

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

COUNCIL STAFF MEETING

MINUTES

JANUARY 24, 2022

1. ROLL CALL – OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT BY MAYOR

Mayor Tanella called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 Peterson, Skabich, Zichelli, Deputy Mayor Maceri, Mayor Tanella
Also Present: Township Manager Tucci, Township Attorney Nabbi, and Township Clerk Stutz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Staff Meeting – December 20, 2021

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

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

NO: None

b) Executive Session – January 10, 2022

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

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

NO: None

3. TOWNSHIP MANAGER

The Manager reported that Agenda Item #7(d) should be removed from the agenda at the request of the redeveloper, to which the governing body agreed. Mr. Tucci also noted two additional resolutions for consideration as Agenda Item #7 (i) and (j). The Manager provided proposed dates and time (1/31, 2/1 and 2/2 at 5:00 p.m.) for departmental budget hearings, to which the governing body agreed.

a) Fireworks Display – The Manager provided the date for annual 4th of July fireworks display to which the governing body agreed.

- b) 2022 Pool Concession - The Manager noted the recommendation from the Recreation Director to renew the 2022 pool concession contract with same vendor, to which the governing body agreed.

The Manager the appointment of new Police Chief John Kennedy, extended congratulations and commented on Chief Kennedy's qualifications. Mr. Tucci advised that he is scheduled to meet with Board of Education representatives and Supt. Grosso concerning the LRP turf field agreement. Mr. Tucci noted receipt of annual cable franchise fee from Altice. The Manager requested an executive session to discuss potential Police Department litigation matter and a personnel matter.

4. **TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY** – Attorney Nabbi requested to discuss two contract negotiation matters and a pending litigation in executive session.

5. **TOWNSHIP CLERK** – No report

6. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Tanella requested an executive to discuss contract negotiations concerning Board of Education.

Deputy Mayor Maceri extended congratulations to new Police Chief Kennedy.

Councilman Zichelli requested an update on the status the reverter clause in senior citizen building property deed. Councilman Zichelli noted the recent passing of long-time resident, 104 year-old Fran La Sala. Councilman Zichelli requested a dedication. The Manager suggested the potential community garden as a possibility to which the governing body agreed.

Councilwoman Peterson also extended congratulations to Police Chief Kennedy.

Councilwoman Skabich revisited the issue of creating a community garden. There was consensus that Councilwoman Skabich facilitate a meeting with the community garden co-ordinator from Verona Steve Neale and the Township Manager.

Mayor Tanella also requested an executive session to discuss potential litigation related to Storm Ida.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a) To consider introduction of Pending Ord. #22-886 – An Ordinance Vacating Public rights in a 60-foot-wide Right of Way Through block 280, Lot 320

The Clerk read the Ordinance by title only:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE COUNTY OF ESSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, VACATING ALL PUBLIC RIGHTS IN A SIXTY-FOOT-WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY THROUGH BLOCK 280, LOT 320.

WHEREAS, there exists in the Township of Cedar Grove (the “Township”) a sixty (60’) foot wide right-of-way (hereinafter ‘60-foot-wide right-of-way’) across Block 280, Lot 320, as depicted on map filed with the Essex County Clerk as Filed Map Number 3393 and also depicted on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Cedar Grove; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received a request from 36 Cliffside Drive, LLC (“Owner”) to vacate said 60-foot-wide right-of-way, as described on Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B (the “Area”); and

WHEREAS, the request has been reviewed by the Township Engineer, who has determined that the area will no longer needed for municipal purposes, has confirmed that the metes and bounds description and plat is acceptable as to form, has indicated that he does not object to the Township vacating the area; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Council has determined that vacating the area is in the best interest of the Township; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:67-19 authorizes the Township to release and extinguish the public’s rights in the Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove, in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public rights and interests in the sixty-foot-wide right-of-way, as more particularly described in Exhibit A and depicted in Exhibit B attached hereto, are hereby vacated, abandoned, and released by the Township.
2. By virtue of such release, the Area shall be held by the owner or owners thereof free and clear of any and all public rights as if said public rights had never existed.
3. The appropriate Township officials are hereby authorized to execute any collateral documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Ordinance, including deed.
4. To the extent that the municipality or public utilities posses any rights or privileges within the area, any and all rights to maintain, repair and replace facilities, in, adjacent to, over or under the aforementioned portions of the area, are hereby expressly reserved from vacation.
5. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:67-21, the Township Clerk shall, within thirty (30) days after the Ordinance becomes effective, file a certified copy of the Ordinance, together

with a copy of proof of publication thereof, with the Clerk/Register of Essex County for recording.

6. All costs relating to this Ordinance shall be paid by the property owner.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances of the Township that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Councilwoman Peterson moved that Pending Ordinance #22-886 be passed at first reading, published in the Verona-Cedar Grove Times as a pending ordinance with a public hearing of February 7, 2022, seconded by Councilwoman Skabich, and passed by the following vote:

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

NO: None

ABSTAIN: Councilman Zichelli

- b) To consider introduction of Pending Ord. #22-887 – An Ordinance Vacating a Water Line Easement Through Lots 247 and 320, in Block 280

The Clerk read the Ordinance by title only:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE, COUNTY OF ESSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, VACATING A WATER LINE EASEMENT THROUGH LOTS 247 AND 320, IN BLOCK 280, CEDAR GROVE TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, there exists in the Township of Cedar Grove (the “Township”) a water line easement, as depicted on Map filed with the Essex County Clerk on Filed Map 3393, and also depicted on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Cedar Grove, across Lots 247 and 320, In Block 280, as particularly described on Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, hereinafter “Water Line Easement”; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received a request from 36 Cliffside Drive, LLC, owner of said lots (hereinafter “owner”) to vacate said Water Line Easement; and

WHEREAS, the request has been reviewed by the Township Engineer and Director the Department of Public Works, who have determined that the area will no longer needed for municipal purposes, has confirmed that the metes and bounds description (Exhibit A) and plat (Exhibit B) are acceptable as to form, has indicated that he does not object to the Township vacating the Water Line Easement; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Council have determined that vacating the Water Line Easement is in the best interest of the Township; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:67-19 authorizes the Township to release and extinguish the public's rights in said Water Line Easement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove, in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public rights and interests in said Water Line Easement, as more particularly described in Exhibit A and depicted in Exhibit B attached hereto, are hereby vacated, abandoned, and released by the Township.
2. By virtue of such release, the Easement Area shall be held by the owner or owners thereof free and clear of any and all public and private rights of others as if said public or private rights had never existed, now and/or in the future.
3. The appropriate Township officials are hereby authorized to execute any collateral documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Ordinance, including deed.
4. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:67-21, the Township Clerk shall, within thirty (30) days after the Ordinance becomes effective, file a certified copy of the Ordinance, together with a copy of proof of publication thereof, with the Clerk/Register of Essex County for recording.
5. All costs relating to this Ordinance shall be paid by the property owner.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances of the Township that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Deputy Mayor Maceri moved that Pending Ordinance #22-887 be passed at first reading, published in the Verona-Cedar Grove Times as a pending ordinance with a public hearing of February 7, 2022, seconded by Councilwoman Peterson, and passed by the following vote:

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

NO: None

ABSTAIN: Councilman Zichelli

- c) To consider introduction of Pending Ord. #22-888 – An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Public Right-Of-Way Known As Cliffside Drive

The Clerk read the Ordinance by title only:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE, COUNTY OF ESSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, VACATING A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOWN AS CLIFFSIDE DRIVE, CEDAR GROVE, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, there exists in the Township of Cedar Grove (the “Township”) a public right-of-way known as Cliffside Drive, as depicted on Map filed with the Essex County Clerk as Filed Map Number 3393 and further, as depicted on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Cedar Grove; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received a request from 36 Cliffside Drive, LLC to vacate a certain portion of the public right-of-way of Cliffside Drive, as particularly described on Exhibit A, and depicted on the attached Exhibit B (the “Area”); and

WHEREAS, the request has been reviewed by the Township Engineer, who has determined that the area will no longer needed for municipal purposes, has confirmed that the metes and bounds description and plat is acceptable as to form, has indicated that he does not object to the Township vacating the area subject to property owners in the area executing certain utility and right-of-way easement as necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Council has determined that vacating the area is in the best interest of the Township; and

