

**BOROUGH OF NORWOOD
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES
PUBLIC MEETING
JULY 11, 2018**

The Public Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Norwood was held at the Community Center due to construction at Borough Hall on the above date.

Mayor Barsa called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. and led those in attendance in a salute to the American Flag and asked for a moment of silence in remembrance.

Mayor Barsa stated:

“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, filing a copy in the Borough Clerk’s office and posting on the bulletin board.”

Roll Call:	Mayor Barsa	Present
	Councilman Marino	Present
	Councilman Haberman	Present
	Councilman Brizzolara	Present
	Council President Ascolese	Present
	Councilman Rooney	Present
	Councilman Scott	Present

Also, Present:	Andrew Fede	Borough Attorney
	Evan Jacobs	Borough Engineer

Mayor Barsa pointed out the fire exits and requested that all cell phones be turned off or to vibrate.

Mayor Barsa administered the Oath Office to the new Borough Clerk, Laura Borchers.

Correspondence:

Mayor Barsa read the following correspondence into the record:

1. Thank you letter from Lee Bloom to department of Public Works and donations made.
2. Letter from Allison Allen requesting change of mail delivery

Correspondence continued:

(Atria- just want the apartment #s for 1-20 to remain the same, but they will deliver the others themselves since it's a memory care unit. The other units can be normal delivery)

3. Construction Department Fee Log for June
4. Police Department June Report
5. Cub Scout Pack 120: Use of Kennedy on August 6: 2018
(The approval is contingent on your providing an updated Certificate of Liability Insurance naming the Borough of Norwood as additionally insured)

Mayor Barsa informed that anyone wishing a copy of the correspondence could request it from the Borough Clerk.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Barsa reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda and asked if any Council Member wished to remove an item. There being no request, Mayor Barsa asked for a motion approving the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items.

Approval of the following resolutions:

- 18:126 Approving Refund of Permit Fee-510 Broadway Block 80, Lot 6
- 18:127 Agreement- Northern Valley and Norwood Board of Education
- 18:128 Authorizing the payment of vouchers in the amount of \$ 2,412,174.75
- 18:129 Resolution granting AT&T Corp. permission to install fiber optic cable along, under, and over the public rights-of-way in specific locations in Norwood, in order to provide communication services to the public
- 18:130 Appoint Municipal Housing Liaison-John Guercio

It was moved by Mr.Brizzolara and seconded by Mr. Ascolese to approve the Consent Agenda. In the roll call vote, all Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

Ayes: Marino, Haberman, Brizzolara, Ascolese, Rooney, Scott
Nays: None

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It was moved by Mr.Brizzolara and seconded by Mr. Ascolese to approve the Consent Agenda. In the roll call vote, all Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

Ayes: Marino, Haberman, Brizzolara, Ascolese and Rooney
Nays: None
Abstain: Scott

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Public Hearing of Ordinances:

Mayor Barsa requested the Borough Attorney. Mr. Fede, speak about the Ordinance. Mr. Fede stated that Police Chief Krapels recommended hiring Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO) Class III as backup for the School Resource Officers (SRO). Further he stated, the Ordinance was needed to create the position. Mayor Barsa stated that this was part of a Interlocal Agreement between Norwood Public Schools, The Borough of Norwood and the Norwood Police Department.

Mayor Barsa opened the meeting to the Public for Comment on Ordinances 18:11.

Michael Spraye, of 247 Hudson Ave, came forward stating he was a Board of Education Member. Mr. Spray expressed support for the direction the Borough was going with the Interlocal Agreement and its importance in ensuring the safety of the school. He further thanked the Council Members. With no one else coming forward, Mayor Barsa closed the meeting to the public.

Ordinance 18:11 entitled:

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 50 of the Code of the Borough of Norwood
Regarding Special Law Enforcement Officers

Councilman Haberman offered a motion, with Councilman Rooney to approve Ordinance 18:11 following the Public Hearing. On the roll call vote:

Ayes: Marino, Haberman, Brizzolara, Ascolese, Rooney, Scott
Nays: None
Abstain:

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Ordinance 18:11 was approved.

Mayor Barsa opened the meeting to the Public for comment on Ordinance 18:12. With no one coming forward, Mayor Barsa closed the meeting to the public. Mr. Fede stated the Ordinance was needed to add the SLEO Class III salary to the ordinance.

