

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 5, 2019**

At 9:03am, this meeting was called to order by Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk. It was advertised in the Press of Atlantic City on November 1, 2019, in accordance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

**FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Mayor Chau.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Dewees, Korngut, Madden, O’Neill, Perri, Smith  
Absent: Lischin

Mayor Chau and Solicitor Facenda were also in attendance.

**PUBLIC SESSION/FIVE MINUTES PER SPEAKER**

Council President Pro-tempore O’Neill opened the public portion of the meeting for any person to speak on any subject. Seeing no one wishing to speak Council President Pro-tempore O’Neill closed the public session.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Council President Pro-tempore O’Neill announced that each resolution would be voted on separately.

Councilman Dewees motioned, Councilwoman Korngut seconded to adopt Resolution 219-2019.

**219-2019** Acknowledging Resignation of Deputy Municipal Court Administrator

Council President Pro-tempore O’Neill thanked Ms Harrington for her service and wished her well.

Roll Call: Mr. Dewees – yes; Ms. Korngut – yes; Mrs. Madden – yes; Mr. O’Neill – yes; Mr. Perri – yes; Mr. Smith - yes; Mr. Lischin – absent; Motion carried.

Councilman Smith motioned, Councilman Dewees seconded to adopt Resolution 220-2019.

**220-2019** A Resolution Providing for an Executive Session Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open

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Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(B)(7) – Contract Negotiations  
Regarding An Agreement For Shared Municipal Court

Roll Call: Mr. Dewees – yes; Ms. Korngut – yes; Mrs. Madden – yes; Mr. O’Neill – yes; Mr. Perri – yes; Mr. Smith - yes; Mr. Lischin – absent; Motion carried.

Clerk Canesi read the title and deferred to Solicitor Facenda.

Solicitor Facenda announced that the Resolution was in regard to contractual negotiations for an agreement for shared municipal court with the City of Linwood and negotiations with the Township of Egg Harbor. Minutes will be kept and be made available when required and permitted by law. It was unknown at present as to finality; therefore the timeframe is unknown as to when minutes can be released. Council would move to the Mayor’s Office and return for a public statement.

*At 9:09am Council moved to the Mayor’s Office.*

*At 9:40am Council returned to Council Chambers, and resumed the Regular Meeting.*

Solicitor Facenda announced that the Executive Session had concluded. As indicated in his prior statement, issues discussed were continued contractual negotiations regarding an agreement for a shared Municipal Court, minutes were kept and will be available for inspection when permitted by law. At this time Council will be acting upon Resolution 221-2019. It will not be acting upon 222-2019 today. That resolution will be considered by Council at its next meeting.

Councilman Dewees motioned, Councilman Smith seconded to adopt Resolution 221-2019.

**221-2019**      Rescinding the Authorization Granted Pursuant to Resolution No. 213-2019, Pertaining to the Execution of an Agreement for Shared Municipal Court for the City of Northfield and the City of Linwood

Councilman Perri asked if we renewed our agreement with Linwood.

Solicitor Facenda explained that it expires at the end of the year; the Resolution being rescinded authorized a new agreement that had not been executed or approved by the City of Linwood.

Roll Call: Mr. Dewees – yes; Ms. Korngut – yes; Mrs. Madden – yes; Mr. O’Neill – yes; Mr. Perri – yes; Mr. Smith - yes; Mr. Lischin – absent; Motion carried.

Council President Pro-tempore O’Neill read the meeting notices.

At 9:43am, on a motion of Councilman Perri, seconded by Councilman Dewees, all

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members present were in favor of adjourning this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk