

**BOROUGH OF CALDWELL  
COUNCIL BUSINESS/CONFERENCE MEETING  
MINUTES – April 19, 2016**

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The council Business meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Caldwell was called to order in the Council Chambers at 7:01PM

PRESENT: Mayor Dassing, Council President Capozzoli, Councilman Hauser, O'Donnell, Brown, Cascarano and Rodgers

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Administrator, Paul Carelli, and Borough Attorney, Greg Mascera

Adequate notice of this Council Business/Conference meeting was given on January 1, 2016. Notice was posted on the bulletin board on the first floor of the Borough Hall, One Provost Square, Caldwell, New Jersey. Official newspapers of the Borough were notified of this meeting by mail. Notice was posted and all persons requesting notice were sent same.

**PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:  
April 5, 2016**

Moved by Councilman Cascarano, seconded by Council President Capozzoli. No Discussion. On roll call, all voted in the affirmative. Councilman Hauser and Brown abstained. Minutes approved 04/19/16.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS:**

Moved by Councilman O'Donnell, seconded by Councilman Cascarano to open to the Public for Consent Agenda

**RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA**

**4-103:** AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF FIVE (2) TAXICAB LICENSES TO JEZAI (SERGIO) GURSES, 806 Murray Street, Avenel, NJ07001. APPLICATION AND APPLICANT HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY APPROPRIATE MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS

**4-104:** AUTHORIZING THE ISSUING OF LICENSE FOR RAFFLE. APPLICANT AND APPLICATION HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE CLERK'S OFFICE – Caldwell Merchants Association - On Premise – 50/50 Raffie, May 21, 2016 – 10:00AM – 5:00PM & May 22, 2016 – 12:00PM – 5:00PM

**4-105:** AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT FOR PEDDLER LICENSE OR IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICATION FILED. APPLICANT AND APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE BOROUGH CLERK'S OFFICE – The Towne Scoop, John O'Neil & Tom Lydon.

**4-106: PULLED**

**4-107:** AUTHORIZING THE ISSUING OF A SPECIAL LIQUOR PERMIT. APPLICANT AND APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CLERK'S OFFICE – THE CAROLINE FUND

**4-108:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH APRIL 19, 2016 FOR 2016 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$4,092,576.63

**4-109:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN HOURS FOR MARK GIULIANO AS THE FIRE OFFICIAL IN THE FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL AT A RATE OF \$24.05 PER HOUR AND A TOTAL OF 32 HOURS PER WEEK

**4-110:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO PROCEED WITH THE MAINTENANCE REPAIR BY HATCH MOTT MACDONALD OPERATING SERVICES TO SAND FILTER CELL#1 AT THE CALDWELL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$72,500 AS PART OF THE MAINTENANCE SERVICES OF THE OPERATING CONTRACT

**CONSENT**

Moved by Councilman Cascarano, seconded by Councilman Brown. Discussions Ensued. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolutions approved 04/19/16.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilman Hauser reported on the Historic Commission and the State has declined us from status that would enable us to get grant money because of the exemption of the district wording.

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That being said there is plans for a Historic Walk weekend in mid-June and will be partnering up with the Caldwell Library. There will discussion about the process and identification of various historic locations.

**Councilman Cascarano** reported that the Health Department will be sponsoring a Wellness Fair at the Community Center on June 11<sup>th</sup> from 10AM – 1PM in the Gym. There will be 20 - 25 different stations throughout the Gym featuring ten to twenty minute lectures on topics such as massage or aroma therapy, nutrition, concussions, zika, lead, poison control and Police and Community. Everyone is welcome to attend. They had a productive finance meeting with himself, Councilman Rodgers and the Mayor and they went over line item through line item there goal is to keep the Municipal portion of the property tax levy low because we have no control over the County and the Board of Education's portion of the property tax levy.

**REPORT OF MAYOR:**

**Mayor Dassing** thanked the Chief and our brave Police force for diffusing a situation last Monday that could have turned out much differently. The Mayor will be presenting awards to some of the officers in the future. The Mayor presented to the Council ideas from a resident on signs and Paul will be getting a quote. We are hoping to introduce the Budget at the second meeting in May.

**REPORT OF BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR**

**Paul Carelli reported on the following:**

- There was concern last week so we called in Crew and the contractor for Hatfield. It was a productive meeting and they should be done on Friday.
- We approved a resolution to start the upgrade on the one sand filter.
- The floor has been secured on the first floor and we will move forward with the improvements.
- We are finally ready to proceed with the EVS Agreement.
- Channel 35 will be up and running by the next meeting.

**REPORT OF BOROUGH ATTORNEY:**

**Greg Mascera** has items for the Executive Session.

**REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF**

**James Bongiorno** reported that the Police Department will finish on April 24<sup>th</sup> with our month long participation State wide grant Distractive Driving Campaign. The Chief thanked the Community with the permanent prescription drug box. This box is in place to prevent prescription drug abuse. Through the first quarter of this year we took in 93lbs. of prescription medication that have been turned in from our Community.

**REPORT OF COUNTY LIAISON**

**Patricia Keenan** reported that Essex County is celebrating Earth Day on Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> from 11AM -4 PM at the Environmental Center and this event is free to all. The Essex County Household Hazardous Waste collection is on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am – 4:00pm at the old Hospital Center.

**Councilman Brown** reported that our Earth Day event is on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am – 12:30pm they will be promoting reuse, recycle and reduce. A lot of great things planned for that day. At the Personnette Street park if you are around town this Saturday between 11AM – 2PM to move some compost around the park.

**Councilman Hauser** reported that the Senior Transportation Bus has arrived it is a shared service between Caldwell, West Caldwell and Roseland that received a grant for this bus.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING:**

Moved by Councilman Brown, seconded by Council Hauser to open meeting to the Public.

**Ann Marchioni, Co-chair Environmental Commission** responded that you can go to our Earth Day event in the morning and then head the County in the afternoon. We will be collecting electronics recycling small items for a local animal shelter. They will be announcing the Partners for the Planet contest that day and at the next Council meeting we will be giving out the awards. The Environmental Commission is partnering with Roseland and West Caldwell to sponsor a showing of a movie called "Bag it" and it's about decreasing the use of plastic bags. This event will be at Caldwell College on Thursday night all are invited and she is giving away tote bags.

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On a motion made by Councilman Brown and seconded by Council Cascarano, unanimously affirmed, the Council moved into Executive Session at 7:19P.M.

**Mayor Dassing** read the following statement: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10-12 and 13, the public shall be excluded from the Executive Session of the Governing Body which is being held for the discussion of the following subject matters: 1. Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation; 2. Personnel matters; 3. This Executive Session shall continue for an indefinite period of time and upon termination of the Executive Session, the Governing Body may choose to resume the public portion of the meeting. The discussion, which shall be conducted in closed session, shall be disclosed upon termination of litigation or contractual matter, upon resolution of the personnel matter with consent of said person or persons and as provided by N.J.S.A. 4-12 but in no case later than two (2) years from this date. These minutes shall be available as soon as the matter is resolved or not later than two years hence. The Executive Session will be potential litigation of affordable housing and potential litigation of the sewer plant.

The Executive Session was adjourned and upon a motion by Councilman Hauser seconded by Council Cascarano, the Council Business Conference Meeting was opened to the public and the press at 7:48P.M.

There being no additional business to be conducted a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Cascarano, seconded by Councilman O'Donnell unanimously affirmed by all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48PM.

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lisa O'Neill, Deputy Borough Clerk

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