

Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus  
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Mayor and Council Public Meeting Minutes  
November 21, 2023 7:00 p.m.

The Combined Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus was held in the Municipal Building at 333 Warren Avenue, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ on November 21, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Councilman Iannelli who asked the Clerk to read the open a public meeting statement:

The Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus is now in session in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the “Open Public Meetings Act”. Notice of this meeting has been posted in the front lobby entrance to the Borough Hall and Council Chambers, a copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies of the Annual Notice of Meetings, of which this is a part, have been heretofore sent to the Record and the Ridgewood News.

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor.....	Thomas W. Randall - <b>Absent</b>
Council President.....	Douglas Troast - <b>arrived at 7:15pm</b>
Councilman.....	Steven Shell - <b>via telephone</b>
Councilman.....	Edward Iannelli
Councilman.....	Kevin Crossley - <b>Absent</b>
Councilman.....	Dane Policastro
Councilwoman.....	Kathleen Moran

Also, in attendance: Tim Wiss Borough Attorney; William Jones, Borough Administrator; Joan Herve, Borough Clerk, Police Chief LaCroix, Police Captain Greg McBain and Library Director Morgan Tyler.

**FLAG SALUTE:**

Councilman Iannelli led those present in the salute to the American Flag.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was offered by Councilman Policastro, seconded by Councilwoman Moran to approve the minutes of October 24, 2023 Combined Meeting of the Mayor & Council. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all present voting “Ayes.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** Reports are on file in the Municipal Clerk’s office:

Police – October 2023  
Court Report– October 2023  
Health Report – October 2023  
Arborist Report - October 2023  
Library Report – November 2023

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Councilman Iannelli opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard, please raise your and to be recognized, and state your name for the record.

**Carol Tyler, 1 Stouts Lanes**

Ms. Tyler discussed the Bank of America Property – 10 Orvil Court. She feels moving the Ambulance Corp to that building would be a better use for that property than the Library. The town has the ability to address two very important issues. First issue is the fact that Ambulance vehicles have grown so large to accommodate all of the required necessary equipment that they barely fit in the current building. There is no way to improve the current situation as the overhead door frame cannot be expanded, the doors cannot be made any wider. As the 10 Orvil Court building stands now we would solve so many problems that have existed for far too long. It would meet our needs with just building a garage where the current drive through portion stands. We already purchased smaller boxed size ambulance units equipped with lower frame rigs just to get by. The Ambulance Corp is not only needed but is vital to

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our residents survival in time of health emergencies. The other issues that existed for over 8 year is the expansion of the Police Department. With the expansion by taking over the current ambulance location you can provide them with Salle Porte, Women's locker room, s training area, secured storage space for equipment, more offices & file storage. She would like the Mayor & Council strongly consider these needs before committing to a full scale rebuild of the bank building to create a new library. To address the library where is it is right now, a strategically planned multi-tired parking lot could address the main problem of the access to the library building. We already own the lot behind the building where such a parking lot could be built.

\*\*\**Council President Troast arrived at 7:15pm*

Councilman Iannelli closed the meeting to the public.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Thank you letter from Valley Home Care for the donation in memory of Charles Wisloh, Jr.

### **ADMINISTRATORS REPORT**

#### **Unfinished Business**

Water Filtration System Project – remains on schedule

West Saddle River Road Resurfacing Project – Completed, this was done with over \$300,00 grant money, cost nothing to tax payers.

#### **New Business**

Best Practices – Best Practice is required by the State to file every November. Our score was 37.5, where 29 points are required to received 100% of your state aid. There is a heavy push on the following which we are already ahead of  
- Master Plan needs to be updated to have a component for climate change, also electric vehicles & charging stations.

