

Township of South Hackensack  
Bergen County, New Jersey  
August 2, 2012 7:30 P.M.  
Worksession Meeting  
MINUTES

Gary C. Brugger, Mayor .....Present  
Frank Cagas .....Present  
Walter Eckel, Jr. ....Present  
William Regan .....Absent  
Vincent Stefano .....Absent

Also present:

Mary Terraccino, Deputy Clerk  
David V. Nasta, Esq., Municipal Attorney

### Call of Meeting to Order

Mayor Brugger called the Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. He advised that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act Annual Notice of the meeting had been provided to *The Record, the Herald and News* and by posting the Annual Notice on the bulletin board in the clerk's office where notices are customarily posted. Everyone saluted the flag. The municipal clerk called the roll.

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to go into closed session at 7:35 p.m. and to suspend the regular order of business with Frank Covelli and Chris Botta to discuss one of the matters listed on the closed session resolution. David Nasta reclused himself from this closed session. Minutes of closed session were recorded and will be made available to the public when authorized by the governing body and permitted by law.

- Michael D. Frew vs. Township of South Hackensack et als. Docket No. L-00520-12

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed at 8:10 p.m. to close the closed session and reopen the meeting

### Correspondence & Reports

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to accept and approve the Blue Light Permits for Gabriel Carmes, Jenifer Lange, Scott Felgner, Christopher, Gnazzo, Chris Stalker and Brian Smith.

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to accept and file the Columbus Day Parade of North Jersey Committee info and to contact Lauren Zisa regarding an ad in the journal.

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to accept and file the July 20, 2012 report from DPW Supt. Larry Paladino Re: various locations for stump grinding and tree removal. The Committee further approved the quote from Pine Hill Tree Service in the amount of \$3025 to perform these services.

Brugger motioned; Cagas seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to accept and file the Audit Report from Lerch, Vinci, and Higgins, LLP for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Brugger motioned; Cagas seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to accept and file the correspondence from Joann DeGrosa dated July 26, 2012. Gary Giordano the president from Galaxy Recycling Inc. reported to the Committee that he would see that Mrs. DeGrosa gets reimbursed for the tarp and potting soil that was disposed of in error by Galaxy.

Brugger motioned; Cagas seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to accept and place on file the LOSAP financial statement for year ended December 31, 2011 from Lerch Vinci, and Higgins, LLP.

## Old Business

79 East Wesley Street – Larry Paladino reported that he was hoping to get this catch basin repair done through the contractor New Prince that is currently doing work on various roads throughout the town. The Committee further discussed the monies left over from the Bond that supported the road project. Nasta advised the Committee that they could select other options for the balance of the bond or chose to cancel it out. He would speak with Steve Bond Counsel and report back on the August 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mayor Brugger stated that he would like to cancel out the balance of the unspent funds of \$60,000 to save the taxpayers' money and from increasing our tax debt. Paladino at this point said he would hold off on the catch basin repair. He estimated that this repair would be around \$2500 and Brugger informed him to look into other ways to correct this problem.

2012 Bergen County Open Space Trust Fund – Mayor Brugger informed the Committee that this is a matching funds grant for park improvements. The deadline on this application is August 30, 2012 by 4 p.m. Cagas met with Larry and suggested that we apply to top soil and seed the infield and clay the softball field, resurface the jog track, and to also submit the security cameras proposal. Mary indicated that we would need cost estimates on these suggestions in order to complete and submit the grant application. Mayor Brugger directed Larry to get these quotes and provide them for the next meeting for further discussion.

2013 CDBG Block Grant – Mayor Brugger informed the Committee that the deadline to file for this grant is October 5, 2012. Frank Cagas requested a copy of the criteria for this grant. Only low to moderate income areas of our town qualify for this funding. Mayor Brugger and Mary will meet to discuss some proposals to submit for this grant.

Kauker & Kauker COAH Services – There have been a lot of changes regarding the timely expenditures of the affordable trust fund monies. Brugger indicated that we have to work with

our planners Kauker & Kauker to see that these funds are handled properly so that we don't lose them to the state. We currently have \$128,000. We should retain the services of Kauker as proposed in their letter dated July 9, 2012 to handle the continuing COAH services at a cost not to exceed \$4000.

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to authorize David to prepare the resolution for the August 9, 2012 meeting pertaining to these services.

Red Light Traffic Cameras – David reported that there a couple minor issues outstanding with this contract and that he was hopeful that he would have the final version by next week's meeting. He has been in touch with Mr. Kaufman with ATS. The program was suspended for a short time but is now back in service.

Police Officer Hiring – Brugger reported that they have completed the review of well over 200 applications for the police jobs. It has now been narrowed down to 14 finalists. Brugger would like David to draw up a letter notifying them as a finalist and to provide any other documents necessary to complete their file. David indicated that the interview authority is with the Township Committee and this should be further broken down to a sub-committee to continue the process. Vincent and Gary will continue on this interview sub-committee as they were part of the application review. The letter will be sent regular mail and certified mail for proof of delivery. Chief Frew asked if all the other applicants will be notified by mail. Nasta informed him that it was not necessary. We have a fully adopted the ordinance that the Committee has followed and at this point it is time for the interview process. David Nasta and Chief Frew will be part of the interview process with Brugger and Stefano.

## New Business

Municipal Clerk – There have been a few candidates interviewed for this position that started with Linda and Gary and now being carried on with Mary. Gary requested some feedback from the other committee people on these possible candidates and to interview both finalists. The office is extremely short handed. The Mayor would like this position to be handled and fulfilled by next month. A decision should be made by next Thursday. Frank & Bill should interview both candidates on Monday night before Bill leaves for vacation and Walter and Vincent should interview the second candidate sometime before the next meeting.

## Ordinances

Second Reading, Public Hearing, and Adoption of  
ORDINANCE NO. 2012-10

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SALARIES, RETAINERS, AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICE CHARGES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH HACKENSACK FOR 2010, 2011, AND 2012

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee agreed to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2012-10

Since there were no comments from the public:

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee agreed to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance No. 2012-10  
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Brugger, Cagas, & Eckel Absent: Regan & Stefano

## Resolutions

Brugger motioned; Cagas seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to adopt the Resolution for Closed Executive Session.

### Resolution No. 2012-162 Emergency Resolution N.J.S.A. 40A:4-49 (over 3% limit)

Brugger informed the public that this was prepared for all the pending tax appeals. We now have over \$300,000 appeals waiting to be settled by the County/State. The town will need to go for a tax refunding bond in the future to pay over 3 years. Once the county approves the appeals, refunds have to be issued and the money has to be budgeted. If the amount is over 3% of our total budget an emergency resolution has to be applied for with the state. The total request of \$425, 000 = \$350,000 for tax appeal refunds and \$75,000 is for the legal fees on tax appeals and appraisals only. Most other towns are handling this same situation. If the County has not settled all of these claims by year end, then we could cancel some of these pay outs and use next years budget monies.

This resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the full membership and only three members were present. This may require the Township Committee to hold a Special Meeting since all members will not be present at next week's meeting. This resolution was tabled for now and Mary will contact all Committee members for their availability to schedule the Special Meeting.

### Resolution No. 2012-163 Documenting Compliance with the Spending Requirements of N.J.S.A 52:27D-329.2 and 329.3 –Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund

Brugger reported that the town has to have a spending plan in place on the COAH non-residential fees that have been collected to date. The plan would be to provide financial assistance for properties that qualify. There is a possibility that the State could take these funds from us if we do not have these funds allocated with some type of spending plan. We are not the only town going through this process. We only have \$128,000 and some other towns have over a million dollars.

Offered: Brugger

Second: Eckel

Roll Call: 3 Ayes: Brugger, Cagas, & Eckel Absent: Regan & Stefano

## Committee Reports

Frank Cagas – reported that the renovations to Veteran's Park are almost complete. He met with Larry, Boswell and D'Arminio to address the finishing items.

Walter Eckel – stated that the park project turned out to be a nice improvement.

Gary Brugger – reported that he has been emailing a representative with DEP regarding the Green Street ditch under Route 80 and the ditch behind the old Restaurant Depot. The Mayor of Teterboro has also been involved with this matter. The Riser ditch needs to be cleaned out. This DOT property is being restricted from the DEP. Cagas stated that Hackensack doesn't have covers on their drains in the street.

## Public Comments

Larry Paladino – reported that he attended a meeting with Boswell, Frank Cagas and the engineer for the Condemni project. A few different options were discussed on the sewer system. PVSC was against the proposed options of tying into the Lodi main and for Condemni to provide their own pump station. Roger will set up another meeting with the PVSC to further discuss this matter. Larry insisted that our Garfield Pump Station be raised up to a second floor to address the pump station from being flooded out again. We now have to think about the 150 condos and business that will be affected. PVSC has the flow charts and should give their opinion on what can be handled in that area. Brugger stated that this project should be closely monitored for any upgrades to the infrastructure so that all is noted in the Developers Agreement and not being billed to the town. If the pump and control panel that we have now is adequate, then the pump station just needs to be raised.

Chief Michael Frew – questioned the parking permit for Mrs. Marino from 70 Hoffmann Street in Hackensack. Nasta informed the Chief that he has rendered his opinion in writing and has left it up to Chief Frew's department to make the determination. All are welcome to National Night Out on Tuesday August 7<sup>th</sup> and the Chief inquired about possibly holding this event at Memorial School next year. The Ambulance Corp. is also sponsoring a blood drive for that night.

Kim Rereich – expressed her concern with the Ambulance Corp holding a beef steak fundraiser in the fall so close to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade beef steak fundraiser on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Brugger will forward her concern to Bill Regan to further discuss with the ambulance members.

Lonnie Bedell – addressed the Committee with ongoing garbage issues with the new contractor – Smentowski (Galaxy Carting). He insisted that he does not want the garbage workers in his backyard and that he has not received the reimbursement monies for the potting soil and tarp that was taken away with the garbage.

Dolly Montenegro – questioned if the Municipal Clerks position was advertised and the Mayor informed her that it was on the NJLM and the Clerk's Association website. She inquired about the liability of the adult equipment installed at the park and Nasta informed her that we were covered just like any other equipment that is there already. She suggested to camera the old clay sewer lines on Huyler Street. Larry reported that the sewer lines seem to be fine. There is too much water in these lines for the use of the camera but the manholes show the flow. The DPW will continue to monitor these lines. Bingo night was moved to Monday night due to National Night out on Tuesday. She commented on the approval of the addition to Memorial School that the school Supt. Dr. DeFabiis noted that this improvement would be a great community building for town affairs. Brugger will advise Vincent Stefano to inquire about this at the school board meeting and then further noted that he would contact Dr. DeFabiis personally.

## Closed Session

Brugger motioned; Cagas seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to go into closed executive session at 9:33 p.m. to discuss those matters listed on the closed session resolution.

Minutes of closed session were recorded and will be made available to the public when authorized by the governing body and permitted by law.

- ❑ COAH Affordable Housing Trust Funds
- ❑ 25 Grove Street – Notice of Appeal Weiland Contracting Company
- ❑ Kelly & Ackerman v. Township of South Hackensack
- ❑ Troy MacDonald v. Township of South Hackensack
- ❑ DPW Supt. – Lawrence Paladino – Contract Negotiations
- ❑ Police Chief – Michael D. Frew – Contract Negotiations

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to close the closed session and reopen the meeting at 10:30 p.m.

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to authorize David V. Nasta to represent the Construction Code Official -Hugh James Riley in the Appeal Case of Weiland Contracting Company for 25 Grove Street.

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to authorize David V. Nasta to represent the Township on all the COAH related matters.

Brugger motioned; Cagas seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to approve the tax appeal settlement for Kelly & Ackerman for 500 Route 46 known as Block 1.01 Lot 4.02 and to authorize the resolution at the August 9, 2012 meeting.

### Adjournment

Brugger motioned; Regan seconded and the Committee unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Terraccino  
Deputy Clerk

**Resolution Authorizing Executive Session – August 2, 2012 – Regular Meeting**

A Resolution Providing for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of South Hackensack is subject to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6*, et seq., and

Whereas, the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12*, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

Whereas, it is necessary for the Township Committee of the Township of South Hackensack to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b and designated below:

\_\_\_\_(1) *Matters Required by Law to be Confidential*: Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

\_\_\_\_(2) *Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds*: Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.

\_\_\_\_(3) *Matters Involving Individual Privacy*: Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

\_\_\_\_(4) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements*: Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

\_\_\_\_(5) *Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds*: Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

\_\_\_\_(6) *Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property*: Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law.

X (7) *Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege*: Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is require in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.

**COAH – Affordable Housing Trust Funds**

25 Grove Street – Notice of Appeal Weiland Contracting Company

Kelly & Ackerman v. Township of South Hackensack

Troy MacDonald v. Township of South Hackensack et als.

Michael D. Frew vs. Township of South Hackensack et als.

X (8) *Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship:* Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.

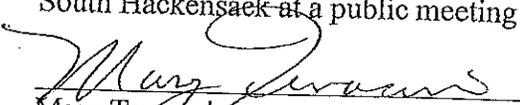
DPW Supt. – Lawrence Paladino – Contract Negotiations  
Police Chief – Michael D. Frew – Contract Negotiations

(9) *Matters relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty:* Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party bears responsibility.

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of South Hackensack assembled in public session on this date, that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held in the South Hackensack Township Municipal Complex, 227 Phillips Avenue, South Hackensack, New Jersey, for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above.

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Township Committee that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of South Hackensack at a public meeting held on August 2, 2012.

  
Mary Terraccino  
Deputy Clerk

Date: August 2, 2012

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH HACKENSACK  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2012-163

Resolution No. 2012-163 Documenting Compliance with the Spending Requirements of N.J.S.A. 52 : 27D - 329.2 and 329.3 – Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund

WHEREAS, the Township of South Hackensack, Bergen County was granted Third Round Substantive Certification by the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) on August 12, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Township of South Hackensack received approval of its Revised Development Fee ordinance from COAH on April 24, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the development fee ordinance establishes an affordable housing trust fund that includes development fees, payments from developers in lieu of constructing affordable units on site, barrier free escrow funds, rental income, repayments from affordable housing program loans, recapture funds, proceeds from the sale of affordable units; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.1(d) requires a municipality with an affordable housing trust fund to receive approval of a spending plan from the department prior to spending any of the funds in its housing trust fund; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.10 requires a spending plan to include the following:

1. A projection of revenues anticipated from imposing fees on development, based on pending, approved and anticipated developments and historic development activity;
2. A projection of revenues anticipated from other sources, including payments in lieu of constructing affordable units on sites zoned for affordable housing, funds from the sale of units with extinguished controls, proceeds from the sale of affordable units, rental income, repayments from affordable housing program loans, and interest earned; rental income, repayments from affordable housing program loans, and interest earned;
3. A description of the administrative mechanism that the municipality will use to collect and distribute revenues;
4. A description of the anticipated use of all affordable housing trust funds pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.7, 8.8, and 8.9;
5. A schedule for the expenditure of all affordable housing trust funds, provided that the trust fund balance as of July 17, 2008 is committed for expenditure within four years of

that date and that all development fees and any payments in lieu of construction are committed for expenditure within four years from the date of collection;

6. If applicable, a schedule for the creation or rehabilitation of housing units;
7. A pro-forma statement of the anticipated costs and revenues associated with the development if the municipality envisions supporting or sponsoring public sector or non-profit construction of housing;
8. The manner through which the municipality will address any expected or unexpected shortfall if the anticipated revenues from development fees are not sufficient to implement the plan; and
9. A description of the anticipated use of excess affordable housing trust funds, in the event more funds than anticipated are collected, or projected funds exceed the amount necessary for satisfying the municipal affordable housing obligation.

