

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 7:01 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 Star Ledger.

Present at Roll Call:

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

Also Present:

Borough Attorney	Andrew Fede
Borough Engineer	Daniel Kaufman
Chief Financial Officer	Judith Curran

Absent:

Councilman	Frank Marino
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Items for Discussion:

Review proposed ordinance for parking restriction on Jay Street – Mayor Barsa voiced his understanding that the north end of Jay Street was to have been included in this ordinance. Following a brief discussion, the motion to have the Borough Attorney prepare a revised ordinance for introduction at the July 8, 2015 Public Meeting was made by Mr. Brizzolara and seconded by Mr. Rapaport. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion. The proposed ordinance will be revised with the following revisions:

Prohibited parking for the east side of Jay Street will be added between Broadway and the north side of the cul de sac.

Limited parking (2 hour parking/7 days) for the east side of Jay Street will be added beginning at the north side of the cul de sac.

Review Neglia Proposal for Engineering and Landscape Architectural Services for Livingston Street/Street Scape – Bond Ordinance 15:08 – Both Councilmen Ascolese and Scott requested that this item be postponed for discussion and/or approval at the next meeting (July 8, 2015 Public Meeting) as they did not receive a copy of the proposal.

Borough Engineer's Report – Mr. Kaufman reported as follows:

Livingston Street – work is proceeding to the Shell Station. The same configuration as was done in front of the Seven-Eleven will be done for the Bocchino property on the opposite side. The last message received from Rockland Electric was that the cut-off for the original service was on the schedule, but there has been no confirmation that it has been done. Mr. Brizzolara will send an e-mail to Terri Johnson to confirm whether the shutoff was done, and if not, when it will occur.

Borough Attorney's Report – Mr. Fede reported as follows:

The Borough's motion to intervene in the foreclosure of an affordable housing unit (for 638 E'rcole Court) was not opposed and Mr. Fede will prepare an ordinance for its acquisition. He reported that the League of Municipalities has a template that can be used for the Affordable Housing Declaratory Judgement that he will alter for Norwood's purposes.

Mr. Rapaport questioned the status of the Starting Anew Developer's Agreement. Mr. Fede advised that it was revised to include J. Fletcher Creamer & Son, Inc. and Tenco Management, LLC. He continued that as soon as a signed copy is received from the developer, it can be executed on behalf of the Borough.

At this time, Mr. Scott reported that Riti Grover, Library Director, has taken a new position and will resign on July 15, 2015. Mr. Scott applauded Ms. Grover for developing sixty different programs during her tenure and her steadfast direction during the library renovation. He informed that the Library Board of Trustees met last evening and that a search committee has been formed to find a replacement.

Mr. Rapaport commended Chief Krapels for receiving the Chiefs' Achievement Award at last evening's Bergen County Chiefs' Association meeting held at the Police Academy. He recommended that he be publicly honored and recognized at the August or September Public Meeting.

Mr. Ascolese informed that the DPW Superintendent has been receiving requests to have trees removed that in most cases are healthy trees and has been denying these requests. Mr. Ascolese voiced his opinion that Mr. Schrader should have governing body support in these decisions. Accordingly, he has instructed Mr. Schrader to recommend to any individual not satisfied with his decision to appear before the Mayor and Council.

Mrs. Orecchio advised that many seniors living at Fox Hill Manor do not attend the bi-monthly Senior Citizen Club meetings and do not know about the Senior Van. She recommended that a notice be posted at Fox Hill and Mayor Barsa explained that representatives from the Senior Advisory Board will be meeting with Mrs. McMackin to discuss protocol.

General Public Comment:

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

(Mrs. Orecchio left the meeting at 7:20 PM)

Closed Session:

Motion to approve Resolution 15:124 authorizing the Council to proceed in Closed Session to discuss Construction Office procedure matters was made by Mr. Ascolese and seconded by Mr. Scott. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

Adjournment:

Mayor Barsa reconvened the meeting at 8:03 PM and asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Mr. Rapaport, seconded by Mr. Scott and declared carried upon the affirmative vote of all Council Members Present.

Respectfully submitted,


Lorraine L. McMackin, RMC, CMC
Administrator/Clerk