### **ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES**

#### **Ordinance #2023-90**

**“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 81 OF THE CODE ENTITLED “WATER AND WATER RATES”  
BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that Chapter 81 of the code is hereby amended as follows:

**81-21 Rates and Charges** is amended as follows:

- (a) Effective January 1, 2024 all water taken or consumed shall be charged to consumers at the following rates:
- (1) Eight Dollars (\$8.00) per one thousand (1,000) gallons, with a minimum charge of Sixty Dollars (\$64) per quarter, or any part thereof.
- (2) For Water usage over the minimum the following chart will apply:

	Gallons	Rate per 1,000 Gallons	Amount
Minimum	8,000	\$8.00	\$64.00
Next	12,000	\$8.40	
Next	20,000	\$8.90	
Next	40,000	\$10.05	
Over	80,000	\$12.25	

#### **SECTION III: 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.

#### **SECTION IV: Effective Date.**

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

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Councilman Iannelli opened the meeting to the public. He stated this is the time and place for the public hearing on Ordinance #2023-90 and all persons who wishes to be heard, please state your name before making your statement. Seeing none, Councilman Iannelli closed the meeting to the public.

A motion was offered by Councilman Policastro and seconded by Councilman Iannelli to adopt Ordinance #2023-90. Motion carried on a roll call vote – All present voting “Aye”

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES** - None

**CONSENT RESOLUTIONS** (23-115 thru 23-123)

All Items listed were considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Mayor and Council and were approved by one motion.

**Resolution #23-115**

**A Resolution - Payment of bills – November**

WHEREAS, claims have been submitted to the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus in the amount of \$2,417,950.22; and  
WHEREAS, such claims have been listed according to Department and account number with corresponding vouchers to be reviewed and approved by the Mayor and Council; and,  
WHEREAS, the CFO has determined that the funds have been properly appropriated for such purposes and are available, in the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus and that the claims specified on the schedule attached hereto, following examination and approval by the Mayor and Council, be paid and checks issued accordingly; and,  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the claims totaling \$2,417,950.22; be approved and ratified respectively

**BILL LIST**

23-01370	08/31/23	03212	ESS, INC.	RE-PROGRAM RADIOS - FIRE DEPT	Open	512.50
23-01481	09/26/23	02686	ONE CALL CONCEPTS	ONE CALL MESSAGES - OCT 2023	Open	70.07
23-01488	09/26/23	00070	STATE LINE FIRE & SAFETY INC	ALPHA X GLOVE - FIRE DPT	Open	74.65
23-01538	10/03/23	03328	CIVICPLUS LLC	CIVICCMS FEE RENEWAL-WEBSITE	Open	2,100.00
23-01577	10/10/23	02983	NJ ST ASSN OF CHIEFS OF POLICE	OPRA TRAINING SEMINAR - POL.	Open	299.00
23-01652	10/20/23	01840	OPTIMUM	POLICE/CAD CABLE 11/16-12/15	Open	106.37
23-01653	10/20/23	00030	HO-HO-KUS BOARD OF EDUCATION	SCHOOL TAX - MONTH OF NOV	Open	1,580,275.60
23-01655	10/23/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	ENG. ROAD OPENING-59 ELMWOOD	Open	250.00
23-01656	10/23/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	ENG ROAD OPENING - 723 WARREN	Open	250.00
23-01657	10/23/23	02271	H2M ASSOCIATES INC	WATER COMPLIANCE SVCS - SEPT	Open	1,118.21
23-01658	10/23/23	00209	WORTH PINKHAM MEMORIAL LIBRARY	TRANSFER Q4 2023 OPER CASH	Open	45,000.00
23-01659	10/23/23	02712	OPTIMUM **	OPTONLINE SVC DPW 10/16-11/15	Open	105.18
23-01660	10/23/23	00723	DELLA RICA & SONS INC	REPLACE WATER SV LINE 679 WSRR	Open	4,800.00
23-01661	10/23/23	01151	OAKLAND-MARINE & EQUIPMENT	BACK PACK BLOWER - DPW	Open	657.98
23-01662	10/23/23	03206	ON-SITE FLEET SERVICE	DIESEL EMISSIONS TEST - DPW	Open	167.50
23-01663	10/23/23	03472	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SAFETY VESTS -DPW	Open	30.58
23-01664	10/23/23	03472	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	TRANSFER PUMP - WATER DEPT	Open	191.88
23-01665	10/23/23	03186	CONFIDENTIAL SHREDDING	4 HOUR SHRED EVENT 10/21	Open	523.00
23-01666	10/23/23	02899	OFFICE CONCEPTS GROUP	OFFICE SUPPLIES - SOLID WASTE	Open	123.79
23-01667	10/23/23	03100	GABRIELLI KENWORTH OF NJ, LLC	OIL AND FUEL FILTERS - DPW	Open	494.77
23-01668	10/23/23	03559	QUALITY NOZZLE CO.	REOLACE GAS LINE/HOSE - DPW	Open	418.00
23-01670	10/23/23	02892	TRUGREEN	LAWN SERVICE 10/13-NORTH FIELD	Open	527.17
23-01671	11/07/23	00012	PROSTOCK MIDLAND	OIL/OIL FILTERS/AIR FILTERS	Open	282.42
23-01672	11/07/23	03472	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	5 WADERS - BLDINGS & GROUNDS	Open	264.54
23-01673	11/07/23	00232	SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY	TRANSFORMER & PHOTOCCELL - DPW	Open	200.98

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23-01674	11/07/23	03362	ONE HOUR HEATING & AIR COND.	REPAIR POLICE A/C	Open	150.00
23-01675	11/07/23	03158	WM RECYCLE AMERICA	RECYCLING PICKUPS SEPT - DPW	Open	264.15
23-01676	11/07/23	03472	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SAFETY VEST/VACUUM CLEANER-POL	Open	196.92
23-01677	11/07/23	03004	WYCKOFF WASH	OCT 7 CAR WASHES-POL DEPT	Open	38.50
23-01678	11/07/23	01619	TYLER, GARY	REIMB.-FUEL ELEMENT/DRAIN-DPW	Open	143.12
23-01679	11/07/23	02053	ZAWADZKI, DARRYL	WORK BOOTS - 2023	Open	300.00
23-01680	11/07/23	02975	POSTMASTER	RENEW BULK MAIL PERMIT #107	Open	310.00
23-01681	11/07/23	01706	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC	CABLE FOR CAR CAMERA-POL DEPT	Open	40.00
23-01682	11/07/23	02989	APEX ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC.	INSTALL UG PVC CONDUIT-WATER D	Open	1,635.00
23-01683	11/07/23	80089	DENCH, BRIAN	2023 CLOTH. ALLOW. 2ND PAYMENT	Open	575.00
23-01685	11/07/23	80202	JONES, WILLIAM J.	REIMB. - EMPLOYEE MEETING 11/1	Open	412.45
23-01686	11/07/23	03514	HO-HO-KUS GARDEN CLUB	PURCHASE PLANTS/SOIL-BEAUTIFIC	Open	130.99
23-01687	11/07/23	01565	MINUTEMAN PRESS	2 SHIRTS FOR STIGMA FREE EVENT	Open	100.00
23-01688	11/07/23	02478	QUENCH USA	11/1-1/31 WATER COOLER MAINT.	Open	100.95
23-01689	11/07/23	03527	BOTTA ANGELI, L.L.C.	PROF SVCS PROSECUTOR - NOV	Open	916.66
23-01690	11/07/23	03208	MONMOUTH TELECOM	TELECOM SERVICE - OCT/NOV	Open	803.04
23-01691	11/07/23	03319	AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL & LAB SVCS	LEAD/COLIFORM TESTS -SEPT	Open	2,724.00
23-01692	11/07/23	01607	BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC.	EV CHARGING & A/C AMENDMENTS	Open	1,162.50
23-01693	11/07/23	03197	ARCHIVESOCIAL, LLC	ARCHIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SVC-1 YR.	Open	2,988.00
23-01694	11/07/23	00610	NJ DEPT OF HEALTH	10/1-10/31 DOG LIC #433-435	Open	9.60
23-01695	11/07/23	80108	ADAMS, NORA	SPANISH INTERPRETER-COURT 10/4	Open	200.00
23-01697	11/07/23	00106	M G L PRINTING SOLUTIONS	2500 SELF SEAL ENVELOPES-COURT	Open	413.00
23-01698	11/07/23	02863	LAW OFFICES OF GARY CUCCHIARA	DOCUMENT REVIEW - 62 EDGEWOOD	Open	220.00
23-01699	11/07/23	02863	LAW OFFICES OF GARY CUCCHIARA	LEGAL SVCS-PLANNING BOARD- OCT	Open	640.00
23-01700	11/07/23	00958	STATE OF NJ DEPT OF LABOR	QTR END 12/31/21 UNEMPLOYMENT	Open	9,465.40
23-01701	11/07/23	80329	DENCH, TIM	REIMB-WIPER BLADES FIRE CH CAR	Open	72.91
23-01702	11/07/23	00213	AMERICAN TRADE MARK	EQUIP. MARKER STICKERS-FIRE DP	Open	116.00
