

July 16, 2008

MINUTES of a Special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey held on the 16th day of July, 2008 at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Government Center, Secaucus, N.J.

Present: Mayor Dennis Elwell  
Councilmembers: John Bueckner (via telephone)  
Richard Kane  
Michael Gonnelli  
Gary Jeffas  
John Shinnick (arrived 5:50pm)  
John Reilly

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The following statement was read by Town Clerk, Michael Marra:

"Adequate notice for this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, has been provided by the filing of the notice of Meetings with the Municipal Clerk, the posting of said notice on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and the delivery of same to the Secaucus Home News on July 14, 2008.

This body wishes to advise you that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-11.1, et seq. of the Indoor Air Quality Standards and Procedures for Buildings Occupied by Public Employees, smoking anywhere in this public building is prohibited by law.

In the event of a fire or other emergency, please note that there are two exits in the rear of the Council Chamber which may be used."

The first item on the agenda is as follows:

The following resolution to read: No. 2008-92

**RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE THE 2008 MUNICIPAL BUDGET  
FOR THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS**

**Section 1.**

Municipal Budget of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson for the Fiscal year 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenue and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for year 2008;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said budget be published in the August 7, 2008 issue of the Secaucus Home News.

The governing body of the Town of Secaucus does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2008.

Councilman Reilly moved to introduce the 2008 Municipal Budget for the Town of Secaucus, seconded by Councilman Kane.

Town Administrator, David Drumeler gave an overview of the budget.

Mayor Elwell thanked all for the work done on this budget.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Gonnelli

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-93

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, there remain certain General Capital Improvement appropriation balances unused; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the

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unexpended, balances may be returned to each respective Capital Improvement fund or credited to Surplus, and unused debt authorizations may be cancelled.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the following unexpended balances of General Capital Appropriations be cancelled:

<u>Ordinance No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Cancelled</u>
2008-25	Various Public Improvements	\$350,000.00

Chief Financial Officer, Margaret Barkala gave a brief explanation of the foregoing resolution.

Councilman Gonnelli moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted, seconded by Councilman Kane.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-94

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Town of Secaucus will not be able to adopt its budget sufficiently in advance of the third quarter tax due date of August 1, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has determined that there will be insufficient cash flow to support operations in late July without third quarter revenue being received on time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Town of Secaucus as follows:

1. The Tax Collector be and is hereby directed to take all necessary steps to send out estimated bills for the third quarter 2008 in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:5-66.2 et seq.

2. That the Chief Financial Officer has reviewed the permissible tax levy range and found the range should be set at 1.0733% of the previous year's tax levy. (2007) Tax Levy \$76,329,001.11 by 1.073% + \$81,920,345.45 or a tax rate of \$32.44 per thousand or 8.1% increase.

3. That the Tax Collector take any and all additional steps to implement the substance of this resolution.

Councilman Reilly moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted, seconded by Councilman Shinnick.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Mayor Elwell spoke about two requests for Use of Facilities for Kane Stadium. He said that he would provide more information as it is received.

Councilman Gonnelli moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 PM, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

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Michael Marra, Town Clerk

