

DRAFT MINUTES

These are the Draft Minutes of the Agenda Conference of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Monday, 14 August 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, **August 14, 2017** at 7:36 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
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 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, commented on the rash of vehicle burglaries throughout town and proposed contacting outside law enforcement agencies to combat the issue. He further requested that the phone alert system be used to advise residents of crimes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing with Houston-Galveston Area Council** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod explained that Chief Eaton had determined that the use of the Houston-Galveston Area Council cooperative purchasing program would result in cost savings for the service, material and delivery of a new ambulance and other applicable equipment and materials.
2. **Mitigation Participation in the Second Update of Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod explained that this resolution authorizes the second update of the Somerset County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan allowing us to continue to reduce hazard risks, strengthen community resiliency, and remain eligible for potential FEMA funding.
3. **Parking and Traffic Ordinances** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod detailed the five ordinances set for introduction which would address various traffic and parking related issues.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS:

Mr. Merrill reported that over one million dollars of scholarship funds had been awarded to the 2017 high school graduates. Due to teacher resignation, the American Sign Language program would be eliminated. Bob Lake will be the Middle School Vice Principal and Maura Harrington the Somerset School Vice Principal, he concluded.

Mr. Singleterry announced several upcoming events including a magic show at Vermeule on August 16 at 7:30 p.m. and an outdoor movie night on August 19. The Council President added that there would be a music concert at Vermeule on August 23 from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President