

DRAFT MINUTES

*These are the Draft Minutes of the Agenda Conference
of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Tuesday, 29 May 2018.*

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MINUTES of the Agenda Conference of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Tuesday, **May 29, 2018** 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 (absent – excused)
 Wendy Schaefer
 Douglas M. Singleterry
 Frank “Skip” Stabile
 Lawrence La Ronde, Council President

Also Present: Michael Giordano, Jr., Mayor
 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 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 27, 2017. 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 28, 2017, by publication of the announcement in the *Courier News* on December 1, 2017 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, 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, stated his opposition to Governor Murphy's plan to legalize recreational marijuana as it goes against the DARE training.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Resolution Authorizing the Closeout, Release of Retainage and Approval of Change Orders for Fine Construction for the Memorial Library Renovation Project – D.E.H.** Mr. Hollod explained that this resolution authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute all necessary documents to close out the Memorial Library Renovation Project, issue Payment No. 4 (Final) and approve Change Work Orders Nos. 1 and 2.

2. **Resolution Authorizing Grotto Engineering to Provide Design, Bid, Construction and Contract Administration Services for the Clinton Avenue Road Reconstruction Project – D.E.H.** Mr. Hollod advised that the Borough received a grant in the amount of \$259,000 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Aid for pavement, sidewalk, curb and drainage improvements to Clinton Avenue. This resolution authorizes award of the design, bid, construction, and contract administration services to Grotto Engineering.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS:

Mr. Merrill reported that the State Department of Education's Ethics Committee found no ethics violations with the Board of Education vis-à-vis Dr. McLaughlin. The search for a new superintendent of schools remains on-going, he concluded.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President