BOROUGH OF NORWOOD
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES
PUBLIC MEETING
JULY 10, 2013

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 8:05 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, filing a copy in the Borough Clerk's office and posting on the bulletin board."

Roll Call:

Mayor Barsa	Present
Councilman Brizzolara	Present
Councilman Scott	Present
Councilwoman Orecchio	Present
Council President Rapaport	Present
Councilman Condoleo	Present
Councilman Ascolese	Present

Also Present:

Andrew Fede	Borough Attorney
Dan Kaufman	Borough Engineer

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

General Public Comment:

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

Ms. Annie Haussmann, 71 Briarwood Avenue presented arguments as to why she felt the Board of Education for the Northern Valley Regional School District should not adopt a policy of Random Drug Testing for those students involved in extra-curricular activities. Ms. Hausmann referred to a document produced by the Board of Education entitled *Frequently Asked Questions and Responses* that was compiled by the Board of Education as a result of their May 22, 2013 meeting to inform parents of this policy. Ms. Hausmann

informed that the Haworth Governing Body passed a resolution opposing the policy and she asked that the Norwood Governing Body pass a similar resolution.

Ms. Donna Weintraub, 469 Herkimer Avenue, Haworth also spoke out in opposition to the proposed policy and asked the Mayor and Council to pass a resolution opposing the policy.

Wendy and Dave Ward, 186 Millbrook Circle said they were not in favor of the policy.

Additional comments opposing the proposed policy were made by Ms. Hausmann and Ms. Weintraub.

Mayor Barsa thanked the public for sharing their comments and concerns regarding this proposed policy. He informed that he had spoken with Ms. Alice Comer, Norwood representative to the Board of Education and she assured him that the Board is in the fact finding stage of this policy and that no policy has been written or adopted. Mayor Barsa also said that the Mayors of the sending towns were meeting with the Superintendent of Schools on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 to get a better understanding of the need for the policy and what is being proposed. Mayor Barsa said he was not prepared to have the governing body vote on a resolution until they had all of the facts before them. Mayor Barsa instructed the Clerk to make this an item for discussion at the July 24, 2013 Work/Executive Meeting.

Some members of the governing body said they would like to have additional information before making a decision regarding the policy.

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

Correspondence:

Mayor Barsa read the following correspondence into the record:

1. Letter from Governor Christie regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2014 State Budget
2. Letter from Community Hospice of Bergen County Inc., on the celebration of their 1st Anniversary
3. Thank you letter from Mrs. Ruth Falkenstern for the proclamation and flowers upon her retirement as Risk Manager for the Borough of Norwood
4. Letter from Norwood Public Library regarding the return of the funds not needed for the Library Lower Level Renovation

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 requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items:

Approval of the minutes of the June 12, 2013 Regular Meeting and May 29, 2013 Work/Executive Session.

13:121 Authorizing the payment of bills and vouchers in the amount of $1,215,601.93
13:122 Authorizing the CFO to issue a refund in the amount of $442.20 to Lee and Alyssa Bloom, 64 Sherwood Road from the Escrow Account
13:123 Authorizing the CFO to cancel various checks

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

Public Hearing of Ordinance 13:06

Mayor Barsa stated he had before him an ordinance for Council action 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, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY" AND SETTING FORTH THE METHOD OF PAYING SALARIES AND ANY OTHER ORDINANCES AMENDING SAID ORDINANCE.*

It was moved by Mr. Rapaport and seconded by Mrs. Orecchio to open the meeting to the public for discussion on this ordinance. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion. There being no member of the public wishing to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Rapaport and seconded by Mr. Brizzolara to close the meeting to the public. The motion was declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 13:06 was made by Mr. Brizzolara and seconded by Mr. Rapaport. On the roll call vote:

Ayes: Brizzolara, Scott, Orecchio, Rapaport, Condoleo and Ascolese
Nays: None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Ordinance 13:06 was approved. Mayor Barsa announced that the ordinance was finally adopted and will take effect upon publication in the Record.

Committee Reports:

Councilman Brizzolara:
Personnel:
The Committee will be meeting to discuss the position of DPW Superintendent and the negotiating committee has submitted its final proposal to the DPW Union for their comments or acceptance.

Councilman Scott
Library:
Renovation of the lower level of the Library is progressing nicely and the Library Board is pleased with the progress.

