

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
AGENDA**



COUNCIL AGENDA CONFERENCE
MONDAY, SEPTMBER 25, 2023
7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Council Members: Aimee Corzo, Council Vice President
 Suzette Given
 Steven McIntyre
 Everett Merrill
 Keiona R. Miller
 Wendy Schaefer
 Frank “Skip” Stabile, Council President

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Compliance Statement

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION:

2023 Fire Prevention Week

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **North Plainfield Exempt Firemen’s Association & Museum – (E.M)**
2. **Approval Final Payment, Release of Retainage and Close Out of Somerset Street Resurfacing and Signal Improvements Project – (D.E.H.)**
3. **Proposed E-Commerce Exchange Zone Ordinance – (D.E.H.)**

OLD BUSINESS:

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

ADJOURNMENT

Proclamation

NORTH PLAINFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2023

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our Borough; *and*

WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and at home is where people are at greatest risk from fire; *and*

WHEREAS, home fires killed more than 2,800 people in the United States in 2021 according to the National Fire Protection Association; *and*

WHEREAS, in that same year, fire departments in the United States responded to 338,000 home fires; *and*

WHEREAS, cooking is the leading cause of home fires in the United States and fire departments responded to more than 166,400 annually between 2016 and 2020; *and*

WHEREAS, working smoke alarms cut the risk of death in reported home fires almost in half; *and*

WHEREAS, North Plainfield's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention; *and*

WHEREAS, the 2023 Fire Prevention Week theme, "**Cooking Safety Starts With YOU. Pay Attention to Fire Prevention**" effectively serves to remind us to stay alert and use caution when cooking to reduce the risk of kitchen fires.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lawrence La Ronde, Mayor of the Borough of North Plainfield do hereby proclaim October 8 through 14, 2023, as Fire Prevention Week and I urge all the residents of the Borough to check their kitchens for fire hazards and use safe cooking practices during Fire Prevention Week 2023 and always, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of North Plainfield's Fire and Emergency services.

Lawrence La Ronde, Mayor

