

**TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE  
ESSEX COUNTY NEW JERSEY**

**COUNCIL STAFF MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 19, 2020**

**1. ROLL CALL – OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT BY MAYOR**

Mayor Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and made the required announcement concerning the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Adequate notice of this meeting was duly provided to the Verona-Cedar Grove Times and the Star Ledger, filed with the Township Clerk, and posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building's lobby in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Present: Councilmember Maceri, Councilman Zichelli, Deputy Mayor Tanella, Mayor Peterson  
Also Present: Township Manager Tucci, Township Attorney Semeraro and Township Clerk Stutz  
Absent: Councilman Cicala, Township Manager Tucci

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a) Executive Session – September 14, 2020

Councilman Zichelli moved approval of the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Maceri, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Maceri, Zichelli, Deputy Mayor Tanella, Mayor Peterson

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Cicala

b) Staff Meeting – September 28, 2020

Deputy Mayor Tanella moved approval of the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Maceri, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Maceri, Zichelli, Deputy Mayor Tanella, Mayor Peterson

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Cicala

c) Executive Session – September 28, 2020

Councilman Zichelli moved approval of the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Maceri, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Maceri, Zichelli, Deputy Mayor Tanella, Mayor Peterson

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Cicala

d) Executive Session – October 5, 2020

Councilman Maceri moved approval of the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Zichelli, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Maceri, Deputy Mayor Tanella, Mayor Peterson

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Cicala

**3. TOWNSHIP MANAGER** – No report

**4. TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY** – No report

**5. TOWNSHIP CLERK** – The Clerk noted a settlement proposal from the Township's tax appeal legal counsel, to which the governing body agreed.

## **6. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Councilman Zichelli recounted a Township 3<sup>rd</sup> grader recent medical battle and suggested that the Council make a presentation, to which the governing body agreed. Councilman Zichelli advised that the Historical Society's annual pumpkin/apple was a success. Councilman Zichelli commented that the Historical Society wishes to discuss the use of Morgan Farm property and farm market with the governing body.

Councilman Maceri – No report

Deputy Mayor Tanella – No report

Mayor Peterson recommended appointment of Juliet Albanese and Nick Coletta as student members to the Recreation Advisory Board, to which the governing body agreed.

## **7. APPROVAL OF BILLS**

The Bill Resolution was read by title and amount as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove, County of Essex, New Jersey, that the attached summary of bills having been duly audited and found correct be and they are thereby ordered paid and that warrants be drawn on the Treasurer in the aggregate amount of \$ 3,115,978.95

Councilman Zichelli moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Maceri and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilmember Maceri, Zichelli, Deputy Mayor Tanella, Mayor Peterson

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Cicala

## **8. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Peterson opened this portion of the meeting to any one wishing to be heard. There being no one present wishing to be heard, Mayor Peterson closed this portion of the meeting.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

There being nothing further to discuss, the staff council meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. by acclim.