

DRAFT MINUTES

*These are the Draft Minutes of the Agenda Conference
of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Monday, 25 June 2018.*

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MINUTES of the Agenda Conference of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Monday, **June 25, 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 (7:44 p.m.)
Wendy Schaefer
Douglas M. Singleterry
Frank "Skip" Stabile
Lawrence La Ronde, Council President

Also Present: 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 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 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, urged the Council to go on record in opposition to Governor Murphy's legislation regarding recreational marijuana as it goes against the DARE training. Council President La Ronde noted that this would be a future topic of discussion for the Council.

Honorable Peter Palmer, 22 Prospect Street, Bernardsville, NJ, shared his gratitude with being named the Grand Marshall of the Fourth of July Parade. Confirming that Cornelius Vermeule is his sixth great grandfather, he relayed that his connection to North Plainfield goes back 300 years.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Requested Parking & Traffic Changes on Manning/Westervelt Avenues – School Bus Stop, One Way Direction, Street Cleaning Parking Prohibitions** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod explained that due to the increase in traffic with the new charter school, that block of Manning Avenue would be one way only and a bus stop would be added to the corner of Manning and Westervelt Avenues. There are also revisions to the street cleaning ordinance to minimize the inconvenience to residents, he concluded.
2. **Resolution to Engage Grotto Engineering Associates LLC for Design, Bid and Construction Services for the 2018 Capital Road Improvement Project** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod advised that this resolution authorizes an agreement with Grotto Engineering for certain professional services relating to improvements to various streets under the 2018 Capital Road Improvements Project.
3. **Resolution to Accept the Project Known as Greenbrook Gardens and Release Performance Guarantees Posted for Such Project** – D.E.H. Mr. Hollod explained that Grotto Engineering has recommended acceptance of the public improvements and release of the performance guarantees for this project.
4. **Resolution Awarding Intensive Level Historic District Survey Contract to Barton Ross and Partners, LLC** – D.E.H. Thanking Katherine Miller for putting together the paperwork, Mr. Hollod then explained that this resolution authorizes the award of the intensive level survey of the Washington Park Historic District to Barton Ross and Partners.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS:

Mr. Merrill reported that the high school commencement and senior smash went off without a hitch. Responding to the Council President's inquiry, Mr. Merrill related that Acting Superintendent Vella's contract had not been renewed. He reported that a new ADA playground would be built at Vermeule and the fields at Krausche and East End School would be upgraded.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President