

Conference Meeting January 13, 2015

The Conference Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Caldwell was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at the Borough Hall, Gould Avenue and began at 7:48pm.

Roll Call indicated the following present:

Mayor Alessi

Council Members: Council President Cynthia Santomauro, Councilman Frank Astorino, Councilman John Chiaia, Councilman Joshua Raymond, Councilman Arthur Rees

Absent: Councilman Kessler

Also, present were David M. Paris, Borough Attorney, Frank Zichelli, Borough Engineer, Mel Levine, Borough Administrator, Police Chief Mark Deuer, and Nancy Pravata, Borough Clerk

Mayor Alessi called the meeting to order announcing that notice was provided in accordance with the requirements of Chapter, 231, P.L. 1975.

Mayor Alessi asked Councilman Rees to lead those present in the salute to the American flag.

Citizens to Be Heard

Mayor Alessi opened the floor to the public. No one came forward.

Items for Discussion

- A. Recreation Program Fees – Councilman Raymond explained the chart that was distributed to Council for the approval of the new prices. There will be a resolution at the next meeting. There was also a discussion as to whether to offer free tennis membership with a pool membership for the 2015 pool season. The Council did not agree with the recommendation for the free tennis membership.
- B. Application to Middlesex County Purchasing Coop – Frank Zichelli asked that the Council approve the application to this purchasing Coop. If we were to join this, we do not have to bid for these items. The council decided that it would be a good idea to join. There will be a resolution at the next meeting.
- C. Mountain Ave. Speed Survey – Frank Zichelli stated the police department borrowed a speed recording device and it was not working. The police have purchased their own through the police foundation. It is up and running now and there will be data at the next meeting.

Action to Be Taken

- A. Council President Santomauro introduced Ordinance O-1-15 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 99 of the Code of the Borough of North Caldwell to Require Permit Parking on Hillside Avenue. Council President Santomauro moved to pass the Ordinance at first reading, seconded by Councilman Astorino. Said motion was carried unanimously. Council President Santomauro stated that the Public Hearing for this ordinance will be on Tuesday, February 10, 2015.

- B. Resolution R-20-15 - Resolution Approval to Pay Bills in the amount of \$2,416,812.88 was read. Motion was made by Councilman Astorino, seconded by Council President Santomauro. Said motion was carried unanimously.
- C. Resolution R-21-15 – Authorization to Execute Interlocal Agreement with the Township of West Orange for Animal Facility Sheltering Services was read. Motion was made by Councilman Chiaia, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously.
- D. Resolution R-22-15 – Appointment of OEM Director was read. Motion was made by Councilman Chiaia, seconded by Councilman Raymond. Said motion was carried unanimously.
- E. Resolution R-25-15 Resolution confirming Appointment of Bill Maranz as Recreation Director of the Borough of North Caldwell was read. Motion was made by Councilman Raymond, seconded by Councilman Rees with Council President Santomauro abstaining. Said motion was passed.

Executive Session

Resolution R-23-15 - Authorization for Executive Session for Certain Specified Purposes: Potential Litigation – Anthony and Lauren Rainone v. Borough of North Caldwell - Contract Negotiations – Acquisition of Walker’s Pond Property – Hidden Ridge Condominium Association – Litigation COAH - Personnel - was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Astorino. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Re-opened to Public Meeting at 9:35pm.

Resolution R-24-15 – Resolution of the Council of the Borough of North Caldwell, County of Essex, Creating a Mount Laurel Subcommittee to Assist the Borough in Developing and Implementing its Mount Laurel Fair Share Plan

There was discussion as to who would represent the Council on the committee. It was decided that it would be Councilman Rees. It was also decided that Frank Zichelli would serve as the Chairperson.

Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously.

There being no other matters to be addressed by the Governing Body at this time, a motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Astorino that this meeting be adjourned at 9:37pm. This motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy A. Pravata, Borough Clerk