



Agenda

Hightstown Borough Council

Special Meeting

September 28, 2010

Council Chambers

6:30 PM – Executive Session

7:30 PM – Public Session

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES DURING YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING TO AVOID SOUNDS/RINGING OR CONVERSATION THAT MAY INTERFERE WITH THE MEETING OR THE ABILITY OF ATTENDEES TO HEAR THE PROCEEDINGS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Robert Patten.

STATEMENT: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice was provided to the *Trenton Times* and the *Windsor-Hights Herald*, and is posted in the Borough Clerk's office.

Roll Call

Executive Session: **Resolution 2010-211** Litigation – Minute Maid

Flag Salute

Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda

Interviews Council Will Publicly Interview the Nominees for the Vacant Council Seat for an Unexpired Term Ending December 31, 2011 and Deliberate Same

Public Comment I Any person wishing to address the Mayor and Council at this time will be allowed a maximum of three minutes for his or her comments.

Resolutions **2010-212** Appointing a Member to a Vacant Council Seat for an Unexpired Term Ending December 31, 2011

The Swearing In of the newly appointed Councilmember will take place at this time.

2010-213 Authorizing an Emergency Repair to Well #2

Public Comment II

Mayor/Council/Administrative Comments and Committee Reports

Adjournment

Resolution 2010-212

*BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
COUNTY OF MERCER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY*

APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER TO FILL A VACANCY

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy in the office of Councilmember due to the resignation of Michael Theokas effective September 8, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Vacancy Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:16-1 *et seq.*), provides that the Municipal Committee of the party that previously filled the seat shall submit within fifteen (15) days three (3) names for Council's consideration in filling the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Republican Municipal Committee submitted the names of three (3) Nominees on September 21, 2010; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Municipal Vacancy Law, the Borough Council must, within 30 days of receipt of said nominations, fill the vacancy by the appointment of a successor from the same political party which had nominated the incumbent whose office had become vacant; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has publicly interviewed the nominees presented by the Republican Municipal Committee and deliberated the appointment to fill the vacancy with a member who would best serve the residents of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council to appoint _____ to fill the position of Councilmember for the unexpired term ending December 31, 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown that _____ is hereby appointed to serve in the position of Councilmember to fill the unexpired term of resigned Councilmember Michael Theokas, said term ending December 31, 2011

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting held on September 28, 2010.

*Debra L. Sopronyi
Borough Clerk*

JOHN W. ARCHER III

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Below is the information that I believe qualifies me to be a wise choice for the current position of council person.

- Volunteer Fireman for 28 years with the Hightstown fire department..
- Fire Chief (volunteer) for 10 years
 - In the position of fire chief, I dealt with the town residents on a face to face basis dealing with their problems and concerns no matter what degree of strife they were in. I have developed many lasting relationships with many of the residents and believe that trust has been established.
- Budget Planner
 - As fire chief, I was responsible to plan and dictate a budget that would allow the fire company to function at the capacity that was required while at the same time understanding the tax payers responsibility. This experience has familiarized me with the Borough of Hightstown's budget process and how to create and maintain a budget that will help the borough save money, time and energy.
- Foreman Borough of Hightstown Public Works Dept. for 15 years
 - Working for the Borough kept me in direct contact with residents helping them with everyday projects including garbage, recycling, water, sewer, snow removal, parks, sidewalks, street lighting, etc.
 - Maintained the structure of all public buildings in the Borough.
 - Thorough understanding of the inner workings of the town and have and continue to learn a great deal about the infrastructure of the Borough.
- Resident for 60 years
 - I am proud to be a homeowner in Hightstown. My family was also from Hightstown and this is where my roots remain. They are planted deep. I want only the best of our town. I want my family and friends to be proud here too and would like the upcoming generations to prosper in Hightstown.
- Past Commander of the Hightstown American Legion Post 148
- Current Director for the Division of Fire in Robbinsville Township since 1/4/10
- Realtor since 1978

I would like the opportunity to help the Borough of Hightstown in whatever ways necessary. I truly believe I would be an asset to this community as a council person not only because I have a wide array of experience and time in this town, but also because Hightstown is my home.

Thank you for the opportunity to work together with you to continue to improve Hightstown.

John Archer



Professional:

8/10-Present Trenton Municipal Alliance Committee Trenton, NJ

Health and Wellness Consultant

- Coordinating community outreach in Senior Centers
- Drug/alcohol Awareness, Prescription drug use/misuse, Smoking Cessation
- Encouraging healthy lifestyles in the Senior Community

12/05-8/10 New Brunswick Cardiology Group Somerset, NJ

Cardiovascular Technologist

- EKG/Stress Technician; Adenosine, Dobutamine, Treadmill, Cardiac Ultrasounds
- Patient Education, Quality Assurance, Scheduling, OSHA, Inventory Control of Nuclear Products, Medications, Supplies

03/04-04/06 Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital New Brunswick, NJ

EKG/Stress Technician

- EKG/Stress Technician; Persantine, Dobutamine, Treadmill, Echos
- Cath Lab Coordinator
- Clinical Care Technician/Phlebotomist

10/98-10/03 Kalispell Regional Medical Center Kalispell, MT

Cardiovascular Technician

- Telemetry Tech/Unit Secretary/CNA in IMC, CCU, ICU, ER
- Monitored up to 40 telemetry patients
- Transcribed Physician's Orders in Pre/Post Cath and Pre/Post Open Heart Surgery Units

Political

Present:

- Municipal Chair/Club President of Hightstown Republican Club
- 2009 Campaigned for Borough Council
- Campaigned for Michael Theokas and Ashley Hutchinson
- Multiple Campaigns for Congressman Chris Smith

Kalispell, MT

1993-2003 (SC/MT)

- Various positions within Republican Party
- Volunteered in numerous campaigns from local to presidential
- Poll Worker/Challenger

Flathead County, MT &
Fairfield County, SC

Education:

Present Mercer County Community College West Windsor, NJ

- Gerontology Program

Present MONOC Wall, NJ

- Accelerated EMT Basic

05/04-11/05 Sanford Brown Institute Iselin, NJ

- Cardiovascular Technology

1991-1992 Flathead Community College Kalispell, MT

- Biology/Nursing

Community/Civic Activities:

- Board of Health
- Founded Eldercare Ministry at Princeton Alliance Church, Plainsboro, NJ
- First Aid Squad, Hightstown
- East Windsor/Hightstown League of Women Voters
- Medical Reserve Corp, Mercer County, NJ
- Animal Welfare Committee
- Hightstown Triathlon, Community/Stream Clean-up Day, Walkability Study, Harvest Fair
- Hope Unlimited for Kids, Brazil

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EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Educational Administration, Rider University, Lawrenceville, NJ, 1998.

Master of Arts in English, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, 1991.

Bachelor of Science in Education, State University of New York, Oswego, NY, 1964.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- September 2003 to December 2005: Adjunct Professor, Department of Education, Rider University, Lawrenceville, NJ.
- February 1998 to August 2003: Principal, Littlebrook School, Princeton Regional School District, Princeton, NJ.
- September 1992 to February 1998: Curriculum Coordinator/Staff Development Coordinator (1992-1998), Elementary Supervisor/Reading Recovery Teacher and Site Coordinator (1995-1998), Princeton Regional School District, Princeton, NJ.
- September 1989 to June 1992: Teacher (1st and 2nd grades, multi-age classes), Littlebrook School, Princeton Regional School District, Princeton, NJ.
- September 1971 to June 1989: Teacher (1st and 2nd grades), Walter C. Black School, Ethel McKnight School, East Windsor Regional School District, Hightstown, NJ.
- September 1964 to June 1965: Teacher (2nd grade), Bear Road Elementary School, North Syracuse Regional Schools, North Syracuse, NY.

SPECIAL HONORS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- >Graduated with Distinction, Rider University, May 1998.
- >Dodge Fellow Grant Recipient, Principals' Center for the Garden State, 1998.
- >Co-founder, Central Jersey Teachers Applying Whole Language, 1989; President, 1989-1994.
- >Governor's Award for Outstanding Teaching, 1986, Ethel McKnight School, East Windsor Regional School District, Hightstown, NJ.
- >Workshop Presenter, Language Arts, Balanced Literacy Programs, Reading/Writing Workshop, 1985-present.
- >Board member, Princeton Young Achievers, 2000-2003.
- >President, East Windsor Education Association, 1985-1989.
- >Co-President, Princeton Regional Administrators' Association, 1998-2000.

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- >Reading Recovery Teacher Training, 1996.
- >Frameworks Literacy Training, 1995.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- >Hightstown Housing Authority Commissioner, 2005-present.
- >Historic Preservation Commissioner, 2005-present.
- >Member of the Rise Board of Directors, 2004-present.
- >Animal Welfare Committee, Co-founder, Present 2005-2009.
- >Community Fair, Co-chair, 2006-2010, member 2003-2005.
- >Friday Club of Hightstown, Vice-President, 2009-2010.
- >Rocky Brook Garden Club, member 2005-present.
- >Community Unity Group, co-founder and member, 2009-present.
- >Hightstown Republican Club, President, 2003-2009.