

**BOROUGH OF NORWOOD  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES  
PUBLIC MEETING, AUGUST 3, 2010**

The Public Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Norwood was held at Borough Hall on the above date.

Mayor Barsa called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM and led those in attendance in a salute to the American Flag and asked for a moment of silence.

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

Roll Call:

Mayor Barsa	Present
Councilman Marino	Absent
Councilwoman Orecchio	Present
Councilman Scott	Present
Council President Condoleo	Present
Councilman Rapaport	Present
Councilman Nicolai	Present (8:10 PM)

Also Present:

Andrew Fede	Borough Attorney
John Speer	Borough Engineer

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

**Public Comment on Agenda Items Only:**

It was moved by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Condoleo to open the meeting to the public for comment. All Council Members present voted for the motion.

There being no member of the public wishing to be heard, a motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Orecchio and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

**Correspondence:**

Mayor Barsa read the following correspondence into the record:

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1. A thank you note from Mrs. Audrey Konigsberg for the flowers and proclamation
2. Fire Chief's Report for May and June 2010
3. A letter from Kenneth Hoffman, Councilman, Borough of Emerson opposing the proposed dissolution of the Borough of Teterboro
4. A letter from Chief of Police, Jeffrey Krapels commending the Norwood EMS for their professionalism and caring for the residents of the Brentwood after a recent storm that left the facility without power
5. A letter from the Buckingham at Norwood thanking the Borough's Emergency Management Team for their prompt response and professional management throughout their power failure
6. A letter from Martha Kleinlaut, President Norwood Senior Citizen Club recommending that the Mayor establish a Senior Citizen Advisory Committee

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. No Council Member wishing to be heard, Mayor Barsa requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items:

Approval of the minutes of the July 6, 2010 Regular Meeting and the June 30, 2010 Executive/Work Meeting.

- 10:142 Authorizing the payment of bills and vouchers in the amount of \$3,163,086.65
- 10:143 Establishing a Norwood Senior Citizen Advisory Committee
- 10:144 Rescinding Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Referendum to Voters regarding the establishment of a Norwood Free Public Library
- 10:145 Authorizing the submission of a Referendum to voters in the Borough of Norwood regarding the study of a Police Department merger with the Borough of Harrington Park and other Contiguous Communities
- 10:146 Authorizing Settlement of Tax Appeal of Huang Yue 10:147  
Authorizing the CFO to issue a refund in the amount of \$20.00 to Pamela Lynn Schwarte for overpayment of a marriage license
- 10:148 Approving the proposal submitted by Neglia Engineering for surveying of the property known as the "Compost Facility" in the amount of \$6,500

**Consent Agenda Continued:**

- 10:149 Approving the proposal submitted by Neglia Engineering for construction management for the Blanch Avenue sidewalk replacement project at a cost of \$7,500
- 10:150 Approving the proposal submitted by Neglia Engineering for construction management for the replacement of five sidewalk ramps along Blanch Avenue and Tappan Road at a cost not to exceed \$1,500
- 10:151 Governing Body Certification of the Annual Audit
- 10:152 Approving a Street Opening Permit for 490 Rivervale Avenue submitted by McGowan Engineering

It was moved by Mr. Rapaport and seconded by Mrs. Orecchio to approve the Consent Agenda. On the roll call vote, all Council Members present voted for the motion.

**Introduction of Ordinance 10:11:**

Mayor Barsa stated he had before him an ordinance for Council action entitled:

An Ordinance Adding the Code of the Borough of Norwood, Chapter 77, Establishing the permitted hours of sale, service, delivery and consumption of Alcoholic Beverages on Sundays by Licensees in the Borough

It was moved by Mrs. Orecchio and seconded by Mr. Rapaport to approve Ordinance 10:11 on its first reading. All Council Members present voted for the motion. Mayor Barsa announced that the public hearing on this ordinance will be Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 8:00 p.m.

**Committee Reports:**

**Councilman Marino:**

In the absence of Mr. Marino no report was given.

**Councilwoman Orecchio:**

Norwood EMS:

Mrs. Orecchio read the monthly report from Norwood EMS as follows:

July, 2010 49 calls answered

Mrs. Orecchio referenced letters from the Buckingham Nursing Home and Police Chief Krapels commending Norwood EMS and Fire Department for their dedication and professionalism during a recent power outage.

**Council Committee Reports Continued:**

**Councilman Scott:**

Building, Planning and Zoning:

Mr. Scott reported that the Construction Office took in \$3,603 in fees for the month of July, well below the average.

**Council President Condoleo:**

Fire Department:

Mr. Condoleo read the Fire Department's May and June Monthly Reports, Appendix A and B respectively.

Historic Preservation Committee:

Mr. Condoleo informed that in regard to the Haring Cemetery a meeting will be scheduled with the Committee, the neighborhood coalition and members of the Council at the Cemetery site to discuss the stone wall.

Finance:

Mr. Condoleo informed that the Finance Committee is meeting next week to discuss the Audit and pending Budget.

**Councilman Rapaport:**

Planning Board:

Mr. Rapaport informed that there is a sign application pending before the Planning Board.

Beautification Committee:

Mr. Rapaport informed that the Daibes Project at the former Cost Cutters building is a very important element in the beautification project and that Mr. Daibes has agreed to pay for the sidewalks and lighting on Livingston Street.

Police Department:

Mr. Rapaport reviewed the Police Department's Monthly Report and informed that ticket writing has drastically reduced. Mr. Rapaport informed that he has spoken to the Police Commissioner in Northvale and their ticket productivity has increased.

Personnel:

The DPW contract should be finalized within the next few months. Mr. Rapaport commended the members of the DPW Union for coming to the table and making concessions in these difficult times.

**Councilman Nicolai:**

Department of Public Works:

Mr. Nicolai had nothing to report for this department.

**Council Committee Reports Continued:**

Environmental Commission:

The Commission has requested that the Mayor and Council consider allowing property owners to house livestock. This would require a relaxing of a borough ordinance. This will be discussed at a work session in the future.

**Mayor Barsa:**

Mayor Barsa announced that last month Cho Dae Presbyterian Church held a golf outing to benefit Norwood and Northvale EMS and Fire Departments. The Church presented all four organizations with a check for \$5,000.00. Mayor Barsa directed the Clerk to send a letter to the Church inviting them to the September 7, 2010 meeting to be presented with a plaque.

**Public Comment:**

At this time, Mayor Barsa asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public for comment. The motion was made by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Orecchio and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

Mr. Rich Hess, 75 Railroad Avenue questioned the Mayor and Council on their feeling regarding the Daibes Project and the number of residential units that are proposed. Mayor Barsa informed that the Council could not comment at this time because this was an application heard by the Zoning Board of Adjustment and an appeal would have to come before them.

Mr. George Hertzberg, 24 Carter Street asked that the Mayor and Council encourage Norwood business owners to hire Norwood residents and that the Mayor and Council in return would encourage the residents to frequent those businesses.

**Adjournment:**

It was moved by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mrs. Orecchio to adjourn. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion and the meeting was adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine L. McMackin, RMC, CMC  
Administrator/Clerk