The Minutes of the **Official Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **November 24, 2015** at 8:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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 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 Mary O'Connor Commissioner Robert D'Ambola Commissioner Patrick F. Giblin Commissioner Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.

ABSENT: None

# INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE

The invocation was led by Deputy Mayor O'Connor, followed by the flag salute which was led by Cub Scout Den 16 (Pack 103).

#### MINUTE APPROVAL

On motion of Commissioner Hannen, seconded by Commissioner D'Ambola and passed, the minutes of the Workshop Meeting of October 26, 2015 and the Conference and Official Meetings of October 27, 2015, were approved by the indicated vote of the Township Committee: <u>Recorded vote</u>: Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O'Connor, Commissioners D'Ambola, Giblin and Hannen Nay: None Abstained: None

Absent: None

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

On motion of Commissioner Giblin, seconded by Deputy Mayor O'Connor and passed, the bills list dated November 10, 2015 totaling \$4,520,809.94, were approved for payment by recorded vote and are on file in the Office of the Township Clerk. <u>Recorded vote:</u> Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O'Connor and Commissioners D'Ambola, Giblin and Hannen Nay: None Abstained: None Absent: None

MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **Certificates of Recognition**

Girl Scout Bronze Awards

# POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Citizens Police Academy Awards** 

#### **INFORMAL MEETING**

Mayor Kalnins opened the informal meeting portion of the meeting and asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing no comments, Mayor Kalnins closed the informal meeting portion of the meeting.

# **ORDINANCES – Final Reading and Public Hearing**

#### Ordinance No. 2015-34:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2015-34 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO MANDATE DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES BY THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD ENTITLED CLAIMS; PAYROLL ACCOUNT, MANDATING DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PURSUANT TO C.52:14-15f et. seq."

Said ordinance having been advertised and posted in accordance with law, Commissioner Giblin opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments, Commissioner Giblin closed the public hearing. On motion of Commissioner Giblin, seconded by Commissioner D'Ambola and passed, said ordinance was adopted by indicated vote of the Township Committee:

<u>Recorded vote</u>: Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O'Connor, Commissioners D'Ambola, Giblin and Hannen Nay: None Abstained: None Absent: None

# **RESOLUTIONS – By Consent Agenda**

On motion of Commissioner D'Ambola, seconded by Deputy Mayor O'Connor and passed, the following resolutions were adopted by <u>consent agenda</u>:

#### Resolution No. 2015-364:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-58 provides for appropriation transfers during the last two (2) months of the year, when it has been determined it is necessary to expand for any of the purposes specified in the budget an amount in excess of the sum appropriated therefore and where it has been further determined that there is an excess in any appropriation over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, the Governing Body may, by Resolution setting forth the facts, adopted by not less than two-thirds vote of the full membership thereof, transfer the amount of such excess to those appropriations deemed to be insufficient. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and the same is hereby authorized to make transfers among the 2015 budget appropriations in accordance with the following schedule of transfers.

Account	From	То
Revenue S&W	\$1,500.00	
Assessor Other Expenses	\$25,000.00	
Legal Other Expenses	\$50,000.00	
Salary Adjustment Account	\$150,000.00	
Health Other Expenses		\$500.00
Revenue Other Expenses		\$1,000.00
B&G Parking Garage Other Expenses		\$25,000.00
Administration Other Expenses		\$50,000.00
Administration S&W		\$15,000.00
Channel 35 S&W		\$12,000.00
Clerk S&W		\$12,000.00
Finance S&W		\$15,000.00
Assessor S&W		\$10,000.00
Zoning & Planning Office S&W		\$5,000.00
Construction Code S&W		\$15,000.00
Communications S&W		\$25,000.00
Health S&W		\$17,000.00
Rec Adm S&W		\$4,000.00
Court S&W		\$10,000.00
Engineering Other Expenses		\$10,000.00

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#### <u>Resolution No. 2015-365</u>: RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION – N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-87

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item

shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an appropriation for the equal amount;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford in the County of Union, New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2015 in the sum of \$4,709.71, which is now available as a revenue from the State of New Jersey, pursuant to the provision of the statute; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the like sum of \$4,709.71 is hereby appropriated under the caption "State Body Armor"; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the above is a result of a State grant of \$4,709.71 from the State of New Jersey State Body Armor Replacement Fund (BARF).

# Resolution No. 2015-366:

**WHEREAS**, there exists the need for rehabilitation construction services for Sherman Field located at the corner of Lincoln Avenue and Denman Road;

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(a) the Township Committee reserves the right to award the contract for these construction services of Sherman Field Rehabilitation through a Non-Fair and Open Process;

**WHEREAS,** Riversedge Contracting, LLC with an address of 3092 Hutchison River Road, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 has submitted the lowest quote for required services and will provide said construction services to the Township of Cranford at a cost of thirty three thousand, four hundred eighteen dollars and no cents (\$33,418.00); and

**WHEREAS**, Riversedge Contracting, LLC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Riversedge Contracting, LLC has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Cranford in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Riversedge Contracting, LLC from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available and appropriated for this purchase.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford be and hereby approves an award of contract to Riversedge Contracting, LLC at a cost not to exceed \$33,418.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk be and hereby are authorized and directed to execute documents in connection with said award of contract.

# Resolution No. 2015-367:

# APPROVE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR 105 NORTH AVENUE WEST INVESTORS BANK

**WHEREAS**, Investors Bank, Developer, of the above location, has posted a Maintenance Bond for construction work and activity performed at the aforementioned address; and

**WHEREAS,** Maser Consulting as the Township Engineer and per correspondence dated October 7, 2015 and October 29, 2015, is recommending the full release of the Performance Guarantee posted with the Municipality in the amount of \$24,448.80; and

**WHEREAS,** The Developer has provided a 15% Maintenance Bond equal to \$3,667.32 as per Section 136-18 of the Township Ordinance in check form dated October 22, 2015; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that all work was performed to the satisfaction of the Township Engineer and release of Performance Guarantees posted by the Developer in the amount of \$24,448.80 be authorized.

Performance Bond Guarantee held by the Township in the form of a bond issued by Bond Safeguard Insurance Company (#5030703) of Tennessee, dated August 11, 2011 shall be return to the Developer.

# Resolution No. 2015-368:

APPROVE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR PNC BANK PARKING LOT AND THE HAMLET AT CRANFORD, NEEDLE POINT HOMES, LLC

**WHEREAS,** the Developer of 643 Raritan Road (PNC Bank branch parking lot) and 647 Raritan Road (The Hamlet At Cranford) has posted a Maintenance Bond for construction work and activity performed at the aforementioned addresses; and

**WHEREAS,** Maser Consulting as the Township Engineer and per correspondence dated October 20, 2015 and October 29, 2015 is recommending the full release of the Performance Guarantee posted with the Municipality in the amount of \$33,444.00; and

**WHEREAS,** The Developer has provided a 15% Maintenance Bond equal to \$1,966.50 as per Section 136-18 of the Township Ordinance in check form dated October 21, 2015; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that all work was performed to the satisfaction of the Township Engineer and release of the Performance Guarantees posted by the Developer in the amount of \$33,444.00 be authorized.

# Resolution No. 2015-369:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015, that the Mayor and Township Clerk be, and hereby are, authorized to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local No. 469-White Collar Employees

# Resolution No. 2015-370:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, that the Township Clerk be, and hereby is authorized to post advertisements to the Township's website for Requests for Proposals for various legal, engineering, auditing, planning, appraisal and Risk Management Consulting services

# Resolution No. 2015-371:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015 that the following checks will be refunded by the Tax Collector to the lien holder according to statutory requirements:

**Redemption of Certificate# 15-00013** Block 300 Lot 13 FWDSL & Associates, LP 5 Cold Hill Road South Suite: 11 Mendham, N.J. 07945

# **Redemption of Certificate# 15-00028**

Block 454 Lot 13 FWDSL & Associates, LP 5 Cold Hill Road South Suite: 11 Mendham, N.J. 07945

# Redemption of Certificate# 15-00036

Block 555 Lot 11 US Bank as Custodian for Phoenix 50 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street Suite 2050 Philadelphia, Pa. 19102

