

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG
14 HIGHLAND AVE. OGDENSBURG AT 7:00PM
April 23, 2018**

Mayor Slater called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Mayor Slater led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Astor, Gunderman, Hutnick, Nardini, Nasisi

Absent: Opilla

Also in attendance was Brian Hak, Esq. Weiner Law Group.

STATEMENT BY MAYOR: “Notice requirements of P.L. 1975, Open Public Meeting Act, NJSA10:4- et.seq. have been satisfied with a schedule of all meetings, together with the time, location and agenda of same being sent to the NEW JERSEY HERALD and NEW JERSEY SUNDAY HERALD and posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall on January 3, 2018.”

Councilman Astor moved Councilman Hutnick seconded motion for approval of items on the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of regular meeting minutes and executive session minutes for April 9, 2018.
2. Approval of special meeting minutes, Elizabethtown Gas Presentation for April 10, 2018.
3. Approval of the resolution 47-2018 to receive credit for overbilling to Erin Kelly account #7824 in the amount of \$51.98.
4. Approval of NJ State Firemen’s Association Membership Application for William Lamonica.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Astor, Gunderman (abstained from #2), Hutnick, Nardini (abstained from #1 +#2), Nasisi
Nays: None Absent: Opilla None Abstain None

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Resolution 47-2018

WHEREAS, residents have been overcharged for their water bills; and

WHEREAS, a credit will be issued to the resident/residents account for the overcharge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg that the following resident/residents will receive credit for an overbilling on their account.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Erin Kelly	7824	\$51.98	Account adjustment needed. Billed final water bill 8 days before quarterly billing, 2 nd bill should not have been generated.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Astor, Gunderman, Hutnick, Nardini, Nasisi
Nays: None Absent: Opilla None Abstain None

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PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2018 CY MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Thomas Ferry, Auditor and Monica Goscicki, CFO were present for the public hearing.

Mayor Slater opened the meeting to the public for comments on the 2018 CY Municipal budget. Seconded by Councilman Hutnick. All were in favor.

Vicky Schroder, Center Street, commented on the great job done by the Council.

Councilman Hutnick made a motion to close to the public comments on the 2018 CY Municipal budget. Seconded by Councilman Gunderman. All were in favor

RESOLUTION 48-2018 TO ADOPT THE 2018 CY MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Councilman Gunderman made a motion to adopt the 2018 budget resolution 48-2018. Seconded by Councilman Nardini.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Astor, Gunderman, Hutnick, Nardini, Nasisi

Nays: None Absent: Opilla None Abstain None

OLD BUSINESS

Heathers Pond Dam – Mayor Slater reported they have been removing unsound concrete and preparation for the concrete patching and are pretty close to having that complete. It looks like there will be an improvement next week.

Repair of Loop – Councilman Opilla was not present for an update.

JCP & L – Mayor Slater explained they put the lights up on Plant Street; we had good and bad feedback. Mayor Slater commented she as an email out to Jackie Espinoza, JCP & L to see if they can put some type of shield to have the light shine down so it is not blinding. Once we get that and everyone is ok we will move forward with the lights.

Elizabethtown Gas – Mayor Slater explained we had the meeting two weeks ago; hopefully we will get a schedule soon as to when they will start working.

Proposal to provide Collection Management Service for Municipal Collections – Mayor Slater explained we had the representative here last meeting; the Council would need to vote on this. After a brief discussion this item was tabled to the next meeting.

Well update – Councilman Nardini explained two weeks ago he gave Rob Lawler different contracts; he needs to meet with him to see what we need to do. Councilman Nardini commented he will have more details for the next meeting.

Water Personnel – Councilman Nardini commented everyone has the job description we can hold off for when we do the DPW position and we do a split or just keep it on file for when we need someone specifically for that job.

Health Insurance – Councilman Opilla was not present, he will update the Council at the next meeting.

Emergency Preparedness – Mayor Slater commented there are no updates yet. However, St. Thomas Aquin R.C. Church did email the Borough that they are willing to offer the church up as a warming station and their groups would be happy to help cook if we ever need it.

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Councilman Astor commented he did get some quotes on the generators for the school, they are pretty sizable quotes, the problem occurs when you try to put a new generator or new lines to an old electrical unit which is old and needs to be updated to be compatible. To update the School's electrical box we are talking about a sizeable amount of money.

Mayor Slater asked about getting some grants for this.

Code Book Codification – Mayor Slater commented everything was sent over today. The Attorney and Clerk worked on this got all the information together and sent it over to Coded Systems.

Fireman's Parade Donation – Councilman Hutnick explained to his knowledge the Firemen have accepted the proposal for the \$2,500 donation.

Boxelder tree removal – Councilman Nasisi explained the exterminator was in and took care of the bug situation in the building.

NEW BUSINESS

Guard Shack – Mayor Slater commented Council Opilla is trying to get together a group to get the shack done before the pond opens.

Councilman Nasisi commented we were talking about having the Cub Scouts help. Councilman Nardini commented he will check on this. There was a discussion on the work that needs to be done.

Financial Disclosure Statements – Mayor Slater reminded everyone their Financial Disclosure Statements have to be complete by April 30.

ADDENDUM

Garbage Contract - Mayor Slater explained the meeting she had with Joe Mailloux, President and CEO of Global Waste, herself and Councilman Astor. Mr. Mailloux wanted to meet and go over the contract, the contract is still good for another year. Mayor Slater explained Mr. Mailloux business is going, in a separate direction then what they were originally looking to do. He has been working with Blue Diamond and they are looking to possibly take over our current contract. We do have in our contract that they (Global Waste) can sublet out. Everything would still stay the same except the Borough would gain an extra day of recycling so instead of being once a month recycling would be every other week.

Councilman Gunderman asked if the Borough would still keep recycling here [at the DPW garage]. Mayor Slater commented yes, if the Council has any questions to email Councilman Astor and we need Mr. Briigliodoro to look into if the Borough can continue a sublet or if we can actually transfer the contract over to them. It does say in the contract we can to this and nothing will change.

Councilman Astor commented Mr. Mailloux assured us pick up will continue as always until this is taken care of and move in some type of direction. If we decide not to move in some type of direction he said that is fine they will fulfill their contract.

Mayor Slater commented Mr. Mailloux thinks with the extra recycling there will be less garbage and more recyclables put out.

PUBLIC SESSION

Councilman Nasisi moved, Councilman Gunderman seconded motion to open the public session of the meeting. All were in favor.

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Patrick Kalafut 14 Avenue B asked about the facing of Heaters Pond. Mr. Kalafut explained work he has been doing up at Heaters Pond lately, work around the Veteran Memorial, cleaning up brush raking etc. Mr. Kalafut asked if DPW could pick up all the brush he cleared. There is painting that needs to be done. Mr. Kalafut would like to volunteer and do the work.

Brenda O'Dell, 17 Wilson Drive, explained there is a community group that volunteers and if Mr. Kalafut wants to help them that would be great.

There was a discussion on cleaning up the brush Mr. Kalafut has cleaned.

Councilman Astor explained to Mr. Kalafut if you could contact Friends of Heater Pond that would be great. We greatly appreciate everything you have done and volunteered that is what makes this town great. Unfortunately for insurance purposes if you are with Friends of Heaters Pond you are covered and explained.

Mr. Kalafut suggested to the Council to have a newsletter with community information. There was a brief discussion on a newsletter and an old sign to use up by Heater's Pond with upcoming events or use the sign as you enter into town.

There being no further business from the public, Councilman Hutnick moved, Councilman Astor seconded motion to close the public session of the meeting. All were in favor.

There being no further business, Councilman Astor moved, Councilman Gunderman seconded motion to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30p.m.

Robin Hough, Borough Clerk

Rachel Slater, Mayor