

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD WORK SESSION
NOVEMBER 28, 2023**

At 6:00pm this meeting was called to order by Municipal Clerk, Mary Canesi. This meeting was properly advertised in the Press of Atlantic City on January 7, 2023, and in accordance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Chau.

ROLL CALL

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

Solicitor Facenda, Engineer Nassar, and Chief VonColln were also present.

Council President Polistina moved to Committee reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Leeds – Fire Department/EMS; Planning Board

Councilman Leeds read the Fire Department and EMS calls for the month. He congratulated the Mainland Regional football team on their State Championship victory, and thanked all police and fire personnel from Linwood, Northfield, and Somers Point for their support during the parade escort.

Councilman Dewees – Buildings/Grounds, Athletic Fields; Birch Grove Park, Bike Path, 1st Street Playground, Veterans Park; Public Works: Roads, Engineering

Councilman Dewees reported that he and Superintendent Vitale met with Mr. Brady to do a walk through for the frisbee golf; it did not seem unreasonable, they were working on a price for the next meeting.

Councilwoman Bucci – Insurance and Safety; Municipal Alliance; Economic Development / Chamber of Commerce

Councilwoman Bucci congratulated the Mainland football team on their undefeated season and State Championship. On behalf of the Municipal Alliance, she announced the details for Cookie with a Cop, and thanked Christine's pastry for donating for the event. She also announced Shop with a Cop for December 2nd.

Councilman Smith - Central Municipal Court; Little League and Babe Ruth; Northfield Community School; Shared Services

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Councilman Smith also congratulated the Mainland football team, players, and coaches, many of whom are Northfield residents. All were great accomplishments.

Councilwoman Carfagno - Technology / MRHS Channel; Cultural Committee / Veteran Liaison; Mainland Regional

Councilwoman Carfagno stated she believed the Cultural Committee event went well, although she was not able to attend. She also congratulated the Mainland football team, as well as the tennis and cross-country teams, who also won big. She announced next Mainland Regional Board of Education meeting date.

Councilman Notaro - Inspections, Housing/Zoning; Sewer Operations; Northfield Sports (FAN)

Councilman Notaro also congratulated the Mainland football team, he thanked the community for their support and all police and fire personnel from Linwood, Northfield and Somers Point for their support with the parade. Regarding FAN, the Cape Atlantic Football Championships were held, and the Pee-wee and Junior Varsity teams won as well.

Council President Polistina – Finance and Collections; Library; Senior Citizens

Council President Polistina had no committee reports. He congratulated all teams and coaches as well.

AD HOC COMMITTEES

Council President Polistina reported there were no updates.

WORK SESSION / TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION – ONGOING BUSINESS

- Stormwater Facilities Shared with Atlantic County–*Update if available, Engineer Nassar*
- Potential Sale / Development of City Owned Properties: Block 66 Lot 11; Block 69 Lot 1.02

Engineer Nassar advised there was no update on the Stormwater facility issue.

Council President Polistina announced that Clerk Canesi had forwarded the surveys for the City owned properties to Habitat for Humanity; we were waiting to hear back from them.

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- Standing Item – New Grant Opportunities

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Council President Polistina announced there were two new grant applications on tonight's agenda.

- Selection Date / Time for 2024 Reorganization Meeting

Council President Polistina announced the statutory requirement for the date and time of the reorganization meeting and suggested the 2nd of January at 6pm.

All members present agreed.

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Council President Polistina reviewed the Regular Meeting agenda.

Councilman Leeds thanked Clerk Canesi for pointing out the grant opportunities for the Fire Department.

Council President Polistina made the assignments.

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 and City of residence for the record and observe the five-minute limit per speaker.

Seeing no one, in person or on Zoom wishing to speak, Council President Polistina closed the public session.

At 6:11pm, on motions properly made and seconded, all members present were in favor of adjourning this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk