

MINUTES
BOROUGH OF NORWOOD
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 13, 2019
7:00 PM

MAYOR BARSA

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ASCOLESE
COUNCILMAN SCOTT
COUNCILMAN HABERMAN

COUNCILMAN BRIZZOLARA
COUNCILMAN ROONEY
COUNCILMAN FOSCHINO

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Barsa led all in the pledge of allegiance

Statement of Compliance: 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 all members were present.

Correspondence:

1. Departments Reports for January
DPW, Police, Fire, BOH and Construction
2. Resolution from Borough of Hillsdale demanding Suez to replace Lead Service Lines
3. Resolution from Borough of Paramus Opposing the Construction of North Bergen Liberty Generating Gas- Fired Power Plant
4. Letter from Judith Biggins requesting Speed Hump on 14th St be replaced with Speed Humps.

Consent Agenda:

Matters listed below are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council and one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member requests an item be removed.

PROCLAMATION:

Proclaiming April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month and April 5th as CASA Child Advocacy Day

Minutes:

January 23, 2019 Work Session
February 13, 2019 Public Session.

Abstain: Councilman Scott

Approval of following Resolutions

- 2019:80 Approval of Emergency Temporary Budget
- 2019-81 Appointment of Nicolas R. Hargrove to Fire Co. 1
- 2019-82 Appoint Sal Nobile as full member to the Zoning Board
- 2019-83 Appoint Gus Badolati as alternate member to the Zoning Board
- 2019-84 Approve Escrow refund- 88 Sherwood Road
- 2019-85 Approve Escrow refund- 335 Chestnut Place

2019-86 Approve Escrow refund- 31 Cobblestone Drive
2019-87 Payment of Vouchers

Motion made by councilman Brizzolara to approve the consent agenda
Seconded: Councilman Ascolese
All ayes

Ordinance for Adoption

Ordinance 19:01

Entitled "An Ordinance to fix salaries, wages, and compensation of certain officials, officers and employees of the Borough of Norwood, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey" and setting forth the method of paying salaries and any other ordinances amending said ordinance.

Motion to adopt: councilman Rooney
Second: councilman Ascolese

Items for Discussion: Borough clerk stated that the auction of borough vehicles is scheduled for April 25, 2019 at 10:00 AM.

Committee Reports:

Councilman Foschino: DPW/Board of Health/Ambulance Corps

Went over the budget request for the ambulance corps. Items for capital expense are two electronic Stryker stretchers. Attended the board of health meeting. All vehicles and equipment are moved to the Swim Club compound for Auction.

Councilman Haberman: BOE/Environmental Commission

Attended the BOE meeting on February 26. Discussed the School budget. Basketball team lost to Closter. Environmental Schedule meeting set for March 18th.

Councilman Ascolese:

Listened to the February 27th meeting and wanted to clarify a comment mentioned at the meeting in his absence. All items that has to be approved at a public meeting has to be discussed at the prior work session.

Councilman Rooney: Finance

Finance department met to discuss the budget to be introduced at the April 9th meeting. The borough is in great financial shape and has the highest rating as far as debt. Received requests for capital purchases. Thanked all department heads.

Councilman Scott: Library/Senior

Concerned about Library roof he asked that the engineers coordinate with construction official Gino Tessaro to get some quotes. The Seniors had St. Patrick's Day party.

Public Comment:

None

CLOSED SESSION

Approval of Resolution 19-88 Authorizing the Council to proceed in Closed Session

Formal action may be taken upon reconvening in open session.

Tax Appeal, Litigation, Attorney/Client privilege and anticipated litigation

Motion: Councilmember Brizzolara

Second: Councilmember Rooney

All ayes

2019-89 Tax Appeal Robert and Joyce Ghia

Motion: Councilman Rooney

Second: Councilman Brizzolara

All ayes

Adjournment:

With no more business to come before the Council, Mayor Barsa adjourned the meeting at 8:45 Pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Laura Borchers, RMC/CMR
Borough Clerk