

The Minutes of the **Conference Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **February 9, 2016** 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 FAXING THE ANNUAL SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS TO THE CRANFORD CHRONICLE, UNION COUNTY LOCAL SOURCE, AND THE STAR LEDGER, 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 Andis Kalnins  
Deputy Mayor Mary O'Connor  
Commissioner John Mallon  
Commissioner Patrick F. Giblin  
Commissioner Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.

Absent: None

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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

### **Review Official Meeting Agenda**

#### **Resolution No. 2016-133:**

Removed from agenda

#### **Resolution No. 2016-131:**

Resolution No. 2016-131, authorizing the purchase of a Chevrolet Tahoe, was moved from roll call vote to consent agenda, with language added that the vehicle would be marked and utilized for Police Department operations.

### **2016 Municipal Budget**

#### **Department of Public Works (DPW)**

Department of Public Works Superintendent Wardell presented the Department of Public Works budget requests for 2016. Discussed increases in the salary and wages portion of the budget, terminal pay and overtime. Also discussed 2016 budget requests for the Conservation Center.

Department of Public Works Superintendent Wardell discussed the Buildings and Grounds budget for 2016. Discussed the proposal to appoint a DPW employee as custodian for the municipal building. Also discussed a proposal to have DPW employees handle landscaping of municipal property.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

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

#### **Resolution No. 2016-98.3:**

**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:**

Retiree Health Benefits

#### **Recorded vote:**

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

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

On motion of Commissioner Hannen, seconded by Deputy Mayor O'Connor and passed, the Township Committee returned to open session at 8:10 PM.

The Township Committee moved to Council Chambers at 8:10 PM to conduct the Official Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 9, 2016

Tara Rowley, RMC  
Municipal Clerk