

DRAFT MINUTES

These are the Draft Minutes of the Agenda Conference of the Borough Council of North Plainfield, New Jersey held on Monday, 14 March 2016.

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MINUTES of the Agenda Conference of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Monday, **March 14, 2016** at 7:33 p.m. at the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Everett Merrill
Keiona R. Miller
Frank Righetti
Wendy Schaefer
Douglas M. Singleterry
Frank "Skip" Stabile
Lawrence La Ronde, Council President

Also Present: David E. Hollod, Business Administrator
Eric M. Bernstein, Esq., Borough Attorney
Richard K. Phoenix, RMC, Borough Clerk

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

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 14, 2015. 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*, *The Alternative Press* and *WKMB* Radio on December 15, 2015, by publication of the announcement in the *Courier News* of December 17, 2015 and by posting a copy of this notice on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building and Memorial Library reserved for such purpose."

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Virginia Muhammad, 14 Magnolia Avenue, North Plainfield, voiced her displeasure with early Sunday morning noise. Mr. Stabile advised that this ordinance would prohibit noise before 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings.

Frank D'Amore, Sr., 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, reported that the Borough of South Plainfield now requires the registration of private surveillance cameras with their police department and urged for consideration of same. Further advising that South Plainfield requires a solicitors' registry, the speaker noted they maintain a no knock list as well.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Vacant/Abandoned Property Registry – W.W.S.** Ms. Schaefer explained that the ordinance is ready for introduction barring objection from the Council. All Council members were satisfied and Mr. La Ronde called for introduction at the next meeting.

2. **Planning Board Ordinances – D.M.S.** Mr. Singleterry proposed introduction of the ordinance as soon as possible. Reminding of the strict notice requirements for the ordinance, Mr. Bernstein advised of the need for assistance from administration.

1. **Noise Ordinance – F.S.S.** Mr. Stabile advised that the ordinance is ready for introduction, Mr. Merrill concurred. The councilman noted that Mr. George continues to draft a permitting ordinance for future consideration. Voicing his support of the noise ordinance, Mr. Singleterry favored it be in place prior to summer.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS:

Mr. Merrill reported on the Board of Education's Resolution which honored three North Plainfield teenagers for their heroism. He explained that the three Somerset County Vo-Tech students assisted in safely stopping their bus after the driver suffered a medical emergency.

Mr. La Ronde reported that the Recreation Committee would meet on March 15.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Merrill and carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President