

**BOROUGH OF CALDWELL
COUNCIL BUSINESS/CONFERENCE MEETING
MINUTES – August 2, 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 7:02PM

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

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

ABSENT: Councilman Hauser and Brown

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:
July 19, 2016**

Moved by Councilman Cascarano, seconded by Council President Capozzoli. No Discussion. On roll call, all voted in the affirmative. Councilman O'Donnell abstained. Minutes approved 08/02/16.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Council President Capozzoli, seconded by Councilman Rodgers to open meeting to the Public.

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA

8-152: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL ENDORSING THE "FAIRNESS FORMULA" AS INTRODUCED BY GOVERNOR CHRISTIE TO PROMOTE FAIR FUNDING FOR BOROUGH OF CALDWELL STUDENTS AND TO RELIEVE THE UNFAIR PROPERTY TAX BURDEN

8-153: AUTHORIZING THE ISSUING OF LICENSE FOR RAFFLE. APPLICANT AND APPLICATION HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE CLERK'S OFFICE – St. Aloysius Roman Catholic Church - On Premise - 50/50 Raffle, September 18, 2016 – 3:00PM

8-154: AUTHORIZING THE ISSUING OF A SPECIAL LIQUOR PERMIT. APPLICANT AND APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CLERK'S OFFICE – CALDWELL UNIVERSITY

8-155: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH AUGUST 2, 2016 FOR 2016 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$732,164.56

8-156: TABLED

CONSENT:

Moved by Council President Capozzoli, seconded by Councilman Cascarano. Discussions Ensued. On roll call, all present voted in the affirmative. Resolutions approved 08/02/16.

REPORT OF MAYOR:

Mayor Dassing reported that she met with the Army Corp of Engineers on Thursday. Jason Shae and two of his associates attended along with two people from the DEP. Mr. Dan Flynn who is a resident of Westville Avenue, also attended and he provided a lot of great background information and Ann Marchioni from the Environmental Commission was also in attendance. They will hopefully be creating another trip report that they did back in 2007 and this will give us some idea where we are with the erosion and some solutions that we might put in place. Jason will be looking to see if there is any Army Corp of Engineer programs that we might fit into and if we do we can ask Congressman Frelinghuysen to help us with funding.

REPORT OF BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR:

Paul Carelli reported on the following:

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- He will be meeting with Councilman Brown to review the Compost proposals.
- We are in the process of switching banks.
- All the performance reviews have been submitted and he is hoping to have a personnel meeting as soon as possible.
- He has spoken with Govdeals and we are just formulating the last of the information. Maria has supplied pictures of the bus.
- The house that was in disrepair has been demolished.

REPORT OF COUNTY LIAISON:

Patricia Keenan reported that at the Environmental Center on Saturday, August 6th is the Buzzfest from 11am – 1pm there is a \$5 fee per-person for ages 2 & up.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING:

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

Peter Murray, 61 Arlington Avenue he read something about Chief Bongiorno and he wanted to talk about the person he knows professionally and personally. He had the opportunity as a Councilman and being on the Police Committee to work with Jimmy and at the time there was a lot of organizing and hiring. The things that he read is not indicative of the person that he knows. He is a good man and a good family man and he looks after his officers that protect this town. He tries to engage as much as possible with the residents of this town. What he asks is that due- process will take its course and he knows that the Mayor and Council will give him the fairness and the support that he thinks he deserves and he would ask the same from the members of our community and the surrounding towns to look at the person, what he has done and what he has implemented in this community for the past five to six years. He wishes Chief Bongiorno all the best of luck during this time.

Ann Marchioni, co-chair Environmental Commission, thanked the Mayor and Council for supporting the resolution on Climate Change and the Mayor responded that was tabled for this evening. Ann encourages the Council to consider because it would fit nicely into Sustainable Jersey.

On a motion made by Councilman O'Donnell and seconded by Council President Capozzoli, unanimously affirmed, the Council moved into Executive Session at 7:14P.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 is a potential litigation.

The Executive Session was adjourned and upon a motion by Councilman O'Donnell seconded by Council President Capozzoli, the Council Business Conference Meeting was opened to the public and the press at 7:28P.M.

Motion was made by Councilman Cascarano to adjourn the August 16, 2016 Council Business/Conference Meeting, seconded by Council President Capozzoli. All in Favor.

There being no additional business to be conducted a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council President Capozzoli seconded by Councilman Cascarano unanimously affirmed by all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29PM.

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

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