

The Minutes of the **Conference Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **May 10, 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. 2016-194:

Discussion was held regarding Resolution No. 2016-194, accepting the resignation of Jeffery Young from the Library Board, and the recommendation to appoint Ann Darby to fill the position.

Resolution No. 2016-197:

Commissioner Giblin discussed Resolution No. 2016-197 which authorizes the Chief of Police to attend the National FBI Academy (Academy). Feels the Township Committee should obtain more specifics regarding any associated costs with attendance at the Academy, such as potential meal stipends and travel expenses.

All items were approved for official action.

Late Starter – Request to hire Police Officer

Commissioner Hannen discussed additional information provided by the Police Department in connection with its request to increase headcount and feels further discussion should be carried to the next meeting to allow for additional time to review the supporting documents.

Mayor Kalnins explained that discussion of the Police Department's headcount was not included on tonight's agenda and would be scheduled for the next meeting.

Discussion was held as to the current Hiring Eligibility List.

Commissioner Hannen suggested the Township Committee consider obtaining input from other agencies as to the appropriate manpower for a municipality the size of Cranford.

Proposal to paint MDTV Building

Discussion was held regarding painting of the MDTV Building.

Late Starter – Princeton Road

Commissioner Giblin discussed Union County College's implementation of a nonsmoking policy on campus which has resulted in students smoking in adjacent residential neighborhoods. Informed the Township Committee that he received a complaint from a resident of Princeton Road and feels the Township Committee should attempt to identify a solution to the issue.

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The Township Committee moved to Council Chambers at 8:00 PM to conduct the Official Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Rowley, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Dated: May 10, 2016