

DRAFT MINUTES

These are the Draft Minutes of the Agenda Conference of the Borough Council of North Plainfield, New Jersey held on Monday, 13 October 2015.

Every attempt has been made to make these as comprehensive and conclusive as possible. However, as it is a draft document, it is not to be construed as a formal depiction of the official conduct of business and is subject to revision up to and following the Governing Body's actual approval of same. If changes are necessary, revised minutes will be posted to the website.

MINUTES of the Agenda Conference of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Tuesday, **October 13, 2015** at 7:31 p.m. at the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Everett Merrill (absent – excused)
Keiona R. Miller
Frank Righetti
Wendy Schaefer
Douglas M. Singleterry
Frank “Skip” Stabile
Lawrence La Ronde, Council President

Also Present: Michael Giordano, Jr., Mayor
David E. Hollod, Business Administrator
Dominic DiYanni, Esq., Associate Borough Attorney
Richard K. Phoenix, RMC, Borough Clerk

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mr. Singleterry.

Council President La Ronde requested a moment of silence for the men and women serving in our Armed Forces.

The Council President read the following Notice of Compliance:

"This is an Agenda Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, scheduled by resolution of the Council adopted on December 8, 2014. Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.* by transmitting said notice to the *Courier News*, *The Star-Ledger* and *WKMB* Radio on December 10, 2014, by publication of the announcement in the *Courier News* of December 12, 2014 and by posting a copy of this notice on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building and Memorial Library reserved for such purpose."

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Giordano read the following Proclamation:

I, Michael Giordano, Jr., Mayor of the Borough of North Plainfield, New Jersey, do hereby proclaim that Halloween will be celebrated in the Borough of North Plainfield on Saturday, October 31, 2015. Door-to-door Trick or Treating shall begin no earlier than 2:00 p.m. on this date and end no later than 9:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Patterson, 472 Tappan Avenue, North Plainfield, shared his concerns with the resident at 473 Catalpa Avenue operating an illegal auto-body shop. Reporting that the noxious fumes from the vehicle paint are so severe one cannot sit outside, he pleaded for stricter enforcement. Mr. Rodino advised that a summons had been issued with an October court date.

Steven Burdick, 465 Catalpa Avenue, North Plainfield, reported that the resident at 473 had been operating the illegal auto-body shop since 2013. On October 9, 2014 Mark Tighe and Dave DeRosa conducted an inspection of the property with Mr. DeRosa finding evidence of violation. Mr. Burdick called for proper enforcement of the violation.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Best Practices Inventory** – D.E.H. Patrick DeBlasio, Chief Financial Officer, was present. Mr. Hollod explained that the Borough must complete an annual worksheet in order to receive one hundred percent of its state aid. No official action is required other than certification from the Clerk that the topic was discussed, he advised.
2. **Authorizing an amendment to the Municipal Shared Services Defense Agreement Regarding the Development of Affordable Housing Obligations** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod explained that due to health issues, Dr. Burchell was unable to complete the obligations under the Research Agreement set forth in the MSSDA originally executed by the Borough.
3. **Energy Aggregation Status** – D.E.H. Reporting that the consultant had fallen ill and was unable to attend the meeting, Mr. Hollod advised it would be tabled.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS:

Mr. Stabile happily reported that the Texas Roadhouse had opened its doors for business.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Righetti, seconded by Mr. Stabile and carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President