

The Work/Executive Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Norwood was held on the above date.

Mayor Barsa called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

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.

Present at Roll Call:

Mayor	James P. Barsa
Councilman	John Nicolai (8:05 P.M.)
Councilman	Barry Scott
Council President	Marianne Orecchio
Councilman	Allen Rapaport

Also Present:

Borough Attorney	Andrew Fede
Borough Engineer	Dan Kaufman

Absent:

Councilman	Edward Condoleo
Councilman	Frank Marino

General Public Comment:

Motion to open 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. No one wishing to be heard, motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mrs. Orecchio. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance No. 11:10

Mayor Barsa stated he had before him for Council approval an ordinance entitled,

“Capital Ordinance of the Borough of Norwood, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey authorizing the replacement of the rear door at the Norwood Public Library in, by and for the Borough, appropriating therefor the sum of \$25,000 and proving that such sum so appropriated shall be raised from a Contribution from the Norwood Public Library”

Mayor Barsa asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public for discussion regarding this ordinance. The motion was made by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Orecchio and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present. No one wishing to be heard, Mayor Barsa asked for a motion to close the meeting to the public. The motion was made by Mrs. Orecchio and seconded by Mr. Rapaport. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 11:10 was made by Mrs. Orecchio and seconded by Mr. Rapaport.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Nicolai, Scott, Orecchio and Rapaport

Nays: None

Absent: Condoleo and Nicolai

With four ayes and no nays, Ordinance No. 11:10 was adopted. Notice of adoption will be published in the October 5, 2011 edition of the Record.

Consent Agenda:

Mayor Barsa reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda and asked if any Council Member wished to remove an item for discussion. No Council Member wishing to be heard, motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items was made by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. Rapaport and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present:

- 11:188 Granting Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Broadway Sidewalk Installation Project
- 11:189 Endorsing the Submission of the Recycling Tonnage Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designating John Oddo to properly file the application
- 11:190 Endorsing the voiding of certain checks by the Chief Financial Officer
- 11:191 Authorizing the execution of a Developer's Agreement between the Borough of Norwood, the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Norwood and 521 Livingston Street, LLC re Block 101, Lot 13, 521 Livingston Street, subject to certain conditions

Items for Discussion:

Campaign Contribution Ordinance – At the request of Mr. Scott, this item will be discussed at the next Work Session scheduled for October 27, 2011.

Engineer's Report

Pumping Station Improvements – Mr. Kaufman reported that a preconstruction meeting to be attended by representatives from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has been scheduled for Friday, September 30, 2011 at 1:00 PM in Borough Hall.

Blanche Avenue Sidewalks – Mr. Kaufaman estimates that the project should be done within two to three weeks.

Borough Attorney's Report

Mr. Fede advised that he had matters for discussion in closed session.

Administrator's Report

Haring Cemetery – Mrs. McMackin advised that since there were too many questions regarding the specifications that she was not qualified to answer, it was decided to go forward with the original plan and hire a landscape architect to prepare them. She anticipates that specifications should be ready within two weeks and that the successful bidder would still have sufficient planting time to proceed with the project.

Norwood Day – Mrs. McMackin reported that even though the rain date of Sunday, September 25th had to be used, the day was a huge success and extremely well attended. Mrs. Orecchio commended Mrs. McMackin not only for her organizational skills, but also for the way she physically worked during the day. She voiced her opinion that the Mayor and Council would be lost without her.

Mrs. McMackin advised that she had a matter to discuss in Closed Session.

At this time, Mayor Barsa asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public. Motion was made by Mr. Rapaport, seconded by Mrs. Orecchio and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present. No one wishing to be heard, motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Mrs. Orecchio and seconded by Mr. Nicolai. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

At 8:15 PM, Mayor Barsa asked for a motion approving Resolution 11:192 authorizing the Council to convene into closed session for the purpose of discussing a tax appeal settlement, pending litigation and personnel issues. The motion was made by Mr. Nicolai, seconded by Mr. Scott and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

Mayor Barsa reconvened the meeting at 9:00 PM.

Motion to approve Resolution 11:193 authorizing a tax appeal settlement for 355 Chestnut Avenue was made by Mr. Nicolai, seconded by Mrs. Orecchio and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

Mayor Barsa explained that he performs marriage ceremonies and that it is his custom not to charge Norwood residents. However, he does ask others to contribute \$200.00 to one of the Borough's volunteer services, i.e. Fire, EMS, for this service. He asked the Borough Attorney whether the fee he charges should be covered by ordinance. Mr. Fede voiced his opinion that it probably would be better if the fee were established by ordinance and offered to check with other municipalities.

No other business to discuss, Mayor Barsa asked for a motion to adjourn.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 9:15 PM was made by Mr. Rapaport, seconded by Mr. Scott with all Council Members present voting in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine L. McMackin, RMC, CMC
Administrator/Clerk