

MINUTES  
BOROUGH OF NORWOOD  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
WORK/EXECUTIVE SESSION  
NOVEMBER 28, 2018  
7:00 PM

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MAYOR BARSA

COUNCILMAN FOSCHINO  
COUNCILMAN HABERMAN  
COUNCILMAN BRIZZOLARA

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ASCOLESE  
COUNCILMAN ROONEY  
COUNCILMAN SCOTT

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The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

Mayor Barsa led all in the Pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Barsa read the Sunshine Statement:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Law, P.L. 1975, Ch. 231 setting forth the time, date, place and purpose of this Public Meeting through a legal notice published in The Record and Star Ledger.

At Roll Call the following member were present.

Mayor Barsa, Councilmembers Ascolese, Brizzolara, Scott, Haberman and Foschino  
Absent: Councilman Rooney.

RESOLUTIONS discussion for public meeting approval 12/12/18

- Chapter 159- Dedication by Rider
- Resolution authorizing refund of redemption of Municipal Certificate of Sale
- Appointment- Richard Buginsky Clerk's Office
- Best Practices- 2018-2019
- Authorizing the Borough Clerk to issue Requests for Qualification for 2019 appointed professionals
- County of Bergen Shared Services- 2018-2020 Snow Plowing/Salting Agreement
- Approving Modification to Personnel Policies and Procedures and Employee Handbook
- Certificate of Compliance- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- Appointment Fireman- Eric Schuck
- Payment of Vouchers
- Tax Appeal- Block 141, Lot 15.01
- Purchase of Police Car-2019 Police Interceptor SUV

Items for Discussion:

- Cho Dae Church  
Jack Van Horn attorney for the Cho Dae Church stated that in 2013 they received site plan approval from Northvale to construct sidewalks. In 2013 Norwood passed a resolution approving the installation of the sidewalk. Evan Jacobs borough engineer asked about the grading of the sidewalks. Mr. Foschino asked if the sidewalks are installed would it be the responsibility of the Borough for any maintenance and would the borough be liable for any injuries and who would be held harmless.

Attorney Fede reported that the borough was going out to bid for the installation of the sidewalks, but the Church would be responsible for the payment of the project. Mayor Barsa stated that if the project is approved that the future owners know that they will be responsible for all and any issues including snow removal and mowing.

- **Development- 521 Livingston Street update**  
Gino Tessaro construction official reported that smaller project at 521-525 was completed in August. Work is in progress with the larger project. All inspections were done, project is 50/55% complete. Councilmember Brizzolara asked if the property had to be fully fenced in. Rob Traverse stated that the elevators are not ready and would be delivered once the sidewalks were complete. Councilmember Ascolese asked about the dirt in the back of the property, Mr. Tessaro replied that there were catch basins in the back of the property. Councilmember Scott asked when to expect the project to be completed. Mr. Traverse responded he is hopeful for June 2019. Councilmember Haberman asked what business is expected, Mr. Traverse stated he knew of a Bagel store that might be filing an application.
- **225-227 Railroad Ave Credit**  
Mr. Tessaro reported that the Escrow was returned and the Bond release is set for the next meeting.
- **Library roof replacement**  
Councilmember Scott stated that the quote to fix the roof was over the bid threshold. The roof needs replacement it leaks from any wet weather. Mayor Barsa stated that is money in the Capital budget for a borough vehicle and suggested that the money be spent on replacing the roof.
- **Borough Clerk Report**  
Thanked the Mayor and Council for giving her the opportunity to attend the MPA classes.
- **Borough Attorney Report**  
Closed Session
- **Borough Engineer Report**  
Mr. Jacobs reported on the 4-way stop sign stating that was no formal jurisdiction with the County with installing the signs.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Maryanne Orrechio 401 D'Ercole Court discussed the situation with the parking at the senior center and that it is a safety issue. Councilman Brizzolara suggested having more Handicapped parking spots. Mayor Barsa asked the seniors to park in Borough hall parking lot and be driven to the Senior Center by the Van.

CLOSED SESSION

Approval of Resolution 18-182 Authorizing the Council to proceed in Closed Session

Formal action may be taken upon reconvening in open session.

Attorney Client Privilege, Personnel

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before Council. Mayor Barsa adjourned the meeting at 9:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Borchers, RMC/CMR  
Borough Clerk.