

DRAFT MINUTES

*These are the Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Monday, 12 March 2018.*

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MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Monday, **March 12, 2018** at 8:05 p.m. at the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Everett Merrill
Keiona R. Miller (absent – excused)
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
Phil George, 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 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* of 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."

The Clerk had submitted copies of the minutes of the Board of Health and Regular Meeting of February 26, 2018.

Council President La Ronde called for a Roll Call on the minutes:

Board of Health and Regular Meeting of February 26, 2018:

Aye: Merrill, Singleterry, Stabile, La Ronde

Abstain: Schaefer

HEARING:

The Council President opened the floor to public comment on the following:

2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Motion to close public comment by Ms. Schaefer, seconded by Mr. Merrill and on Roll Call carried all five voting aye.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12-18-01 MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2018;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Budget be published in The Courier News in the issue of March 26, 2018.

The Governing Body of the Borough of North Plainfield does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2018:

Notice is hereby being given that the Budget and Tax Resolution were approved by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, on March 12, 2018.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at the North Plainfield Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, on April 9, 2018 at 7:30 O'clock (p.m.) at which time and place objections to said budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2018 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Seconded by Mr. Stabile and on Roll Call carried all five voting aye.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12-18-02 BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 18-05 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing March 26, 2018 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 Ms. Schaefer and on Roll Call carried all five voting aye.

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 18-05 CALENDAR YEAR 2018 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

Ms. Schaefer presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12-18-03 BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 18-06 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing April 9, 2018 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. Stabile and on Roll Call carried all five voting aye.

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 18-06 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD, CHAPTER XXII ENTITLED, "LAND DEVELOPMENT," SECTION 22-3 ENTITLED, "DEFINITIONS," SECTION 22-110.1 ENTITLED "USES" AND SECTION 22-118.4 ENTITLED "REQUIREMENTS"

CONSENT AGENDA

Council President La Ronde 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. Stabile requested that item "a" be removed.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12-18-04 BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that resolutions numbered

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

Seconded by Mr. Merrill and on Roll Call carried all five voting aye.

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12-18-04b RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MOTT MACDONALD FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018 FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of a Professional Engineer to provide certain General Engineering Services for the period between January 1, 2018 and April 30, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, Mott MacDonald, with a principal place of business located at 3 Paragon Way, Freehold, New Jersey 07728, is in the business of providing Engineering Services and submitted a proposal, dated February 22, 2018, for 2018 General Engineering Services for the Borough of North Plainfield, Somerset County, New Jersey, a copy of said proposal being maintained in the Office of the Borough Clerk, and the contents of which are incorporated herein; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of Mott MacDonald to perform all of those services contemplated in the afore-referenced proposal.

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 award said contract to Mott MacDonald, 3 Paragon Way, Freehold, New Jersey, and authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute a Professional Services Agreement with Mott MacDonald 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. 03-12-18-04c RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE APPONTMENT OF KATHLEEN INTRAVARTOLO AS TAX AND SEWER COLLECTOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield (the "Borough") is in need of a certified Tax Collector, as well as a collector for sewer services, to collect all real estate taxes and sewer bills owed to the Borough; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to confirm the appointment of Kathleen Intravartolo as the Tax Collector and Sewer Collector for the Borough of North Plainfield at an annual salary of Eleven Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$11,000.00) per year, retroactive back to January 1, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that Kathleen Intravartolo is hereby appointed as Tax Collector and Sewer Bill Collector for the Borough of North Plainfield at an annual salary of Eleven Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$11,000.00) per year, retroactive back to January 1, 2018 for a term that expires on December 31, 2021.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12-18-04d BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that, pursuant to N.P.R.G.O. 4-1 et seq., it does hereby authorize the issuance of licenses for the owner/operation of limousines to the following for one year in accordance with the applications heretofore submitted:

Scot Prokocimer, t/a
Adolphs Limo Service
53 Jennings Lane
North Plainfield, NJ 07060

Khamsa S. Malik, t/a
RIZ Car Service LLC
89 Jennings Lane
North Plainfield, NJ 07060

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12-18-04e 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 168	Lot 10	205-07 Willow Ave. Ext	Cert. #12-00201	issued 10-23-12
Block 203	Lot 26	590 Mountainview Dr.	Cert.#13-00303	issued 12-04-13
			Cert.#15-00222	issued 10-29-15
Block 79	Lot 4	23 Fairview Avenue	Cert.#06-00053	issued 06-29-06
			Cert.#15-00095	issued 10-29-15

RESOLUTION NO. 03-12-18-04f 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 12th day of March, 2018 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
PSE&G Newark, NJ	Newsletters and Hearing Notices
NJ Highlands Coalition Boonton, NJ	Newsletters
Plainfield Area Humane Society Plainfield, NJ	Invoice and Report
NJ State Treasurer Trenton, NJ	Municipal Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Distribution
Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority, Middlesex, NJ	Agenda and Minutes
Midatlantic Engineering Hamilton, NJ	DEP Permitting paperwork
Betsy G. Ramos, Esq. Capehart Scatchard, Esqs., Mt. Laurel, NJ	NJ Public Entity Law Monthly
NJ Redevelopment Authority New Brunswick, NJ	RTI Courses
NJ American Water, Voorhees, NJ	Hydrant Flush Schedule
Cornerstone Architects South Plainfield, NJ	Newsletter
Tri-County Chamber of Commerce South Plainfield	Event at Woodbridge Renaissance
Comcast, Union, NJ	Newsletter
Gov. James McGreevey Jersey City, NJ	Saint Patrick's Day Ceremonial Placing of Governor Byrne's Ashes

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Giordano commented on the two recent storms which led to severe tree damage throughout town. He thanked all of the departments for pulling together to ensure the safety of the residents. Cleanup has begun and will continue until the funds run out, he concluded.

Mr. Merrill thanked the Department of Public Works for their efforts with snow removal.

Ms. Schaefer thanked everyone helping to restore our wonderful community. She urged residents to stay off the roads during and immediately after storms so that the roads may be plowed.

Mr. Stabile thanked the Department of Public Works and all emergency services for their efforts during and after the storms.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President