

# BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

## AGENDA

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

Borough Council Chambers  
263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield

7:30 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL:**

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

*Moment of Silence for the Men and Women Serving in Our Armed Forces*

Statement of Compliance as to Notice of Meeting

### **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:**

Agenda Conference and Regular Meeting of September 9, 2019

Roll Call

### **APPOINTMENTS BY COUNCIL REQUIRING COUNCIL CONFIRMATION:**

#### **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:**

Roger Graubard	Four-year unexpired term
Edgar Marino	Four-year unexpired term
Steve McIntyre, Alternate 1	Two-year unexpired term

### **RESOLUTION:**

Mr. Singleterry:

**09-23-19-01** Honoring Councilman Frank Righetti

Roll Call

**HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. 19-08** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD, MOST NOTABLY CHAPTER XVI, ENTITLED “ELECTION DISTRICTS”

be read by its title by the Borough Clerk

**MOTION:** Close public hearing Roll Call

Mr. La Ronde:  
**09-23-19-02** Adoption and advertising of Ordinance No. 19-08 Roll Call

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Statement by Council President

Ms. Corzo:  
**09-23-19-03** Approving Consent Agenda Roll Call

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:**

- a. Authorizing Treasurer to Cancel Outstanding Checks
- b. Authorizing Tax Collector to create Duplicate Tax Sale Certificates
- c. Confirming the Board of Adjustment appointments
- d. Authorizing the Release of a Performance Guarantee, Bonds and Escrow
- e. Approving Consolidated Bill List of September 23, 2019

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

NJ State League of Municipalities Trenton, NJ	Newsletters & Advisories
County of Somerset, Somerville Plainfield Area Humane Society Plainfield, NJ	Newsletters & General Correspondence Invoice and Report
Somerset County Business Partnership Somerville, NJ	Newsletters
Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority Middlesex, NJ	Agenda and Minutes
Dept. of Environmental Protection Trenton, NJ	Weekly Update
Hodulik & Morrison, Highland Park, NJ	Report of Audit – 2018
Public Service Electric & Gas	Energy Insights
NJ Dept. of Labor Trenton, NJ	Grants, Growing Apprenticeships
NJDEP, Trenton, NJ	Public Access Rules

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

General public comments shall be limited to five minutes for each individual.  
*(Rule 29 of the Borough Council's Rules of Order)*

**REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

**COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-23-19-01**

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

*REMEMBERING COUNCILMAN FRANK RIGHETTI FOR HIS YEARS OF  
SELFLESS SERVICE TO THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD*

**WHEREAS**, *FRANK RIGHETTI*, served in a variety of capacities in the municipal government of the Borough of North Plainfield since 1995; and

**WHEREAS**, *FRANK RIGHETTI* was initially a member of the North Plainfield Planning Board beginning 1995. He was also a functional historian of the Borough of North Plainfield; and

**WHEREAS**, *FRANK RIGHETTI* also served on the Property Maintenance Committee where he also served a term as Chairman; and

**WHEREAS**, *FRANK RIGHETTI* was appointed by the Borough Council in September 2000 to fill the vacancy for the remainder of an unexpired term, and was subsequently re-elected to multiple terms on Council by the voters; and

**WHEREAS**, *COUNCILMAN RIGHETTI*, in his time on the Governing Body continued serving the Borough in multiple capacities – on the Sewer Usage Charge Board of Appeals; with multi-year terms on the Green Brook Flood Control Commission; on the Environmental Commission; the Somerset County Solid Waste Advisory Committee; on the Parking Authority; on the Krausche Field Turf Committee and on the body convened for the expansion/renovation of the North Plainfield Borough Hall and on the Local Assistance Board; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his distinguished years in service to the Borough of North Plainfield, **FRANK** remained a steadfast fount of information, significant Borough history and guiding source of intuitive good sense.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough Council of North Plainfield does hereby honor the memory of our friend *COUNCILMAN FRANK RIGHETTI* for his selfless dedication to the Borough and its residents in countless capacities over the years of service to this, his “hometown.” On behalf of all the people of this community, this Governing Body does spread upon its permanent records the deepest of sympathies to his wife, JoAnne, their children and grandchildren for the gift of Frank and his many years of dedicated service to the Borough of North Plainfield. We loved Frank, but you loved him best!

