

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 28, 2015**

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 8, 2014 and January 6, 2015

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PUBLIC SESSION/FIVE MINUTES PER SPEAKER

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- 35-2015** NJ Safe And Secure Communities Program Grant Application – One (1) Police Position - \$30,000.00 Safe and Secure Communities Grant
- 36-2015** Acceptance Of The LOSAP Point System And Qualifiers For Members Of The Northfield Volunteer Fire Co. #1
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- 39-2015** Resolution to Authorize the Relocation of a New Jersey Transit Bus Stop Within the City of Northfield
- 40-2015** 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. 10:4-12B(4), Regarding Contract Negotiations With The Atlantic County Utilities Authority For The Performance Of Trash Collection Services In The City Of Northfield

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 31-2015**

**END OF SEASONAL ASSIGNMENT
BIRCH GROVE PARK EMPLOYEE STEPHEN MCKEONE**

WHEREAS, City Council approved the appointment of Stephen McKeone for the position of Seasonal Maintenance Employee at Birch Grove Park beginning August 25, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McKeone's seasonal assignment ended effective December 26, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the City of Northfield does hereby memorialize the end of the seasonal employment assignment of Stephen McKeone as of Birch Grove Park Seasonal Maintenance Employee effective December 26, 2014.

I, Mary Canesi, RMC, 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 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 32-2015**

**AUTHORIZE THE HIRING OF STEPHEN MCKEONE AS A SEASONAL
MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE FOR BIRCH GROVE PARK**

WHEREAS, there is a need to fill the position of seasonal maintenance employee 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 Stephen McKeone be hired for the position.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Northfield that Stephen McKeone authorized to be hired as seasonal maintenance employee commencing Monday, January 26, 2015.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that compensation for Stephen McKeone shall be \$10.40 per hour for up to a 32-hour work week.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Stephen McKeone 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 Stephen McKeone 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 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 33-2015**

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF FRANK J.
LENTZ, ESQUIRE AS THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER AND
MICHELE VERNO AS MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR
FOR THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted by N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1(c), the municipalities of the City of Northfield and the City of Linwood have entered into an agreement for shared court services; and

WHEREAS, the Shared Court Agreement provides that the Municipal Public Defender and Municipal Prosecutor shall be appointed for a one year term by the municipality that did not appoint the Municipal Judge; and

WHEREAS, the City of Linwood has appointed Frank J. Lentz as Municipal Public Defender and Michele Verno as Municipal Prosecutor for a one year term as per the Shared Court Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Northfield is desirous of confirming said appointments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Northfield, Atlantic County, New Jersey that the appointment of Frank J. Lentz as Municipal Public Defender and Michele Verno as Municipal Prosecutor for the City of Northfield for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, are hereby confirmed and ratified.

I, MARY CANESI, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at the Reorganization Meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 34-2015**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD
ENDORING THE PRIOR ROUND HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR
SHARE PLAN ADOPTED BY THE CITY PLANNING BOARD ON
JANUARY 22, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of City of Northfield, State of New Jersey, adopted a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan to address the City's indigenous need and prior round obligations pursuant to the regulations of the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") at N.J.A.C. 5:91-1.1 et. seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:93-1.1 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a true copy of the resolution of the Planning Board adopting the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan is attached pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:91-2.2; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the adopted Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and wishes to endorse same; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to secure judicial approval of the adopted and endorsed Housing Element and Fair Share Plan after a duly-noticed Compliance Hearing pursuant to the current or future principles of law and policy associated with the Mount Laurel doctrine.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield as follows:

1. The City hereby endorses the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan adopted by the City's Planning Board on January 22, 2015.
2. The City hereby authorizes and directs its professionals to immediately file the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan with the Court, COAH, and any other persons or entities deemed appropriate by the City's legal and planning professionals.
3. The City hereby authorizes and directs its professionals to take any and all reasonable actions necessary to maintain the City's immunity from all Mount Laurel lawsuits and to secure a Judgment of Compliance and Repose.
4. The City acknowledges that the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan adopted by the Planning Board on January 22, 2015 is intended to be flexible and permits the City to amend the plan as the laws or circumstances change and, accordingly, the City reserves such rights herein.

I, Mary Canesi, City Clerk of the City of Northfield, hereby certifies that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Council of said City at a meeting held on January 28, 2015.

Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk, RMC

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 35-2015**

**NJ SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANT
APPLICATION – ONE (1) POLICE POSITION - \$30,000.00**

WHEREAS, the City of Northfield, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey wishes to apply for funding a project under the Safe and Secure Communities Program (**Grant No. P-6107-15**); and

WHEREAS, the City of Northfield has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and City of Northfield for the purpose described in the application;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that:

- (1) As a matter of public policy, the City of Northfield wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the department of Law and Public Safety.
- (2) The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
- (3) The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
- (4) The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

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 28th day of January 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 36-2015**

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE LOSAP POINT SYSTEM AND QUALIFIERS
FOR MEMBERS OF THE NORTHFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. #1**

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 13-2001, Northfield Volunteer Fire Co. #1 Length Of Service Awards Program Act (LOSAP) for the City of Northfield was created pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-183 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the following members of the Northfield Volunteer Fire Co. #1 have met their LOSAP requirements for their **THIRTEENTH YEAR** November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014: Louis G. Carey, Edward Hackett, Robert Leeds; Henry Martinelli, Donald M. Morey; and

WHEREAS, the following member has qualified for his **TWELTH YEAR**: Bruce Cummings; and

WHEREAS, the following member has qualified for his **ELEVENTH YEAR**: Scott Goodman; and

WHEREAS, the following member has qualified for his **TENTH YEAR**: Kevin Morey; and

WHEREAS, the following member has qualified for his **EIGHTH YEAR**: Brian Flaherty; and

WHEREAS, the following members have qualified for their **SIXTH YEAR**: Eric Shenkus; and

WHEREAS, the following members have qualified for their **FIFTH YEAR**: Lee Litchenberger; and

WHEREAS, the following member has qualified for his **THIRD YEAR**: John Ordille, Martin Pepek; and

WHEREAS, the following member has qualified for their **FIRST YEAR**: Bruce Cummings, Jr., Daniel Hickey, Tim Jackson, and John Pendlebury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body that the qualifiers are accepted as presented in this Resolution, and have met the necessary requirements for the year November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014.

I, MARY CANESI, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at the Reorganization Meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 37-2015**

**GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FISCAL
GRANT CYCLE JULY 2014 – JUNE 2019**

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WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Atlantic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New hereby recognizes the following:

1. The City Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Northfield Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2016 in the amounts of:

DEDR	<u>\$ 13,771.00</u>
Cash Match	<u>\$ 3,443.00</u>
In-Kind	<u>\$ 10,328.00</u>

2. The City Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

APPROVED: _____
Erland Chau, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary Canesi , Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly authorized by the Northfield City Council on this 28th day of January 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 38-2015**

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TIFFANY
CUVIELLO, PROFESSIONAL PLANNER, AND THE CITY OF
NORTHFIELD**

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2014 the City of Northfield Council adopted Resolution 80-2014 appointing Tiffany CuvIELlo, Professional Planner, for the purpose of formulating the City's Council On Affordable Housing (COAH) Compliance Plan, with a contract amount not to exceed \$5,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Northfield City Council desires to amend the contract from the amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Northfield that this Agreement between the City of Northfield and Tiffany CuvIELlo, Professional Planner, 359 Superior Road, Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey, 08234, be increased from an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00.

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 regular meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 39-2015**

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE RELOCATION
OF A NEW JERSEY TRANSIT BUS STOP
WITHIN THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to NJ.S.A. 39:4-197, described herein shall be, and hereby are, added as a No Parking Bus Stop zone:

Along New Road (Route 9), northbound, on the easterly side thereof at:

Mill Road—far side

Beginning at the northerly curblineline of Mill Road and extending 100 feet northerly therefrom.

That pursuant to NJ.S.A. 39:4-197, described herein shall be, and hereby are, deleted as a No Parking Bus Stop zone:

Along Shore Road, southbound, on the westerly side thereof at:

Mill Road - near side

Beginning at the southerly curblineline of Mill Road and extending 105 feet southerly therefrom.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect upon approval of the Commissioner of Transportation as provided by law.

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 28th day of January, 2015.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

Erland Chau, Mayor

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 40-2015**

**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. 10:4-12b(4), REGARDING CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS
WITH THE ATLANTIC COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE
PERFORMANCE OF TRASH COLLECTION SERVICES IN THE CITY
OF NORTHFIELD**

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 items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b(4), specifically, the contract negotiations for a possible interlocal agreement with the Atlantic County Utilities Authority for the performance of trash collection services in the City of Northfield.

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 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 41-2015**

**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. 10:4-12b(4), REGARDING CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS
FOR MAINLAND PBA, LOCAL 77**

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 items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b(4), specifically, the contract negotiations for Mainland PBA, Local 77.

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 special meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 42-2015**

**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 JACK
TROCKI DEVELOPMENT CO., LLC, V CITY OF NORTHFIELD**

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 civil action suit filed in Superior Court of New Jersey by Jack Trocki Development Co., LLC against the City of Northfield.

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 28th day of January, 2015.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk