

**BOROUGH OF CALDWELL
COUNCIL CONFERENCE/BUSINESS MEETING
Special Meeting- August 6, 2024**

The Council Business Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Caldwell was called to order at the gymnasium of St. Aloysius Church, 219 Bloomfield Avenue, Caldwell, NJ at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Councilman Jurgensen, Councilman Alonso, Council President Brown, Councilman Daniolowicz, Councilwoman Rodeffer, Councilwoman Buechner, and Mayor Jones.

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Brittany Heun, Borough Clerk, Borough Administrator, Alex Palumbo and Kate Fina, covering for Borough Attorney, Craig Bossong.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE:

Adequate notice of this Council Business/Conference Organizational Meeting was given on August 2, 2024. Notice was posted in Borough Hall, 24 Smull Avenue, 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 the same.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Moment of Silence:

A Moment of Silence and Personal Reflection was initiated by Mayor Jones to express gratitude for all the men and women who represented our country in the Olympics and to wish them a safe return to the United States.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Closed Session

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 matter; Labor Discussions; 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.

8-197	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM WHICH THE PUBLIC IS EXCLUDED For the Meeting of August 6, 2024
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A motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Councilman Alonso and seconded by Councilwoman Buechner. Upon a voice vote, all members voted in the affirmative to go into Executive Closed Session. The Council left the public session at 7:10pm.

A motion to end the Executive Session and resume the public meeting, was made by Councilwoman Buechner and seconded by Councilman Alonso. Upon a voice vote, all members voted in the affirmative. The public meeting resumed at 7:33pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public are invited to comment at this time on items listed on the agenda

Henderson Cole, 63 Crane Street. Clarification, is there a sunset provision that makes an Ordinance temporary? Councilwoman Buechner made a comment that the Police Director was a temporary position.

Craig Bossong said that it was put in the preamble of the ordinance that it would be for a maximum for 2 years. The contractual obligation is limited, while the ordinance will stay on the book

Mr. Cole asked what if this went on? Would the ordinance need to be amended?

Mr. Bossong said that, if needed the contract would have to be amended.

Mayor Jones reiterated that the Police director will have a contract to have 1 year position with 2nd year option

Craig Reiterated that this is what the ordinance says.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 1469-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE, CHAPTER 41, POLICE DEPARTMENT, SECTION 41-2 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED, "MEMBERS".

Mayor Jones read the Ordinance in full.

A motion to Introduce Ordinance 1469-24 was made by Councilwoman Buechner and seconded by Councilman Alonso. Upon a roll call vote, all members voted in the present voted in the affirmative. Ordinance 1469-24 was Introduced on 8/6/2024.

RESOLUTIONS - CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Council request specific items to be removed for separate action.

8-198	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR THE POSITION OF POLICE DIRECTOR
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A motion to adopt Resolution 8-198 was made by Councilman Alonso and seconded by Councilwoman Buechner. Upon a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative. Resolution 8-198 was approved on 8/6/2024.

Councilwoman Buechner noted that the second reading and public hearing for Ordinance 1469-24 will be in September. Mr. Bossong explained the advertisement procedures, which is the reason for the break.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilwoman Buechner and seconded by Council President Brown. Upon a voice vote, all members voted in the affirmative. The meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

Prepared by: Brittany Heun
Brittany Heun, Borough Clerk

9/4/2024
DATE