

**REORGANIZATION MEETING**

**January 2, 2018**

**7:30 PM**

The Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus is now in session. In accord with the provisions of "Open Public Meetings Act", I wish to advise that notice of this meeting has been posted in the front lobby entrance to the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall and that a copy of the schedule of this meeting has also been filed with the Borough Clerk, and further that the required (48) hour notices have been sent to The Record and the Ridgewood News - newspapers with general circulation throughout the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus.

At Roll Call members present were Mayor Randall, Councilmembers Troast, Rorty, Iannelli, Fiato and Crossley. Also present was borough administrator William Jones and borough attorney David Bole.

Absent: Councilmember Shell.

Mayor Randall led all with the Pledge of Allegiance

Father Frank Delprete of St Gabriel's Church gave to Invocation

Mayor Randall administered the Oath to Councilmember Edmund Iannelli

ROLL CALL OF FULL COUNCIL: Councilmembers Troast, Rorty, Iannelli, Fiato and Crossley

Absent: Councilmember Shell

Mayor Randall opens nomination of Council President.

Councilmember Rorty offered the name of Councilmember Troast to be Council President for the year 2018

Councilmember Fiato seconds the nomination and moves that the nominations be closed.

Councilmember Iannelli seconds the motion that the nominations be closed.

Mayor Randall calls for a voice vote on the close of nominations.

Mayor Randall instructs the Clerk to record that one vote be cast electing Councilmember Troast as Council President for the year 2018

**2018 COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**Public Safety Unit**

Police Commissioner-Cn Troast

Deputy Commissioner-Cn. Rorty

Fire Commissioner-Cn. Rorty

Deputy Commissioner-Cn. Shell

Amb. Commissioner-Cn. Crossley

Deputy Commissioner-Cn. Rorty

**Public Works & Properties Unit**

Road Chairperson-Cn. Fiato

Deputy Chairperson-Cn. Iannelli

Water Chairperson-Cn. Iannelli

Deputy Chairperson-Cn. Fiato

**Finance Unit**

Finance Chairperson-Cn. Troast

Deputy Chairperson-Cn. Shell

**Community Relations Unit**

Chairperson-Cn. Shell

Deputy Chairperson-Cn. Fiato

APPOINTMENTS OF BOROUGH EMPLOYEES BY MAYOR RANDALL FOR 2018 (Council Confirmation required)  
 Mayor Randall with the advice of Council submitted the following list of appointments of Borough employees for the year 2018, or as otherwise provided by statute."

<b>EMPLOYEE</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
William Jones	Borough Administrator
	Human Resources Director
Laura Borchers	Borough Clerk, RMC
	Registrar of Vital Statistics
	Registrar of Elections
	Liaison/Sec. Board of Health
	Claims Processor
	Public Agency Compliance Officer
	Security Information Officer
	Municipal Housing Liaison
Elisa Caporale	Sec. Administration Office
	Sec. Personnel Officer
	Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics
	Secretary Shade Tree/DPW
Jeffrey Kropiewnicki	Tax Collector/Payroll Supervisor
Lisa Perricelli	Solid Waste Registrar/Water Registrar
	Deputy Purchasing Agent/Tax Collector
Joseph Citro	CFO, QPA, Treasurer
David Males	Financial Assistant
Alison Altano	Accounting Assistant
JoAnn Carroll	Secretary Planning/Zoning Board and Construction Office
	Municipal Court Judge
Harry Norton	Court Administrator, CMCA/Violations Clerk
Rosemarie Novelli-Salyer	Deputy Violations Clerk
Susan Maurer	DCA/Acting CMCA
Maria Doerr	Property Maintenance Officer/Fire Marshall
Daniel McEldowney	Fire Prevention and Fire Inspector
Edward Gartner	Recreation Director
Jose Martinez	Custodian
Richard Carruthers	Police Dispatcher/Full Time
Kheria Kortenout	Dispatcher/ Full Time
Chelsea Ferrara	Police Dispatcher/Full Time
Robert Zimmerman	Police Dispatcher/Part Time
Sheri Gusta	Police Dispatcher/Part Time
Clayton Kenny	Police Dispatcher/Part Time
Ryan Moore	Police Dispatcher/Part Time
Alex Policastro	Police Dispatcher/Part Time
Allison Minchin	Police Matron
Carol Tyler	Police Matron
Gretchen Kaser	Library Director
Jay Ludwig	Coordinator of OEM

Councilmember Iannelli moves that the foregoing appointments be approved for the year 2018 or as otherwise provided by statute.

Moved: Councilmember Iannelli

Second: Councilmember Crossley

All Ayes

Mayor Randall assisted by David Bole administered the Oath to borough administrator William Jones  
 Mayor Randall instructs the Borough Clerk to administer the Oath to all other employees during the normal hours of business

Mayor Randall with the advice and consent of Council makes the following appointments for the below designated terms of office:

PLANNING BOARD

	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
William Jones Class II	1/1/2018	12/31/2018
Philip Rorty Class III	1/1/2018	12/31/2018
Michael Reade	1/1/2018	12/31/2021

RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission Council-Cn. Iannelli	1/1/2018	12/31/2018
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BOARD OF HEALTH

Kristine Nylund	1/1/2018	12/31/2020
Dr. Steven Vargo	1/1/2018	12/31/2020
Nazish Siddiqi	1/1/2018	12/31/2020

(Vacancy)

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SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Chris Raimondi	1/1/2018	12/31/2022
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LIBRARY BOARD

Hugh Turk	1/1/2018	12/31/2022
Herman Crowley	1/1/2018	12/31/2022

Moved: Councilmember Iannelli

Seconded: Councilmember Rorty

All ayes.

Absent: Councilmember Shell

BOARD LIAISONS

Library – Cn Fiato	Zoning Board –Cn Iannelli
Ambulance Corps –Cn. Crossley	Insurance- Cn =Rorty and Crossley
Board of Health – Cn Troast	Construction- Cn Troast
Chamber of Commerce- Cn. Shell	
All ayes.	
Absent: Councilmember Shell	

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance # 2018-01 “Vehicles and Traffic”

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 79 OF THE CODE OF THE  
 BOROUGH OF HO-HO-KUS VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

AT SECTION, Chapter79-3”Use of Certain Vehicles Restricted”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus

Chapter 79, Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus is hereby amended as follows:

Chapter 79 Section 79-3, Schedule IV- Use of Certain vehicles Restricted

No motor Vehicle or combination of vehicles, including loads or contents of any part or portion thereof, shall exceed 22 feet in length and 10,000 pounds (lbs) in Gross vehicle Weight on the following streets:

Name Of Street

Between

Glenwood Road From the Village of Ridgewood Boundary to the intersection of Brookside Avenue/ First Street/Warren Avenue intersection

Except as herein amended and supplemented, Chapter 79 of the Code of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus remains in full force and effect.

Severability

If any portion of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by the Court of the competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, but shall be confined in its effect to the provision directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

Repealer

All other Ordinances of the Borough, or parts thereof, which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as required by law.

Moved: Councilmember Crossley

Second: Councilmember Rorty

All ayes

Absent: Councilmember Shell

RESOLUTIONS

18-01 Professional Services for 2018

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus requires the professional services of engineers, attorneys, a registered municipal accountant, animal control officer, grant writers and laboratory services for the calendar year 2018; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the expenditures for each of such professional services will/may exceed the sum of \$ 21,000 in said calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer in accordance with the Local Contracts Law, has duly executed Certificates of Availability, indicating that adequate funds have been, and additional funds will be appropriated in the 2018 Budgets for fees reasonably required by each of such professionals under the following line items in said Budget:

FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES:

1. Engineering Service & Costs - Other Expenses
2. Water Utility - Other Expenses
3. Capital Ordinances

FOR LEGAL SERVICES:

1. Legal Services & Costs - Other Expenses
2. Prosecutor – Salary & Wages
3. Public Defender – Other Expenses
4. Capital Ordinances

FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES:

1. Financial Administration - Other Expenses
2. Capital Ordinances
3. Water Utility - Other Expenses
4. Solid Waste Utility - Other Expenses

FOR LABORATORY SERVICES:

1. Water Utility - Other Expenses

FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES:

1. Board of Health - Other Expenses
2. Animal License Trust Funds

WHEREAS, a certification of availability of funds has been received from the Chief Financial Officer or that such funds will be encumbered by Purchase Order on an as needed basis pursuant to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4 et seq, and

WHEREAS, the above named professionals have completed, submitted and filed a Business Entity Certification Disclosure which certifies that the above named persons and/ or entities have not made any reportable contributions to any political or candidate committee including (committee to elect Steven D Shell and Edmund Iannelli) Ho-Ho-Kus Republican organization; Ho-Ho-Kus Democratic organization; Bergen County Republican Organization and Bergen County Democratic organization) in the previous one (1) year, and that the contract will prohibit the above named professionals/business entities from making reportable contributions through the term of the contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus as follows:

1. That the appointment of Garbarini & Co. as Borough Auditor; David B. Bole, as Borough Attorney; Rogut McCarthy, PC, as Bond Counsel; Schwanewede/Hals, Borough Engineer; John S. Guerin, as Borough Prosecutor; and Robert Metzdorf, as

Public Defenders; Matthew Miller Alternate Public Defender; Richard Rosa Esq-Alternate Municipal Prosecutor; WSP USA (formerly Leggette Brashears & Graham Inc). as Environmental Engineer; Carol Tyler-Tyco Inc. as Animal Control Officer & Cruelty Investigator, and Aqua Pro-tech Laboratories, for Water Laboratory Services, Computer Services Solutions for Technology Services; Raymond Wiss as Labor Attorney, Joseph Burgis as Borough Planner, Clarke, Caton Hintz as COAH Planner, for the calendar year 2018, be and the same are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

2. That the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized and directed to execute contracts with each of said professionals and to take all other steps necessary to carry this resolution into effect.

3. Said appointments are made without competitive bidding under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law which exempts from competitive bidding "Professional Services" rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law.

4. A copy of this resolution be published in the Ridgewood News within ten days after its passage as required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the contracts for bond counsel; Borough prosecutor; public defenders; environmental engineers; animal control officer and cruelty investigator; water laboratory services, grants and labor attorney and borough planner are being awarded as a non -fair and open contract, pursuant to the provisions of NJSA 19:44A-20.5 whereas the contracts of Borough auditor, Borough attorney and Borough engineer, Borough Planner are being awarded pursuant to a fair and open process pursuant to law;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the business disclosure entity certification, as applicable, and the determination of value be placed on file with this resolution.

Motion: Councilman Rorty

Second: Councilmember Crossley

All ayes

Absent: Councilmember Shell

#### 18-02 Retain Insurance Advisors for 2018

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus has for several years sought the advice and counsel of Eastern Insurors, Inc., the Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (hereinafter called the "Agents") with respect to the various insurance coverages necessary or appropriate to protect the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus and its properties from the several risks of being a municipality in the State of New Jersey, including fire and extended coverage, liability coverage, Worker's Compensation coverage, and any and all other forms of insurance which are necessary to keep it thoroughly protected; and WHEREAS, the Agents have served the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus in a professional manner and obtained appropriate coverages with the several insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated the expenditures for the various insurance coverages will exceed the sum of \$25,000 for the calendar year 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A 11-1 et seq.) requires that, where services are to be performed and are of such a qualitative nature as will not reasonably permit the drawing of specification of the receipt of competitive bids, a resolution of the governing body of the municipality shall be adopted stating the supporting reasons for not submitting said service for competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the insurance coverage which is required for the Borough is of such a complex nature as will not reasonably permit the drawing of specifications or the receipt of competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, insurance premiums are subject to control of the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of New Jersey so as to adequately protect the Borough; and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that the 2018 budget for the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus will contain the necessary appropriations being reasonably required for the purchase of the aforesaid insurance policies

WHEREAS, a certification of availability of funds has been received from the Chief Financial Officer or that such funds will be encumbered by Purchase Order on an as needed basis pursuant to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4 et seq, and

WHEREAS, the above named professionals have completed, submitted and filed a Business Entity Certification Disclosure which certifies that the above named persons and/ or entities have not made any reportable contributions to any political or candidate committee including (committee to elect Shell and Iannelli), Ho-Ho-Kus Republican organization; Ho-Ho-Kus Democratic organization; Bergen County Republican Organization and Bergen County Democratic organization) in the previous one (1) year, and that the contract will prohibit the above named professionals/business entities from making reportable contributions through the term of the contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus, the Eastern Insurors Inc.

(General & Risk Consultant), Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund are hereby retained as the insurance advisors for the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus for the calendar year 2018, and they are further authorized and directed to provide all insurance coverages which are necessary or appropriate to protect the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus and its properties from the several risks of being a municipality of the State of New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the purchase of the aforesaid insurance coverage for the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus is being made without competitive bidding under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et seq. in that the purchase of insurance policies is of such a complex nature as will not reasonably permit the drawing of specifications or the receipt of competitive bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be published in the Ridgewood News within ten (10) days of its passage as required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this contract is being awarded as a non-fair and open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the determination of value be placed on file with this Resolution.

Motion: Councilman Iannelli

Second: Councilmember Rorty

All ayes

Absent: Councilmember Shell

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

- 18-03 By-Laws  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the By-Laws as revised July - 1962 and interpreted for the year 2006 be and they are hereby adopted for the year 2018.
- 18-04 Investment of Funds  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to invest funds, not reasonably required for the payment of any current obligations of the Borough, in legally authorized investments.
- 18-05 Meeting Nights

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. be and is hereby designated as the official meeting night of the Mayor and Council for the year 2018. (Except December)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. be and the same is hereby designated as the official Executive Session meeting night of the Mayor and Council for the year 2018. (Except December); official action may be taken.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that formal action may be taken by the Governing Body at either the Regular Public Meeting or at the Executive Session as set forth herein.

All meetings shall be held in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall, Ho-Ho-Kus, New Jersey.

	<u>Executive</u>	<u>Public</u>
January	-	23
February	-	27
March	20	27
April	-	24
May	15	22
June	19	26
July	17	-
August	21	-
September	18	25
October	16	23
November	--	27
December	18	--

- 18-06 Official Depository of Funds

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the following banking institutions be and they are hereby designated as the official depositories for the funds of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus for the year 2018.

