

Borough of Norwood
Work Session
March 27, 2013

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 8:05 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.

Present at Roll Call:

Mayor	James P. Barsa
Councilman	Thomas Brizzolara
Councilman	Barry Scott
Councilwoman	Marianne Orecchio
Council President	Allen Rapaport
Councilman	Edward Condoleo
Councilman	Joseph Ascolese

Also Present:

Borough Attorney	Andrew Fede
Borough Engineer	Daniel Kaufman

Consent Agenda:

Mayor Barsa asked if any member of the Council wished to remove an item for discussion. No Council Member wishing to be heard, Mayor Barsa asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following resolutions:

- 13:76 Awarding the Contract for the Collection of Yard Waste to Miele Sanitation at a cost of \$3,200/month
- 13:77 Appointment of Kunjesh Trivedi as Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Norwood
- 13:78 Authorizing the Mayor to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement indemnifying Immaculate Conception Church to permit the Norwood Recreation Programs to use the Church's baseball field and gymnasium
- 13:80 Approving Temporary Budget Resolution for the 2nd Quarter of 2013

The motion was made by Mrs. Orecchio, seconded by Mr. Rapaport and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

Items for Discussion:

Review Ordinance to Regulate the Trade of Secondhand or Pre-owned Precious Metals, Gems and Jewelry – for Introduction April 10, 2013

It was the consensus of the Council that this ordinance be introduced at the April 10, 2013 Public Meeting.

Engineer's Report

1. Monthly Report

Livingston Street Beautification – Mr. Kaufman provided a description of the three phases of this project explaining that Phase I regarding the drainage is completed. Although a DOT application was submitted last July for Phase II of the project, neither an acceptance nor rejection has been received.

Bergen County repaving/resurfacing road projects – Mr. Kaufman reported that Broadway and Livingston Street are on this list. He reminded that any ADA ramps have to be installed before road work begins and voiced his opinion that no additional ramps are needed in this area. Mrs. McMackin reminded that a DOT grant for sidewalk and curb installation on Broadway from Livingston Street to the Old Tappan border was awarded and that the notice regarding the Bergen County road program was not received.

Borough Attorney's Report

Mr. Fede advised that his items for discussion are for Closed Session.

Administrator's Report

1. Swim Club request to place banner across Broadway – Mrs. McMackin explained that the Swim Club wishes to place a banner across Broadway from mid-May or the beginning of June to advertise for new members and that it be hung by the DPW. Following a brief discussion, motion of approval was made by Mr. Brizzolara and seconded by Mrs. Orecchio. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

2. Norwood Public Library request that the Borough refund \$228,600.00 from Bond Ordinance 12:12 – Mrs. McMackin reminded that the bid opening was just recently held on March 13, 2013. The Borough Attorney is in the process of reviewing the bid documents before a contract award can be made at the April 10, 2013 Public Meeting. Therefore, it is her recommendation that this request be discussed at a future date and the Council concurred.

Administrator's Report cont'd

3. Other – Early Voting Bills – Mrs. McMackin reported that S-2364 passed the full Senate by a vote of 24-16, along party lines, and A-3553 was passed by the Assembly by a vote of 46-31, again along party lines. The bills have been somewhat amended in that early voting locations would be spread throughout the counties utilizing either 3, 5 or 7 locations, depending on the number of registered voters in the county. Hours of operation would be from 10 AM to 8 PM Monday to Saturday and from 10 AM to 6 PM on Sundays. There is the requirement that paper ballots would have to be delivered to the county seat every day. Mrs. McMackin advised that it is the opinion of the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey that the Governor will sign the bill. The New Jersey League of Municipalities estimates that the cost of these bills could reach \$22.8 million and urges all municipalities to pass opposing resolutions.

Jersey Professional Management – Public Works Department Services – Mrs. McMackin explained that Messrs. Shenkler and Shannon are observing the operations of the DPW and consulting with the staff two to three days per week. They report their activities to her on a weekly basis and voiced her opinion that the process is going well.

General Public Comment:

Motion to open the meeting to the public was made by Mr. Brizzolara and seconded by Mrs. Orecchio with all Council Members voting in favor of the motion. No one wishing to be heard, a motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Mr. Brizzolara, seconded by Mr. Scott and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

Closed Session:

At 8:17 PM, motion approving Resolution 13:79, authorizing the governing body to convene into closed session to discuss the Sale of Lot 4, Block 15, pending litigation, lease agreement with Immaculate Conception Church for field and gym usage and DPW Bargaining Agreement, was made by Mr. Brizzolara. Mr. Ascolese seconded the motion with all Council Members present voting in favor.

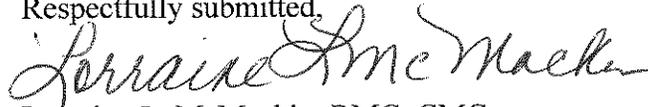
At 9:27 PM, Mayor Barsa convened the meeting in open session.

Motion was made by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mrs. Orecchio authorizing the Mayor to sign a lease agreement with Immaculate Conception Church for field and gym usage. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 PM was made by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. Condoleo and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lorraine L. McMackin". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Lorraine L. McMackin, RMC, CMC
Administrator/Clerk