

The Minutes of the **Conference Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **June 14, 2022** at **7:01 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 E-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 Kathleen Miller Prunty
Deputy Mayor Jason Gareis
Commissioner Brian Andrews
Commissioner Gina Black
Commissioner Mary O'Connor

Absent: None

Township Attorneys Ryan Cooper and Sherri Orenberg-Ruggieri, Administrator Jamie Cryan and Township Clerk Patricia Donahue were present.

Public Comments

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

Grant Request - Stormwater Infrastructure Committee and Green Team

Mr. Dave Coughlin of the Stormwater Infrastructure Committee and Green Team was present. Ms. Ann Dooley of the Stormwater Infrastructure Committee and Green Team arrived at 7:07 p.m.

Mr. Coughlin stated that the Stormwater Infrastructure Committee had a committee update. Mayor Miller Prunty stated they would receive such report at an upcoming time.

Mr. Coughlin then spoke about a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) grant opportunity which would pertain to parking lot work, including the parking lots at Union County College. Mayor Miller Prunty stated that the Green Team and Stormwater Infrastructure Committee were seeking the Township Committee's authorization of their grant submission to the NJDEP. Discussion ensued regarding whether a Township consulting professional could write the Township grant application. Further discussion ensued regarding the number of grants (two (2)), Union County's role in the grant process and the number of years the grant money could be spent (i.e., three (3) to five (5) years if Cranford received the grant money). In response to Commissioner Black's inquiry about the County's involvement, Ms. Dooley noted that Union County was the largest square foot owner of property in the Township. Township Clerk Patricia Donahue inquired about the parking lot locations being considered. Ms. Dooley and Mr. Coughlin responded there were parking lot matters being considered at the locations of Union County College, Orange Avenue Pool, Centennial Avenue Pool and Memorial Field. Ms. Dooley then summarized the committees' requests.

Late Starter - Closed Session

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

Resolution No. 2022-98.13

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:

Contractual

- Municipal Pools

Recorded Vote:

Aye: Mayor Miller Prunty, Deputy Mayor Gareis, Commissioners Andrews, Black & O'Connor

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

On motion of Commissioner Andrews, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and passed, the Township Committee returned to open session at 7:34 p.m.

Review Official Meeting Agenda

There were no changes or discussion pertaining to the Official Meeting Agenda

On motion of Commissioner Andrews, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and passed, the Township Committee moved to conduct the Official Meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 14, 2022

Patricia Donahue
Township Clerk