

The Minutes of the **Official Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **May 24, 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. 40332.

MINUTE APPROVAL

On motion of Commissioner Hannen, seconded by Commissioner Mallon and passed, the minutes of the Workshop Meeting of May 9, 2016 and the Conference and Official Meetings of May 10, 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 dated May 24, 2016 totaling \$544,036.95, 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

MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Gun Violence Awareness Day

WHEREAS, every day 91 Americans are killed by gun violence and hundreds more are injured; and

WHEREAS, Americans are 25 times more likely to be murdered with guns than people in other developed countries; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2013 Hadiya Pendleton, a teenager who marched in President Obama’s second inaugural parade, was tragically shot and killed at a park near her school in Chicago just a few weeks later; and

WHEREAS, to commemorate her life, Hadiya’s friends inspired her classmates to wear orange because it symbolizes human life and hunters wear orange to announce themselves to other hunters when out in the woods; and

WHEREAS, to honor Hadiya and all Americans whose lives are cut short by gun accidents and/or violence and those who are survivors that were injured, June 2, 2016 was designated the second annual National Gun Violence Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, support for the Second Amendment rights of law abiding citizens goes hand-in-hand with keeping firearms out of the wrong hands, protecting public safety and encouraging responsible gun ownership to help keep our children safe;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andis Kalnins, Mayor of the Township of Cranford proclaim June 2, 2016 as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the Township of Cranford.

Student Outstanding Achievement Recognition

Kacey Waleski

2016 POLICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS CEREMONY

FIVE MINUTE RECESS

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. 2016-06:**

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 having been advertised and posted in accordance with law, Deputy Mayor O’Connor opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments, Deputy Mayor O’Connor closed the public hearing. On motion of Deputy Mayor O’Connor 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

Ordinance No. 2016-07:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-07 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 6 (ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT), SECTION 6-40, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD ENTITLED, “APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS AND AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED”

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 Deputy Mayor O’Connor and passed, said ordinance was adopted by indicated vote of the Township Committee:

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: Commissioner Hannen

Abstained: None

Absent: None

ORDINANCES – Introduction**Ordinance No. 2016-12:**

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-12 entitled, “BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$3,774,128 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE VARIOUS GRANTS, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS”

Said ordinance was approved on first reading on motion of Commissioner Giblin, seconded by Deputy Mayor O’Connor, 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. 2016-12 to be held June 14, 2016.**Ordinance No. 2016-13:**

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-13 entitled, “BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE FUNDING OF THE TOWNSHIP’S PORTION OF THE COST OF THE INSTALLATION OF A SYNTHETIC TURF FIELD FOR BASEBALL AND SOCCER AT MEMORIAL FIELD IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$300,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS”

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

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: Commissioner Mallon

Absent: None

Final Reading and Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2016-13 to be held June 14, 2016.

Ordinance No. 2016-14:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-14 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO RESCIND AND REPLACE PART II, CHAPTER 198, ARTICLE II, SECTION 17 "GENERAL LEGISLATION; DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS; DOG LICENSING AND CONTROL; VICIOUS DOGS; HEARINGS" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD"

Said ordinance was approved on first reading on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Hannen, 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. 2016-14 to be held June 14, 2016.

Ordinance No. 2016-15:

The Township Clerk read by title only Ordinance No. 2016-15 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO RESCIND AND REPLACE CHAPTER 136, ARTICLE V, SECTION 136-34E PERMITTED ACCESSORY USES AND STRUCTURES—EXEMPT HOME OCCUPATIONS" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD"

Said ordinance was approved on first reading on motion of Commissioner Mallon, 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. 2016-15 to be held June 28, 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. 2016:198:

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, DESIGNATING A \$9,000,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE, DATED MAY 20, 2016, PAYABLE MAY 19, 2017, AS A "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATION" PURSUANT TO SECTION 265(b)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union, New Jersey (the "Township") intends to issue a \$9,000,000 Bond Anticipation Note, dated May 20, 2016, payable May 19, 2017 (the "Note"); and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to designate the Note as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code");

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

SECTION 1. The Note is hereby designated as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" for the purpose of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

SECTION 2. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said Note is not a "private activity bond" as defined in the Code and (2) the Township and its subordinate entities, if any, do not reasonably anticipate issuing in excess of \$10 million of new money tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds) during the calendar year 2016.

SECTION 3. It is further determined and stated that the Township has, as of the date hereof, issued the following tax-exempt obligations (other than the Note) during the calendar year 2016, viz:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Dated - Due</u>
\$9,700,000 BAN	1/29/16 – 1/27/17
490,490 BAN	5/19/16 – 5/19/17

SECTION 4. The Township will, to the best of its ability, attempt to comply with respect to the limitations on issuance of tax-exempt obligations pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code; however, said Township does not covenant to do so, and hereby expressly states that a covenant is not made hereby.

SECTION 5. The issuing officers of the Township be and they hereby are authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the original purchaser of the Note and to further provide such original purchaser with a certificate of obligations issued during the calendar year 2016 dated as of the date of delivery of the Note.

SECTION 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Resolution No. 2016-199:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford on this 24th day of May 2016, that the Mayor and Township Clerk be, and hereby are, authorized to execute an agreement with the County of Union for the use of Nomahegan Park for the Fourth of July celebration.

Resolution No. 2016-200:

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified to the availability of funds which is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that Industrial Maintenance Industries be and hereby is awarded a contract for the refinishing of the apparatus floor for the Fire Department at a quoted price of \$23,500, which is the lowest quote received.

Resolution No. 2016-201:

**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 2016 in the sum of \$2,500.00 which is now available as a revenue from the COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX FITNESS KIT/EQUIPMENT GRANT, pursuant to the provision of the statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$2,500.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption “FITNESS KIT/EQUIPMENT GRANT”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is a result of a County grant of \$2,500.00 from the County of Middlesex Fitness Kit/Equipment Grant.

Resolution No. 2016-202:

**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 2016 in the sum of \$10,000.00 which is now available as a revenue from the PSEG 2016 MUNICIPAL GRANT AWARD SUSTAINABLE JERSEY CORP., pursuant to the provision of the statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$10,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption “SUSTAINABLE JERSEY CAPACITY BUILDING GRANT”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is a result of a Municipal grant of \$10,000.00 from the PSEG 2016 Municipal Grant Award Sustainable Jersey Corp.

Resolution No. 2016-203:

**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 2016 in the sum of \$51,258.66 which is now available as a revenue from the Solid Waste Administration FY 2016 Clean Communities Grant, pursuant to the provision of the statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$51,258.66 is hereby appropriated under the caption “Clean Communities Grant”; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is a result of a State grant of \$51,258.66 from the Solid Waste Administration Clean Communities Grant.

Resolution No. 2016-204:
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 2016 in the sum of \$1,000.00 which is now available as a revenue from The Allstate Foundation for Youth Academy Kids Grant, pursuant to the provision of the statute; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$1,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption “Youth Academy Kids Grant”; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is a result of a grant of \$1,000.00 from The Allstate Foundation.

Resolution No. 2016-205:
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford at a meeting held May 24, 2016 that the Township Clerk be, and hereby is, authorized to advertise for sale at public auction certain unclaimed bicycles which have come into the possession of the Cranford Police Department through abandonment or failure of owner to claim same.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Public Auction will be held on June 18, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.

Make	Color	Serial #
Mongoose	Red	SNCAB04M31564
Mongoose	Yellow	SD06J42677
Explorer	Purple	904VA23713
Murray	Bk/Purp/Pink	J3120468
Specialized	Black	M7IS09376
Mongoose	Blue	SBNF13BG
Avigo	Orange	DJEG042121
Next	Red	00TD921736
Kent	Gold	KS86068365
Magma	Purple	TD1000018039
Raleigh	Red	N/A
Chaos	Green	G1009011884
Mongoose	Gray/Green	SNFSD11H783786
Roadmaster	Gray	SNFSU14C19784
Giant	Purple	GS544152
Pacific	Black	TOY0499GC
Huffy	Purple	K6613A904154211450
N/A	Blue	HR1050308/ET082003250
Schwinn	Blue	ACE80G03600
Huffy	Green/Bk/Wt	12E24054/58905194

Resolution No. 2016-206:
BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford hereby authorizes the appointment of Joseph Callelo as Head Custodian within the Department of Public Works, effective May 24, 2016.

Resolution No. 2016-207:
BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford on the 24th day of May 2016 that the following checks will be refunded by the Tax Collector to the lien holder according to statutory requirements:

<u>Redemption of Certificate #15-00031</u>	
Block 495 Lot 8	<u>Refund:</u> \$ 17,806.22
US Bank as Custodian for Phoenix	(6-01-55-000-010-029)
50 South 16 th St. Suite 2050	<u>Premium:</u> \$ 26,000.00
Philadelphia, Pa. 19102	(T-15-00-000-106-000)

Resolution No. 2016-208:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford on the 24th day of May 2016 that the Tax Collector has been authorized to refund 2016 sewer payments for reason noted:

SEWER OVERPAYMENTS

Block 293 Lot 1

Account #3394-0

Bell-Atlantic

POB 2375 Mail Stop 38406

Spokane, WA. 99210

Refund: \$140.00

(6-01-55-000-010-026)

Block 416 Lot 20

Account #4664-0

Hoa Chen & Maggie Su

106 Hillcrest Ave.

Cranford, NJ 07016

Refund : \$136.34

(6-01-55-000-010-026)

Resolution No. 2016-209:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that Michael Davis be and hereby is appointed as a Communications Officer within the Cranford Police Department effective June 6, 2016.

Resolution No. 2016-210:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Cranford Memorial Day Committee is permitted to post signs on municipal property to promote it's the Memorial Day Parade to be held on May 30, 2016, and that said signs shall be posted not more than ten (10) days prior to the event, and shall be removed the day following the event.

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 Giblin and passed, the following resolution was adopted by **roll call vote**:

Resolution No. 2016--211:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that Aaron DeNigris be, and hereby is, advanced to 1st Grade Firefighter in the Cranford Fire Department effective May 1, 2016;

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: Commissioner Hannen

Absent: None

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

Resolution No. 2016--212:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that Joseph Kopf be, and hereby is, advanced to 1st Grade Firefighter in the Cranford Fire Department effective May 1, 2016;

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: Commissioner Hannen

Absent: None

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

Resolution No. 2016--213:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, at a meeting held May 24, 2016, that the Call Department of the Cranford Fire Department consist of the following members:

Lt. Ronald Marotta

Lt. Brian T. Koshney

F/F Christopher Barry

F/F Brad Bisset

F/F Karolyn Buckridee
 F/F Edward Conte
 F/F Jason Cruz
 F/F Nicolas Downey
 F/F Joseph Faraone
 F/F Daniel Genovese
 F/F Brent Gregory
 F/F Charles Hallax
 F/F Cody Hahn
 F/F James Hannon
 F/F Michael C. Kniazuk
 F/F Raynier Lora
 F/F Robert Petrick
 F/F Thomas Polito
 F/F Frank Rivera
 F/F Michael Walko

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: Commissioner Hannen

Absent: None

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

Resolution No. 2016--214:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that the salaries for the following Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's) be and hereby are set at \$17.00 per hour effective immediately:

Brad Bissett

Elizabeth Buckriddee

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstained: Commissioner Hannen

Absent: None

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

Resolution No. 2016--215:

WHEREAS, Fromage Grille LLC ("Fromage") located 101 Miln Street has requested to install an entranceway awning and signage which would encroach on the Township right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, Fromage, a new restaurant, is located in a unique location on the fringe of the downtown commercial district and further, the existing building is located on the property line and thus any signage or awning would necessarily encroach on the Township Right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the location of the restaurant fronts on Eastman Street although the address is on Miln Street. Former business located in this space indicated they closed in due in part to lack of visibility.

WHEREAS, Fromage proposes to place an awning which would encroach 3'11.5" into the Right-of-Way and the projected lighting and hanging sign will encroach 25" into the Township Right-of Way; and

WHEREAS, given the uniqueness of the location and building of Fromage, it is in the best interest of the Municipality and its citizenry for the municipality to grant consent to Fromage to occupy said Rights-of-Way within the Township for this purpose; and

WHEREAS the consent granted herein to Fromage is for the non-exclusive use by Fromage of the public Rights-of-Way for the stated purposes and will be subject to a Right-of-way use agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford hereby authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to execute a Right-Of-Way Use Agreement with Fromage governing the terms and conditions of the awning, lighting and signage to be installed in a form to be approved by the Township Attorney.

