

BOROUGH OF CALDWELL, N.J.
COUNCIL BUSINESS/CONFERENCE MEETING
MINUTES – March 24, 2009

The Council Business meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Caldwell was called to order in the Council Chambers at 7:01 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Gartland, Councilman Lawshe, Dassing, Slattery, Curley and Brennan

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Administrator, Maureen Ruane, Borough Attorney, Stuart Koenig, Esq., Deputy Clerk, Beth Bush Telepan

ABSENT: Councilman Norton

Adequate notice of this Council Business/Conference meeting was given on January 15, 2009. Notice was posted on the bulletin board on the first floor of the Borough Hall, One Provost Square, Caldwell, New Jersey on January 15, 2009. Four official newspapers of the Borough were notified of this meeting by mail on January 15, 2009. Notice was posted and all persons requesting notice were sent same.

PRESENTATIONS: None

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

RECEIVING OF BIDS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 10, 2009

Approved by all members present upon a motion made by Councilman Curley, seconded by Councilman Brennan the minutes were adopted March 24, 2009.

March 17, 2009

Approved by all members present upon a motion made by Councilman Slattery, seconded by Councilman Curley the minutes were adopted March 24, 2009.

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public at 7:03 P.M. for public comment on resolutions. Seeing no one from the public wishing to be heard the Mayor closed the open public comment on resolutions at 7:03 P.M.

RESOLUTIONS:

3-61 Authorizing redemption of tax lien certificate #08-00016, Block 57.01, Lot 1.08, 12 Parkway West, Caldwell, New Jersey 07006, Michelle Lodato

Moved by Councilman Brennan, seconded by Councilman Slattery. No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

3-62 Authorizing refund of overpayment due to a tax payment made in error on Block 54, Lot 6.1403, 105 Roseland Avenue, Unit 1403, Robert & Doris Combs

Moved by Councilman Slattery, seconded by Councilman Brennan. No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

3-63 Authorizing redemption of tax lien certificate #08-00012, Block 41.01, Lot 16, 31 Prospect Street, Caldwell, New Jersey 07006, Michael J. Kalinowski

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Moved by Councilman Brennan, seconded by Councilman Slattery.
No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the
affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

- 3-64 Authorizing redemption of tax lien certificate #08-00009, Block 27,
Lot 25, 27 Hanford Place, Caldwell, New Jersey 07006, Mitchell A.
Gladstein

Moved by Councilman Brennan, seconded by Councilman Slattery.
No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the
affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

- 3-65 Authorizing redemption of tax lien certificate #08-00013, Block 41.01,
Lot 19, 39 Prospect Street, Caldwell, New Jersey 07006, Edgar &
Anna Montanez

Moved by Councilman Brennan, seconded by Councilman Slattery.
No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the
affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

- 3-66 Authorizing issuance of license to operate electronic, mechanical and
other types of amusement devices to The Ringside Pub for a Golf
Machine and a Bowling Machine

Moved by Councilman Slattery, seconded by Councilman Curley.
No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the
affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

- 3-67 Authorizing issuance of a license to operate electronic, mechanical
and other types of amusement devices to The Ringside Pub for 9
Pool Tables

Moved by Councilman Slattery, seconded by Councilman Lawshe.
No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the
affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

- 3-68 Authorizing issuance of three (3) taxicab licenses to CYC Inc., 60
Roseland Avenue, Caldwell, New Jersey 07006

Moved by Councilman Slattery, seconded by Councilman Brennan.
No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the
affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

- 3-69 Authorizing the issuance of a peddler license for the sale of Good
Humor Ice Cream beginning April 1, 2009 through June 15, 2009 on
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and
Sunday to Said H. Elsayed, 1084 Main Street, Apartment 1,
Paterson, New Jersey 07053

Moved by Councilman Culey, seconded by Councilman Lawshe.
Discussion ensued. On roll call vote, Councilman, Lawshe,
Dassing, Curley, and Brennan voted in the affirmative. Councilman
Slattery voted in the negative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

- 3-70 Authorizing the application by the Caldwell Tenants Association for
use of the Fire House Meeting Rooms in the Borough of Caldwell
Fire House for their General Meetings

Moved by Councilman Curley, seconded by Councilman Slattery.
No discussion. On roll call vote, all members present voted in the
affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

- 3-71 Authorizing payment of bills and the issuance of checks for the
period through March 24, 2009 in the total amount of \$496,823.97

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Moved by Councilman Curley, seconded by Councilman Slattery.
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affirmative. Resolution adopted 3/24/09.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND MEMBERS:

Councilman Lawshe – Reported that he will make every effort to get to the Board of Education meeting next month. Councilman Lawshe also reported on the tree incident at Pia Costa and hopefully something will be done when it goes to court.

Councilman Slattery – Reported on the Saint Patrick's Day senior lunch organized by Tamara Bross and Maureen Ruane. It was very successful and they served over 110 people corned beef and cabbage. Councilman Slattery also reported on the Three on Three Basketball Tournament. This year they had fifty-four teams participate. All the referees donated their time and the event raised \$7,000.00. Councilman Slattery also reported that she attended the Council on Developmentally Disabled Citizens meeting held at Rock N Joe's Café. The Council is to raise awareness of people with disabilities. The owner of Rock N Joes donated his space and served coffee and tea. The event was attended by 60 or 70 people. Council Slattery also attended the celebration of Grover Cleveland's Birthday at the Grover Cleveland Birthplace. Councilman Slattery also attended the event at the temple as part of the Big Read, the author of The Shawl gave a presentation. The event had a turnout of about 200 people.

Councilman Dassing – Reported on the report from Anthony Marucci, Borough Engineer, regarding the Pine Brook. The report shows there is evidence of severe erosion along the banks of the Pine Brook. The report confirms that the erosion is worsening and Mr. Marucci confirms that Mr. Flynn is taking matters into his own hands. Councilman Dassing thanked Mr. Marucci for his report. Councilman Dassing requested that Mr. Marucci and Mr. Flynn attend the April 7, 2009 Council meeting. Councilman Dassing also reported that there will be a Shared Services Committee meeting and a Community Center Committee meeting in early April.

Mayor Gartland – Requested that everyone remember Chief Dombrowki's family in their prayers, Chief Dombrowski's brother passed away on Monday.

Councilman Curley – Reported on the Environmental Commission's Earth Day, Green Your Home, contest. Projects are due at Borough Hall on April 24, 2009 or by Saturday April 25, 2009 at the Caldwell Public Library. The award ceremony will be on the May 5, 2009 council meeting at 7:00 PM.

Councilman Brennan – No Report.

Mayor Gartland – Reported on the Grover Cleveland Birthplace celebration, and thanked St. Al's for offering the gymnasium for the event. Mayor Gartland also reported on the Big Read, and the event at the Temple on Sunday with the author of The Shawl. Mayor Gartland also reported on the Library Foundation and the fundraiser they have begun.

Maureen Ruane – Reported on the Local Finance Board notice regarding the pension deferral. The Council agreed not to defer the pension payments for 2009.

OPEN MEETING: The Mayor opened the meeting to the public at 7:50 PM. Anthony Abaleo, Essex County, reported on the Cherry Blossom Festival. Mr. Tom Kelly of 48 Roseland Avenue asked the Council to do something about the baseballs going in the parking lot at 48 Roseland Avenue from the Kiwanis Oval. He asked that the council do something to prevent the baseballs from going into the parking lot. Rebecca Roth, Borough Employee, had questions regarding the pending cuts to be made to the budget. Colette Hassan, Borough Employee, had questions regarding the health benefits.

On a motion made by Councilman Curley, and seconded by Councilman Brennan, unanimously affirmed, the Council moved into Executive Session in order to discuss personnel and attorney client privilege. Said motion was unanimously approved and the Council went into Executive Session at 8:10 P.M.

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The Executive Session was adjourned and upon motion by Councilman Brennan, seconded by Councilman Slattery the Council Business Conference Meeting was opened to the public and the press at 10:38 P.M. All those previously in attendance were present.

There being no additional business to be conducted a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Slattery, seconded by Councilman Brennan, unanimously affirmed by all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 10:39 PM.

Prepared by:

Beth Bush Telepan
Deputy Clerk

Date