23-01703	11/07/23	02564	PENGUIN MANAGEMENT INC.	VOICE NOTIFICATION SYST-FIRE D	Open	876.00
23-01704	11/07/23	00070	STATE LINE FIRE & SAFETY INC	SMOKE FLUID/BALANKETS-FIRE DPT	Open	528.00
23-01705	11/07/23	02711	OPTIMUM *	OPTIMUM SVC BORO HL 11/1-11/30	Open	29.95
23-01706	11/07/23	03561	AERIAL TESTING COMPANY	2023 LADDER TESTING-FIRE DEPT	Open	2,372.50
23-01707	11/08/23	02703	NORTHEAST WATER TECHONOLGY	WATER LEAK SURVEY SVCS-4TH QTR	Open	6,426.63
23-01708	11/08/23	03261	KONICA MINOLTA BUS. SOLUTIONS	POLICE COPIER-COPIES 10/4-12/3	Open	59.72
23-01709	11/08/23	00821	AT&T	OCT 2023 FAX/LONG DISTANCE	Open	98.17
23-01710	11/08/23	03550	URBAN AUTO SPA II, LLC	CAR WASH SERVICE OCT-POL DEPT	Open	72.00
23-01711	11/08/23	02331	WISS & BOUREGY P. C.	BORO ATTY RETAINER - 4TH QTR	Open	3,000.00
23-01712	11/08/23	02331	WISS & BOUREGY P. C.	BORO ATTORNEY LEGAL SVCS-OCT	Open	4,062.50
23-01713	11/08/23	02331	WISS & BOUREGY P. C.	LEGAL SVCS RE:TAX APPEALS-OCT	Open	1,150.00
23-01714	11/08/23	02331	WISS & BOUREGY P. C.	LEGAL SVCS RE:FIRE DPT MATTER	Open	4,737.50
23-01715	11/08/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	DCRP - OCT 2023	Open	411.17
23-01716	11/08/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	CURRENT SOCIAL SECURITY - OCT	Open	14,455.45
23-01717	11/08/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	WATER DPT SOCIAL SECURITY-OCCT	Open	1,312.71
23-01718	11/08/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	SOL WASTE SOCIAL SECURITY-OCT	Open	944.63
23-01719	11/08/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL CURRENT 1/2 MNTH 10/31	Open	192,035.21
23-01720	11/08/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL-DRUNK DRIVE ENFORCEMNT	Open	891.00
23-01721	11/08/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL-WATER 1/2 MONTH 10/31	Open	9,022.25
23-01722	11/08/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL-S WASTE 1/2 MNTH 10/31	Open	5,634.65
23-01723	11/08/23	00056	TYCO ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES	ANIMAL CONTROL SVC OCT 2024	Open	560.00
23-01724	11/08/23	02863	LAW OFFICES OF GARY CUCCHIARA	LEGAL SVCS-ZONING BOARD- OCT	Open	900.00
23-01725	11/08/23	03298	PASCACK DATA SERVICES, INC	COMPUTER SUPPORT 12/15-3/14	Open	6,750.00
23-01726	11/09/23	01208	TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	UCC LICENSE-TECHNICAL ASST.	Open	91.00
23-01727	11/09/23	03504	STONE TEK MASONRY SUPPLY LLC	BLUESTONE 30"x42"x2" BEAUTIF	Open	1,192.00
23-01728	11/13/23	03298	PASCACK DATA SERVICES, INC	MS OFFICE LICENSE TO 7/1-9/30	Open	721.47

