

AGENDA
Sine Die Meeting of the Mayor and Council
Tuesday, December 29, 2015
7:00 PM

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER –

STATEMENT –

“This is a Sine Die Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale. The date, time and location of this meeting has been advertised in the official Newspapers of the Borough, filed with the Borough Clerk and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building. All notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been fulfilled. Please note the fire exits as required by law at public meetings.”

SALUTE TO THE FLAG – SILENT PRAYER –

ROLL CALL –

Name	Present	Absent
Mayor Piehler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilwoman Macchio	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Marana	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Shepard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Small	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sokoloski	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

RESOLUTIONS –

RESOLUTION #2015-138

TITLE: AUTHORIZATION OF CHANGE ORDER #1 IN A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE AND J.A. ALEXANDER – 2015 ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT (RIVERSIDE COOPERATIVE)

Motion	Second	Name
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilwoman Macchio
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Marana
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Shepard
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WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale and J.A. Alexander, Inc., entered into a Contract for the 2015 road Resurfacing Project (Riverside Cooperative); and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that certain changes to this Contract are necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Borough engineer recommends changes as outlined in his December 16, 2015 correspondence; and,

WHEREAS, the change order decreases the Contract amount by \$54,635.21 bringing the revised contract amount to \$230,939.35.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Borough of Northvale authorizes the change order decrease in the amount of \$54,635.21 to the original Contract amount of \$285,574.56 bringing the revised Contract amount to \$230,939.35 as recommended and detailed in the December 16, 2015 correspondence from the Borough engineer.

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilwoman Macchio	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Marana	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Shepard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Councilman Sokoloski	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

RESOLUTION #2015-139

TITLE: DISCONTINUE GRIPE NIGHT SESSIONS

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilwoman Macchio
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WHEREAS, it has been the practice of the Northvale Mayor and Council to hold “Gripe Night” sessions on Tuesday evenings to meet with the public in an informal setting; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk has advertised said “Gripe Night” sessions on the yearly meeting notice to the public as an informal meeting with no action being taken, up until 2014; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 Mayor and Council was advised by their then Borough Attorney, that in his opinion, these weekly sessions should be discontinued, however due to past practice it was determined that the weekly sessions would be reduced to the 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings of the month and placed on the Borough’s recycling calendar as notification to the public; and

WHEREAS, with numerous discussions and an opinion by our present Borough Attorney, John L. Shahdanian, II, Esq., via his memo to the Mayor and Council dated December 23, 2015, these informal sessions will now be discontinued as it is his opinion that based on the description of “Gripe Night” sessions, that these meetings violate New Jersey law because the public is not provided with “adequate notice” of the meetings and because the Borough occasionally may conduct “public business” at these meetings without a quorum of the Governing Body present; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council by-laws suspended in 2007; to be reexamined by a committee of the council and have yet to be adopted; shall strike Article VII, entitled Meetings, Section 3 which states “Members of the Mayor and Council may be available 7 – 8 PM each Tuesday to informally meet with the public”; should the by-laws ever be re-instituted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that:

1. Tuesday evening “Gripe Night” sessions are hereby discontinued
2. That the Borough Clerk inform the public via the annual meeting notice that Gripe Night sessions of the Mayor and Council will no longer be held.
3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption as provided by law.

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Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

OTHER RESOLUTIONS – (ANTICIPATED BUT NOT LIMITED TO)

1. CHAPTER 159 – CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT
2. CHAPTER 159 – CLICK IT OR TICKET GRANT
3. CHAPTER 159 – POLICE BODY ARMOR GRANT
4. CHAPTER 159 – USDA GRANT
5. CHAPTER 159 – RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT
6. CHAPTER 159 – COPS IN SHOPS GRANT

- 7. CHAPTER 159 – ALCOHOL REHABILITATION EDUCATION GRANT
- 8. TRANSFER OF FUNDS NJSA 40A:4-49
- 9. CANCELLATION OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES
- 10. VOIDING AND CANCELLING OUTSTANDING CHECKS
- 11. PAYMENT OF BILLS

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORT –

BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT –

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT –

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –

CLOSED SESSION –

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT – TIME: _____

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