WHEREAS, upon the right-of-way vacation being perfected, a new merged lot deed merging properties designated as Block 280, Lots 247, 320 and 330, together with the area of the right-of-way vacation subject hereof (Exhibit A) shall be created and recorded by the property owner; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:67-19 authorizes the Township to release and extinguish the public’s rights in the Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove, in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public rights and interests in the Area, as more particularly described in Exhibit A and depicted in Exhibit B attached hereto, are hereby vacated, abandoned, and released by the Township.
2. By virtue of such release, the Area shall be held by the owner or owners thereof free and clear of any and all public rights as a public street, as if said public rights had never existed.

3. The appropriate Township officials are hereby authorized to execute any collateral documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Ordinance, including deed.
4. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:67-21, the Township Clerk shall, within thirty (30) days after the Ordinance becomes effective, file a certified copy of the Ordinance, together with a copy of proof of publication thereof, with the Clerk/Register of Essex County for recording.
5. All costs relating to this Ordinance shall be paid by the property owner.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances of the Township that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Councilwoman Skabich moved that Pending Ordinance #22-888 be passed at first reading, published in the Verona-Cedar Grove Times as a pending ordinance with a public hearing of February 7, 2022, seconded by Deputy Mayor Maceri, and passed by the following vote:
AYE: Councilmember Peterson, Skabich, Deputy Mayor Maceri, Mayor Tanella
NO: None
ABSTAIN: Councilman Zichelli

- d) To consider resolution authorizing and directing execution of Redevelopment Agreement with Cliffside Drive, LLC

The resolution was previously removed from the agenda.

- e) To consider resolution authorizing execution of Affordable Housing Deed Restriction – 36 Cliffside Drive

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE, COUNTY OF ESSEX, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEED RESTRICTION TO BE RECORDED BY 36 CLIFFSIDE DRIVE, LLC

WHEREAS, 36 Cliffside Drive LLC is the owner of land and certain improvements thereon (“Property”), that is located in the municipality of the Township of Cedar Grove, County of Essex,

State of New Jersey, and described more specifically as Block No. 280, Lot Nos. 247, 320, 330, 551.1 and 552 and known by the street address 36 Cliffside Drive, Cedar Grove, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, said Property is to be developed as a residential inclusionary rental, non-age restricted development (“Project”), which requires construction of market-rate units as well as a percentage of units that are affordable to low- and moderate-income households in the region; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the Project shall include fifty-seven (57) affordable housing units, of which eight (8) shall be very low-income units, twenty-one (21) shall be low-income units, and twenty-eight (28) shall be moderate-income units; and

WHEREAS, of the fifty-seven (57) affordable housing units, 10 shall be 1-bedroom units, 33 shall be 2-bedroom units, and 14 shall be 3-bedroom units; and

WHEREAS, the Project is an integral element of the Township’s court-approved Round 3 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan; and

WHEREAS, in order for the Township to secure affordable housing credits for the Project, the aforementioned fifty-seven (57) affordable housing units must be subject to the Deed Restriction attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, said Deed Restriction has been drafted, reviewed, and finalized by the Township’s Special Mount Laurel Counsel and Administrative Agent; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s Special Mount Laurel Counsel and Administrative Agent furnished said Deed Restriction to the Township and have simultaneously recommended same for execution by the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Township Council have considered and accepted said recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Township of Cedar Grove hereby accepts the attached Deed Restriction in form and substance.
2. The Township hereby authorizes the Mayor or his legal designee to execute said Deed Restriction.
3. The Township hereby directs its Special Mount Laurel Counsel and/or Administrative Agent to take the measures to assure that said Deed Restriction is fully and properly executed and recorded in the Essex County records department.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Councilwoman Peterson moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Deputy Mayor Maceri , and passed by the following vote:

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

NO: None

ABSTAIN: Councilman Zichelli

- f) To consider resolution concerning submission of 2023 Municipal Alliance Grant Strategic Plan

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliance 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 Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove, County of Essex, 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 Township 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 Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Essex.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Cedar Grove, County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

