

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
JULY 10, 2012**

At 5:00pm, this meeting was called to order by Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk. In accordance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, this meeting was advertised in the Press of Atlantic City on Monday, July 7, 2012.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Brown, Mr. Dewees, Mr. Perri, Mr. Polistina, Mr. Vain, Mr. Carew
Absent: Mr. O'Neill

Mayor Mazzeo, City Engineer Matt Doran, and Municipal Auditor Ken Moore, of Ford, Scott, and Associates were also in attendance.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Mazzeo.

RESOLUTION

112-2012 To Hire a Full Time Deputy Court Administrator for Shared Municipal Court

Councilwoman Brown motioned, Councilman Dewees seconded to adopt Resolution 112-2012.

Brown provided brief information on the candidate and selection process.

At 5:01pm, Councilman O'Neill entered the meeting.

Roll call: Mrs. Brown – yes; Mr. Dewees – yes; Mr. O'Neill - yes; Mr. Perri – yes; Mr. Polistina – yes; Mr. Vain – yes; Mr. Carew – yes. Motion carries.

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DISCUSSION

- Proposed Bond Ordinance No. xx-2012

Council President Carew Ken Moore; Moore gave an overview of bonding and responded to questions from various members of council about past bond ordinances, reallocation of funds, and budget transfers. He explained the impact of an emergency

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purchase on the next year's budget cycle. Discussion amongst all present ensued.

Doran explained the infrastructure trust fund; commenting that the costs and fees involved are too high given that bond rates are so low.

At 5:31pm, Moore left the meeting, having concluded his presentation to Council.

Carew suggested a poll to gauge Council's support for the bond ordinance 'as is'. Carew, Polistina and Vain said they support the bond without changes. Dewees requested the amount for lights be reduced to \$50,000.00; O'Neill suggested removing the lights and reducing the football building to \$50,000.00; Brown said she supports everything except the football fields and recreation lighting, and suggested a 10-year capital plan. Councilman Perri opposed the ordinance and suggested a moratorium on all capital spending.

Carew recapped what the group would agree on: the lights will be taken out and the building cost will go down to \$50,000.00. Upon a second poll, Brown and Perri said no, all others present agreed.

Council President Carew opened the meeting to any member of the public wishing to speak.

Bob Webb, 218 West Revere Avenue, urged support of Veteran's Park, and said the selection of Emergency Medical Services should go on the ballot for voters to decide.

Joan Brennan, Dolphin Avenue, said the City handled the aftermath of the June storm poorly; she said there was no communication. Elected officials should have gone door to door. The City should buy generators for seniors. Tree removal services are gouging and City should stop them.

Seeing no others wishing to speak, Council President Carew closed the public session.

At 6:00pm, on motions properly made and seconded, this meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk