

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 12, 2007**

This regular meeting of Council began, with the same members present, following the work session.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilman Vain, second by Councilman Mazzeo, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of May 22, 2007. 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 Vain and Police Chief James discussed a traffic study on Burton Avenue. James commented on personnel issues and said that he would advise when he might be able to accommodate the request.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Perri reported that he gave a tour of City Hall to a third grade class from the Northfield Community School and he thanked all of the departments who helped. He, Chief James and Councilman Vain, along with other community leaders, participated in a breakfast meeting that provided guidance to the Northfield Community School's eighth grade boys as they embark on high school. Perri thanked everyone who helped with the Memorial Day services and the community for their support. He thanked Chuck Smith of Mainland Regional High School for recording the event and televising it throughout the week.

RESOLUTIONS/CONSENT AGENDA

- 102-2007** Authorizing Release of a Cash Escrow for Block 109, Lot 32
- 103-2007** Refund of Escrow Monies from the Planning/Zoning Board
- 104-2007** Authorizing Doran Engineering to Proceed with the Master Plan Update
- 105-2007** Refund of Overpayment of Taxes on Block 132, Lot 7
- 106-2007** To Authorize the Cancellation of Certain 2006 Tax Balances
- 107-2007** A Resolution for Renewal of Membership in the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
- 108-2007** A Resolution to Award Bid for the 2007 Paving Project, City of Northfield
- 109-2007** Reconstruction of Davis Avenue & Harvey Drive, Final Change Order No. 1
- 110-2007** Reconstruction of Roosevelt Avenue, Phase II, Change Order No. 1

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- 111-2007** To Authorize Award of Contract for Reconstruction of Banning Avenue
- 112-2007** Amending Resolution 82-2007 Adopted May 8, 2007 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract to General Code Publishers Corporation for the Codification of the Ordinances of the City of Northfield
- 113-2007** A Resolution Providing for an Executive Session Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, Regarding Possible Litigation / Pipe Bursting Extension at Bay Drive

Roll Call: Carew - yes, Martinez – yes, Mazzeo- yes, Notaro – absent, Turon – absent, Vain – yes, Kern – yes, Motion carries.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Councilman Mazzeo motioned, Councilman Carew seconded, for payment of bills in the amount of \$1,280,441.94.

Council President Kern and Councilman Vain announced their abstention from certain line items on the bill list. Copies will be kept on file with the City Clerk.

Roll Call: Carew - yes, Martinez – yes, Mazzeo- yes, Notaro – absent, Turon – absent, Vain – yes, Kern – yes, motion carries.

PUBLIC SESSION/FIVE MINUTES PER SPEAKER

Joseph Scott of 180 Davis Avenue, Northfield, came forward and expressed concern over flooding in his neighborhood. He stated that it has been ongoing for four years and it is getting worse. Engineer Stinson responded that the Department of Public Works is investigating the area and that he will get back to the resident with more information. Mr. Scott claimed that the storm drains along the Bike Path and Davis Avenue are routinely clogged and are not taken care of by Public Works. He stated that access to the Bike Path at Davis Avenue is a four-foot dirt path, unlike the curb cuts that have been installed in other areas of the City. He questioned the street-cleaning schedule for this year and stated that his was never completed last year.

Seeing no one from the public wishing to speak, Council President Kern closed the public session.

Councilman Vain announced the next meeting of Council will be held on July 17, 2007, at 7:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 113-2007

Motions were properly made and seconded, to go into an Executive Session not open to the public. After the discussion this Executive Session was adjourned and Solicitor Ballak announced a summary for the public as follows: An Executive Session was held during

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which City Council discussed possible litigation with Metra Industries relating to the contract for Pipe Bursting at Revere Avenue & Bay Drive. Council was advised of the different ways in which the matter could possibly be resolved.

On motions properly made and seconded, this meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Raph, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk