminated, but currently there is no guarantee from the County. MR asked if this was contingent on all towns participating in the program. PAH stated

That he did know. On the overall the service is quite good and he wonders why other towns are not taking advantage of the program.

**(GE) Department of Public Works/Contract**

**290-1** includes the 2% increase in salary and the movement of steps of several employees. This is contractual and it cannot be changed at this point.

3 out of the 6 Employees are still in the step program.

This line also includes Mark Kiernan-DPW Supervisor's salary increase.

**290-1-015** Snow Overtime Budget decrease to \$16,000.00

**290-1-003** GE will check on the increased amount.

Other line items in this category are contractual or historically the same (leaf collection)

**290-2-029** Reduce to \$8,000.00 for contracted snow emergency clean up

**290-2-030** Deicing Material can be reduced by \$2000, but GE will speak with MK to ensure this is acceptable.

ALB reviewed her Department informing Council that she will be pursuing a possible reduction in the copier line and that of the postage machine since the contracts are up this year.

ALB noted that part of the website cost is subsidized by DARE and that the line item for education still includes scholarship money that she earned and was not able to use this year due to a family illness in the spring and the cancellation of the NJLM Convention in the fall.

JP stated that he is going to review the Police Budget to see what may be bondable.

JD explained that the hope for a \$2,000,000.00 may be difficult. This budget has the down payment of \$100,000 for a bond of this size in it already.

PAH will check with AEM to determine the balances left in the current bond, and how they may be applied.

JC added that there will be a cost of tree maintenance near the school grounds that will have to be addressed. She is waiting for an estimate from the DPW.

Next meeting scheduled for January 23, 2013 at 7PM.

**(JD) Bond 2013**

Items on the bond need to be reviewed by each department to determine their priorities.

ALB will create a new spreadsheet and distribute.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Recess-Time: 7:07PM**

**Motion: GE**

**Second: JP**

**Vote: AIF**