

The Minutes of the **Conference Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **April 21, 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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

Barbara Krause, 20 Pittsfield Street, discussed the NJ Transit train that has been parked on the track for several months.

Mayor Kalnins stated that he believes the train has been moved.

Commissioner O'Connor informed the Township Committee that track work was being done and the train might have been moved for that reason.

Mrs. Krause discussed the bank at Lincoln Avenue and North Avenue and the increase in traffic at that intersection. Feels it is difficult for pedestrians to cross and feels a pedestrian crosswalk is needed.

Township Administrator Wall to follow up with the Police Department's Traffic Division concerning Mrs. Krause's suggestion.

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

Review Official Meeting Agenda

Discussion was held concerning a resolution to authorize the purchase of demonstration pay stations.

Township Administrator Wall explained that a resolution is not required because the cost is under the bid threshold.

Commissioner Hannen feels a resolution should be adopted because he does not support the purchase.

Resolution authorizing the purchase of demonstration pay stations to be adopted May 5, 2015.

2015 DMC Budget

Discussion held regarding the proposed 2015 DMC Budget.

Proposed Parking Ordinances-South Avenue

Commissioner O'Connor provided clarification of the number of parking spaces in the PSE&G parking lot and how parking would be impacted during construction of the PSE&G substation. Discussed the reassignment of spaces which would be provided through the proposed ordinances for South Avenue. Also discussed other options for parking for permit holders during construction.

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.

Commissioner D'Ambola departed the meeting at 7:50 PM due to a potential conflict of interest.

CLOSED SESSION

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

Resolution No. 2015-105.17:

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:

Personnel

- Police Department

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor Adubato, Commissioners D'Ambola, O'Connor and Hannen

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adubato and passed, the Township Committee returned to open session at 7:55 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: April 21, 2015