

The Minutes of the **Workshop Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **October 10, 2017** at 7:30 p.m. in Room 108.

THIS MEETING IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT" AS ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY MAILING THE ANNUAL SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS TO THE WESTFIELD LEADER, THE UNION COUNTY LOCAL SOURCE, THE STAR LEDGER, AND TAP INTO CRANFORD, BY POSTING SUCH ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE ON A BULLETIN BOARD IN THE TOWN HALL RESERVED FOR SUCH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE FILING OF SAID NOTICE WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK OF CRANFORD. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING.

Present: Mayor Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.  
Deputy Mayor Patrick F. Giblin  
Commissioner Ann Dooley  
Commissioner Mary O'Connor

Absent: Commissioner Andis Kalnins

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Hannen opened the public comment portion of the meeting and asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing no comments, Mayor Hannen closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

### **Review Official Meeting Agenda**

#### *Resolution No. 2017-358*

Commissioner Dooley discussed Resolution No. 2017-358, which authorizes an award of contract for animal control services, and requested that Township Attorney Cooper consult with Health Officer Michael Fitzpatrick concerning the terms of the agreement for this service.

#### *Resolution No. 2017-352*

Richard J. Pierce, of Terjesen Associates Architects, discussed renovations to the Centennial Avenue Pool and provided clarification of Resolution No. 2017-352, which authorizes change orders in connection with said project. Explained that unanticipated costs have resulted because certain issues were not discovered until the existing ceiling and flooring were removed.

The Township Committee was agreeable to the change orders and adoption of Resolution No. 2017-352.

### **Engineering update**

Discussion was carried to Workshop Meeting of October 23, 2017.

### **Office space redesign**

Discussion was carried to Workshop Meeting of October 23, 2017.

### **Proposed amendment to code as respects requirements for applications for development**

Discussion was carried to Workshop Meeting of October 23, 2017.

### **Requesting authorization to begin hiring process for Property Maintenance Officer**

Discussion was carried to Workshop Meeting of October 23, 2017.

### **Minute approval – Closed Session Minutes of September 25 and 26, 2017**

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Dooley and passed, the Closed Session Minutes of September 25 and 26, 2017 were approved by the indicated vote of the Township Committee.

#### Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Hannen, Deputy Mayor Giblin, Commissioners Dooley and O'Connor

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Commissioner Kalnins

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Hannen opened the public comment portion of the meeting and asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing no comments, Mayor Hannen closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Kalnins and passed, the following resolution was adopted by roll call vote:

### **Resolution No. 2017-91.35:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee will go into closed session to discuss the following, the minutes of which will be released at some time in the future at the discretion of the Township Committee:

**Legal**

- Township Attorney update

**Contractual**

- Birchwood Avenue property
- Shared services agreement for construction code services

**Personnel**

- Tax Collector's Office
- Township Clerk's Office

**Minute Review**

- Closed Session Minutes of September 25 and 26, 2017\

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Hannen, Deputy Mayor Giblin Commissioners Dooley and O'Connor

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Commissioner Kalnins

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor seconded by Commissioner Dooley and passed, the Township Committee returned to open session at 8:00 PM

**Ordinance No. 2017-11**

Commissioner O'Connor discussed Ordinance No. 2017-11 which amends Chapter 98 of the Township Code as respects dogs and other animals, and suggested that certain preamble language be removed.

Township Attorney feels the removal of preamble language is not substantive and believes re-advertisement of the ordinance would not be required.

The Township Committee was agreeable to amendments as suggested by Commissioner O'Connor.

The Township Committee moved to Council Chambers to conduct the Official Meeting.

The Township Committee returned to Room 108 at 9:52 PM to continue to the Workshop Meeting.

Commissioner Kalnins arrived at 9:52 PM.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor seconded by Commissioner Dooley and passed, the Township Committee returned to open session at 11:02 PM.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor seconded by Commissioner Dooley and passed, the Township Committee adjourned at 11:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Rowley, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

Dated: October 10, 2017