Oritani Bank

- 18-07 Official Newspapers  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the Ridgewood Newspapers of Ridgewood, New Jersey and the Record of Hackensack, New Jersey be and are hereby designated as the official newspapers of Ho-Ho-Kus for the year 2018, for the publication of all legal notices required by any law of the State of New Jersey or any Ordinance or Resolution of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus.
- 18-08 Delinquent Tax Charge  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that under N.J.S.A. 54:4-67, the rate of interest to be charged by the Collector of Taxes on all delinquent taxes shall be 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made within the tenth calendar day following the date upon which said payment became payable; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a penalty of 6% will be charged on any delinquency in excess of \$ 10,000.00 if not paid by the end of the fiscal year unless stated otherwise on the front of this bill. 2018 Real Estate Taxes will be advertised for sale after November 11, 2018; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there will be a \$25.00 service charge on Returned Checks.
- 18-09 Authorized Signatures on Checks  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that effective January 1, 2018, the authorized signatures of checks of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus, with the exception of Coupon, Developers Escrow, Municipal Court, Municipal Court Bail, Payroll, and Recreation Commission Accounts shall be:  
The Mayor or President of the Council and two of the following: Chief Financial Officer, Assistant Treasurer, Borough Clerk, Deputy Borough Clerk, and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorized signatures on Payroll Checks shall be: Borough Clerk, Deputy Borough Clerk or Treasurer, and that the authorized signature on the Developer's Escrow, Recreation Commission Checks shall be the Chief Financial Officer or the Assistant Treasurer, and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorized signatures of the Mayor, Chief Financial Officer and Borough Clerk on all checking accounts except the single signature accounts may be impressed by mechanical means, but no more than two (2) facsimile signatures be on any one (1) check.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the signatures on the Municipal Court and Municipal Court Bail Accounts shall be two of the following: Judge, Court Administrator or Deputy Court Administrator.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make transfers and wires as a single signature; to be summarized on the monthly report.
- 18-10 Establishment of Petty Cash Fund  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that a petty cash fund, in the amount of \$300.00 be and is hereby established for the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus for the year 2018.
- 18-11 Purchase Agreements Authorization  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus is hereby authorized to enter into joint agreements with the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey for the purchase of any and all goods and supplies deemed feasible and necessary by said during the year 2018

- 18-12 Transfer of Interest  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the interest earned on the subsidiary checking accounts of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus to the Current Account at least quarterly, and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer also transfer the interest earned on the Capital Account of the Water Department to the Water Trust Account at least quarterly.

- 18-13 Private Cars  
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that those employees who use their own cars for Borough business - properly authorized and substantiated shall be reimbursed at the rate of .56¢ per mile or current year prevailing IRS rate.

#### 18-14 Payroll

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus for the calendar year 2018, have established every 15<sup>th</sup> and the last day of the month as pay day; and

BE IT RESOLVED that partial payrolls are authorized at the beginning of the year to establish the system and at the end of the year to comply with State statutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to release all payroll checks at 4:30 P.M. on the day before.

- 18-15 Waive Water penalties  
WHEREAS, from time to time, for reasons assignable to neither, the property owner nor the Borough, situations arise when it is apparent that penalties in minor amounts for non-payment of water charges should be waived, WHEREAS, the Borough Council deems it in the best interest of the Borough to authorize such waivers as may be justified and appropriate in the discretion of the Borough Administrator as to individual property owners of properties not to exceed the sum of Forty Dollars (\$40.00).  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that authorization be and is hereby granted to the Borough Administrator to waive minor penalties in respect to the water charges when, in the exercise of sound discretion, the circumstances so warrant. Such waivers are not to exceed the amount of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) in respect to any individual property owner of property.

- 18-16 Tax Appeals  
WHEREAS, the Bergen County Tax Board requires a resolution by the Municipal Governing Body authorizing the Assessor/Tax Collector to file appeals and settlements of stipulations with the Bergen County Tax Board for the purpose of correcting assessments for the year 2018;  
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Assessor/Tax Collector be authorized to file such appeals when necessary; and  
WHEREAS, the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus is expected to become involved in tax appeal litigation both at the Bergen County Board of Taxation and the New Jersey Tax Court during the year 2018;  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body that the Tax Assessor and Municipal Attorney be and they are hereby authorized to review all appeals and to file counterclaims to protect the Borough's interest in those cases, which they deem necessary and appropriate

- 18-17 Tort Claim Notice Format  
WHEREAS, the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:8-6, provides that a public entity may adopt a form to be completed by claimants seeking to file a Notice of Tort Claim against the public entity, and  
WHEREAS, the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus is a public entity covered by the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, and  
WHEREAS, the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus deems it advisable, necessary and in the public interest to adopt a Notice of Tort Claim in the form attached hereto and made a part hereof, and  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus, assembled in public session this 2<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2018 that the attached Notice of Tort Claim form be and hereby is