WHEREAS, the Township of South Hackensack has prepared an updated Spending Plan, consistent with N.J.A.C. 5:97-8:10 and P.L. 2008 c.46, committing \$129,191.33 to fund its 10-unit rehabilitation obligation in concert with the Bergen County Home Improvement Program. The 10-unit rehabilitation obligation is an integral part of the Township's 3rd Round approval of plan of compliance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Township of South Hackensack, Bergen County maintains that it has met all legal requirements for the approval of the Township's Spending Plan, has received substantive approval from COAH of said plan in its third round certification and has as a result and a matter of law committed Trust Fund resources in the amount of \$129,191.33 to rehabilitate ten (10) housing units in compliance with its COAH approved Master Plan Housing Element and Fair Share Plan.

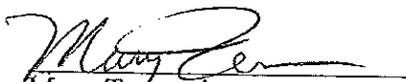
Offered: *Brugger* Second: *Eckel*

Roll Call Vote: 3 AYES: *Brugger, Cagaw + Eckel* 2 ABSENT: *Regan, Stefan*

Date: August 2, 2012

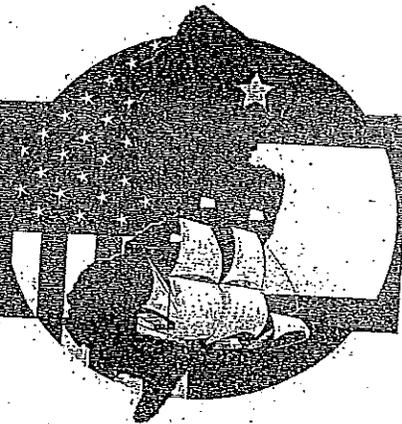
ATTEST:

APPROVED:

  
Mary Terraccino  
Deputy Clerk

  
Gary Brugger  
Mayor

# COLUMBUS DAY PARADE OF NORTH JERSEY



**TRUSTEES:**

Jack Zisa  
Ralph A. Contini  
Mike Melfi  
Lauren Samulka  
Steve Lo Iacono

July 12, 2012

Township Clerk: Linda LoPiccolo  
227 Phillips Ave.  
South Hackensack, NJ 07606

CC: Mayor Gary Brugger  
Deputy Mayor Frank X. Cagas.  
Committee Member Walter Eckel Jr.  
Committee Member William Regan  
Committee Member Vincent Stefano

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SOUTH HACKENSACK  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

Dear Mayor Brugger and South Hackensack Committee Members:

Hackensack is once again hosting a Columbus Day Parade on September 30, 2012. We would like to invite you to take part in the Columbus Day Parade of North Jersey in Hackensack, Bergen's county seat. The parade will step off promptly at noon and it will end with a festival at the Bergen County Courthouse.

We hope that this event will again attract thousands of people from throughout New Jersey and neighboring states. It includes floats, bands, civic, professional, fraternal, police, military and many, many more organizations. The purpose of the parade is to salute Christopher Columbus, to preserve and maintain the great legacy of this navigator and at the same time give a well-deserved thank you to community members such as yourselves.

We would like to be able to count on you to help continue this great tradition and bring it to another level. We look forward to a very successful event and to sharing the day with you.

We are enclosing our registration material and information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lauren Lisa Samulka".

Lauren Lisa Samulka

Columbus Day Parade of North Jersey Committee

Columbus Day Parade of North Jersey, Inc.

65 Central Avenue

Hackensack, NJ 07601

(201) 646-3902

[www.columbusdayparadeofnorthjersey.org](http://www.columbusdayparadeofnorthjersey.org)

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Public Works

Township Of South Hackensack Dept. Public Works

Lawrence J. Paladino, Jr. CPWM  
Superintendent  
77 Franklin Street  
South Hackensack, NJ. 07606

Telephone 201-440-3283  
Fax 201-641-0393

July 20, 2012

To Mayor & Council

From: Lawrence J. Paladino, Jr CPWM  
Superintendent

Re: (6) tree's and (1) Stump Grind

Dear Mayor & Council;

Please be advised that I have enclosed price quotes for tree removal and stump grinding for 6 trees and 1 stump. The locations are 112 Phillips Ave, 36 Grove St, 235 West St, 64 Maple St, (2) at 46 Siever's La, and 1 stump on Siever's La. The tree's are a hazard and should be addressed immediately. It appears that Pine Hill Tree Service is the lowest bidder at \$3,025.00 Please review quotes, and let me know if you would like to proceed with this project.

Respectfully Submitted

  
Lawrence J. Paladino, Jr CPWM  
Superintendent

- CC/ G. Brugger
- W. Eckel
- F. Cagas
- B. Regan
- V. Stefano

**Pine Hill Tree Service**

27 Pine Hill Drive

Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458

(201) 825 - 7143

(201) 848 - 8980

**Estimate**

DATE	ESTIMATE #
7/24/2012	190

NAME / ADDRESS
South Hackensack DPW 227 Phillips Ave. S. Hackensack, NJ 07606 Attn. Larry Paladino

DESCRIPTION	QTY	COST	PROJECT
			TOTAL
Tree Removal With Stump @ 36 Grove		800.00	800.00
Tree Removal With Stump @ 64 Maple		700.00	700.00
2 Tree Removals With Stumps @ 48 Slevers		800.00	800.00
Stump Removal @ 7 Slevers		75.00	75.00
Free Removal With Stump Across From 112 Phillips		300.00	300.00
Tree Removal With Stump @ 235 West		350.00	350.00
ALL STUMP GRINDINGS REMOVED TO GROUND LEVEL			
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$3,025.00</b>

pe To Hear From You Soon

# PROPOSAL

**R & P LANDSCAPING**  
340 CASTLE DRIVE  
ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632

Tel (201) 440-2516  
Fax (201) 227-0032  
Cell (201) 906-9097

SUBMITTED TO: **Township of So. Hackensack**  
227 Phillips Ave.  
So. Hackensack, NJ 07606

PHONE: 201-233-2405

DATE: 7/24/12

JOB NAME:

FAX: 201-641-0393

JOB LOCATION: Various Locations

So. Hackensack, NJ

ATTN: LARRY PALADINO

Tree removal and grinding of stumps at the following locations:

64 Maple Street

235 West Street

36 Grove Street

46 Seivers Lane

7 Seivers Lane

Across from 112 Phillips Ave

Total \$3,075.00

We propose hereby to furnish material and labor - complete in accordance with above specifications, for the sum of:

Three thousand seventy five ----- Dollars (\$3,075.00)

Payments to be made as follows:

All material is guaranteed to be as specified. All work to be completed in a workmanlike manner according to standard practices. Any alteration or deviation from above specifications involving extra costs will be executed only upon written orders, and will become an extra charge over and above the estimate. All agreements contingent upon strikes, accidents or delays beyond our control. Owner to carry fire, tornado and other necessary insurance. Our workers are fully covered by Workman's Compensation Insurance.

Authorized Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Note: This proposal may be withdrawn by us if not accepted within \_\_\_\_\_ days

Acceptance of Proposal - The above prices, specifications and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to do the work as specified. Payment will be made as outlined above.

Date of Acceptance \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Info: Kussel Assoc., 190 Moore St., Hackensack, NJ 07601 201-489-6366

LERCH, VINCI & HIGGINS, LLP

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS  
REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTANTS

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FAIR LAWN, NJ 07410  
TELEPHONE (201) 791-7100  
FACSIMILE (201) 791-3035  
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*Rec'd  
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DIETER P. LERCH, CPA, RMA, PSA  
GARY J. VINCI, CPA, RMA, PSA  
GARY W. HIGGINS, CPA, RMA, PSA  
JEFFREY C. BLISS, CPA, RMA, PSA  
PAUL J. LERCH, CPA, RMA, PSA  
DONNA L. JAPHET, CPA, PSA  
JULIUS B. CONSONI, CPA, PSA

ELIZABETH A. SHICK, CPA, RMA, PSA  
ANDREW FARENTE, CPA, RMA, PSA  
ROBERT W. HAAG, CPA, PSA  
DEBORAH K. LERCH, CPA, PSA  
DEBRA GOLLE, CPA  
CINDY JANACEK, CPA, RMA  
RALPH M. PICONE, CPA, RMA, PSA  
EDWARD N. KHRE, CPA

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July 25, 2012

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Honorable Mayor and  
Township Committee  
Township of South Hackensack  
227 Phillips Avenue  
South Hackensack, NJ 07606

Dear Governing Body:

We have submitted this day to the Township of South Hackensack for distribution to the Governing Body and other officials, nine (9) copies of the Report of Audit for the year ended December 31, 2011.

The Municipal Clerk is requested, in accordance with N.J.S 40A:5-7, to publish in the official newspaper of the local unit, a synopsis of this audit together with our recommendations. We will submit to the Municipal Clerk the synopsis that is to be published within the thirty-day period commencing this day.

We respectfully request that the Municipal Clerk acknowledge the receipt of the Audit Report and that the recommendations contained herein will be reviewed by Governing Body.

Very truly yours,  
LERCH, VINCI & HIGGINS, LLP  
*Gary J. Vinci*  
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Registered Municipal Accountant  
RMA Number CR00411

Enclosure

July 26, 2012

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SOUTH HACKENSACK  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

Township of South Hackensack  
Linda Lo Piccolo, Municipal Clerk  
227 Phillips Avenue  
South Hackensack, NJ 07606

Re: Galaxy Recycling, Inc. - Complaint

Dear Mrs. Lo Piccolo,

I am writing this letter as a formal complaint against Galaxy Recycling, Inc., I spoke to you a few days ago regarding this. As you are also aware, I spoke to Mary Terraccino on July 2<sup>nd</sup> making her aware of the items (tarp and 5 bags of potting soil) taken in error by Galaxy.

I telephoned Galaxy and spoke to Mr. Tom Serbo who advised me to send him a copy of the receipt for the items and a check would be issued by Galaxy in that amount, which is \$49.57. I sent him a letter with the copy of the receipt on July 8, 2012 - copy attached. I have made several telephone calls, to Mr. Serbo with no results. My calls were directed to his voice mail.

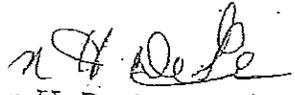
Since the date of this writing, I have not received a return telephone call from Mr. Serbo, or Galaxy for that matter. I have not received my money either.

At the township meeting that was held when Galaxy was awarded the contract, the owner of the company stated any problems to let him know. Well, this is a problem and I want to be reimbursed; not by Galaxy, then by the Township.

I will be attending the August 2, 2012 township meeting, and will address the Mayor and Township Committee at that time regarding this, or a positive outcome.

Thank You.

Sincerely yours,



John H. DeGrosa  
10 Grove Street  
South Hackensack

cc

*Sent to TC via email  
cc: DVN + Galaxy*

*delivered*

July 8, 2012

Galaxy Recycling, Inc.  
Three New York Avenue  
Jersey City, N.J. 07307

Attn: Mr. Tom S.

Re: Back Yard Pick Up Monday, July 2, 2012

Gentlemen:

Attached is a copy of the Home Depot receipt for the 5 bags of potting soil along with the cost of a 12'x16' blue tarp. These items were taken from my backyard, stored in a container, a distance away from my other trash and recycle bins. On the morning of July 2, 2012, my trash was set on the driveway/street and was picked up by your service. A couple of hours later, I noticed a brown container in my driveway. In fact I thought it belonged to someone else. When I checked the containers in the yard, I realized it was mine, and it did not have the potting soil or tarp in it. It was picked up by one of your workers as trash from my back yard.

I notified your office on Monday, and was told I would receive a call back regarding this matter the same day, and I did not receive the call. I called the following day, and spoke to (you), Tom S., who told me to mail in the receipt, and I would receive your check in the amount as stated on the receipt (\$49.57) to cover the replaced soil and tarp.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Joann H. De Grosa  
11 Grove Street  
South Hackensack, N.J. 07606

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SOUTH HACKENSACK  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

Linda LoPiccolo, Township Clerk  
Township of South Hackensack  
227 Phillips Avenue  
South Hackensack, NJ 07606

Dear Linda:

Enclosed please find ten (10) copies of the Length of Service Awards Program Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2011. Please distribute copies to the Mayor and Council, the CFO, and retain the remaining copy for your files.

Very truly yours,  
LERCH, VINCI & HIGGINS, LLP

*Gary J. Vinci*

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Enclosures

CC: Thomas Neff, Director, Division of Local Government Services