

DRAFT MINUTES

These are the Draft Minutes of the Agenda Conference of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Monday, 11 September 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, **September 11, 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
 Wendy Schaefer (absent – excused)
 Douglas M. Singleterry
 Frank “Skip” Stabile (absent – excused)
 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
 Stephanie Sherwood, RMC, CMR, Deputy 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 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."

Mayor Giordano administered the following Oath of Office:

Probationary Patrolman Kevin Munoz.

Chief William Parenti then offered the evening's awards presentation, detailing the incidents that led to the commendatory actions of the award recipients.

NORTH PLAINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT – 2017 MERIT AWARDS

Case 16-2554 Resistance by Flight Arrest and Assist to two Other Agencies in Identifying Robbery Suspects
Unit Citation to: Ptl. Dow, Ptl. Canica, Ptl. Pelissier, Ptl. Branco, Ptl. Romasz, Sgt. Stopinski, Sgt. Perrone, Sgt. Florek

Case 16-3085 Narcan Save
Letter of Commendation to Ptl. Lewis

Case 16-3238 CDS arrest
Honorable Service Bar to Ptl. Lewis
Letter of Commendation to Ptl. DeJesus and Ptl. Marcus Steinhauser

Case 16-11108 Unconscious Male CPR Medical call
Letter of commendation to Ptl. Mazza and Ptl. Rogers

Case 16-11930 Fugitive Arrest
Unit Citation to Ptl. Canica and Ptl. Dzibela

Case 16-13526 Building Fire Rescue
Honorable Service Bar to: Ptl. Rogers, Ptl. Mazza, Ptl. Canica and Ptl. Dow

Case 16-18661 Building Fire Rescue
Honorable Service Bar to: Ptl. Rogers & Ptl. DeJesus;
Letter of Commendation to Ptl. Pelissier & Ptl. Marcus Steinhauser

Case 16-14574 Theft of Packages Arrest
Letters of Commendation to: Det. Fowler, Det. Everett, Det. VonSpreckelsen, Ptl. Pellisier, Ptl. Constantino

Case 16-25356 Theft of Packages Arrest
Letters of Commendation to: Det. VonSpreckelsen, Ptl. Steinhauser, and Ptl. Constantino

Case 16-26892 Armed Robbery Arrest
Exceptional Duty Bar to Ptl. Canica.
Honorable Duty Bar to Ptl. Mazza, Ptl. Branco and Ptl. Pelissier

Case 16-25650 Shoplifting Arrest
Letter of Commendation to Ptl. Canica and Ptl. Rogers

Council President La Ronde offered his congratulations and called for a 5-minute recess at 8:00 p.m.

The Council President reconvened the meeting promptly at 8:05 p.m. with all five council members marked present at Roll Call still in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Award of Bid for Memorial Library Renovations and Improvements** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod reported that the bids remain under review and action would be taken at the next regularly scheduled council meeting.
2. **Award of Bid for Norwood Avenue Roadway Improvements** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod explained that this resolution authorizes the award of the bid and contract for the Norwood Avenue Roadway Improvements project to the lowest responsible bidder, Cifelli & Son General Contracting, Inc.
3. **Rejection of Bids for Public Works Fueling Station** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod advised that this resolution authorizes the rejection of bids received for the Public Works Fueling Station project as all bid amounts were approximately thirty-three percent over budget.
4. **Revisions to Parking Restrictions on Wilson Avenue and Chestnut Street** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod explained that this ordinance restricts parking during school hours, specifically from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS:

Mr. Merrill reported on the success of the Parks and Recreation Committee's summer camp program. He further reported that more than 400 children had signed up to play soccer and approximately 70 children and 15 adults had signed up for archery.

Council President La Ronde reported on the town-wide garage sale scheduled for September 16 and 17.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Borough Clerk

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Council President