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Council President

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Council Member

Introduced: September 23, 2019  
Adopted: September 23, 2019

***CONSENT AGENDA***

**September 23, 2019**

**RESOLUTION NOS. 09-23-19-03 a through e**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-23-19-03**

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that resolutions numbered

09-23-19-03 a, b, c, d, e

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

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Council President

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Council Member

Introduced: September 23, 2019

Adopted: September 23, 2019

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-23-19-03a**

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, that the Treasurer is authorized to cancel the following outstanding checks:

	<u>Ck#</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
<b>Unity # 770002392</b>	19962	2018	\$ 1440.74	Current
	20276	2018	72.00	
	21466	2018	780.00	
	22287	2018	49.92	
	22542	2018	24.20	
	22767	2018	600.00	
	22788	2018	1979.68	
	22818	2018	50.00	
	22842	2018	169.99	
	22879	2018	50.63	
	23003	2018	6.00	
	23126	2018	3768.50	
	23484	2018	3768.50	
	23960	2018	102.38	
	24000	2018	70.00	
	24644	2018	263.07	
	24888	2018	96.10	
	25049	2018	3777.96	
	25066	2018	30.99	
	25144	2018	52.69	
	25157	2018	21.44	
	25604	2018	180.00	
	25654	2018	.50	
	25656	2018	625.89	
	25655	2018	<u>1179.31</u>	
			<b>\$19,160.49</b>	
<b>Unity # 770002283</b>	114793	2018	2045.36	Payroll
	115013	2018	326.04	
	115109	2018	514.77	
	115163	2018	12.18	
	115291	2018	792.51	
	115327	2018	126.49	

115377	2018	36.14
115540	2018	14.45
115500	2018	63.25
115912	2018	283.63
116470	2018	16.26
116471	2018	16.26
116607	2018	16.25
116676	2018	32.53
116677	2018	48.78
116738	2018	16.51
116801	2018	32.51
116861	2018	16.26
117261	2018	38.17
117262	2018	38.15
117706	2018	89.17
117721	2018	303.10
11738	2018	16.25
117739	2018	16.25
117788	2018	89.18
117829	2018	<u>333.34</u>

\$ 4,333.79

**Unity # 770002848**      5304      2018      \$ 2124.00      Agency

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Council President

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Council Member

Introduced:      September 23, 2019

Adopted:      September 23, 2019



**RESOLUTION NO. 09-23-19-03b**

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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 199.04 Lot 16                      686 Warfield Rd.                      # 09-00366                      issued 10/01/09

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Council President

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Council Member

Introduced:     September 23, 2019

Adopted:        September 23, 2019

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-23-19-03c**

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that ROGER GRAUBARD is hereby appointed Member to the BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT of this Borough to serve for the balance of an unexpired term expiring at 12:00 noon on January 1, 2023 and until his successor shall have been appointed and qualified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that EDGAR MARINO is hereby appointed Member to the BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT of this Borough to serve for the balance of an unexpired term expiring at 12:00 noon on January 1, 2021 and until his successor shall have been appointed and qualified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that STEVE MCINTYRE is hereby appointed Alternate Member to the BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT of this Borough to serve for the balance of an unexpired term expiring at 12:00 noon on January 1, 2021 and until his successor shall have been appointed and qualified.

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Council President

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Council Member

Introduced: September 23, 2019

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09-23-19-03d**

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL ACCEPTING CERTAIN  
IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE  
GUARANTEE, BONDS AND ESCROW POSTED BY THE DEVELOPER OF BLOCK  
203.01, LOT 1, NORTH PLAINFIELD UE, LLC, DOING BUSINESS AS PETCO.**

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**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Land Use Law (N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53) permits the Borough of North Plainfield to accept certain improvements and to release performance guarantees, bonds and/or escrow posted by developers when said improvements have been certified as complete by the Borough Engineer; and,

**WHEREAS**, North Plainfield UE, LLC, the developer of Petco, with a main business address of 1200 U.S. Route 22 East, North Plainfield, New Jersey 07060, has deposited with the Borough of North Plainfield a performance guarantee, bonds and escrow, which were to guarantee the completion of certain improvements on the premises located at 1200 U.S. Route 22 East, North Plainfield, New Jersey 07060, also known as Block 203.01, Lot 1, as show on the Tax Map of the Borough of North Plainfield; and,

**WHEREAS**, David J. Testa, P.E., C.M.E., C.P.W.M. of Grotto Engineering Associates, LLC, representing the Borough, has advised the Borough's Business Administrator, by letter dated September 12, 2019, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk and made a part of this Resolution hereof, that the improvements have been completed and that the Borough Engineer recommends the acceptance of same and the release of the aforementioned performance guarantee, bonds and escrow; and,

**WHEREAS**, any remaining escrow fees shall not be released until such time that all outstanding professional invoices have been satisfied.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the improvements referred to above are hereby accepted as per the aforesaid correspondence of David J. Testa, P.E., C.M.E., C.P.W.M. and the full release of the performance guarantee, bonds and escrow for North Plainfield UE, LLC are hereby released, canceled and/or discharged.

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Frank A. "Skip" Stabile  
Council President

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Council Member

Introduced: September 23, 2019  
Adopted: September 23, 2019

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Richard, K. Phoenix, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a regular meeting of the Borough Council held on September 23, 2019.

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Richard K. Phoenix, R.M.C.  
Borough Clerk, Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-23-19-03e**

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2019 the same be paid; and that the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to sign and deliver warrants for the same.

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Council President

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Council Member

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