

The Minutes of the **Conference Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **January 24, 2017** 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 Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.
Deputy Mayor Patrick F. Giblin
Commissioner Ann Dooley
Commissioner Andis Kalnins
Commissioner Mary O'Connor

Absent: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

Barbara Krause, 20 Pittsfield Street, invited the Township Committee to the Daughters of the American Revolution's ceremony to be held on March 11, 2017 to present the Township with a Historic Preservation Recognition Award in connection with the restoration of the WWI Flagpole at Post Office Plaza. Also informed the Township Committee that the historic murals that were restored would also be recognized with a national award.

Mrs. Krause also discussed de-silting planned for the Rahway River and informed the Township Committee of an issue at McConnell Bridge.

Mrs. Krause discussed pothole issues on Pittsfield Street and asked the Township Committee to consider including this roadway in the 2017 Paving Program.

Lastly, Mrs. Krause discussed the need for maintenance and improvements to the WWI Flagpole.

Mayor Hannen informed Mrs. Krause that a cost estimate has been obtained and funding has been identified for improvements to the flagpole.

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

Review Official Meeting Agenda

All items were approved for action.

CLOSED SESSION

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

Resolution No. 2017-91.3:

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

- Birchwood Avenue property

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

On motion of Commissioner Kalnins, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and passed, the Township Committee returned to open session at 8:00 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Rowley, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Dated: January 24, 2017