

DRAFT MINUTES

*These are the Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Monday, 16 August 2021.*

*Every attempt has been made to make these as comprehensive
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MINUTES of the Regular (virtual) Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Monday, **August 16, 2021** at 8:59 p.m. via Zoom.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Aimee Corzo
Suzette Given
Steven McIntyre
Everett Merrill
Keiona R. Miller
Wendy Schaefer (absent-excused)
Frank "Skip" Stabile, Council President

Also Present: Lawrence La Ronde, Mayor
David Hollod, Business Administrator
Phil George, Esq., Associate Borough Attorney
Richard K. Phoenix, RMC, Borough Clerk
Stephanie Sherwood, RMC, CMR, Deputy Clerk

Mr. Phoenix read the following Notice of Compliance:

"This virtual meeting is being held in compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided by transmitting notice to the official newspapers of the Borough, The Courier News, WKMB Radio, WJLP-TV, the Alternative Press and also to the Star Ledger on December 28, 2020 and by posting a copy of this notice on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building and the Memorial Library reserved for such purpose."

The Clerk had submitted copies of the minutes of the Agenda Conference and Regular Meeting of July 14, 2021.

The Council President called for a roll call on the minutes:

Aye: Corzo, Given, McIntyre, Merrill
Abstain: Miller, Stabile

HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 21-10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD, CHAPTER XI, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, MOST NOTABLY SECTION 11-13 TITLED "VACANT PROPERTY REGISTRATION."

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Frank D'Amore Sr., 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, voiced his support of the amendments, while encouraging strong enforcement of same.

Motion to close public comment by Ms. Miller, seconded by Ms. Corzo and on roll call carried all six voting aye.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-01 BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that an ordinance numbered 21-10 be adopted and advertised as required by statute.

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

HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 21-11 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 4, "GENERAL LICENSING," MOST NOTABLY BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 4-17 ENACTING A TRANSFER AND USE TAX ON CERTAIN CLASSES OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments.

Motion to close public hearing by Mr. McIntyre, seconded by Ms. Corzo and on roll call carried all six in favor.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-02 BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that an ordinance numbered 21-11 be adopted and advertised as required by statute.

Seconded by Ms. Miller and on roll call carried all six voting aye.

Due to Ms. Schaefer's absence, Ordinance No. 21-08 was not introduced. Motion to table the Ordinance was made by Ms. Miller, seconded by Ms. Corzo and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 21-08 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 10 OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD, ENTITLED "BUILDING AND HOUSING," TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION ENTITLED "SHORT-TERM RENTALS"

Ms. Miller presented the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-04 BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 21-12 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing September 13, 2021 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. McIntyre and on roll call carried all six voting aye.

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 21-12 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 20 OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED, "Flood prevention" by deleting same in its entirety and to amend, revise and supplement CHAPTER 22 OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED, "LAND DEVELOPMENT", § 22-114, entitled "FLOOD PLAIN ZONE," MOST BY DELETING EXISTING § 22-114 in its entirety AND ADOPTING A NEW § 22-114 ENTITLED "FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS."

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. 08-16-21-05 BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that resolutions numbered

08-16-21-05 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r

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

Seconded by Ms. Miller and on Roll Call carried all six voting aye.

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05a RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MOTT MACDONALD, LLC TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE TO THE BOROUGH ON THE PROCEDURES REQUIRED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF VERMEULE PARK AND THE VERMEULE COMMUNITY CENTER WITH POTENTIAL RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of professional engineering services to provide guidance and assistance to the Borough on the procedures required for the Borough to develop Vermeule Park and the Vermeule Community Center with potential improvements that can be implemented that will allow it to continue to maintain its historic designation; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough received a proposal, dated May 19, 2021, from Mott MacDonald, LLC, with a principal place of business located at 3 Paragon Way, Freehold, New Jersey 07728, to provide such services, a copy of which proposal is annexed hereto and made a part hereof; and,

WHEREAS, Mott MacDonald, LLC proposes to perform the work as described in the afore-referenced proposal on a time and material reimbursable basis in accordance with its approved rate schedule in an amount not-to-exceed of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000); and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of Mott MacDonald, LLC 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 a contract to Mott MacDonald, LLC, 3 Paragon Way, Freehold, New Jersey 07728, in a total amount not to exceed Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) above, and authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute a Professional Services Agreement with Mott MacDonald, LLC, without the need for any further action of this Borough Council, as to Mott MacDonald, LLC's proposal of May 19, 2021, a copy of which is annexed hereto and made a part hereof.

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. 08-16-21-05b RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, AMOUNT “\$40,760.00,” UNDER THE SFY21 BODY-WORN CAMERA GRANT PROGRAM, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CHIEF OF POLICE TO EXECUTE AND THE BOROUGH CLERK TO ATTEST TO AN AWARD AND ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Borough of North Plainfield is authorized to accept a grant from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General, \$40,760.00 under the Body Worn Camera Grant Program, Grant No. SFY21, Award # 21-BWC-321.
2. The Mayor and Chief of Police are authorized to execute and the Borough Clerk to attest to an Award in connection with this grant, and any and all documents in connection with this grant
3. The Borough of North Plainfield is accepting this grant of funds for the purpose described in the application.
4. Award Period: January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025.
5. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Borough Clerk to each of the following:
 - a. Mayor Larry La Ronde
 - b. Borough Council
 - c. Business Administrator
 - d. Borough Attorney
 - e. Chief Financial Officer
 - f. Police Department, Attention: Chief William Parenti
 - g. Police Department, Attention: Lieutenant Enrico Perrone
 - h. Borough Grant Coordinator
 - i. State of New Jersey, Office of Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, P.O. Box 080, Trenton, NJ 08625-0080
 - j. Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, P.O. Box 080, Trenton, NJ 08625-0080

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05c REQUESTING APPROVAL OF INSERTION OF \$40,760.00 FOR THE 2021 BUDGET REVENUE AVAILABLE FROM THE BODY WORN CAMERA GRANT

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40:4-87 provides that the Director of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of North Plainfield hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2021 in the sum of \$40,760.00 which item is now available as revenue from the Body Worn Camera Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$40,760.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Body Worn Camera Grant

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05d WHEREAS, St. Luke's Church, 300 Clinton Avenue, North Plainfield, New Jersey, has applied for a license to conduct an off-premises 50-50 cash draw raffle on December 19, 2021; 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 applicant meets the requirements for the issuance of a raffle license;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue a license to St. Luke's Church for an off-premises 50-50 cash draw raffle to be held on December 19, 2021 at 300 Clinton Avenue, North Plainfield, New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05e 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:

Ramon D. Cruz-Nieves
2 Kennedy Court
North Plainfield, NJ 07062

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05f AUTHORIZING AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE

08/16/21

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services, and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved NJ Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct electronic tax sales, and

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield wishes to participate in an electronic tax sale, and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations require a municipality to send two (2) notices of tax sale to all properties included in said sale and allows said municipality to charge a fee of \$25.00 per notice for the creation, printing and mailing of said notice; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to more fairly assign greater fiscal responsibility to delinquent taxpayers, the Borough of North Plainfield wishes to charge \$25.00 per notice mailed which will be assessed specifically to the delinquent accounts that are causing the need for a tax sale and not to the general tax base.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of North Plainfield, New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to participate in an electronic tax sale and directed to charge \$25.00 per notice and submit a copy of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services if necessary.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05g RESOLUTION EXTENDING GRACE PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF 3RD QUARTER 2021 TAXES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-64 provides that third quarter tax bills were to be mailed at least 47 days prior to the due date of August 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, because of delays outside of the Borough's control, the bills could not be mailed prior to this deadline; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3d provides that when third quarter tax bills cannot be mailed by June 14, taxes shall not be subject to interest until at least 25 days after the tax bills are mailed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the interest charged as per Resolution No. 01-01-21-05d, shall be waived if payment of third quarter tax bills is received by August 30, 2021. Any payments not made within this time shall be charged interest from the State set due date of August 1, 2021.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05h 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 55 Lot 4	39 Mountain Avenue	# 07-00051	issued 12/18/07
		# 08-00063	issued 12/04/08
		# 11-00061	issued 09/20/11
		# 13-00104	issued 12/04/13

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05i 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>	
Unity # 770002392	28710	2020	\$ 200.00	Current
	28965	2020	131.60	
	29118	2020	294.57	
	29229	2020	50.00	
	29226	2020	67.66	
	29654	2020	65.00	
	29687	2020	750.00	
	29844	2020	360.00	
	30094	2020	56.05	
	30186	2020	210.00	
	30601	2020	<u>420.00</u>	
			\$ 2604.88	

Unity # 770002283	119403	2020	90.35	Payroll
	119670	2020	90.35	
	119701	2020	30.24	
	119822	2020	19.85	
	119832	2020	40.29	
	119833	2020	20.19	
	119878	2020	40.26	
	119880	2020	20.21	
	119908	2020	19.85	

119911	2020	19.82
119918	2020	20.14
119919	2020	20.18
119959	2020	20.19
120002	2020	90.27
12 0234	2020	90.27
120274	2020	297.31
120291	2020	<u>32.50</u>

\$ 962.27

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05j A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES

WHEREAS, the owner of 265 Sandford Avenue also known as Block 28.02 Lot 10 was deemed as a 100 % Disabled Veteran and is now exempt from property taxes per the Assessor and;

WHEREAS, taxes had been billed on the aforementioned parcel for third and fourth quarters of 2021 and first and second quarters of 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield of Somerset County, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes on this parcel.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05k WHEREAS, Out Front Media, and Meo Truong both paid multiple taxes on Block 74 Lot 14 B01, also known as 640-52 NJSH 22 E, both have requested refunds of the over payments on the account, and;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, that the Treasurer is authorized to make the following refunds:

Refund Real Estate Over Tax Payment:

Meo Truong \$ 1,442.79
 43 Walnut Street
 Livingston, NJ 07039

Out Front Media \$ 1025.27
 185 Route 46
 Fairfield, NJ 07004

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05l A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL INTEREST ON TAXES

WHEREAS, the owner of 326 Somerset Street also known as Block 80 Lot 24 and a county appeal were both applied to taxes levied on this parcel creating a credit.

WHEREAS, the Collector transferred this credit to the next quarter after payment creating interest due in error.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield of Somerset County, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel tax interest on this parcel.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05m A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES

WHEREAS, the owner of 542 Oakridge Avenue also known as Block 203.02 Lot 9 was deemed as a 100 % Disabled Veteran and is now exempt from property taxes per the Assessor and;

WHEREAS, taxes had been billed on the aforementioned parcel for 2021 and first and second quarters of 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield of Somerset County, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes on this parcel.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05n RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL WAIVING CERTAIN GARAGE SALE LICENSING ORDINANCES IN THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD DURING THE BOROUGH-WIDE GARAGE SALE

WHEREAS, Garage Sales, Yard Sales and Estate Sales are popular in North Plainfield as a means of getting to know neighbors while realizing a modest profit for the sellers; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council have heard requests from the citizenry for a Borough-wide, fee-free weekend garage sale that would appeal to the interests of all Borough residences; and,

WHEREAS, North Plainfield Ordinance No. 18-07 calls for a Twenty Dollar (\$20.00) fee to be charged for every garage sale permit issued by the Borough Clerk's Office; due to requests heard from residents throughout North Plainfield, the Borough Council is interested in having the above fee waived for such sales throughout the Borough on Saturday, September 11, 2021 and Sunday, September 12, 2021 for a Borough-wide public garage sale; and,

WHEREAS, N.P.R.G.O. 4-11.6 regulates the number of signs advertising a garage sale; the Borough Council is interested in having said sign restriction regarding the number of signs allowed to be posted waived for such sales throughout the Borough on Saturday, September 11, 2021 and Sunday, September 12, 2021 for a Borough-wide public garage sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Borough-wide garage sale would not impact residents' three (3) per year paid permit allotment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the hours of the town-wide garage sale would run from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. local time on both Saturday and Sunday.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that for purposes of allowing a Borough-wide garage sale on Saturday, September 11, 2021 and Sunday, September 12, 2021, the fee for such a two (2) day sale per Ordinance No. 18-07 shall be waived for this event.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that for purposes of allowing a Borough-wide garage sale on Saturday, September 11, 2021 and Sunday, September 12, 2021, the restriction on the number of signs advertising garage sales for such a two (2) day sale per N.P.R.G.O. 4-11.6 shall be waived for this event.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05o RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE YEAR 2021 FOR EMPLOYEES NOT COVERED BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, certain employees of the Borough of North Plainfield are not covered by the terms and conditions of a collective bargaining agreement and thus need to have their compensation established for calendar year 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following titles will receive the following compensation for calendar year 2021 as follows:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>2021</u>
Administrative Assistant	\$ 54,121
Business Administrator/Assistant Borough Engineer	162,594
Chief Financial Officer	47,148
Construction Official	24,072
Court Administrator	91,285
Director of Public Works	N/A ¹
Municipal Prosecutor	30,600
Assistant Municipal Prosecutor	10,200
Office of Emergency Management Coordinator	10,612
Recreation Director	71,400
Assistant Recreation Director (1)	14,280
Assistant Recreation Director (2)	10,522
Deputy Registrar	1,181
Tax Assessor	76,800

¹ Contracted with Grotto Engineering

Tax Collector	16,037
Treasurer/QPA/Deputy CFO	14,257
Code Enforcement Officer	56,797
Municipal Court Judge	N/A ²
Zoning Officer	N/A ¹

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05p RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE YEAR 2021 FOR EMPLOYEES NOT COVERED BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, certain employees of the Borough of North Plainfield are not covered by the terms and conditions of a collective bargaining agreement and thus need to have their compensation established for calendar year 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following titles will receive the following compensation for calendar year 2021 as follows:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>2021</u>
Borough Clerk	\$79,370
Deputy Borough Clerk	\$55,448

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05q RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH CCM CONTRACTING, INC. FOR THE 2021 CAPITAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – VARIOUS STREETS

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of certain road improvements for the 2021 Capital Road Improvement Program – Various Streets (hereinafter referred to as the “Project”); and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield solicited bids for the Project and the following four (4) bids were received:

<u>Bidding Entity</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>
CCM Contracting, Inc.	\$ 957,729.01
Top Line Construction Corp.	\$1,023,411.39
Schifano Construction Corp.	\$1,107,460.26
S. Brothers Inc.	\$1,132,622.10

² Contracted with Watchung/Green Brook

WHEREAS, Director of Law/Borough Attorney Eric M. Bernstein, Esq. and the offices of Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, as well as Grotto Engineering Associates, LLC, the Borough's Engineer on the Project, have reviewed the bid submissions and recommend the award of the bid and contract for the Project to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, CCM Contracting, Inc., whose main offices are located at 3 Route 22, Green Brook, New Jersey 08812 (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor") as there are no material defects with the bid proposal; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of the Contractor to perform all those services contemplated in the Borough's bid documents and the bid proposal submitted by the Contractor; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield finds that the Contractor is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Project pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

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 awards the following Bid and Contract:

Project:	2021 Capital Road Improvement Program – Various Streets
Successful Bidder:	CCM Contracting, Inc.
Base Bid:	In the Amount Not to Exceed Nine Hundred and Sixty Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty-Nine Dollars and One Cent (\$960,429.01)*

*Corrected amount after accounting for mathematical error in the bid, which did not affect the order of the bids.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute a contract and all other necessary documents to engage the construction services of CCM Contracting, Inc. for the Project; and,

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; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award and the contract and its performance shall be consistent with all applicable laws, the Borough's bid documents and the bid proposal of CCM Contracting, Inc. for the Project known as the 2021 Capital Road Improvement Program – Various Streets.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-21-05r 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 16th day of August, 2021 the same be paid; and that the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to sign and deliver warrants for the same.

COMMUNICATIONS:

NJ State League of Municipalities Trenton, NJ	Newsletters & Advisories
County of Somerset, Somerville, NJ	Newsletters & Communications
Plainfield Area Humane Society Plainfield, NJ	Report and Invoicing
Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority Middlesex, NJ	Minutes and Agenda
NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection Trenton	Weekly Update
Sustainable Jersey, New Brunswick	Newsletter
Somerset County Business Partnership Somerville	Newsletters
NJ State Treasurer, Trenton	Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Distribution
Kenneth Capobianco, Property Maintenance Officer	Second Quarter 2021 Report
Robert Vance, County of Somerset Somerville	Garbage Company Regulations
Abubakar Jalloh, RMC, City Clerk Plainfield	Draft Borough Tax Rate 2021
NJ Planning Officials, Warren, NJ	Land Development Ordinance – Cannabis- Related Businesses
NJ American Water Company Voorhees, NJ	Mandatory 2021 Classes
Somerset County Business Partnership Somerville, NJ	Boil Water Advisory Lifted
NJ Highlands Coalition, Boonton	Coffee and Conversation
Melissa Cheung, Office of the Clerk Montclair Twp., NJ	Eighth Highland Juried Art Exhibit
N.A. Ciampa, North Plainfield Traffic Division, North Plainfield P.D.	Montclair Filming Ordinance and Application
	Friends of Vermeule Mansion minutes
	Myrtle Avenue Speed Surveys

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Frank D’Amore, 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, commented on the property at 22 Mountain Avenue which he alleged was continuing to violate Section 26-8.5a of the Borough Code by storing their trash containers in the front of the property.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor La Ronde reported on the Summer Concert Series which has been well attended. On Saturday, September 11 a memorial to honor those lost in the terror attacks will be held at Borough Hall. The Borough-wide Yard Sale will be held in September, please check the website for dates.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Miller, seconded by Ms. Corzo and on voice vote carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President