# Redemption of Certificate# 15-00042 Block 599 Lot 18 FWDSL & Associates, LP 5 Cold Hill Road South Suite: 11 Mendham, N.J. 07945

# Resolution No. 2015-372:

WHEREAS the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford had passed Resolution No 2015-326 on the 15th day of September authorizing a refund as a result of a successful State Tax Appeal for Block 267 Lot 13.01; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Department has been notified that a check in the amount of \$146.83 was made payable to Mc Elroy, Deutch, Mulvaney & Carpenter, 1300 Mount Kemble Ave. Morristown, N.J. 07090 but should have been made in the said amount to Daniel & Patricia Powels, 307 Casino Ave. Cranford, N.J. 07016 WHEREAS, the Finance Department has been made aware of this correction, the original check #041960 in the amount of \$146.83 will be voided and a new check in the same amount will be issued to Daniel & Patricia Powels

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this is a corrected amendment to Resolution No 2015-326.

# Resolution No. 2015-373:

# **RESOLUTION AWARDING EMERGENCY CONTRACT TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION** SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford submitted an application with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the State of New Jersey, State Police, Office of Emergency Services for the elevation of 18 homes in the floodway; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford was granted funding from FEMA through NJ State Police OEM for the elevation of 18 residential dwelling above the maximum flood elevation through FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP); and

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford awarded a contract for the construction services for a FEMA HMGP project at 307 Edgar Avenue, Cranford to Davie Shoring, Inc. which was not fully performed; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-6.1, to negotiate and award a contract to complete renovations to 307 Edgar Dr. Cranford NJ as an imminent emergency exists requiring the immediate provision of these services; and

**<u>Refund:</u>** \$ 600.70 (5-01-55-000-010-029) **Premium:** \$ 1,300.00 (T-15-00-000-106-000)

**Refund:** \$ 726.32 (5-01-55-000-010-029) **Premium:** \$ 1,200.00 (T-15-00-000-106-000)

**<u>Refund:</u>** \$ 9,075.67 (5-01-55-000-010-029) **Premium:** \$26,000.00 (T-15-00-000-106-000)

**<u>Refund:</u>** \$ 422.91 (5-01-55-000-010-029) **Premium:** \$ 1,000.00 (T-15-00-000-106-000) **WHEREAS,** there is an immediate need for these services as a Certificate of Occupancy cannot be issued until the construction services are complete, the services are required to protect the health safety and welfare of the residents with winter season approaching and there are deadlines for the FEMA grant which are affected; and **WHEREAS,** the need for these services could not have been reasonably forseen and has arisen notwithstanding

Cranford's good faith effort to plan to for the provision of these services; and **WHEREAS**, Cranford will enter into a contract with Javier Construction Corp. for the provision of the emergency services to provide construction services for the elevation project for 307 Edgar Ave., for the sum not to exceed \$62,850.00; and

WHEREAS, the availability of funds has been established.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. **Javier Construction Corp., 619 Crooks Avenue, Clifton, NJ 07011 be** and hereby is awarded a contract to provide construction services at a total cost not to exceed \$62,850.00.
- 2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with **Javier Construction Inc.**, in form and substance acceptable to the Township Attorney.

#### Resolution No. 2015-374:

# A RESOLUTION APPROVING SALARY STEP PROGRESSION FOR EMPLOYEES PURSUANT TO THE TOWNSHIP'S SALARY ORDINANCE

**WHEREAS,** at a meeting held March 10, 2015, the Township Committee adopted Ordinance No. 2015-05, which established ranges with minimum and maximum salaries and progressive salary steps for certain job titles within the Township of Cranford; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2015-05, the Township Committee reserves the right and discretion to make salary adjustments at any time as it deems it to be in the public interest and in the interests of good management; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has appropriated funds in the 2015 municipal budget sufficient to offset the costs of any salary adjustments effectuated hereby.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee be and hereby approves the progression in steps for the following employees in the following job titles as recommended by the Township Administrator:

Effective November 20, 2015:				
Name	Title	Range #	Step #	Salary
Catherine Cook	Assistant Chief Financial Officer	11	2	\$57,950

# Resolution No. 2015-375:

**WHEREAS**, impaired drivers on our nation's roads kill someone every 30 minutes, 50 people per day, and almost 18,000 people each year; and

WHEREAS, 28% of motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2014 were alcohol-related; and

WHEREAS, an enforcement crackdown is planned to combat impaired driving; and

**WHEREAS**, the season at the end of the year is traditionally a time of social gatherings which often include alcohol; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, has asked law enforcement agencies throughout the state to participate in the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End Holiday Statewide Crackdown*; and

**WHEREAS**, the project will involve increased impaired driving enforcement from December 11, 2015 through January 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, an increase in impaired driving enforcement and a reduction in impaired driving will save lives on our roadways;

**THEREFORE**, **BE IS RESOLVED** that the Township of Cranford declares its support for the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2015 Year End Holiday Statewide Crackdown* from December 11, 2015 through January 1, 2016 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving.

# Resolution No. 2015-376:

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford (herein referred to as the ATownship@) is the lead agency for the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System, System Identifier 47-CPCPS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1, et seq.: and

WHEREAS, the Township advertised for bids for police and administrative vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Township received sealed bids on September 15, 2015; and

**WHEREAS,** the bid of the lowest responsible bidder for the vehicles listed below was determined to be Beyer Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, New Jersey 07962 (hereinafter referred to as the ASuccessful Bidder@) by submitting a bid proposal as follows:

# **PURCHASE**

# **UNIT PRICE**

\$15,673.00

# **TWO YEAR LEASE WITH PURCHASE OPTION**

VEHICLE TYPE

**VEHICLE TYPE** 

2016 Ford Focus

2016 Ford Focus

## **Total Payment to Purchase after 2 Years**

\$16,200.33

## THREE YEAR LEASE WITH PURCHASE OPTION

# VEHICLE TYPE

2016 Ford Focus

Total Payment to Purchase after 3 Years \$16,520.23

**WHEREAS,** the Successful Bidder has agreed to provide the goods/services bid upon to registered members of the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System; and

**WHEREAS,** N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1, et seq., requires that a Master Contract be entered into between the lead agency and the successful bidder;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that the bid for the provision of police and administrative vehicles as listed above to the Township of Cranford and to registered members of the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System be and is hereby awarded to Beyer Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, New Jersey 07962, as more particularly set forth in the Successful Bidders Bid proposal dated September 15, 2015, which bid proposal is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a Master Contract agreement with the Successful Bidder in the form approved by the Township Attorney.

<u>Recorded vote</u>: Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O'Connor, Commissioners D'Ambola, Giblin and Hannen Nay: None Abstained: None Absent: None

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

<u>Cranford resident, 42-44 West Holly Street</u>, spoke in support of the Fire Department, Police Department and EMS personnel, and feels public safety personnel do not receive the recognition they deserve. Expressed concern with the media and others that portray police officers as villains. Also spoke in support of the military and sang a song in support of all veterans. In addition, discussed his support for the reactivation of Muhlenberg Hospital.

<u>David Salomon, 317 High Street</u>, expressed concern with the construction project on North Avenue, specifically the bend at Alden Street. Feels the center divider is too far into the roadway and curbing is being damaged because trucks are hitting the curb at this bend. Feels the project should be inspected before completion.

Mayor Kalnins explained that turn lanes and striping is not yet complete in this area and feels that would alleviate the problem.

Mr. Salomon feels that it might help but does not feel it will eliminate the problem.

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

# **PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS**

#### **Township Attorney Diane U. Dabulas**

• Provided an update of litigation regarding Cranford Development Associates (CDA). Announced that the appeal would be heard on December 1, 2015 in New Brunswick. Requested that those with questions or wishing to attend the hearing contact her.

# **COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS**

# **Commissioner Patrick F. Giblin**

- Thanked his family and friends for attending his swearing-in this evening;
- Thanked Cub Scout Den 16 (Pack 103) for leading the flag salute;
- Congratulated the Girl Scouts Bronze Award recipients and the Citizens Police Academy graduates;

• Thanked Freeholder Kowalski and Sheriff Cryan for attending this evening and stated that he is honored that he was elected to serve the residents of Cranford and welcomed input from citizens.

# Commissioner Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.

- Extended his condolences to the family of Arthur Nathan of the Cranford First Aid Squad. Discussed Mr. Nathan's leadership in rebuilding the First Aid Squad and getting it back into operation after Hurricane Irene;
- Thanked former Mayor/Commissioner Barbara Bilger for her service to the Township and for filling the vacancy of former Deputy Mayor Lisa Adubato after Ms. Adubato was appointed as a Superior Court Judge;
- Welcomed Commissioner Patrick Giblin and congratulated him on being sworn in as Commissioner. Stated that he looks forward to working with him;
- Wished all veterans a Happy Veterans Day.

# **Commissioner Robert D'Ambola**

- Welcomed Commissioner Patrick F. Giblin to the Township Committee and stated that he looks forward to working with him;
- Congratulated the Girl Scout Bronze Award recipients;
- Congratulated the Citizens Police Academy graduates. Feels this is a great community effort offered by the Police Department and wishes that more people could experience this program;
- Discussed various events being hosted by the Friends of the Public Library and provided contact information for those interested in attending;
- Discussed information available in the Township newsletter that is distributed to all residents. Urged residents to obey the plowing route and remove vehicles from those streets in which parking is prohibited when snow covered. Also discussed the status of leaf pickup by the Department of Public Works;
- Discussed the North Avenue Pedestrian Improvement project and informed residents that the project is scheduled to be complete in approximately one (1) week. Explained that the project was subject to the Department of Transportation's regulations but the concerns that are being expressed would be addressed. The only delay in the project relates to a traffic signal that is being manufactured and shipped at the end of the month;
- Wished all veterans a Happy Veterans Day.

# **Deputy Mayor Mary O'Connor**

- Congratulated and welcomed Commissioner Patrick F. Giblin to the Township Committee and stated that she looks forward to working with him;
- Thanked former Mayor and Commissioner Barbara Bilger for her service and dedication to Cranford;
- Thanked Cub Scout Den 16 for leading the flag salute;
- Congratulated the Girl Scouts Bronze Award recipients;
- Congratulated the Citizens Police Academy graduates. Feels the program is worthwhile and encouraged everyone to participate;
- Thanked everyone who supported the local merchants at the "Sip 'n Shop" event. Stated that she attended the event and feels there was a great turnout;
- Announced that November 28, 2015 is "Shop Small Saturday" and urged residents to participate and support local merchants;
- Announced that she would be holding evening office hours for residents in the Municipal Building on the first Tuesday of every month, beginning on December 1, 2015, and is hopeful that her colleagues on the Township Committee will join her;
- Discussed efforts to keep residents informed through the Township newsletter, website and Township Committee meetings;
- Expressed condolences to the family of Art Nathan and discussed his involvement in rebuilding the Cranford First Aid Squad;
- Discussed Veterans Day and thanked all veterans for their service.

# Mayor Andis Kalnins

- Thanked former Mayor and Commissioner Barbara Bilger for her service to Cranford and discussed Ms. Bilger's involvement with different organizations in Cranford;
- Congratulated Commissioner Hannen and Commissioner Giblin on their successful campaign;
- Thanked all veterans for their service and wished them a Happy Veterans Day.
- Discussed the Cranford VFW Veterans Breakfast that he attended. Also discussed a recent flag retirement ceremony and thanked Jay Boxwell and Jim Triasri for their involvement;
- Discussed the Thanksgiving service to be hosted by the Cranford Clergy Council on November 23, 2015. Thanked the Cranford Clergy Council for their efforts and encouraged residents to attend the service;
- Discussed appointments to various boards and committees for 2016 and provided contact information for those interested in volunteering;

• Expressed condolences to the family of Art Nathan and discussed Mr. Nathan's involvement with the Cranford First Aid Squad.

On motion of Deputy Mayor O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner D'Ambola and passed, the Township Committee adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 10, 2015

Tara Rowley, RMC Township Clerk