Recorded vote:

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

Nay: Commissioners Giblin and Hannen

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.

John Pritchard, 42-44 West Holly Street, spoke in support of Police and Fire Departments and EMT personnel. Also discussed the upcoming Memorial Day holiday and spoke in support of military personnel that was lost in Vietnam. 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.

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 involving Cranford Development Associates (CDA), and announced that the Township filed a Petition for Certification with the Supreme Court.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Commissioner Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.

- Congratulated the Cranford Police Department on obtaining Reaccreditation. Extended special thanks to Sergeant Quinn and Officer Prada for their efforts in this initiative;
- Mentioned that the Memorial Day Committee is asking that residents attend the ceremony at Memorial Park which honors the eighty-six (86) Cranford residents that gave the ultimate sacrifice defending our country;
- Thanked the Mayor for presenting a proclamation recognizing National Gun Violence Awareness Day and stated that he is hopeful that raising awareness will help to eliminate the illegal use of firearms.

Commissioner Patrick F. Giblin

- Thanked the Municipal Alliance and all volunteers for participating in the Town-wide cookout. Feels it was a great way to bring the community together;
- Reminded residents that the Memorial Day Parade is approaching and feels it is a great way to honor the eighty-six (86) Cranford residents who gave the ultimate sacrifice defending our country. Encouraged everyone to attend the ceremony in Memorial Park after the parade;
- Congratulated the Cranford Police Department on its Reaccreditation and the Police Officers recognized this evening;
- Discussed the proclamation for Gun Violence Awareness Day and stated that he would be participating in the “National Wear Orange Day” on June 2, 2016 to remember all victims of gun violence. Discussed a young man he knew who was a victim of gun violence.

Commissioner John Mallon

- Congratulated the Cranford Police Department on its Reaccreditation and the Officers that were recognized this evening for their outstanding service to the community. Feels fortunate that Cranford has such an excellent police force;
- Echoed the sentiments of his fellow Commissioners with respect to Memorial Day and the honoring of Cranford residents that made the ultimate sacrifice. Encouraged everyone to attend the ceremony at Memorial Park after the parade;
- Provided an update of engineering projects and announced that the 2015 paving program should be completed shortly. In addition, the Memorial Field parking lot has been paved and explained that a portion of the lot would remain as gravel to reduce impervious surface coverage in an effort to help aid in storm water management;
- Wished everyone a happy Memorial Day.

Deputy Mayor Mary O’Connor

- Thanked Junior Girl Scout Troop No. 40332 for leading the flag salute;
- Congratulated Kacey Woleski, Student Outstanding Achievement recipient, and those Police Officers recognized this evening;
- Thanked various organizations for coordinating the Town-wide cookout. Feels the event was a great success and stated that she was proud to be a part of it;
- Discussed the Cranford Police Department Juvenile Bureau’s First Police and Teens Together Hat Program. They sponsored a DUI simulator to educate young drivers about driving under the influence and distracted driving;
- Commended Cranford’s public safety personnel on their heroism and dedication. Feels they are leaders in the community and serve as role models, and they have earned her respect and appreciation;
- Commended the Police Department on obtaining Reaccreditation. Feels it is a testament to the leadership of the department and its staff;
- Discussed the meaning of Memorial Day. Encouraged everyone to thank soldiers and veterans for their service, and hopes residents will attend the ceremony at Memorial Park.

Mayor Andis Kalnins

- Congratulated Kacey Woleski on receiving the Student Outstanding Achievement Recognition Award;

- Commended the Police Department on obtaining Reaccreditation and thanked them for the service they provide to the community.
- Discussed Gun Violence Remembrance Day and expressed his appreciation to the Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America organization for their efforts. Also thanked them for attending this evening to accept the proclamation and wished them success. Encouraged everyone to participate in “Wear Orange Day” on June 2;
- Encouraged residents to support the Memorial Day Parade and invited everyone to attend the ceremony at Memorial Park.

On motion of Commissioner Hannen, seconded by Deputy Mayor O’Connor and passed, the Township Committee adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 24, 2016

Tara Rowley, RMC
Township Clerk