Mark Berninger	Construction Code Official
Angela Musella	Health Officer
Richard Bierwas, Reverend	Shelter Co-Coordinator
John Hanlon	Planning Board Chair / Mitigation
Diane Mardy	Superintendent, Lloyd Road School
Alternates:	
Anthony Grego	Police Captain/P.D. Liaison
Keith Rosazza	Fire Department Representative

- 18-24 Inter-local Rapid Deployment Force  
WHEREAS, the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus is continually seeking ways to reduce costs while improving efficiency and services to the community; and  
WHEREAS, it has been found that the costs involved with the repair and maintenance of Ho-Ho-Kus Borough Vehicles can be greatly reduced through an inter-local agreement with the neighboring Borough of Paramus; and  
WHEREAS, such an agreement for repairs and maintenance would include: parts, tires, motor oil, hydraulic oil, transmission fluid, anti-freeze, coolant, gear oil, Freon, scheduled repairs and maintenance, and unscheduled repairs,  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Interlocal Agreement shall take effect upon the adoption of the appropriate resolutions by both municipalities.
- 18-25 Inter-local Vehicle Repairs  
WHEREAS, the police departments in Bergen County have a day-to-day responsibility to provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order; and,  
WHEREAS, Law Enforcement officials also have a responsibility to provide for preparedness against natural emergencies, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, etc., manmade causes such as riots, strikes, jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, ethnic disorders, terrorists incidents and bombings, State and National emergencies; and,  
WHEREAS, the Bergen County Police Chief's Association has proposed a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force to deal with these emergencies which is adopted in accordance with the Provisions of NJSA 40A:15-156, NJSA 40A-156.1, NJSA 40A:15-156.4 AND NJSSSA App. A:9-40.6; and,  
WHEREAS, the Plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of requesting, dispatching and utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction in the event of an emergency in order to protect life and property; and,  
WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus to participate in a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force,  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the Police Department of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus, under the direction of the chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chief's Association to create an Interlocal Services Agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen to put into place the Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force; and,  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, Board of Chosen Freeholders the County Prosecutor and all surrounding municipalities in the County of Bergen.
- 18-26 Temporary Budget – Regular & Capital  
Moved: Cn. Troast  
Second: Cn. Rorty  
All ayes  
Absent: Cn. Shell
- 18-27 Settlement Agreement  
WHEREAS, litigation is pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Bergen County, entitled Montag v. Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus and Steven Shell, et als. (“Defendants”), Docket No. BER-L-2077-13 (“the Litigation”); and

WHEREAS, the parties have negotiated a proposed settlement; and  
WHEREAS, the Defendants believe it is in their best interest to settle to avoid the uncertainty and costs of continued litigation; and  
WHEREAS, as a condition of the settlement the Defendants do not admit any liability or responsibility; and  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that it does hereby authorize a settlement of the Litigation for the total amount of \$750,000.00 (\$500,000.00 to be paid by the Borough's insurance carrier and \$250,000.00 to be paid by the Borough); and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, the settlement is subject to receipt from the Plaintiff of releases and a Stipulation of Settlement with prejudice, in a form satisfactory to the Defendants' attorneys.

Moved: Cn. Troast

Second: Cn. Crossley

All ayes

Absent: Cn. Shell

#### NEW BUSINESS

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS AND MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Randall: Welcome back Councilmembers Shell and Iannelli. Very fortunate to have them both back on the council, with all their diverse opinions. Thank you to all the council for all their support in the past year and the hard work they put into the town, especially the one issue we just heard about that is behind us. The other being our litigation for affordable housing which, we have successfully settled. Thank you to all our professionals, our police department and volunteers.

Council President Troast thanked Mayor Randall for all his hard work and dedication.

Pastor Richard Bierwas from Ho-Ho-Kus Community Church offered the Benediction.

#### CLOSED SESSION

None

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council and on a motion by Councilmember Crossley, seconded by Councilmember Troast, Mayor Randall adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Borchers, RMC/CMR  
Borough Clerk.

