

**BOROUGH OF CALDWELL
COUNCIL BUSINESS/CONFERENCE MEETING
MINUTES – June 6, 2017**

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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 **7:00PM**.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy Clerk, Lisa O'Neill, Borough Administrator, Paul Carelli & Borough Attorney, Greg Mascera

ABSENT: Councilman Hauser

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:
May 16, 2017**

Moved by Council President Cascarano, seconded by Councilman Brown. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Councilman Hauser absent. Minutes approved 06/06/17.

PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

Moved by Councilman Brown, seconded by Council President Cascarano to open meeting to the public.

ORDINANCE #1330-17: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 530 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL, BEING THE SECTION REGULATING LICENSING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Moved by Councilman Capozzoli, seconded by Councilman Cascarano. Discussions Ensued. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Ordinance introduced 06/07/17.

Against Ordinance #1331-17

Jeffrey Morton, Shak A Paw
Cindy Knolls, Furrylicious, White House Station

For Ordinance #1331-17

Brian Hackett, Humane Society of the US
Larry Cohen, Humane Society of the US

ORDINANCE #1331-17: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 60 ARTICLE II OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL, BEING THE SECTION TITLED ANIMALS, ARTICLE II DOGS

Moved to Table Ordinance for next meeting by Council President Cascarano, seconded by Councilman Rodgers. No Discussion. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Ordinance Tabled. 06/07/17.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA

6-142: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SENATE BILL S2171 “NEW JERSEY LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION BOND ACT” AND URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE(S) TO APPROVE SAME FOR A FULL SENATE VOTE

6-143: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL A222 “NEW JERSEY LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION BOND ACT” AND URGING THE ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE TO APPROVE SAME FOR A FULL ASSEMBLY VOTE

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- 6-144:** RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A SEWER CONNECTION FOR Skender Meka, 620 Mountain Avenue, North Caldwell, NJ 07006
- 6-145:** AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK LOT 70, 3, 8 GLADDING ROAD, CALDWELL, NJ 07006
- 6-146:** AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF RENEWAL LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018. APPLICATIONS AND APPLICANTS HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY APPROPRIATE MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS
- 6-147:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JUNE 6, 2017 FOR 2017/2016 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$4,110,635.48
- 6-148:** AUTHORIZING THE REJECTION OF THE BIDS FOR GRITS/SCREENINGS HAULING AND DISPOSAL AT THE CALDWELL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
- 6-149:** AUTHORIZING THE REJECTION OF THE BIDS FOR CLEANING SERVICES AT THE CALDWELL COMMUNITY CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS

CONSENT

Moved by Council President Cascarano, seconded by Councilman Brown. No Discussion. On roll call, all voted in the affirmative. Resolutions approved 06/06/17.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council President Cascarano commended the Fire Department on a job well done. On May 30th the dispatch received a call at 8:16PM for a fire at Fresco's. The Mayor and I arrived on the scene before 8:30 and the Caldwell Volunteer Fire Department was already there. The fire was out and the situation controlled. Too frequently recently the CVFD has received too much unfair and dishonest criticism, even allegations that whenever there is a fire in town, the entire structure is almost always lost. We need to start talking publicly about all the times the CVFD does their job. The Camp Wyanokie outing event is on June 24th. For more information and to sign up, visit www.campwyanokie.com. The Council received an email from Linda Von Nessi from the County about the polling locations at the Community Center. He had the idea of using St. Al's and recommended that to her, that way it will assuage concerns about overcrowding at CCC, as well as parent's concerns with allowing voters and strangers unfettered access to the Middle School.

Councilman Brown reported that the Sustainable Jersey event is on June 22nd. Part of the grant is to inform the public about plastics pollution. At the Library on June 22nd "A Plastic Ocean" and each participant will receive a Chico bag (over the age of 10 years.) On June 23rd Mr. Rogers Neighborhood, Snorkeling with Sylvia Earle at 2PM and each participant will receive a Chico bag and about pollinators, each participant will receive a milkweed plant. June 27th, Wings of Life at 2PM and Pollinators and Plants Perfect Together at 7PM. (over age 10 years)

REPORT OF MAYOR:

Mayor Dassing thanked the Caldwell Merchants Association for their hard work on Art on the Avenue it was a lovely event and quite a success. The Mayor thanked the volunteer Fire Department for their swift action with the Fresco fire.

REPORT OF BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR:

Paul Carelli reported:

- The public hearing and Adoption for the 2017 Municipal Budget is on June 20, 2017.
- He is meeting with the PBA and Borough consultants on the 2017 Health Plan Changes next week.
- The Borough received an NJDOT Grant award for Wakefield, Kirkwood and Ward Place.
- Paul is working with PK Environmental supplying documentation for Green Acres that they are requesting.
- Sand Filter Proposal is to restore three (3) additional sand filters and the proposed cost is \$197,000. The breakdown would be Filter #6 = \$72,500 rehab (completed). Filters # (1-5)

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Demo = \$31,460 = \$6,292 each (completed). Filters (3-5) Rehab = \$197,000 = \$65,667 each. Unit cost (3-5) = \$71,959 (0.75%)

REPORT OF BOROUGH ATTORNEY:

Greg Mascera

REPORT OF ESSEX COUNTY LIASION:

Patricia Keenan reported that the Essex County Parks will have live free concerts series starting on July 7th. On July 26th Steppin' Out will be at the Grover Cleveland Park.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING:

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

Johnathan Lace, Welshman Court asked if there could be a news section on the Town website. Also, polling information and if the website can be cell phone friendly.

On a motion made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Council President Cascarano unanimously affirmed, the Council moved into Executive Session at 7:45P.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 discussion of Municipal Cards Contract.

The Executive Session was adjourned and upon a motion by Council President Cascarano, seconded by Councilman Brown, the Council Business Conference Meeting was opened to the public and the press at 8:10PM.

There being no additional business to be conducted a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Council President Cascarano unanimously affirmed by all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34PM.

Prepared by: _____
Lisa O'Neill, Deputy Borough Clerk

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