

Conference Meeting March 8, 2016

The Conference Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Caldwell was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at the Borough Hall, Gould Avenue and began at 7:42pm.

Roll Call indicated the following present:

Mayor Alessi

Council Members: Council President Cynthia Santomauro, Councilman Astorino, Councilman Chiaia, Councilman Robert Kessler, Councilman Joshua Raymond, Councilman Arthur Rees

Also, present were David M. Paris, Borough Attorney, Frank Zichelli, Borough Engineer, Mel Levine, Borough Administrator, and Nancy A. Bretzger, Borough Clerk, Richard Mondelli, CFO

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 Nick Walker to lead those present in the salute to the American flag.

Citizens to Be Heard

Mayor Alessi opened the floor to the public.

Nick Walker, 400 Mountain Avenue, Mr. Walker stated that he was here on behalf of the trustees of the Walker Family and that they were all happy that things are almost there with the purchase of the property.

Items for Discussion

Recreation – Summer Fun – 2016 Price Change – Councilman Raymond stated that the North Caldwell Board of Education allows us to use their facility at Gould School for summer fun and they will be charging us this year \$2000.0 for the air conditioning. Because of this we would need to increase the cost of the tuition to cover this cost. He stated that the cost of summer fun has not been raised for the last several years. The cost has been \$420.00 for the 6 week program. It would be increased by \$10.00 to \$430.00. The Council agreed to this increase. A resolution will be at the next meeting.

North Caldwell Education Foundation Food Truck Fundraiser Fire Inspection Permits – Councilman Raymond explained that the Council previously waived the Food License fee for the fundraiser. They are now asking for the Fire Inspection Permit fee to also be waived. The Mayor and Council agreed. There will be a resolution at the next meeting.

Tiger Scout Pack 856 – Planting of Flowers or a Tree in North Caldwell – The Mayor read the letter that was sent from Tiger Scout Pack 856. It was decided that the Tiger Scouts could plant flowers somewhere on Borough property either at the pool or in front of Borough Hall. The Mayor would call the Scout Leader and let them know.

Bid Report Mowing & Trimming Municipal Facilities – Frank Zichelli explained the Bid report. He stated that this could be awarded at the next meeting. We can award to the company that was lowest if we have a sense as to when and if the Borough will take possession of the Walker Property. The Council agreed with him. A resolution will be at the next meeting.

Action to Be Taken

Raffle Application by North Caldwell Partnership for Education (NCPE) for a 50/50 Raffle at Liberty Field Parking Lot on May 7, 2016 – A motion was made by Council President Santomauro to grant the raffle application to the North Caldwell Partnership for Education (NCPE) for a 50/50 Raffle at Liberty Field Parking Lot on May 7, 2016, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Council President Santomauro introduced Ordinance O-4-16 – Bond Ordinance Authorizing Acquisition of Real Property Located at 400 Mountain Avenue and Site Improvements Thereto In and For the Borough of North Caldwell, In the County of Essex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$2,850,000 Therefore and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,625,000 Bonds or Notes to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof. Council President Santomauro moved to pass the Ordinance at first reading, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Councilman Raymond voted NO, with all others voting YES. Said motion was past. Council President Santomauro stated that the Public Hearing for this ordinance will be on Tuesday, March 22, 2016.

Resolution R-56-16 Authorization to Enter Into Agreement for 'Contract of Sale' between WALKER BN ETALS and The Borough of North Caldwell for the Purchase of 400 Mountain Avenue, Block 606, Lot 1 was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, Councilman Chiaia asked to say that he grew up in this town and that the generosity of the Walker's made it such a great place to grow up to be able to skate on the pond during the winters and to see the pond in the spring was something that he always remembers and he is happy to be able to bring this back to the community and he seconds the motion, with Councilman Raymond voting NO he also stated that he has given this purchase very careful thought and he feels that there is better things for the Borough that can be done with this money, all others voting YES. Said motion was past.

Resolution R-57-16 – Resolution Approving a Professional Services Contract By and Between the Borough of North Caldwell and Hendricks Appraisal Company was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia, with Councilman Raymond voting NO, all others voting YES. Said motion was past.

Resolution R-59-16 – Resolution Approving a Professional Services Contract By and Between the Borough of North Caldwell and FC Meola, LLC was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia, with Councilman Raymond voting NO, all others voting YES. Said motion was past.

Resolution R-60-16 – Resolution Approving a Professional Services Contract By and Between the Borough of North Caldwell and Amy S. Greene Environmental Consultants was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia, with Councilman Raymond voting NO, all others voting YES. Said motion was past.

Resolution R-61-16 – Resolution Approval to Pay Bills in the amount of \$1,181,886.93 was read. Motion was made by Councilman Astorino, seconded by Council President Santomauro. Said motion was carried unanimously.

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Resolution R-62-16 Tax Lien Redemption – Block 703, Lot 7 was read. Motion was made by Councilman Astorino, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Resolution R-63-16 Approving the West Essex First Aid Squad Certified LOSAP List for the year 2015 was read. Motion was made by Councilman Rees, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Resolution R-64-16 Appointment of Junior Volunteer Fire Department Member – Charles Marashlian was read. Motion was made by Councilman Rees, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Resolution R-65-16 Resolution Confirming Appointment of Luigi Chiricolo as Part-Time Plumbing Sub-Code Official of the Borough of North Caldwell was read. Motion was made by Councilman Rees, seconded by Councilman Chiaia. Said motion was carried unanimously.

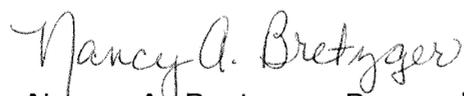
Executive Session

Resolution R-66-16 - Authorization for Executive Session for Certain Specified Purposes: A. Contract Negotiations (1) Acquisition of Walker's Pond Property (2) Caldwell Sewer Utility (3) Traffic Signal Cost Sharing Agreement (4) 2016 Tennis Court Rehabilitation B. Litigation – (1) COAH Declaratory Judgment – RFP's was read. Motion was made by Council President Santomauro, seconded by Councilman Chiaia with an amendment to add Personnel. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Re-opened to Public Meeting at 9:03pm

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 9:05pm. This motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy A. Bretzger, Borough Clerk