

The Minutes of the **Conference Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **May 5, 2015** 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 Lisa M. Adubato
Commissioner Robert D'Ambola
Commissioner Mary O'Connor
Commissioner Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.

Absent: None

*Deputy Mayor Adubato arrived at 7:35 PM.

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. 2015-197:

Commissioner Hannen discussed the Union County grant program for infrastructure improvements and requested clarification as to whether the projects to be included in the grant application have been identified.

Township Administrator Wall discussed the fact that the projects must be shovel ready and the recommendation by the Township Engineer to include the North Avenue Station Pedestrian Improvement Project in the application.

Commissioner Hannen stated that he is not agreeable to the recommendation to include the North Avenue Station Improvement Project in the grant application and requested that Resolution No. 2015-197 be moved to roll call vote.

The Township Committee was agreeable. Resolution No. 2015-197 to be adopted by roll call vote.

Late Starter – Structure of DMC

Commissioner D'Ambola informed the Township Committee that the Downtown District Management Corporation (DMC) is requesting amendments to the board's structure, such as more involvement in the selection of its members and the selection of its Chairperson.

Commissioner Hannen feels the Township Committee should have oversight with board appointments and the selection of the DMC Chairperson because the Township collects the SID tax.

Further discussion to be held May 18, 2015.

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.

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 5, 2015