

The Minutes of the **Official Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **May 10, 2016** 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 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 O’Connor
Commissioner John Mallon
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 led by Junior Girl Scout Troop No. 40583.

MINUTE APPROVAL

On motion of Commissioner Hannen, seconded by Commissioner Mallon and passed, the minutes of the Workshop Meeting of April 25, 2016 and the Conference and Official Meetings of April 26, 2016, were approved by the indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O’Connor, Commissioners Mallon, 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, Bills List A dated May 10, 2016 totaling \$4,605,320.75, was approved for payment by recorded vote and is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O’Connor, Commissioners Mallon, Giblin and Hannen

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

On motion of Commissioner Giblin, seconded by Deputy Mayor O’Connor and passed, Bills List B dated May 10, 2016 totaling \$2,135.30, was approved for payment by recorded vote and is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O’Connor and Commissioner Mallon

Nay: Commissioners Giblin and Hannen

Abstained: None

Absent: None

MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Preeclampsia Awareness Month

WHEREAS, Preeclampsia, including HELLP syndrome and eclampsia, is a dangerous condition of pregnancy that can, in its severest form, lead to maternal and/or infant mortality or premature birth with significant health risks for the mother and baby; and

WHEREAS, as many as 320,000 cases of preeclampsia are diagnosed in America every year with approximately 25% resulting in severe, life-threatening consequences to a pregnant woman and her baby; and

WHEREAS, public education as to the signs and symptoms of preeclampsia, HELLP syndrome and eclampsia can help women recognize the condition and seek appropriate medical care; and

WHEREAS, prenatal education should include recognition of those signs and symptoms (spikes in maternal blood pressure, sudden swelling of the face and hands, severe upper abdominal pain, blurred vision, persistent headaches, breathlessness); and

WHEREAS, many citizens of Cranford, NJ have joined with the Preeclampsia Foundation to raise public awareness in order to minimize maternal and infant illness and death due to preeclampsia.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andis Kalnins, Mayor of the Township of Cranford proclaim May, 2016 as

PREECLAMPSIA AWARENESS MONTH in the Township of Cranford. By this action, let it be known that we support the Preeclampsia Foundation's efforts to reduce maternal and infant illness and mortality due to the preeclampsia and related hypertensive disorders of pregnancy.

Police Week

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which it falls as Police Week; and

WHEREAS, the Cranford Police Department has grown to be a modern and scientific law enforcement agency which unceasingly provides a vital public service, and plays an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the residents of Cranford; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the problems, duties and responsibilities of their police department and that members of our police department recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence or disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Andis Kalnins, Mayor of the Township of Cranford, call upon all citizens of the Township of Cranford and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 15 through May 21, 2016 as **NATIONAL POLICE WEEK** with appropriate ceremonies in which all of our citizens may join in commemorating police officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and in doing so, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that I call upon all citizens of the Township of Cranford to observe Friday, May 15, 2016 as **NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY** in honor of those peace officers who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or have become disabled in the performance of duty.

EMS Week

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, emergency nurses, emergency physicians and other; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Andis Kalnins, Mayor of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, New Jersey, do hereby proclaim the week of May 15-21, 2016 as Emergency Medical Services Week with the theme, EMS Strong

Recognition Awards

Cranford First Aid Squad – President Kruti Brahmhatt

Cranford Fire Department-Fire Chief Daniel Czeh

Appointment to Library Board

Ann Darby as a member to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2020.

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. 2016-04:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-04 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT PART II GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 250 SANITARY STANDARDS OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD"

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

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Ordinance No. 2016-05:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-05 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART III, CHAPTER 250, ARTICLE III, SECTION 11, “BOARD OF HEALTH LEGISLATION; SANITARY STANDARDS; STANDARDS ADOPTED BY REFERENCE; RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD TO AMEND GREASE TRAP REQUIREMENTS”

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

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O’Connor, Commissioners Mallon, Giblin and Hannen

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

ORDINANCES – Requiring Amendment Prior to Public Hearing**Ordinance No. 2016-06:**

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-06 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES AND WAGES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2016”

Said ordinance was approved as amended on first reading on motion of Deputy Mayor O’Connor, seconded by Commissioner Giblin, and passed by the indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O’Connor, Commissioners Mallon, Giblin and Hannen

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Final Reading and Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2016-06 as amended, will be held May 24, 2016.

ORDINANCES – Introduction**Ordinance No. 2016-08:**

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-08 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR REVISED FEES PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 179 REGARDING FEES FOR RECREATION FACILITIES CONTAINED IN SECTIONS 179-15, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD”

Said ordinance was approved on first reading on motion of Commissioner Hannen, seconded by Commissioner Giblin, and passed by the indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O’Connor, Commissioners Mallon, Giblin and Hannen

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Final Reading and Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2016-08 to be held June 14, 2016.

Ordinance No. 2016-09:

Removed from agenda

Ordinance No. 2016-10:

Removed from agenda

Ordinance No. 2016-11:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-11 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, COUNTY OF UNION, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO AMEND ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO FEES FOR COPIES OF PUBLIC RECORDS”

Said ordinance was approved on first reading on motion of Deputy Mayor O’Connor, seconded by Commissioner Giblin, and passed by the indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

Aye: Mayor Kalnins, Deputy Mayor O’Connor, Commissioners Mallon, Giblin and Hannen

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Final Reading and Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2016-11 to be held June 14, 2016.

RESOLUTIONS – By Consent Agenda

On motion of Commissioner Mallon seconded by Commissioner Giblin and passed, the following resolutions were adopted by consent agenda:

Resolution No. 2016-188:**APPROVE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT-GARDEN HOMES, LLC**

WHEREAS, the developer of Riverfront Development (South Avenue and High Street), has posted a Maintenance Bond in the amount of \$60,398.37 for construction work and activity performed at the aforementioned address; and

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting, as the Township Engineer, per correspondence dated April 22, 2016, is recommending the release of the Performance Guarantee being held by the Township in cash in the amount of \$40,267.54; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all work was performed to the satisfaction of the Township Engineer and release of the Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$40,267.54 be and hereby is authorized.

Resolution No. 2016-189:**RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS - HIGH STREET & MAPLE PLACE PROJECT FUNDED BY A CDBG-DR GRANT AND A BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 10:00 am, bids were opened in the presence of Jacqueline Dirmann, PE, Project Manager and the Township Clerk, Tara Rowley; and

WHEREAS, there were ten (10) bids received with the low bidder of the Base Bid for the projects being Mark Paving Co. Inc., 77 Cutters Dock Road, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 with a total price of \$329,820.85; and

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting P.A. and other appropriate Township Officials have reviewed the bids and recommend award of contract for this project to Mark Paving Co. Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer reviewed the available funding for the improvements and has certified that sufficient funds are available within the current and/or previously adopted budget for said purpose by way of the 2014 capital bond ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this Project is partially funded by CDBG-DR Grant, and a bond ordinance provided by Township of Cranford; and

WHEREAS, this project is in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the general public in the Township of Cranford.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Cranford, Union County, New Jersey that the above referenced construction project is awarded to Mark Paving Co. Inc., 77 Cutters Dock Road, Woodbridge, NJ 07095, with a total bid price of \$329,820.85 for the Base Bid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution No. 2016-190:**RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE LINCOLN AVENUE EAST – SECTION 4 PROJECT FUNDED BY NJDOT GRANT AND A BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 11:00 am, bids were opened in the presence of the Jacqueline Dirmann, PE, Project Manager and the Township Clerk, Tara Rowley; and

WHEREAS, there were eight (8) bids received with the low bidder of the Base Bid plus Alternate Bid ‘A’ for the projects being AJM Contractors Inc., 300 Kuller Road, Clifton, NJ 07071, with a total price of \$234,219.25; and

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting P.A. and other appropriate Township Officials have reviewed the bids and recommend award of contract for this project to AJM Contractors Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer reviewed the available funding for the improvements and has certified that sufficient funds are available within the current and/or previously adopted budget for said purpose by way of the 2015 capital bond ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this Project is partially funded by NJDOT and a bond ordinance provided by Township of Cranford; and

WHEREAS, this project is in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the general public in the Township of Cranford.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Cranford, Union County, New Jersey that the above referenced construction project is awarded to AJM Contractors Inc., 300 Kuller Road, Clifton, NJ 07071, with a total bid price of \$234,219.25 for the Base Bid, and Alternate Bid ‘A’; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution No. 2016-191:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford on the 10th day of May 2016 that the Tax Collector has been authorized to refund 2016 sewer payments for reason noted:

SEWER OVERPAYMENTS

Block 115 Lot 7
 Account #136-0
 Joseph and Adele Kosowski
 104 Pawnee Road
 Cranford, NJ 07016-1516

Refund: \$72.25
 (6-01-55-000-010-026)

Block 198 Lot 30
 Account #1647-0
 Andrew Nordstrom/Nicole Caprio
 22 Doering Way
 Cranford, NJ 07016-1844

Refund : \$30.96
 (6-01-55-000-010-026)

