

DRAFT MINUTES

These are the Draft Minutes of the Agenda Conference of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Monday, 12 June 2017. 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 Monday, **June 12, 2017** at 7:35 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 (absent – excused)
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
Stephanie Sherwood, RMC, CMR, Deputy Clerk

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Ms. Miller.

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 November 28, 2016. 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 November 29, 2016, by publication of the announcement in the *Courier News* on December 1, 2016 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:

Frank D’Amore, Sr., 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, requested that the Borough’s phone alert system be utilized should inclement weather require the cancellation of an event.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Shade Tree Advisory Board Member Terms of Service** – L.L.R. Council President La Ronde proposed a change in the terms of service for the Shade Tree Advisory Board, specifically a four-year term rather than the current five-year term.

2. **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD, CHAPTER VI ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES,” ARTICLE IV ENTITLED “REGULATION OF LICENSES”**- L.L.R. The Council President advised that the amendment would allow for liquor sales to begin at 11:00 am on Sunday mornings. The sale of alcoholic beverages will cease at 1:00 am on Monday mornings, he remarked. Recalling that he had proposed an earlier closing for Monday mornings when he was the Council President, Mr. Singleterry voiced his support.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Pet Shop Ordinance** – W.S. Ms. Schaefer announced that the ordinance would be introduced that evening.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS:

Recalling his previous report that the American Sign Language courses at the high school would be discontinued, Mr. Merrill happily announced that the school changed the decision and would continue to offer the ASL courses.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President