Ordinance 18:12 entitled:

An Ordinance to Amend an Ordinance Entitled “An Ordinance to Fix Salaries, Wages and Compensation of Certain Officials, Officers and Employees of the Borough of Norwood, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey” to provide for and determine the rate and method of compensation for Special Law Enforcement Officers Class III (“SLEO IIP”) effective September 1, 2018

It was moved by Mr. Haberman and seconded by Mr. Rooney to approve Ordinance 18:12 following the Public Hearing. On the roll call vote:

Ayes: Marino, Haberman, Brizzolara, Ascolese, Rooney and Scott
Nays: None

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There being six (6) ayes and no nays Ordinance 18:12 was approved.

Mayor Barsa opened the meeting to the public for comment on Ordinance 18:13. With no one coming forward, Mayor Barsa requested a motion to close the meeting to the public.

Ordinance 18:13 entitled:

Bond ordinance to authorize the making of various public improvements and the acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new communication and signal systems equipment and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for the borough of Norwood, in the county of Bergen, State of New Jersey, to appropriate the sum of \$580,000 to pay the cost thereof, to make a down payment, to authorize the issuance of bonds to finance such appropriation and to provide for the issuance of bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds.

It was moved by Mr. Haberman and seconded by Mr. Rooney to approve Ordinance 18:13 following the Public Hearing. On the roll call vote:

Ayes: Marino, Haberman, Brizzolara, Ascolese, Rooney and Scott

Nays: None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays Ordinance 18:13 was approved.

Application for Block Party for John's Circle.

Councilman Scott offered a motion to approve the Application for Block Party, with Councilman Marino seconding and a majority of the Members of the Council voting in the Affirmative to approve.

Mayor Barsa stated that he and Council President Ascolese will not be able to attend the July 25th Executive/Work session meeting. He requested that the Borough Clerk send a legal notice to the Official Paper stating the Council Meeting was cancelled. Mayor requested that all Council Members anticipate dropping by the Municipal Building to sign vouchers for payments. Mr. Fede stated he would reach out Mr. Kalker to touch base about his availability to attend the August 8, 2018 Council Meeting.

Council Committee Reports:

Councilman Marino:

Board of Health:

Mr. Marino stated he had nothing to report on the Board of Health

EMS:

Mr. Marino reported the EMS had responded to 37 calls, logged 1,360 volunteer hours and 8 hours of drills.

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Councilman Haberman:

Environmental Commission:

Mr. Haberman reported that there was nothing to new report on the Environmental Commission, which did not meet in July.

Board of Adjustment:

Councilman Haberman stated the Zoning Board was schedule to hold a meeting on Wednesday, July 18.

Norwood Public School:

Councilman Haberman stated that the School Board and the Zoning Board were scheduled to meet at the same time. He express

Councilman Brizzolara:

DPW:

Councilman Brizzolara stated that the Department Public Works (DPW) Superintendent, Alan Schrader, had reached out to a number of vendors soliciting bids. He stated Mr. Schrader would continue to research and solicit potential contractors.

Councilman Ascolese:

Police Department:

Councilman Ascolese stated he had provided a report by Chief Jeffrey Krapels. He further stated that he was happy with the results of the Interlocal Agreement between the Borough, the Public School and the Police Department. He further commended the Chief for being thorough and attentive. Mayor Barsa concurred with Council Ascolese.

Councilman Rooney:

Finance:

Mr. Rooney reported on the finances of the Borough. Mr. Rooney commended Lubna for her work in developing an action plan with regard to the audit and providing updates to the Borough's finances.

Councilman Scott:

Construction:

Councilman Scott stated the Construction Department borough in more than 13,000 dollars.

Senior Club:

Council Scott reported on the Senior Club

Library:

Councilman Councilman Scott stated the construction department had taken in more than \$13,000 in fees for permits. He further stated that the Library

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may have some difficulties because the state will no longer fund a program that allowed libraries to share books. Mr. Scott stated the cost of the program was \$7,000 but that program was important to library and Community.

Public Comment:

Mayor Barsa opened the meeting to the Public.

Liz Henshcel, 830 Hemlock Court, requested an update on the Davies Project on Livingston Street. Mayor Barsa provided an update on the status of the project and answered the resident's questions.

Michael Spraye, of 247 Hudson Ave, asked several questions regarding grass cutting and the potential for the Borough to go to bid for the project.

Mayor Barsa requested a motion to close the meeting to the Public. Mr. Haberman offered a motion, with Mr. Rooney seconding and an affirmative majority of the Council voting in favor.

Closed Session:

At 8:14 p.m. a motion approving Resolution 18:____ authorizing the Council to proceed in Closed Session to discuss a personnel issue and attorney client privilege was made by Mr. Brizzolara and seconded by Mr. Ascolese. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion. Formal action may be taken upon return to open session.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Brizzolara, seconded by Ascolese and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present. The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Borchers, RMC, CMR
Borough Clerk