Resolution No. 2016-192:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford on the 10th day of May 2016 that the following checks will be refunded by the Tax Collector to the lien holder according to statutory requirements:

Redemption of Certificate #15-00011

Block 282 Lot 2
 DTW Associates, LLC
 1355 Martine Ave.
 Plainfield, N.J. 07060

Refund: \$ 384.23
 (6-01-55-000-010-029)
Premium: \$ 200.00
 (T-15-00-000-106-000)

Redemption of Certificate #15-00041

Block 599 Lot 12
 DTW Associates, LLC
 1355 Martine Ave.
 Plainfield, N.J. 07060

Refund: \$ 374.07
 (6-01-55-000-010-029)
Premium: \$ 400.00
 (T-15-00-000-106-000)

Resolution No. 2016-193:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford on the 10th day of May, 2016 that the Tax Collector has been authorized to refund overpayment for reason noted:

STATE APPEAL JUDGMENT

Block 634 Lot 4.01
 Monica Vir, Attorney Trust Account
 Monica Vir Esquire c/o
 Lindabury McCormick Estabrook and Cooper
 53 Cardinal Drive-PO Box 2369
 Westfield, NJ 07091

Refund for 2014: \$13,256.11
 (6-01-55-000-010-028)

Resolution No. 2016-194:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that the resignation of Jeffery Young as a member of the Library Board be and hereby is accepted, with regrets, effective immediately.

Resolution No. 2016-195:

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Township of Cranford to engage an expert to provide legal services in connection with an appeal of litigation entitled, "Cranford Development Associates v. Township of Cranford, et al"; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford has deemed that the background, experience and qualifications of the respondent herein satisfy the criteria set forth in the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified to the availability of funds which is on file in the office of the Township Clerk; and

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

1. An award of a contract in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 be and hereby is authorized to **Jeffrey R. Surenian, Esq., 707 Union Avenue, Suite 301, Brielle, NJ 08730** for the provision of legal services in connection with an appeal of litigation entitled, "Cranford Development Associates v. Township of Cranford, et al for a one (1) year term; and
2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with **Jeffrey R. Surenian, Esq.**

Resolution No. 2016-196:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that the following individuals be and hereby are appointed as per diem Regional Environmental Health Specialists (REHS):

Sagar H. Patel
David C. DeRosa

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

RESOLUTION – By Roll Call Vote

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

Resolution No. 2016--197:

WHEREAS, James Wozniak, Chief of Police, Township of Cranford, has been selected to attend the 265th session of the FBI National Academy which runs from July 11 to September 16, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The FBI National Academy is a professional development course for US and International law enforcement leaders which serves to improve the administration and operations of police departments, improves law enforcement standards and many other benefits; and

WHEREAS, The FBI National Academy provides all tuition and room and board for the selected participants for the various classes, which center on leadership roles and today's needs in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Employment Agreement between the Township and the Police Chief, approval to attend any training lasting longer than five (5) consecutive days is required, and Chief Wozniak has requested said approval to attend the prestigious program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, approves the request of Chief Wozniak to attend the FBI National Academy from July 11, 2016 to September 16, 2016.

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: Commissioner Giblin

Absent: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

John Pritchard, 42-44 West Holly Street, spoke in support of Police and Fire Department personnel. Expressed concern with anti-police and anti-fire department demonstrations. Feels citizens should express appreciation to these individuals because they protect all from fire and crime.

Mr. Pritchard spoke in support of military personnel and sang a song in support of the military. Urged the Township Committee to request that legislators reactivate Muhlenberg Hospital and other hospitals in the area due to their proximity to Ground Zero.

Leona Seufert, 320 Second Avenue, Garwood, announced that the Church of the Assumption in Roselle Park would be holding its annual St. Anthony's Feast in June. Provided a website address and phone number for those interested in obtaining information on the event.

Frank Krause, 20 Pittsfield Street, discussed the Appellate Division's opinion in connection with litigation involving Cranford Development Associates. Commended the Township Committee for its efforts to stop this development project. Discussed the history of the Birchwood Avenue property and the implementation of various flood control projects in the area by former Township Engineer Gregory Sgroi. Encouraged the Township Committee to continue with its efforts to stop this development. Discussed Mr. Sgroi's flood control plans that were provided to the Township after his passing. Feels they could be helpful with the Birchwood Avenue litigation.

Mayor Kalnins stated that he agrees with Dr. Krause's comments and that the Township Committee would continue to fight the development.

Joseph Hannon, 111 Elm Street, asked if the Township's ordinance could be amended to allow for only one (1) garbage pickup per week rather than two (2) per week.

Deputy Mayor O'Connor explained that this issue has been discussed and requires a review by the Board of Health. Also explained that state regulations require two (2) pickups per week, but the matter would be brought to the Board of Health for consideration.

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

PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS

Township Administrator Terence Wall

- Provided an update regarding the submission of applications in connection with the FY 2016 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FEMA) Grant Program. Explained that one application provides for funding for the potential elevation of homes located in flood areas and discussed the timeframe of the program. Also discussed the application submitted for funding for Phase 5 of the Northeast Quadrant Stormwater Management Project and discussed the various phases of the project. Feels the application process has been exceptionally smooth and he is hopeful that the Township will be able to secure funding.

Mayor Kalnins explained that the Home Elevation grant is a multi-year program and encouraged residents to continue to submit interest letters even if they cannot participate this year.

Township Attorney Diane U. Dabulas

- Discussed the amendment to Ordinance No. 2016-06 and explained that it was related to an adjustment to the range of the title for the Pool Facilities Manager;
- Provided an update of litigation regarding Cranford Development Associates (CDA). Informed residents that the Township's legal counsel has been consulted and it has been determined that the Township will pursue a final appeal and file a petition for certification on May 16, 2016 with the Supreme Court.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Commissioner Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.

- Congratulated the Police Department, Fire Department and EMS personnel that were recognized this evening;
- Announced that the Planning Board hearing regarding the façade for the PSE&G substation is scheduled for May 18, 2016. Encouraged residents to participate and review the plans;
- Announced that the Cranford Relay for Life event will be held on May 20 and 21, 2016. The proceeds will benefit cancer research and encouraged residents to participate;
- Discussed Cranford's rank in the Community Rating System. Explained that this will allow residents to receive a discount on flood insurance in the future. Thanked Township Administrator Wall for his efforts.

Commissioner Patrick F. Giblin

- Thanked Junior Girl Scout Troop No. 40583 for leading the flag salute;
- Wished all mothers a Belated Happy Mother's Day;
- Congratulated the Cranford Public Library for being recognized for best practices in early education. Explained that this recognition is related to the Family MESS (Math, Engineering, Science Saturdays) Program;
- Thanked Jeffery Young for his service to the Cranford Library Board;
- Recognized the Cranford Police Department, Fire Department and First Aid Squad personnel that were recognized tonight;
- Commended Cranford Police Department members participating in the Police Unity Tour;
- Congratulated the First Aid Squad for their service to the community;
- Discussed the details of the Relay for Life event to be held May 20 and 21, 2016 and encouraged residents to volunteer and donate to the cause.

Commissioner John Mallon

- Congratulated the First Aid Squad, Police Department and Fire Department members recognized this evening and for their service to the community;
- Announced that street paving would continue. Also discussed the paving of the Centennial Avenue Pool parking lot and design plans that include a reduction in impervious surface coverage.

Deputy Mayor Mary O'Connor

- Thanked Girl Scout Troop No. 40583 for leading the flag salute;
- Congratulated the First Aid Squad award recipients and commended the Police and Fire Departments for the level of service they provide to the community;
- Discussed efforts to reduce impervious surface coverage within the Township by ten (10%) percent. Explained efforts taken to minimize flooding in Cranford that will ultimately help with the Township's Stormwater Management Plan. Also feels this action indicates that the Township Committee is

committed to stormwater management overall and is hopeful that these actions will impact the Army Corps of Engineers' decision concerning regional flood solutions;

- Discussed the installation of a Monarch Meadow at Roosevelt Park and feels this will be a nice addition to the park;
- Discussed various upcoming events and provided information for those interested in attending;
- Commended the Police Department personnel participating in the Police Unity Tour. Explained that proceeds benefit families that have lost officers in the line of duty and encouraged residents to support the event.

Mayor Andis Kalnins

- Congratulated the First Aid Squad award recipients. Also thanked the Police Department and Fire Department for their service to the community;
- Commended the Police Department personnel participating in the Police Unity Tour;
- Announced that the Preeclampsia Awareness Walk would be held on June 5th. Provided information for those interested in participating;
- Announced that Congressman Leonard Lance would be hosting a Service Academy Fair on May 21, 2016 and provided contact information for those interested in attending;
- Announced that the Cranford Clergy Council would be hosting its 5th Annual Day of Remembrance event on May 11th.

On motion of Commissioner Hannen, seconded by Commissioner Giblin and passed, the Township Committee adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 10, 2016

Tara Rowley, RMC
Township Clerk