

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 10, 2023**

At 6:41pm this meeting was called to order by Municipal Clerk Mary Canesi, who welcomed the audience. This meeting was properly advertised in the Press of Atlantic City on January 7, 2023, and in accordance with Public Law 75, Chapter 231.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Chau, after which a moment of silence was observed.

Present: Councilwoman Bucci; Councilwoman Carfagno; Councilman Leeds; Councilman Notaro; Councilman Smith; Council President Polistina; Mayor Chau

Absent: Councilman Dewees

Solicitor Facenda, Engineer Nassar, and Chief VonColln were also in attendance.

READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On a motion by Councilman Notaro with a second by Councilman Smith, all members present were in favor of approving the minutes of September 26, 2023, without formal reading.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Chau thanked all for their work on the recent Trunk or Treat event, and thanked organizer, Deputy Clerk Campbell, for her efforts on this outstanding event. He and Deputy Clerk Campbell will be working on a Veterans day event, with details to follow. He announced details of an upcoming Mayors' Association event, and a request for Northfield's participation in an upcoming road safety workshop. He asked the Council who should attend and suggested perhaps it should be Engineer Nassar.

Council President Polistina asked Chief VonColln if there was anyone from public safety that he would like to have in attendance.

Chief VonColln replied, yes, he would like to send the traffic officer.

Mayor Chau reported there was no Planning Board meeting in October, and there were concerns from vendors regarding the food truck ordinance. He read the Police Department report for September.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer Nassar reported the contractor was still working on sewer repairs; he submitted a request for reimbursement for paving to New Jersey American Water.

Councilman Notaro asked when we can expect completion.

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Engineer Nassar replied, at the end of November.

PUBLIC SESSION/FIVE MINUTES PER SPEAKER

Council President Polistina opened the public portion of the meeting for any person to comment on any subject, he asked that they state their name for the record and observe the five-minute limit per speaker.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, Council President Polistina closed the public comment portion of this meeting.

RESOLUTIONS

Council President Polistina read the following statement: “All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered to be routine in nature, and having been reviewed by Council, will be enacted by one motion. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of any Council Member and if so removed, will be treated as a separate matter. Any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of Funds.”

On motion of Councilwoman Bucci, seconded by Councilman Notaro, all members present were in favor of voting on 186-2023 through 188-2023 by Consent Agenda.

- 186-2023** Inserting an Item of Revenue in the 2023 Budget
- 187-2023** A Resolution Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Execute a Contract with an Approved State Contract Vendor Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a
- 188-2023** Resolution Authorizing the Reduction of the Number of Commercial Sewer Rental Units from Three to One per the Request of the Owner of the Property Located at 2326 New Road, Block 82, Lot 2

Councilwoman Bucci motioned, Councilman Notaro seconded, to adopt the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call: Mrs. Bucci – yes; Mrs. Carfagno – yes; Mr. Dewees- absent; Mr. Leeds – yes; Mr. Notaro – yes; Mr. Smith – yes; Mr. Polistina – yes; Motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Councilman Leeds motioned, Councilwoman Carfagno seconded, to introduce Ordinance 13-2023.

- 13-2023** Amending Chapter 215 of the City of Northfield Code, Land Use And Development
*Introduction / No Public Input / Published in the Press of AC 10/19/2023
2nd Reading / Public Hearing / Final Consideration 11/14/2023*

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The Municipal Clerk read the Ordinance by title, stated that this is the first reading, there would be no public input, and announced the publication and public hearing dates. The full Ordinance has been posted in the lobby of City Hall and on the City website, and copies are available at no cost in the office of the Municipal Clerk between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm, Monday through Friday to any member of the public who requests same, up until the date of the public hearing.

Roll Call: Mrs. Bucci – yes; Mrs. Carfagno – yes; Mr. Dewees- absent; Mr. Leeds – yes; Mr. Notaro – absent; Mr. Smith – yes; Mr. Polistina – yes; Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS \$ 2,602,623.36

Councilwoman Carfagno motioned, Councilwoman Bucci seconded, for payment of bills.

Roll Call: Mrs. Bucci – yes; Mrs. Carfagno – yes; Mr. Dewees- absent; Mr. Leeds – yes; Mr. Notaro – yes; Mr. Smith – yes; Mr. Polistina – yes; Motion carried.

MEETING NOTICES

Councilman Smith read the meeting notices.

At approximately 6:53pm, on motions properly made and seconded, this meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk