

**BOROUGH OF CALDWELL
COUNCIL BUSINESS/CONFERENCE SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES – September 3, 2019**

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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 7:18PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Kelley, Council President Rodgers, Councilman Capozzoli, Cole, Lace & Schmidt

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy Clerk, Lisa O'Neill, Borough Administrator, Thomas Banker & Borough Attorney, Vincent Nuzzi

ABSENT: Councilman O'Donnell

Adequate notice of this Council Business/Conference meeting was given on January 1, 2019. 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

August 6, 2019

Moved by Council President Rodgers, seconded by Councilman Cole. No Discussion. On roll call, Council President Rodgers, Councilman Capozzoli, Lace and Schmidt voted in the affirmative. Minutes approved 09/03/19.

PRESENTATION

1. American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
2. Councilman Lace / GovOffice Website

Councilman Lace reported that NJ Monthly Magazine recently ranked the top 100 towns to live in and Caldwell made the list coming in at number 38.

Councilman Lace has made it his mission to update the Borough's website. The code of the current website is so old that he literally cannot add a photo to the home page. We have settled on a Company and that Company is GovOffice and we voted earlier this year to sign a contract with them.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS OR ANY TOPIC

Members of the public are invited to comment at this time on ANY issues, whether or not on the agenda

Mr. Baccigalupi, discussed the pot hole on Ryerson Avenue that caused damage to his tire.

Mr. Anthony Marotta, 13 Westover Avenue, talked about the broken storm basin that needs to be repaired. He is having trouble with the people in the apartments and police need to patrol the street.

Sue Ann Penna, 13 Parkway West, discussed the bond ordinance for 1.25 million she feels that the tax payers are owed the right to have a say on this and to be able to vote on it.

Ms. Moore, 23 Personette Street, no one has gotten back to her on the sidewalk, trees, garbage cans next door, people throwing things on her property and she has no privacy.

Jerry Habel, Forest Avenue, West Caldwell, discussed a serious issue of the sewer line that runs along Forest.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE #1372-19: AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL REGARDING ANNUAL SERVICE CHARGE RATES FOR RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Council President Rodgers. No Discussion. On roll call, all voted in the affirmative. Ordinance Introduced 09/03/19.

ORDINANCE #1373-19: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER A270-1 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL, BEING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES CHARGED BY THE BOROUGH, SO AS TO MODIFY THE AMOUNT OF FEES CHARGED FOR CERTAIN BOROUGH SERVICES

Moved by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilwoman Schmidt. No Discussion. On roll call, all voted in the affirmative. Ordinance Introduced 09/03/19.

RESOLUTION – For Discussion

Resolution to be discussed prior to consideration

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OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

9-199: AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE OF STATUS FROM PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICER TO FULL POLICE OFFICER IN THE CALDWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR CONOR CUNNINGHAM HIRED ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2018

9-200: AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MATTHEW A. MONETTI AS A FULL-TIME CROSSING GUARD IN THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AT ANNUAL RATE OF \$5,720.00

9-201: AUTHORIZING THE TAX LIEN REDEMPTION OF CERTIFICATE #18-00007, Block 41.01, Lot 19, 39 Prospect Street, CALDWELL, NJ 07006

9-202: AUTHORIZING THE TAX LIEN REDEMPTION OF CERTIFICATE #18-00006, Block 38, Lot 6.01, 22 Westover Avenue, CALDWELL, NJ 07006

9-203: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM WHICH THE PUBLIC IS EXCLUDED For the Meeting of September 3, 2019

9-204: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH AUGUST 30, 2019 FOR 2019 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$4,105,421.07

Moved by Council President Rodgers, seconded by Councilman Lace. Discussions Ensued. On roll call, all voted in the affirmative. Resolutions approved 09/03/19.

9-205: RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD TO CONSIDER WHETHER THE BOROUGH OF CALDWELL IN ITS ENTIRETY QUALIFIES AS AN "AREA IN NEED OF REHABILITATION" UNDER THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ.

Moved by Council President Rodgers, seconded by Councilman Lace. Discussions Ensued. On roll call, all voted in the affirmative. Councilman Capozzoli abstained. Resolutions approved 09/03/19.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Borough Council Members

Council President Rodgers reported that the Historic Preservation Commission asked him to reach out to Tom when this building comes in to discussion for renovation that their architect be included in the discussion. They have also started the new site survey.

REPORT OF BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR

Thomas Banker

Tom Banker reported

- *Our summer camp was marvelously successful there was record attendance for the entire summer and we were literally at capacity for every week except for the week of 4th of July. There was not a single complaint in the course of the entire summer. We had a large number of parents stop by and thanked the Borough and asked whether or not the Borough could expand the program to include other dates like Passover, Christmas vacation and other holidays.*
- *The Community Center will be closed this week and are taking on a number of improvements; expanding the senior citizens area, cleaning up the pool and getting a new score board.*
- *He has received the I/I study and after we have an internal meeting we will call a sewer board meeting and have a more public discussion of it.*

On a motion made by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilman Capozzoli unanimously affirmed, the Council moved into Executive Session at 9:12P.M.

Mayor Kelley 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 was adjourned and upon a motion by Councilman Capozzoli, seconded by Councilwoman Schmidt the Council Business Conference Meeting was opened to the public and the press at 9:44PM.

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There being no additional business to be conducted a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Lace, seconded by Councilman Cole unanimously affirmed by all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 9:44PM.

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

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