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23-01729	11/13/23	03192	PIAZZA&ASSOCIATES, INC.	COAH CONSULTING - NOV ADMIN	Open	100.00
23-01730	11/13/23	03187	PRIME LUBE, INC. *	3 DRUMS OF VEHICLE OIL - DPW	Open	1,726.41
23-01731	11/13/23	80108	ADAMS, NORA	SPANISH INTERPRETER-COURT 11/1	Open	300.00
23-01732	11/13/23	00252	RIDGEWOOD PRESS	PAPER/ENVELOPES-WATER MAILING	Open	1,799.26
23-01733	11/13/23	03166	SJS LAWN CARE SERVICES, LLC	INSTAL BLUESTONE/TOPSOI-BEAUT	Open	1,000.00
23-01734	11/13/23	03166	SJS LAWN CARE SERVICES, LLC	INSTALL MULCH/PEA GRAVEL-BEAUT	Open	1,900.00
23-01735	11/13/23	01662	AAA EMERGENCY SUPPLY	SCOTT TEST/PARTS/REPAIRS-FIRE	Open	1,942.05
23-01736	11/13/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	AMENDED SITE PLAN- 619 N MAPLE	Open	380.00
23-01740	11/13/23	00372	REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS INC	RADIO MOVED TO POL CAR #711	Open	218.75
23-01741	11/13/23	03472	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	FRONT SEAT ORGANIZER-POL DPT	Open	53.90
23-01742	11/13/23	02339	ZUIDEMA PORTABLE TOILETS	1 MO PORT TOILET N FIELD 10/25	Open	72.50
23-01743	11/13/23	00255	NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP	BORO LEGAL ADS - OCT	Open	239.10
23-01744	11/13/23	00255	NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP	LEGAL AD - PLAN BOARD - OCT	Open	11.16
23-01745	11/13/23	02590	AMERICANWEAR, INC.	OCT 2023 UNIFORMS - ROADS 2/3	Open	192.35
23-01746	11/13/23	02590	AMERICANWEAR, INC.	OCT 2022 UNIFORMS - WATER 1/3	Open	96.17
23-01747	11/13/23	02671	SUBURBAN DISPOSAL INC.	SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING OCT 2023	Open	75,439.97
23-01748	11/13/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	SITE PLAN REV-REVISION-HHK SCH	Open	125.00
23-01749	11/13/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	SITE PL/SOIL MOVING-HHK SCHOOL	Open	650.00
23-01750	11/13/23	00001	HOME HARDWARE	OCT. PURCHASES - DPW/FIRE/POL	Open	2,307.95
23-01751	11/13/23	00022	STONE INDUSTRIES, INC.	TOP ASPHALT - DPW	Open	336.18
23-01752	11/14/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	MEDICAL/PRESCRIPT/DENTAL - NOV	Open	80,554.86
23-01753	11/14/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL CURRENT 1/2 MNTH 11/15	Open	207,530.08
23-01754	11/14/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL-DRUNK DRIVE ENFORCEMNT	Open	3,390.75
23-01755	11/14/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL-WATER 1/2 MONTH 11/15	Open	11,368.86
23-01756	11/14/23	00144	BORO OF H-H-K PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL-S WASTE 1/2 MNTH 11/15	Open	8,686.70
23-01757	11/14/23	02964	WAHID, CLAUDETTE	RETIREE MED INSUR REIMB. - YR 6	Open	1,500.00
23-01758	11/14/23	00105	P S E & G	SEPT/OCT GAS/ELECT. - CURRENT	Open	1,232.25
23-01759	11/14/23	00105	P S E & G	SEP/OCT GAS/ELECT. - WATER DEPT	Open	6,358.15
23-01760	11/14/23	80285	KLEINERT, JOHN	2023 CLOTH. ALLOW. 2ND PAYMENT	Open	575.00
23-01761	11/14/23	00555	P S E & G *	ELECT. SVC-EASTGATE 10/10-11/6	Open	54.45
23-01762	11/14/23	01607	BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC.	HAZARD VULNERABILITY STUDY	Open	2,543.75
23-01763	11/14/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	BROOKSIDE RESURFACING CLOSEOUT	Open	330.00
23-01764	11/14/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	FIN. VOUCHER-BRKSIDE/CLIFF/1ST	Open	110.00
23-01765	11/14/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	ROAD OPENING-CONIFER/SAD BROOK	Open	250.00
23-01766	11/14/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	SITE PL REV-321 RACE TRACK RD	Open	400.00
23-01767	11/14/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	FOUNDATION REVIEW-2 PITCAIRN	Open	110.00
23-01768	11/14/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	INSPECT/GRADING-12 POWDERHORN	Open	330.00
23-01769	11/14/23	03529	SCHWANEWEDE/HALS & VINCE	INSPECTION 111-115 FIRST ST	Open	165.00
23-01770	11/15/23	02474	KONICA MINOLTA	BH MAINT. & COPIES 8/12-11/11	Open	740.37
23-01771	11/15/23	00106	M G L PRINTING SOLUTIONS	LASER WATER BILLS-WATER DPT	Open	875.00
23-01772	11/15/23	00372	REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS INC	REPROGRAM RADIO - AMBULANCE	Open	75.00
23-01773	11/15/23	00038	VERIZON	WATER DEPT PHONES OCT/NOV	Open	91.36
23-01774	11/15/23	00038	VERIZON	BORO DEPTS. PHONES - OCT/NOV	Open	382.99
23-01775	11/16/23	03318	NATURAL GREEN LAWN CARE	AERATE/SEED/FERTILIZE-N FIELD	Open	2,835.00
23-01776	11/16/23	03159	BOSWELL ENGINEERING. INC.	WATER TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS	Open	7,088.00
23-01777	11/16/23	03193	FIRE FILE LLC	CODE SUBSCRIPTION/SOFTWARE	Open	3,040.00
23-01778	11/16/23	03342	SPECTROTEL	INTERNET ACCESS OVER FIBER-OCT	Open	390.03
23-01779	11/17/23	03280	CLEANING WORLD, INC.	CLEANING SVC - NOVEMBER	Open	1,775.00
23-01780	11/17/23	03223	PIERCE-EAGLE EQUIPMENT	REDUCER WELDMENT/GASKETS-DPW	Open	1,080.49
23-01781	11/17/23	01457	A-VAN ELECTRICAL SUPPLY INC	GARDEN LIGHT -DPW	Open	197.09
23-01782	11/17/23	02147	PISANO, RONALD	REIMB- WORK BOOTS 2023 DPW	Open	300.00
23-01783	11/17/23	03048	QUALITY AUTOMALL	REPLACE HEAD GASKET - DPW VEH.	Open	7,978.68
23-01784	11/17/23	01157	IRRIGATION BYRALPH RUGGIERO	WINTER SHUTDOWN - SPRINKLERS	Open	710.00

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23-01786	11/17/23	02004	HOFFMAN EQUIPMENT	VEH. OIL/FUEL FILTERS/ELEMENT	Open	904.87
23-01787	11/17/23	03204	MONTAGUE TOOL & SUPPLY	SHARPEN BLADES/REPAIR CHAINSAW	Open	85.66
23-01788	11/17/23	02285	HAWTHORNE HITCH & TRAILER	CAB COMMANDER CONTROLLER - DPW	Open	515.72
23-01789	11/17/23	00208	W E TIMMERMAN	DEFLECTOR/ROLLER/BOLTS-SWEEPER	Open	515.23
23-01790	11/17/23	01571	BOROUGH OF MIDLAND PARK	QTR 4-CONSTRUCTION INTERLOCAL	Open	42,358.32
23-01791	11/17/23	03267	ELIZABETH STEWART, LLC	ARBORIST SVCS OCT- SHADE TREE	Open	1,395.00
23-01792	11/17/23	00016	PETTY CASH - JOAN HERVE	REIMBURSE PETTY CASH - NOV	Open	216.76
23-01793	11/17/23	80120	GIL, MICHAEL	2023 CLOTH. ALLOW. 2ND PAYMENT	Open	575.00
23-01794	11/17/23	02484	RACHLES/MICHELE'S OIL CO.	728 GALS GAS DELIVERED 10/31	Open	1,740.66
23-01795	11/17/23	02484	RACHLES/MICHELE'S OIL CO.	1970 GALS GAS DELIVERED 11/2	Open	4,635.10
23-01796	11/17/23	80142	CHASE, DANIEL	MATERIALS/2 CONTAINERS-BEAUT.	Open	332.50
23-01797	11/17/23	03537	P S E & G ****	ELECT/GAS CLIFF ST 10/13-11/13	Open	99.57
23-01798	11/20/23	03128	P S E & G **	ELECT/GAS ORVIL CT 10/13-11/13	Open	223.33

Resolution #23-116

A Resolution - Clerks Certification Best Practice Survey

WHEREAS, a 2023/2024 Best Practices Inventory survey was sent to the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus by the State of NJ and was required to be completed and returned to the State, certified by the CFO, no later than November 3, 2022; and WHEREAS, it was required by the State that the Municipal Clerk, following the consideration of the completed survey by the Governing Body of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus at a public meeting, complete the "Best Practices Certification Form" and return it to the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that: 1) the survey was completed correctly, certified by the Chief Financial Officer, and returned to the State before the deadline of November 3, 2023 and 2) the survey was discussed at the public meeting of the Mayor and Council on November 21, 2023 and 3) the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus hereby certifies each of the above noted points and submits the "Best Practices Certification Form" to the State as required.

Resolution #23-117

A Resolution - Drive Sober Get pulled over

WHEREAS, approximately one-third of all fatal traffic crashes in the United States involve drunk drivers; and

WHEREAS, impaired driving crashes cost the United States almost \$45 Billion a year; and

WHEREAS, 29% of motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2014 were alcohol-related; and

WHEREAS, an enforcement crackdown is planned to combat impaired driving; and

WHEREAS, the holiday season in particular are traditionally times of social gatherings which include alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, has asked law enforcement agencies throughout the state to participate in the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2023 Statewide Crackdown*; and

WHEREAS, the project will involve increased impaired driving enforcement from December 8, 2023 through January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, an increase in impaired driving enforcement and a reduction in impaired driving will save lives on our roadways;

THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED that the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus declares its support for the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2023 Statewide Crackdown* from December 8, 2023 through January 1, 2024 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving.

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Resolution #23-118

A Resolution - Towing Renewal

WHEREAS, application has been made by certain towing companies for a license pursuant to Chapter 75 of the Borough Code: Towing Services; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has reviewed such applications and has recommended two (2) towing companies for consideration of the Mayor and Council; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed the tower list;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body that it does hereby authorize the Borough Administrator to issue an official tower's license to Citywide Towing, 205 Chestnut Street, Ridgewood, N.J. 07450 and All Points Towing, 145A Hopper Avenue, Waldwick, NJ 07463 for a three (3) year term effective January 1, 2024 until December 31, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said licenses shall be subject to all requirements of Chapter 75 of the Code and the approved towers shall sign a hold harmless agreement and file a certificate of insurance coverage in accordance with Sections 75-8 and 75-9 of the Code, respectively; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of said licenses shall be provided to the approved towing companies within seven (7) days of the date of this Resolution; and

Resolution #23-119

A Resolution - Water, Solid Waste & Tax Cancellation

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A: 5-17.1 provides that a municipality may authorize the processing of tax refunds of less Ten (\$10.00) Dollars and the cancellation of Water, Solid Waste and Tax Delinquencies of less than Ten (\$10.00) Dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BEIT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough Of Ho-Ho-Kus that the Water & Solid Waste Registrar is hereby authorized to process, without any further action on the part of Governing Body, any property tax refund of less than (\$10.00) Dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Water & Solid Waste Registrar is hereby authorized to process, without further action on part of the Governing Body, the cancellation of any property tax refund, delinquency, or the charges and fees imposed by the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus of less than (\$10.00) Dollars; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified Copy of this Resolution be provided by the Municipal Clerk to the Water & Solid Waste Registrar, the Tax Collector and the Chief Financial Officer.

Resolution #23-120

A Resolution - Forgiveness of Solid Waste 4<sup>th</sup> qtr. 2022 bill

WHEREAS, 58 Jacquelin Ave, 2 Pitcairn Ave, 109 Arbor Dr, 849 Wickham Way, and 12 Powderhorn Rd, which are lots under construction; and

WHEREAS, the above residential structures and lots will be credited accordingly and then will be reviewed for the balance.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the bills in question be cancelled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Water & Solid Waste Registrar.

Resolution #23-121

A Resolution - Shared Services w/Paramus – Maintenance & Repairs of DPW Vehicles

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services Act N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. promotes the broad use of shared services as a method to reduce local expenses funded by property taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services Act allows for any local unit to enter into an agreement with any other local unit or units to provide or receive any services with each local unit participating in the agreement that is empowered to provide or receive within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Paramus is willing to provide certain labor and maintenance of DPW vehicles owned by the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus as needed; and

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WHEREAS, the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus may require the use of such labor and maintenance for its DPW vehicles; and  
WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has attached hereto a certification that adequate funds will be provided in the 2023 budget to pay for this agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that it does hereby authorize and approve a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Paramus for use of certain labor and maintenance for its DPW vehicles in the form of the Shared Services Agreement currently on file with the Municipal Manager's office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Shared Services Agreement shall be open to public inspection immediately after passage of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the subject Shared Services Agreement is intended to take effect upon adoption of authorizing resolutions by both the Borough of Paramus and the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus as well as execution of said Agreement by authorized officials of both entities and shall continue for a period of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 unless either party notifies the other in writing of intent to cancel the Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to sign such Shared Services Agreement following legal review.

Resolution #23-122

A Resolution - Property Tax Exemption – 1 Ferris Court

WHEREAS, an Initial Statement of Organization Claiming Property Tax exemption was filed on October 30, 2023 on Block – 102 Lot -19 otherwise known as 1 Ferris Court assess in the name of Life Opportunities Unlimited; and

WHEREAS, our Borough Assessor has reviewed and certified documents in reference to said exemption on November 17, 2023 and has deemed 1 Ferris Court to be exempt from Real Estate Tax in the year 2024.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough Council authorize the Tax Collector collect all tax balances due for the final year 2023.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough Council authorize the Tax Collector to cancel all amounts due for the upcoming real estate tax year 2024.

Resolution #23-123

A Resolution - Rescinding Renewal of Liquor License 0228-33-002-010 (pocket license)

WHEREAS, the below listed Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License was inadvertently renew on May 23, 2023;

WHEREAS; licensee failed to file for a 12.39 Special Ruling, and therefore license renewal has been rescinded, and

<u>License No.</u>	<u>License Name</u>	<u>Business Location</u>	<u>Municipal Fee</u>
0228-33-002-010	Ho-Ho-Kus Inn & Tavern LLC	(POCKET LICENSE)	\$2000.00

THEREFORE; BE IT RESOLVED; by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus that the above listed license renewal be rescinded, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of 12.39 Special Ruling from the State said license shall be renew for the 2023-2024 license term.

A motion was offered by Council President Troast and seconded by Councilman Policastro to approve Resolutions #23-115 thru #23-123. Motion carried on a roll call vote – All present voting “Aye”.

**LIAISON REPORTS**

Recreation – Councilman Iannelli reported, the Annual Tree Lighting is scheduled for December 1<sup>st</sup>, from 6-7:30pm. Recent Budget request was asked to be reviewed.

Library – Councilman Policastro reported, Circulation in October was 5% more than September and an increase



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of 10% from last year. The Library received a donation in the amount of \$2,696.00 from the Contemporary Club of Ho-Ho-Kus.

Board of Education – Councilman Policastro reported, there is a minimum day on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>. The school will be closed on Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> and Friday, the 24<sup>th</sup>, for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Tomorrow, Wednesday, is “Special Person’s Day” to celebrate the special person in the lives of students in Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

10 Orvil Court Improvements – Councilman Policastro reported, The Mayor & Council is in the process of evaluating the study findings and recommendations and is in active dialogue and discussion with the Library Board of Trustees. We hope to have a resolution by the end of the year at which point the public will be duly informed.

Ambulance Corps – no report

Shade Tree/Beautification – no report

Fire Department – Councilman Shell continues to thank the FD Department for their protection to the residents, hard work and dedication. Looking for them to participate in our Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Chamber of Commerce – Councilman Shell reported the Chamber will be participating with the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony and the luminary event.

Police - Chief LaCroix reported over the last few weeks they have done about 42 hours of DWI enforcement.

DPW – Administrator Jones reported they are in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of leaf pick-up. Veterans banners came down after Veterans Day and the wreaths went up.

## **MAYOR COMMENT**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilman Iannelli, seconded by Councilwoman Moran, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m. Motion Carried by voice vote – all present voting “Aye”.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Herve RMC/CMR  
Borough Clerk