

MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

September 1, 2015

The Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, met in the Second Floor Conference Room in the Municipal Building, 205 Claremont Avenue, for a Conference meeting at 7:00 P.M.

STATEMENT OF SUNSHINE NOTICE
ROLL CALL
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Mayor Jackson, Deputy Mayor Russo, Councilors Baskerville, Hurlock, McMahon, Schlager and Spiller
Absent: None

On motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the minutes of August 25, 2015 was approved by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCES FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION

Mayor Jackson introduced the following ordinance and made a motion which was duly seconded, that it pass first reading and be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Council to be held on September 29, 2015:

“AMENDMENT TO O-15-019 THE 2014 MANAGEMENT (NON-UNION) SALARY ORDINANCE” (O-15-026)

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

On motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, that CHRISTA RAPOPORT is hereby APPOINTED to serve as a MEMBER of the CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION for a term commencing immediately and terminating December 31, 2016 (R-15-132)

On motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, that MARCUS WALTON is hereby APPOINTED to serve as a MEMBER of the CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION for a term commencing immediately and terminating December 31, 2015. (R-15-133)

On motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, that JOSEPH KAVESH is hereby REAPPOINTED to serve as a MEMBER of the CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION for a term commencing immediately and terminating December 31, 2017 (R-15-134)

On motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, that JAMES HARRIS is hereby REAPPOINTED to serve as a MEMBER of the CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION for a term commencing immediately and terminating December 31, 2017. (R-15-135)

On motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, that MARTHAJANE WEAVER is hereby REAPPOINTED to serve as a MEMBER of the CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION for a term commencing immediately and terminating December 31, 2017. (R-15-136)

ACTING TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT: Agenda Items for September 8, 2015 Regular Meeting

1. 9/11 Moment of Silence at the September 8th meeting
2. Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 281 from the Code of the Township of Montclair entitled "Site Plan Review"
3. Ordinance amending Chapter 327 – Vehicles and Traffic Concerning Handicap Parking – Handicapped parking on Walnut Street
4. Ordinance Amending Montclair Code Chapter 292, Solid Waste (Recycling)
5. Ordinance Amending Montclair Code Chapter 327 (Tremont Street parking)
6. Resolution awarding contract to Magic Touch Construction Co. for plumbing services with an annual option to renew for up to two (2) additional years
7. Resolution authorizing approval of the 2014 Corrective Action Plan

Mission Street employment:

Mayor Jackson reported that Officer Garth Guthrie assigned this area has identified 6-8 individuals who would benefit from a two-three week employment preparedness course. He stated that the budget for such an undertaking would be approximately \$5,000 - \$10,000 which would include individual stipends and a clothing allowance. The program could serve as a pilot program. He asked the Council for input. It was the Council's consensus to move forward. Acting Township Manager, Timothy Stafford offered that with a set budget the program would qualify for a request for qualification (R.F.Q.) to hire a program training manager. Councilor Baskerville asked that any contract include a requirement that any individual considered for the job would have experience in the Mission Street neighborhood.

Engineering Projects Update:

- Park Street Paving completed on 9/1/2015
- Light installation at Park and Chestnut completed by Friday, September 4, 2015
- Appraisal for a street opening inspector is being pursued.
- Funding for the Warman Street drainage project to be identified and a bid package prepared.

Mayor Jackson asked the police department to investigate the flashing lights installation at Montclair State University for consideration for use in the Township.

Councilor Baskerville asked for consideration for township wide Wi-Fi access. She asked the Council if they were interested in providing "hot spots" within the community.

At 8:07 P.M. on motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matters to be discussed are as follows: Legal matters
3. We do not anticipate that the matters discussed will be made public.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

At 8:22 Resumed Conference meeting.

On motion made by Councilor Spiller and duly seconded the Council authorized a settlement of \$52,500 in the Birnbaum lawsuit.

Township Clerk, Linda Wanat shared Montclair State University's offer to Mayor Jackson for the Township to participate in internship programs offered by the university.

At 8:31 P.M. on motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.



ROBERT JACKSON MAYOR

ATTEST:



LINDA S. WANAT, MUNICIPAL CLERK