Councilwoman Orecchio
Mrs. Orecchio had nothing to report at this time.

Council President Rapaport:
Municipal Court:
No report was provided to Mr. Rapaport.

Norwood Police Department:
The two new officers are in training and adjusting to their new positions.

Planning Board:
The Board is reviewing ordinances for possible amendments as well a preliminary review of the Master Plan.

Norwood Day Committee:
Norwood Day is Saturday, September 21, 2013 with no rain date. Some of the activities will include rides and games for the children, wine tasting for adults, live music and food from surrounding restaurants.

Livingston Street Beautification:
Revised drawings have been submitted to the County for their approval and easement agreements have been sent to the affected property owners.

Councilman Condoleo:

Fire Department:
Mr. Condoleo read the Fire Chief's June Report into the record, Attachment "A".

Councilman Ascolese:

Department of Public Works:
Mr. Ascolese read the monthly report for the DPW, see Attachment "B" and commended the department on the great job they have done with the ball fields.

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 Mrs. Orecchio, seconded by Mr. Scott and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members present.

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

Adjournment:

It was moved by Mr. Brizzolara and seconded by Mr. Rapaport to adjourn. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion and the meeting was adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine L. McMackin, RMC, CMC
Borough Clerk

Attachment "A"

NORWOOD FIRE CO. NO. 1, INC.
602 BROADWAY
NORWOOD, NEW JERSEY 07648

CHIEFS REPORT FOR June 2013

FIRE CALLS

Building Fire	0
Brush Fire	0
C/O Detection	0
Automobile Fire	0
Automobile Accident	1
Rescue	0
Hazmat	0
False Alarm	2
Other Emergency	4
Mutual Aid	1

OTHER NON EMERGENCY CALLS

Company Drills	1
Mutual Aid Drills	0
Schools	3
House Duties	2
Miscellaneous	17

TOTAL CALLS 31

Man Hours Expended

Fires	52.8
Drills	44
Training	35
House Duties	15
Miscellaneous	258.7

TOTAL MAN HOURS **405.5**

TOTALS from January 1st through the month of June-2013

Fires	770.72
Drills & Other	1,390.4

TOTAL MAN HOURS **2,161.12**

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Aanonsen
Chief, Norwood Fire Company

Presented at M-C meeting 7/10/13

Attachment "B"

Monthly Report for June 2013

First of the month documented inspections continued

- Generator maintenance
- Pump stations functions
- Fire extinguisher inspection (vehicle & buildings)
- Playground inspections at Kennedy Park
- UST for oil separator at DPW facility

Vehicle self-inspection documentation

Vehicle Washing and maintenance continues

Chipping curbside brush continues including stump and log pickup

Stormwater maintenance continues.

- Cleaning storm drains
- Repairing storm drains
- Inspecting outfalls and retention areas
- Sweeping Roads

Grass cutting continues

- Complete bi-weekly cutting of Holy Family School property is now on our grass cutting route
- Abandoned home at Mills and Tappan is now added to the grass cutting route
- Field Maintenance

Sewer cleaning continues

Tree Removal

- 10 trees removed this month with the assistance of O&R

Street Repair

- Oak Street- 3 Ton hot patch
- 330 Livingston St. resident complaint taken care of.
- 303 Livingston St. resident complaint taken care of.
- Speed bump preplaced at 14th St.
- 4 ton of hot patch repairs to 14th St. circle

Walking path resealed by B&D paving at Kennedy Park

2 Safety Life rings added to Penny Lane Pond

All Norwood vehicles brought to auction by DPW and all were sold.

Flowers and trees on Livingston St. now on a daily water schedule.

DPW Dept. has had safety training for Hazardous Communication program

Public Image Project

- County road improvements
- Removal of overgrowth
- Painting of guard rails
- Painting storm drain heads for beautification project on Livingston St.

Preparing for upcoming events and improvements

- 4th of July fireworks
- Norwood Summer Camp
- Adding message board and benches to be installed at School area on Summit near Norwood Public Library
- Repairing and painting dugouts at Kennedy Field
- Pond algae growth treatment
- Clean Community garbage cans
- Replace pole padding on basketball court and around Kennedy Park light poles
- Preparing outdoor garage for heavy duty shelving to improve organization and safety