

Conference Meeting April 8, 2014

The Conference Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Caldwell was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the Borough Hall, Gould Avenue and began at 7:32 pm.

Roll Call indicated the following present:

Mayor Alessi

Council Members: Council President Cynthia Santomauro, Councilman Frank Astorino, Councilman Chiaia, Councilwoman Patricia Fost, Councilman Joshua Raymond, Councilman Arthur Rees

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

David M. Paris, Borough Attorney arrived at 7:48pm.

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 Mr. Frank Zichelli 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.

The Mayor reported that on March 12, 2014 he attended the Mayor's Legislative Day. He spoke about the information that he received at this meeting.

#### Items for Discussion

- A. Update Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual – Mel Levine stated that he sent out information to everyone updating the Borough manual. It will allow the Borough to get a better insurance rate with the JIF. We need a resolution to approve the updates to the Manual. The resolution will be done at the next meeting.
- B. Amendments to 2014 Municipal Budget & Capital Budget - Rich Mondelli spoke regarding the memos that were sent out to everyone. Operating Budget – The amendments will be made and sent to the auditors to be made and the changes will be done and re-advertised. Capital Budget – Rich went through all of the items that were discussed at the last capital budget meeting. Councilman Frank Astorino updated the Council on the finance meeting that took place.
- C. Hidden Ridge Performance Guaranty's – Frank Zichelli stated that Hidden Ridge has asked for a reduction in their performance guaranty. There will be a resolution at the next meeting for their new performance bond.

#### Action to Be Taken

- A. Resolution R-69-14 - Resolution Approval to Pay Bills in the amount of \$1,140,744.80 was read. Motion was made by Councilman Astorino, seconded by Council President Santomauro. Said motion was carried unanimously.

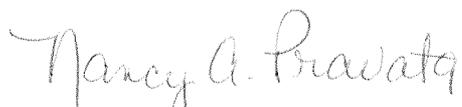
- B. Resolution R-70-14 - Resolution of the Governing Body of the Borough of North Caldwell Urging the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing to Promulgate Regulations in Accordance with the Schedule the New Jersey Supreme Court Established on March 14, 2014 was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Astorino. Said motion was carried unanimously.
- C. Resolution R-71-14 2013 - Resolution of the Governing Body of the Borough of North Caldwell Urging the New Jersey Legislature and the Governor to Accept the Invitation of the Supreme Court to Enact Legislation to Establish a New, More Sensible Approach to Affordable Housing in our State was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilwoman Fost. Said motion was carried unanimously.
- D. Resolution R-72-14 - Acceptance of Resignation of Police Department Dispatcher – Thomas Fernicola was read. Motion was made by Councilman Rees, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously.
- E. Resolution R-73-14 - Authorizing Employment of Paul J. Cicchetti as Police Department Dispatcher was read. Motion was made by Councilman Rees, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously, with formatting changes of the resolution by David M. Paris, Borough Attorney.
- F. Resolution R-74-14 - Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Make Permanent the 2% CAP on Interest Arbitration Awards was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Executive Session

Resolution R-75-14 - Authorization for Executive Session for Certain Specified Purposes: Contract Negotiations – Acquisition of Walker’s Pond Property – Program Protocol –Recreation Department was read. Motion was made by Councilwoman Fost, seconded by Councilman Astorino. 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 8:45p.m. This motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy A. Pravata, Borough Clerk