The Minutes of the **Official Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **May 8, 2018** at 7:38 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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 Ann Dooley Commissioner Patrick F. Giblin Commissioner Mary O'Connor

ABSENT: Commissioner Jean-Albert Maisonneuve

INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE

The invocation was led by Deputy Mayor Dooley, followed by the flag salute which was led by Girl Scout Cadette Troop 40894.

MINUTE APPROVAL

On motion of Commissioner Giblin, seconded by Commissioner Dooley and passed, the minutes of the Official Meeting of April 10, 2018, Workshop Meeting of April 24, 2018 and the Conference and Official Meetings of April 24, 2018 were approved by indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None Abstained: None

Absent: Commissioner Maisonneuve

PAYMENT OF BILLS

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Giblin and passed, the Bill Lists dated May 8, 2018, totaling \$5,160,084.46 was approved for payment by indicated vote of the Township Committee and is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk:

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None Abstained: None

Absent: Commissioner Maisonneuve

MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENT

<u>CASA</u>

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford, in Union County, New Jersey recognizes the problem of child abuse and neglect and is committed to helping its victims; and

WHEREAS, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Union County recruits, trains, supports and supervises community volunteers as advocates for children who have been removed from their home due to neglect or abuse; and

WHEREAS, CASA volunteers ensure children's best interest remain the priority while working toward establishing a safe, stable and permanent home for each child served; and

WHEREAS, CASA has a record of public service protecting the safety and well-being of Union County's foster children, defending them from harm and ensuring they are provided with the court-ordered services they need; and WHEREAS, CASA establishes and maintains effective relationships with the family court, the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCPP), Child Placement Review Board, Office of the Public Defender, Legal Aid, and other child serving agencies/institutions in order to create a cooperative environment in which to best meet the needs of children;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas H. Hannen, Jr., Mayor of the Township of Cranford, do hereby proclaim: MAY 11, 2018 as COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE OF UNION COUNTY DAY

in the Township of Cranford and urge all residents to become aware of the work and mission of CASA of Union County. Let it be known that we support the education efforts to raise awareness of the CASA program at the local level and the need for community members to provide a voice for the children in foster care.

Relay for Life

WHEREAS since 2008, Relay for Life has been held annually in our community as an activity of the American Cancer Society to promote cancer awareness and provide an opportunity to fight back against cancer; and **WHEREAS** money raised supports the American Cancer Society's mission of saving lives and creating a world with less cancer and more birthdays – by helping people stay well, by helping people get well, by finding cures for cancer, and by fighting back; and

WHEREAS the American Cancer Society Relay for Life is a nationwide signature activity which funds millions of dollars in cancer research each year through money raised in communities across the United States; and

WHEREAS Relay for Life gives us a unique opportunity to come together and remember those who have lost their courageous battle with cancer; and

WHEREAS Relay for Life increases community awareness of cancer and fosters relationships and camaraderie among the participants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the Township of Cranford that: **May 18, 2018** be declared: **Relay for Life Day** in the Township of Cranford and call upon our citizens to acknowledge this unique and effective means of enhancing community goodwill while raising funds for the American Cancer Society.

Girl Scouts Gold Awards

Julia Lachenauer

WHEREAS, Julia Lachenauer of Cranford GSHNJ Service Unit 48 has completed all requirements to earn her Gold Award. The Gold Award rank is the highest earned rank in Girl Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Julia has achieved each of the highest awards a Girl Scout can earn – the Bronze Award, the Silver Award and the Gold Award – for her dedicated leadership and service to her community. She has worked very hard over the past several years and has accomplished many things; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scout Lachenauer earned her Bronze Award in 2011 with other members of her fifth-grade troop by supporting a local pet adoption group. Some activities involved soliciting donations of pet supplies, assisting at a pet adoption event and hosting an education event on pet care for younger children; and

WHEREAS, Julia earned her Silver Award in 2013 for her work creating an online teen zine magazine for the Cranford Public Library. She partnered with the teen librarian to organize and facilitate workshops at the library in which teens wrote content for the teen zine. In addition she researched and selected published software and utilized the software to design and create the online teen magazine; and

WHEREAS, for her Gold Award project she established and supervised an ongoing weekly drop-in tutoring program at the Cranford Public Library. This program has been successful in helping children improve academically. The teen tutors gain invaluable life skills and receive community service hours for donating their time to help younger children. Julia dedicated over 80 hours of service to this project which has been a huge benefit to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford commend and congratulate Julia Lachenauer for her outstanding achievement and wish her success in all her future endeavors.

Ellen Rokicki

WHEREAS, Ellen Rokicki of Cranford GSHNJ Service Unit 48 has completed all requirements to earn her Gold Award. The Gold Award rank is the highest earned rank in Girl Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Ellen has achieved each of the highest awards a Girl Scout can earn – the Bronze Award, the Silver Award and the Gold Award – for her dedicated leadership and service to her community. She has worked very hard over the past several years and has accomplished many things; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scout Rokicki earned her Bronze Award by helping Project Linus, a non-profit organization that provides homemade blankets to comfort children who are seriously ill, traumatized or in need. Her troop purchased the supplies, prepared the materials and then led other younger Girl Scout Troops in blanket making events. Over 100 blankets were delivered to children at Overlook Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Ellen earned her Silver Award by helping to make the Cranford Family Cares' office a better environment for both clients and employees through a variety of improvements and enhancements; and WHEREAS, this year Ellen earned her Gold Award for her independent project "Buddy Bins". She partnered with three New Jersey hospitals to provide young patients and their siblings with sources of fun and connection during what is often a difficult time in the life of a family. The program's goal is to help siblings maintain a strong bond and connection while one sibling is undergoing treatment for a serious illness. She also created a Buddy Bins website that features online games and other sources of information. Ellen dedicated over 80 hours of service to this project which has provided comfort to many families.

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford commend and congratulate Ellen Rokicki for her outstanding achievement and wish her success in all her future endeavors.

Isabella Stoto

WHEREAS, Isabella Stoto of Cranford GSHNJ Service Unit 48 has completed all requirements to earn her Gold Award. The Gold Award rank is the highest earned rank in Girl Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Isabella has achieved each of the highest awards a Girl Scout can earn – the Bronze Award, the Silver Award and the Gold Award – for her dedicated leadership and service to her community. She has worked very hard over the past several years and has accomplished many things; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scout Stoto has organized clothing drives for the needy, baked food for the homeless shelters, developed a reading program for kindergarten students which included obtaining library cards for the children and re-designing a library at the Coalition for the Homeless; and

WHEREAS, Isabella earned her Gold Award by installing a refillable water station at Bloomingdale Avenue School. She focused on water conservation and she developed lessons for elementary school children to teach them about the detrimental impact of plastic pollution on our planet. She has also spoke at a school-wide assembly for students in kindergarten through second grade to teach them why it is important to use reusable

water bottles instead of disposable plastic bottles. Isabella dedicated over 80 hours of service to this project which will have a positive impact on the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford commend and congratulate Isabella Stoto for her outstanding achievement and wish her success in all her future endeavors.

INFORMAL MEETING

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

ORDINANCES - Final Reading and Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 2018-07:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2018-07 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, CHAPTER 255, LAND DEVELOPMENT, ARTICLE II-DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION TO INCLUDE §255-8 PROFESSIONAL FEES FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND/OR RECONSTRUCTION OF PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD"

Said ordinance having been advertised and posted in accordance with law, Deputy Mayor Dooley opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments, Deputy Mayor Dooley closed the public hearing. On motion of Deputy Mayor Dooley seconded by Commissioner Giblin and passed, said ordinance was adopted by indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Hannen, Deputy Mayor Dooley, Commissioner Giblin

Nay: Commissioner O'Connor

Abstained: None

Absent: Commissioner Maisonneuve

Ordinance No. 2018-08:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2018-08 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY APPROVING APPLICATION FOR A LONG-TERM TAX EXEMPTION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH BIRCHWOOD DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATES, LLC"

Said ordinance having been advertised and posted in accordance with law, Deputy Mayor Dooley opened the public hearing.

<u>Allison Mennor, 230 North Avenue West,</u> stated that the PILOT mentions the developer of the Birchwood property will pay 11% of their income in lieu of property taxes. Asked if there is a minimum payment in the event the property remains vacant.

Mayor Hannen explained that the agreement has calculated in a vacancy rate that was factored into the overall payment so the town will be paid the revenue notwithstanding the vacancy rate.

Ms. Mennor questioned the vacancy rate.

Mayor Hannen believes it is less than two percent (2%). Will follow up with the actual figure.

Ms. Mennor asked the sale price of the property because there is speculation the property is being transferred to the developer.

Mayor Hannen stated the property sold for \$18.5 million, which is \$500,000 more than what the Township paid for the property.

Ms. Mennor discussed a bill the Township paid regarding environmental services. Asked what kind of contaminants were found in the soil.

Mayor Hannen stated that construction debris and other material were found in the ground. Also explained that most of the contaminated portion of the property had been cleaned up by the previous developer. It was the Township's responsibility to designate and identify other areas that were absolutely not pristine for the new developer.

Ms. Mennor asked if further cleanup is necessary, would it be the responsibility of the new developer.

Mayor Hannen stated that it would be the new developer's responsibility.

Ms. Mennor stated that she did not like the idea of a PILOT agreement for a private developer for profit. Feels if the property owner is accountable for paying property taxes they would be less inclined to build at a higher density. Hopeful a precedence has not been set.

Mayor Hannen explained that this was the only way the Township was able to reduce the density which would have less impact on the Board of Education. Also explained that the County of Union does not receive the full amount of taxes that they would normally on the property, i.e. it was reduced to five percent (5%). Feels this was a win-win situation because this locks in the amount the developer has to pay in taxes over the next 30 years.

Deputy Mayor Dooley explained that the PILOT agreement brings in a predictable income string and a reduction in density which was a major concern of the Township Committee because of the impact it would have had on the schools. Stated that the Board of Education is not entitled to receive payments in connection with a PILOT agreement, so the Township will be making a significant donation of the percentage of the PILOT to the Board of Education.

Ms. Mennor thanked the Township Committee for its explanation and hopes it is a win-win situation.

Hearing no further comments, Deputy Mayor Dooley closed the public hearing. On motion of Deputy Mayor Dooley seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and passed, said ordinance was adopted by indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Hannen, Deputy Mayor Dooley, Commissioner O'Connor

Nay: None Abstained: None

Absent: Commissioner Maisonneuve

Commissioner Giblin stated "No Vote".

ORDINANCES – **Introduction**

Ordinance No. 2018-10:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2018-10 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, CHAPTER 379, TAXATION, ADDING ARTICLE IIITAX REDEMPTION CERTIFICATE REQUEST FEE TO BE IMPOSED ON PARTIES WHO MAKE MORE THAN TWO (2) REQUESTS FOR THE CALCULATION OF A TAX REDEMPTION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF SALE OF A SPECIFIC PARCEL PURSUANT TO N.J.SA. 54:5-54"

Said ordinance was approved on first reading on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Giblin, and passed by the indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None Abstained: None

Absent: Commissioner Maisonneuve

Final Reading and Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2018-10 to be held June 12, 2018.

RESOLUTIONS – By Consent Agenda

On motion of Commissioner Giblin, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and passed, the following resolutions were adopted by <u>consent agenda</u>:

Resolution No. 2018-192:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, at a meeting held May 8, 2018, that the resignation of Robert Colaneri as Special Law Enforcement Officer II within the Cranford Police Department be and hereby is accepted, with regrets, effective May 1, 2018.

Resolution No. 2018-193:

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Provision of Legal and Other Professional Services; through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford has deemed that the background, experience and qualifications of the respondent satisfy the criteria set forth in the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting held January 2, 2018, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2018-26, authorizing an award of contract to John DeMassi Esq., to provide all regular and routine activities of a public defender at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00 during his term as Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the account charged on said contract from Account No. 8-01-43-495-000-103 to T-15-00-000-103-000 and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Finance have certified to the availability of funds which is on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, be and hereby amends the account charged on the contract awarded to John DeMassi Esq., from Account No. 8-01-43-495-000-103 to T-15-00-000-103-000 in the amount of \$4,000.00

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Resolution No. 2018-194:

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford required an expert to provide affordable housing legal services to the Township of Cranford; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for affordable housing legal services through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting held January 2, 2018, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2018-21, authorizing an award of contract to Jeffrey Surenian, Esq. for the aforementioned service at a fee not to exceed \$7,500.00; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend said contract for an additional amount not to exceed \$10,000.00; and **WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified to the availability of funds which is on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, be and hereby amends the contract awarded to, **Jeffrey R. Surenian & Assoc.**, **LLC, 707 Union Ave.**, **Suite 301, Brielle, NJ 08730** for affordable housing legal services via issuance of purchase orders in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said contract amount shall be charged to Account No. 8-01-20-155-100-214.

Resolution No. 2018-195:

A RESOLUTION URGING NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO 1) FUND THE STATE'S COST SHARE OF THE GEOTECHNICAL STUDY OF THE ORANGE RESERVOIR DAM, 2) THAT SUCH STUDY BE DONE EXPEDITIOUSLY, 3) TO AGREE TO A REGIONAL RIVER MAINTENANCE PLAN; AND URGES THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS TO UNDERWRITE THE FIRST MAINTENANCE EFFORT IN 2018 UNDER NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GUIDELINES

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford, a community in the Rahway River Watershed, has greatly appreciated the efforts and cooperation provided by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers addressing flood mitigation measures in the Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Rahway River Flood Mitigation Project, also known as Alternative 4A, is now in the TSP approval stage in the United States Army Corps of Engineers' review process; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Engineer has introduced some questions which are now under review. Once such review is completed, a Chief Report and Construction Authorization are expected to be processed; WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford hereby urges the New Jersey Department of Environmental (NJDEP) to fund the state's cost share of the Geotechnical Study of the Orange Reservoir Dam. Such study is expected to provide certainty that the Storage Project can be done without impacting the integrity of the dam; and WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford hereby urges that the study be done expeditiously so that the Chief's Report can be completed so 1) that the Project can then be included in the 2018 Federal Water Resources Development Act reauthorization; and 2) preconstruction and engineering can begin; and WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford urges the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to agree to a Regional River maintenance plan that will allow the Township of Cranford and communities of the Rahway River Watershed to better maintain the River;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee urges the United States Army Corps to fund the first maintenance effort in 2018 under New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection guidelines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District Planning Division-Environmental Branch, to Congressman Leonard Lance, to the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, to Senators Menendez and Booker, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the Union County municipalities of Springfield, Union, Clark and Rahway, Kenilworth and Winfield, Governor Phil Murphy

Resolution No. 2018-196:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford hereby authorizes the closure of Eastman Street from North Avenue to South Union Avenue on Saturday, May 12th, 2018 from 3:30 PM to 8:30 PM for the Piano in the Park event.

Resolution No. 2018-197:

BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Township of Cranford that the Township of Cranford desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount, for up to \$3,000.00 to fund the NJFS Urban and Community Forestry Program Green Communities Grant.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Township of Cranford resolves that Terence Wall or the successor to the office of Township Administrator is authorized a) to make application for such a grant, b) if awarded, to execute a grant agreement with the State for a grant in an amount not less than \$0.00 and not more than \$3,000.00, and c) to execute any amendments thereto which do not increase the Grantee's obligations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford authorizes and hereby agrees to match 50 (fifty) per cent of the Total Project Amount, in compliance with the match requirements of the agreement. The availability of the match for such purposes, whether, cash, services, or property, is hereby certified. 0 (zero) % (per cent) of the match will be made up of in-kind services (if allowed by grant program requirements and the agreement.)

The Township of Cranford agrees to comply with all applicable Federal, State, and municipal laws, rules and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None Abstained: None

Absent: Commissioner Maisonneuve

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Hannen opened the public comments portion of the meeting and asked if there were any questions or comments.

<u>John Pritchard, 42-44 West Holly Street</u>, reminded everyone Memorial Day is approaching. Feels residents should always remember those who served our country and those who were lost during war. Sang a song in support of the military, and urged the Township Committee to request that legislators reactivate Muhlenberg Hospital and other hospitals in the area due to their proximity to Ground Zero.

<u>Kevin Kelly, 10 Chester Lang Place,</u> discussed issues he is having with the Building Department. Read a letter he wrote to the Township Committee as a formal complaint against the Cranford Building Department employees. Thanked Mayor Hannen and Township Administrator Wall for the way they handled his complaints in the past.

Deputy Mayor Dooley mentioned that she is the Commissioner Liaison to the Construction Code Official's Office. Assured Mr. Kelly there will be no retaliation and that residential permits do not take a back seat to commercial property permits. Will follow up with Mr. Kelly and his wife by conference call with the Township Administrator. Asked Mr. Kelly to email her the letter that he read and notify her when he is available for a conference call.

Mr. Kelly to forward additional emails regarding this matter to Deputy Mayor Dooley. Expressed concern with the service provided by the Township employees. Stated that if he does not receive a resolution to this problem he will entertain filing a complaint with the Superior Court.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Hannen closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS - None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Ann Dooley

- Presented a PowerPoint presentation about recycling and changes being made in the Township's
 curbside pickup program. Black bags will not be accepted and will be left at the curb. All food wastes
 must be rinsed out. Provided a website for everyone to visit to see the new regulations from China;
- Mentioned that the DMC and the Green Team will be launching the "Last Straw Project" also known as
 "Straws Upon Request". This is a voluntary program that many downtown businesses will be
 participating in. Discussed the amount of straws Americans use daily and how they affect the
 environment;
- Discussed the Styrofoam program that will be implemented in Cranford. Styrofoam must be brought to the recycling center and not placed curbside;
- Announced that the Cranford Community Connection will be hosting its first ever "Tuff Paddle" on June 2, 2018. Provided details of the event for those interested in participating;
- Commended the Girl Scouts for achieving Gold Award status;
- Discussed the Court Appointed Special Advocate of Union County Day (CASA). Asked those who know someone suited for the position to encourage them to do it.

Commissioner Patrick Giblin

- Thanked those involved with CASA;
- Thanked the Girl Scouts for leading the flag salute;
- Congratulated the Girl Scouts who obtained the Gold Award and Silver Award status;
- Discussed Police Unity Tour. Thanked Captain Patterson and Detective Farbanec for participating. This event honors fallen police officers and raises money for the memorial in Washington DC;
- Announced that the Union County 200 Club will recognize two Cranford police officers, Sergeant Stiansen and Officer Federici. Congratulated them on this accomplishment;
- Reminded everyone that the Relay for Life Event will be held on May 18, 2018. Provided information for those interested in participating;
- Discussed the Piano in the Park launch party hosted by the DMC. Provided information for those interested. Thanked the DMC for their efforts.

Commissioner Mary O'Connor

• Congratulated the Girl Scouts on achieving the Gold Award and Silver Award status. This is a significant accomplishment. Appreciative to their commitment to the community and their willingness to be role models to their peers;

- Discussed Cranford Family Weekend and all the events to take place;
- Announced that the Centennial Village 5K Run will be held June 3, 2018. Encouraged residents to participate;
- Discussed the meeting of the Women's Group "Conversations" which touched on the current drug trends and opioid use in Cranford. Was surprised to find out how pervasive vaping has become. The Cranford Police Department will be hosting a presentation at the Cranford High School regarding vaping. Encouraged parents to attend;
- Discussed the Environmental Commission meeting to become a carbon neutral municipality. At the May 21, 2018 Workshop meeting a short presentation will be held on the topic. Will provide further details at a later date regarding a town meeting in June;
- Discussed the Relay for Life event and urged residents to support it. Discussed the statistics of cancer;
- Wished good luck to the police officers participating in the Police Unity Tour.

Mayor Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.

• Congratulated the Girl Scouts for their achievements and thanked them for everything they are doing on behalf of the community.

On motion of Deputy Mayor Dooley, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and passed, the Township Committee adjourned at 8:49 PM.

	Respectfully submitted,
Date: May 8, 2018	Patricia Donahue, RMC Township Clerk