

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 7, 2006**

This meeting was called to order by Carol A. Raph, Municipal Clerk. It was properly advertised under Public Law 75, Chapter 231.

The flag salute was led by Mayor Frank Perri, Jr. After the flag salute, Mayor Perri called for a moment of silence to recognize armed forces fighting for our liberties at home and abroad that they may return to their families and be out of harms way.

ROLL CALL: Present: Notaro, Schlachter, Martinez, Turon, Mazzeo
Absent: Carew (due to automobile accident), Kern

Solicitor Alfred Scerni, Jr., Engineer Edward Stinson of Doran Engineering, and City Administrator Jeffrey Bruckler were present.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES/FEBRUARY 21, 2006

Motion by Councilman Turon, second by Councilman Notaro to dispense with the reading of the minutes of February 21, 2006. They have been posted, distributed to Council and are on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office. All present in favor, motion carries.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Turon reminded all present the Mother's League Spaghetti Dinner will be held Wednesday, March 8th, at the Northfield Community School.

Councilman Martinez presented the February report for the Rescue Squad: Total number of calls – 63; total mutual aid provided for Northfield – 0; total mutual aid provided by Northfield – 4; total number of Fire Department assists – 3; top five run takers: Barry Kraus – 21; Heather Newbert – 12; Randy Dennis – 11; Shaun Shields – 10; and, Ray E. Adams – 8.

Councilman Schlachter had no report for this session.

Councilman Notaro presented the February report for the Fire Department: Total fire incidents – 18; total EMS incidents – 25; total non-emergency responses – 4; and, no injuries or fatalities. With regard to Public Works, Notaro spoke with Manager Clark about the no parking signs for Northfield Avenue and was informed the signs would be received this week with installation a top priority upon receipt.

Council President Mazzeo reported speaking with Mr. Gurwicz, who is considering senior housing development behind the Tilton Movie Theater. Mazzeo formed a

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Committee including himself and Councilmen Turon and Notaro to meet with Mr. Gurwicz for discussing the project.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Perri requested the Planning/Zoning Board Chairman, Co-Chairman and Governing Body be included in all discussions regarding the Gurwicz proposal. Perri stated the property in question is zoned commercial. The current market, however, is for residential development.

Mayor Perri said it was an honor to be a judge for the Northfield Community School Science Fair on February 22nd. He commended the school and remarked on the outstanding projects that were submitted. Perri reported the Library held its Astronomy Night on March 6th with their new telescopes available to the public and that new programs are being planned.

Mayor Perri welcomed J. J. Kemp's Ale House, formerly The Owl Tree, to the community and wished them well. Perri reported the City was successful in receiving a seized vehicle through approval from the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office. Ten employees have completed training and have been certified on the new breathalyzers, he added.

Mayor Perri spoke about the 2006 Road Safety Audit received from South Jersey Transportation, covering Tilton Road, Northfield and Egg Harbor Township, which he said is available to the Governing Body. Perri said the audit report was extensive, and covered signage, accident frequency and included recommendations.

RESOLUTIONS/CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Councilman Martinez, second by Councilman Schlachter, all present in favor of a Consent Agenda on Resolutions 37-2006 and 42-2006 through 47-2006 as follows:

- 37-2006** A Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Change Block 111, Lot 25, from a Commercial Sewer Charge to Residential Sewer Charge and to Refund the Homeowner a \$30.00 Credit Created by this Change/tabled at 2/21 meeting and reintroduced this evening.

- 42-2006** Award Contract for Installation of Check Valve at Juniper Drive Storm Sewer System, City of Northfield

- 43-2006** A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Bicycles and Miscellaneous Items

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- 44-2006** New Jersey Safe and Secure Communities Program Resolution of Participation
- 45-2006** Resolution of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, Urging Re-Introduction of Legislation to Exempt Municipal Clerks from Penalties for Open Public Records Act Violations Under Certain Circumstances
- 46-2006** To Authorize the Rejection of Bid Received for Digital In-Car Video Systems for Police Cars
- 47-2006** Award Contract and Authorize Installation of a Sewer By-Pass Station at Zion Pump Station

Administrator Bruckler advised Resolution 47-2006 did not include the cost of a check valve, an additional \$2,000.00. The amount of Lafayette Utility Construction Company's proposal should read \$19,792.00.

Roll call for Consent Agenda, including correction to Resolution 47-2006: Notaro – yes; Martinez – yes; Schlachter – yes; Turon – yes; Mazzeo – yes; Carew – absent; Kern – absent. All present in favor. Motion carries.

ORDINANCES

Motion by Councilman Notaro to read Ordinance 2-2006 by title only, second by Councilman Turon, for final adoption. All present in favor.

- 2-2006** An Ordinance Regulating Street Openings Within the City of Northfield (Repealing Ordinance 7-1981)
Final Adoption/Opened to the Public/Published in The Press 3/11/06

Council President Mazzeo opened the meeting to the public for discussion. Seeing on one from the public wishing to speak, he closed the public session.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2-2006 by Councilman Notaro, second by Councilman Turon. Roll call: Notaro - yes; Martinez – yes; Schlachter – yes; Turon – yes; Mazzeo – yes; Carew – absent; Kern – absent. All present in favor. Motion carries.

PUBLIC SESSION/FIVE MINUTES PER SPEAKER

Council President Mazzeo asked if anyone from the public wished to speak.

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MEETING NOTICES/MARTINEZ

Work Session	March 21, 2006	7:00 pm
Regular Session	March 21, 2006	8:00 pm

Motion to adjourn by Martinez, second by Turon, all present in favor, this meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Raph, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk