

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
MARCH 8, 2016**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk. This meeting has been properly advertised according to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: Dewees, Lischin, Murray, O'Neill, Perri, Piergiovanni, Travagline

7PM CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT:

- MRHS Boys Swimming Team
- Megan Stafford 1000 career points – Girls Basketball

SPEAKER: Assemblyman Chris Brown, Legislative Update

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 18, 2016; February 23, 2016; March 3, 2016

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Perri - Sewer Inter Local, Planning Board, Senior Citizens

Councilman O'Neill - Court/Violations, FAN, Library, Shared Services

Councilman Piergiovanni – Insurance and Safety, Chamber of Commerce, Municipal Alliance, Northfield School

Councilman Dewees - Buildings/Grounds, Athletic Fields, Bike Path, Veterans' Park, 1st Street Playground, Birch Grove, Public Works, Roads, Engineering, Little League/Babe Ruth, Sign Sub Committee

Councilman Murray - Finance/Collections, Mainland Regional, Economic Development, Traffic Safety

Councilman Lischin – Fire Department/EMS, Inspections, Code Enforcement, Housing/Zoning, Technology/MRHS Channel 2, Cultural Committee, Green Team, Sign Sub Committee

Council President Travagline – Sign Sub Committee

MAYOR'S REPORT

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CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT

PUBLIC SESSION/FIVE MINUTES PER SPEAKER

RESOLUTIONS

- 76-2016** Authorizing the Appointment of a COAH Attorney as Special Counsel in Accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 (1) as a Professional Service
- 77-2016** Authorize the Hiring of Tyler Gardner as a Seasonal Grounds Keeper for Birch Grove Park
- 78-2016** Establishing Salaries for Non-Union Employees of the City of Northfield for 2016
- 79-2016** 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 Pending Litigation in the Matter of Daniel T. Mitchell v the City Of Northfield and Robert James

PAYMENT OF BILLS \$ 1,296,151.11

MEETING NOTICES

City Council March 22nd 6pm Work Session

ADJOURNMENT

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 76-2016**

**AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A COAH ATTORNEY AS
SPECIAL COUNSEL IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 (1) AS
A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

WHEREAS, the need exists to continue to employ a Special Counsel to assist the City and its legal counsel in helping the City address its responsibilities with respect to its affordable-housing obligations in any proceeding involving (a) the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (“COAH”), and/or (b) a New Jersey court of competent jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Northfield City Council wishes to employ the services of Jeffrey R. Surenian and Associates, LLC, 707 Union Avenue, Suite 301, Brielle, New Jersey, 08730.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Northfield that this professional service be awarded to Jeffrey R. Surenian and Associates, LLC, 707 Union Avenue, Suite 301, Brielle New Jersey, 08730, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement incorporated herein as Exhibit A, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certification of funds has been received from the Municipal Finance Officer.

I, MARY CANESI, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a Special Meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 8th day of March, 2016..

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 77-2016**

**AUTHORIZE THE HIRING OF TYLER GARDNER AS A SEASONAL
GROUNDS KEEPER FOR BIRCH GROVE PARK**

WHEREAS, there is a need to fill the position of seasonal grounds keeper for Birch Grove for an assignment not to exceed 6 months in length; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of Vicky Rutter, Park Supervisor, and Greg Dewees, Birch Grove Park Council Chair, that Tyler Gardner be hired for the position.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Northfield that Tyler Gardner is authorized to be hired as seasonal grounds keeper commencing Thursday, March 23, 2016.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that compensation for Tyler Gardner shall be \$10.81 per hour for up to a 32-hour work week.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Tyler Gardner is not entitled to benefits, to sick or vacation time and shall comply with the Policies and Procedures of the City of Northfield.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield that the hiring of Tyler Gardner is hereby approved.

I, Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 8th day of March 2016.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 78-2016**

**ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR NON-UNION EMPLOYEES OF THE
CITY OF NORTHFIELD FOR 2016**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Northfield, that the following non-union positions be compensated at an annual salary as stated below:

Assistant Fire Chief	77,875.82
Assistant Chief – Volunteer	1,459.81
Business Administrator	4,000.00
Captain – Volunteer	1,128.59
Chief Financial Officer	19,483.78
Chief of Police**	109,302.73
City Clerk	71,000.00
Construction Official	5,000.00
Council	8,633.00
Council President	9,392.00
Deputy Chief - Volunteer	1,889.16
Deputy Emergency Mgmt Coordinator	1,000.00
Deputy Municipal Clerk	32,640.00
Electrical Sub-Code Inspector	38.00 HR
Emergency Management Coordinator	3,500.00
Finance & Facilities Supervisor	47,313.29
Fire Chief - Volunteer	2,812.66
Fire Official	8,398.37
Fire Sub-Code Inspector	25.00 HR
Housing/Zoning Officer	42,030.84
Lt - Volunteer	478.43
Mayor	10,524.00
Municipal Judge	25,000.00
Part Time Laborer/Birch Grove Park (2)	10.81 HR
Payroll Specialist	20.68 HR
PB/ZB Secretary	8,000.00
Plumbing Sub-Code Inspector	34.00 HR
Seasonal Maintenance/Parks	10.81 HR
Sewer Supervisor	3,194.39
Special Police	15.25 HR

**Salary effective 3/1/2016, plus \$2,000 college incentive, plus 6% longevity

I, Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a Regular meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 8th day of March, 2016.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 79-2016**

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 PENDING LITIGATION IN THE MATTER OF DANIEL T. MITCHELL v. THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD AND ROBERT JAMES

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Northfield is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-12 provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City Council of the City of Northfield to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to a lawsuit filed in the United States District Court, District of New Jersey, by Daniel T. Mitchell against the City of Northfield, and Robert James.

WHEREAS, the purpose of this meeting is to provide a status update to the Council of the City of Northfield with regard to the lawsuit.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Northfield that Council move into Executive Session, closed to the public.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be released when a decision with respect to the matter has been made and all rights to litigate or appeal are exhausted; provided, that material entitled to Court protection or subject to attorney-client privilege shall not be disclosed.

I, Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 8th day of March 2016.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk