

DRAFT MINUTES

*These are the Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Monday, 14 January 2019.*

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MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Monday, **January 14, 2019** at 8:03 p.m. at the North Plainfield Borough Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey.

PRESENT:

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

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

The Council President read the following Notice of Compliance:

"This is a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, scheduled by resolution of the Council adopted on November 19, 2018. 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 20, 2018 by publication of the announcement in the *Courier News* of November 24, 2018 and by posting a copy of this notice on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building and Memorial Library reserved for such purpose."

The Clerk had submitted copies of the minutes of the Executive Session of December 17, 2018 and the Biennial Organizational Meeting of January 1, 2019.

The Council President called for a Roll Call on the minutes of the Executive Session of December 17, 2018:

Aye: Corzo, Merrill, Miller, Singleterry, Stabile

Abstain: La Ronde

The Council President called for a Roll Call on the minutes of the Biennial Organizational Meeting of January 1, 2019: All in favor.

The Council President announced the following appointment:

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR REQUIRING COUNCIL CONFIRMATION:

LICENSED SEWER OPERATOR:

David Hopkins One-year term
Ms. Miller presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-01 BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 19-01 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing February 11, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, as the time and the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey as the place for hearing and final adoption.

Seconded by Mr. La Ronde and on Roll Call carried all six voting aye.

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 19-01 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD, CHAPTER VII ENTITLED, "TRAFFIC," SECTION 7-15 ENTITLED,"HANDICAPPED PARKING," MOST NOTABLY, SCHEDULE XXI, "ON STREET HANDICAPPED PARKING."

CONSENT AGENDA

Council President Stabile stated that all matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Mr. Merrill presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-02 BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that resolutions numbered

01-14-19-02a, b, c, d, e, f, g

having been placed on the Consent Agenda and there having been no objection thereto, the same are hereby approved as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Singleterry and on Roll Call carried all six voting aye.

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-02a RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD APPOINTING A LICENSED SEWER OPERATOR

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of a professional to act as the Borough's C-3 Sanitary Sewer Operator for the 2019 calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to retain the services of David Hopkins of Mott MacDonald to act as the Borough's C-3 Sanitary Sewer Operator and believes that David Hopkins is eminently qualified to perform such engineering services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that David Hopkins of Mott MacDonald is hereby appointed as the Borough's C-3 Sanitary Sewer Operator for the 2019 calendar year.

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-02b RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE BOROUGH'S SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE PLAINFIELD MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE DISPOSAL OF TYPE 10 SOLID WASTE FROM THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield and the Plainfield Municipal Utilities Authority are currently parties to a Shared Services Agreement, authorized under the Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. seq., for the removal and disposal of Type 10 Waste from the Borough of North Plainfield; and,

WHEREAS, the current Shared Services Agreement is set to expire on March 31, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Municipal Utilities Authority has expressed an interest in renewing the current Shared Services Agreement for an additional one (1) year term, with the current pricing not to change during said additional one (1) year term and subject to the same terms and conditions as set forth in the current Shared Services Agreement between the parties; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of renewing the Shared Services Agreement with the Plainfield Municipal Utilities Authority for the removal and disposal of its Type 10 Waste from the Borough of North Plainfield for an additional one (1) year term, based upon the terms and conditions as set forth above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk on behalf of the Borough, to sign and/or execute the documents necessary to effectuate the one (1) year renewal of its current Shared Services Agreement with the Plainfield Municipal Utilities Authority for removal and disposal of Type 10 Waste from within the

Borough of North Plainfield, which Shared Services Agreement is incorporated herein by reference as if same was fully set forth, without the need for any further action of this Borough Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-02c WHEREAS, the following applicants have filed applications for coin-operated amusement devices licenses for calendar year 2019 and have submitted the required fees; and

WHEREAS, review of the applications with accompanying sketches and investigations of the sites by appropriate Borough officials disclosed that the granting of these applications would be in order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that coin-operated amusement devices licenses be granted to the following applicants for calendar year 2019 in accordance with the filed applications, subject to all conditions and requirements set forth in N.P.R.G.O. 4-2:

Mi Mundo Latino. LLC
375 Somerset Street
North Plainfield, NJ 07060

Tesoro Salvadoreño Restaurant Inc.
64 Somerset Street
North Plainfield, NJ 07060

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-02d WHEREAS, St. Luke's Church, 300 Clinton Avenue, North Plainfield, New Jersey, has applied for Bingo License Amendment BA-399A; and

WHEREAS, St. Luke's Church has also applied for an on-premise merchandise Raffle License RA-1177 and an on-premise 50-50 Raffles License RA-1178; and

WHEREAS, St. Luke's Church has been issued Identification No. 352-1-14479 by the New Jersey Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission; and

WHEREAS, investigation has shown that said applicants meet the requirements for the issuance of said Bingo License Amendment and Raffle Licenses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue an amended Bingo License to St. Luke's Church for the balance of their 2019 Year Bingo Games as well as aforementioned Raffle Licenses at 300 Clinton Avenue, North Plainfield, New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-02e RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE CERTAIN AGREEMENTS WITH LIME ENERGY FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS AT BOROUGH HALL AND VERMEULE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is looking to increase energy efficiency at Borough Hall and at the Vermeule Community Center; and,

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will fund a significant portion of the cost of the installation of energy efficiency improvements through the New Jersey Clean Energy Direct Install Program (hereinafter referred to as the “State Program”); and,

WHEREAS, Lime Energy, with its principal place of business located at 4 Gateway Center, 4th Floor, 100 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102, is in the business of installing energy efficiency improvements and has submitted two (2) proposals with associated agreements for the installation of certain energy efficiency improvements at Borough Hall and at the Vermeule Community Center, all of which are contemplated and set forth in the afore-referenced proposals and agreements, copies of said proposals and agreements being maintained in the Office of the Borough Clerk, and the contents of which are incorporated herein (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreements”); and,

WHEREAS, the Agreements submitted by Lime Energy all contemplate the installation of energy efficiency improvements to partially be funded through the State Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of Lime Energy to perform all of those improvements contemplated in the afore-referenced Agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough Council does hereby authorize the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute all of the necessary Agreements with Lime Energy, 4 Gateway Center, 4th Floor, 100 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102, as contemplated in the afore-referenced Agreements, for the installation of energy efficiency improvements at Borough Hall and Vermeule Community Center without the need for any further action of this Borough Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this Contract shall be subject to the Certification of the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award is made pursuant to and consistent with the Local Public Contracts Laws of the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-02f BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to create duplicate tax sale certificate(s) as follows:

Block 17.01 Lot 12 310 Brook Avenue # 10-00020 issued 08/25/10

RESOLUTION NO. 01-14-19-02g BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the attached bills of the accounts named and for the amounts stated, having been duly audited and found to be correct as of this 14th day of January, 2019 the same be paid; and that

the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to sign and deliver warrants for the same.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Somerset County Office of Public Information Somerville, NJ	Various Communications, Advisories and News Releases
Richard K. Phoenix, RMC – Borough Clerk & Chief Operator, WPQJ970 – 1630-AM Radio	Calendar Updates and Advisories; Time-Sensitive Radio Scripts
NJ State League of Municipalities Trenton, NJ	Newsletters & Advisories
Plainfield Area Humane Society Plainfield, NJ	Invoices and Reports
Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority, Middlesex, NJ	Agenda and Minutes
NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection Trenton, NJ	Weekly Updates
Somerset County Business Partnership Somerville, NJ	Newsletters
Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority Middlesex, NJ	Minutes and Agenda
NJLTAP, New Brunswick, NJ	Newsletter
NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection Trenton, NJ	Newsletter
Somerset County Business Partnership Somerville, NJ	Upcoming Events
NJ Cannabis Media, Monroe, NJ	Supporting Tourism
Richard K. Phoenix, RMC Borough Clerk	Special Report
NJ American Water Voorhees, NJ	Advisory of City of Plainfield Year-Long Sesquicentennial Celebration
FEMA, Washington, DC	News Drop
	HMA Grant Applications

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Frank D'Amore, 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, reported that thirty-six municipalities had opposed the Governor's legalization of marijuana. He questioned the status of the Borough's ordinance opposing marijuana. Council President Stabile advised that the ordinance had been tabled as they favored waiting for the State's legislation.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Hollod explained that those municipalities in opposition to the legalization of marijuana may find that their ordinances lack the required language after the State adopts their legislation. He

announced that the Department of Public Works would continue to pick up Christmas trees through the end of January. Yoga and Zumba classes would be held at the Community Center. The Police Department will host a free seminar for North Plainfield residents about active shooter scenarios on February 5, 2019 at the North Plainfield Community Center, he concluded.

Reporting that local food banks typically run low on canned and dry food after the holiday season, Mr. La Ronde urged everyone to consider making a donation, particularly now when supermarket chains were offering discounts on canned goods.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. La Ronde, seconded by Ms. Miller and on voice vote carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President