- 1. The Township Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Cedar Grove Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2023 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$9,500.00
Cash Match	\$2,375.00
In-Kind	\$7,125.00

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

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

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

NO: None

- g) To consider resolution concerning 2021 tax reduction granted by Essex County Board of Taxation

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Cedar Grove has determined that action is required as a result of the 2021 tax reductions granted by the Essex County Board of Taxation;

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has certified to the foregoing as well as to the amount of the tax cancellations, which are set forth along with the name and address of the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove that the required tax cancellations be made:

2021 Tax Reductions Granted by the Essex County Board of Taxation

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Owner & Location</u>	<u>Tax Cancellation</u>
180	30	Valerie Mingione 16 Timber Rock Court Cedar Grove, NJ 07009	\$1,595.79

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

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

NO: None

- h) To consider resolution concerning approval of raffle application – CG Elks Lodge #2237

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

WHEREAS, an application for raffle license has been received from:

APPLICANTS

Cedar Grove Elks Lodge #2237
405 Bowden Rd.
Cedar Grove NJ 07009

EVENTS, DATES TIMES & PLACE

On-Premise Merchandise Raffle to be held
June 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at
405 Bowden Rd., Cedar Grove NJ 07009

WHEREAS, the fees have been paid, and the application has been reviewed by the Township Clerk and found acceptable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove that it does hereby approve said application.

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

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

NO: None

- i) To consider resolution authorizing execution of required agreement for membership in North Jersey Wastewater Co-operative Pricing System

The following resolution was added to the agenda, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

WHEREAS, the Township of Cedar Grove desires to become a member of the North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System, NJWCPS, effective January 24, 2022 and, that such membership shall be for the period ending November 24, 2024, and each renewal, thereafter of the system, unless the Township of Cedar Grove elects to formally withdraw from the system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the required agreement for such membership.

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

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

NO: None

- j) To consider resolution concerning vacation of certain Right-Of-Ways and water line easements

The following resolution was added to the agenda, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE, COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY REGARDING THE VACATION OF CERTAIN RIGHT-OF-WAYS AND WATER LINE EASEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Township of Cedar Grove (the “Township”) intends to introduce and adopt an ordinance vacating a portion of a water line easement through Block 280, Lots 247 and 320; and ordinance vacating all public rights to a 60’ wide right-of-way through Block 280, Lot 320; and ordinance vacating a portion of the public right-of-way known as Cliffside Drive; and

WHEREAS, the Township acknowledges that property located at Block 280, Lot 314, known as 10 Cliffside Drive, (the “Dominant Estate”) has an Easement Agreement granting rights to ingress and egress and has rights to water lines across Block 280, Lot 320 (the “Servient Estate”); and

WHEREAS, the Township Council desires to recognize and confirm that, notwithstanding the above vacations, the Dominant Estate’s rights to ingress and egress and to water lines, and any other related nonpossessory interests, across the Servient Estate shall remain intact and shall not be disturbed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Township Council recognizes and confirms that, notwithstanding the above vacations, the Dominant Estate's rights to ingress and egress and to water lines, and any other related nonpossessory interests, across the Servient Estate shall remain intact and shall not be disturbed.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Deputy Mayor Maceri moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Peterson, and passed by the following vote:

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

NO: None

ABSTAIN: Councilman Zichelli

8. 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 \$ 2,871,073.52.

Deputy Mayor Maceri moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Peterson and passed by the following vote:

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

NO: None

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

AUTHORIZATION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings' Act (N.J.S.A.10:4-12 (b) (1-9) permits the exclusion of the public from a Meeting of the Mayor and Council in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Cedar Grove are of the opinion that such circumstances exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Cedar Grove, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of any action in the Executive Session of the Meeting of the Mayor and Council of January 24, 2022.
2. The general nature of the subject matters to be discussed are potential litigation regarding Police Dept., personnel, contract negotiation regarding Rizzolant Realty , contract negotiation regarding VFW, pending litigation concerning tax appeal, contract negotiation regarding Board of Education, potential litigation regarding Storm Ida flood damage.
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public as soon thereafter as it is deemed in the public interest to do so.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

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

NO: None

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to discuss, the staff council meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. by acclaim.