

The Minutes of the **Conference Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **April 26, 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 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 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. 2016-180:**

Discussion held regarding the DMC budget.

Commissioner Hannen questioned the status of the 2016 DMC Budget and expressed concern with the change in the DMC's capital projects for 2016.

Mayor Kalnins explained that the change in capital projects would not impact the DMC's operating budget.

All items were approved for official action.

### **2016 Capital Budget**

#### **Proposed Improvements to Council Chambers**

TV35 Station Manager Davenport discussed proposed improvements to Council Chambers. Explained that the replacement of lighting is the most critical improvement. Also explained that the sound system needs to be replaced because the equipment is breaking down and is now obsolete. Also discussed the proposal to upgrade the podium and dais.

Further discussion May 9, 2016.

### **Late Starter- FEMA-Proposal from Millennium**

Township Administrator Wall discussed the initial cost proposal of \$5,000 submitted by Millennium Strategies for the grant administration of the FY 2016 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FEMA) Grant Program. Any additional funding needed for this service would be awarded by resolution on May 10, 2016.

### **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.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

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

#### **Resolution No. 2016-98.9:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee will go into closed session to discuss a legal matter involving CDA v. Township of Cranford, the minutes of which will be released at some time in the future at the discretion of the Township Committee:

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 8:05 PM.

The Township Committee moved to Council Chambers at 8:05 PM to conduct the Official Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Rowley, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

Dated: April 26, 2016