

**MINUTES**  
**Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Council**  
**Wednesday, December 12, 2012**  
**7:30 PM**

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER –**

Mayor Bazela called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 116 Paris Avenue, Northvale, NJ 07647.

**STATEMENT –**

Mayor Bazela read the “Sunshine Statement” into the record as follows:

*“This is a Combined 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 –**

Mayor Bazela asked all in attendance to rise and join him in a Salute to the Flag and then called for a moment of Silent Prayer.

**ROLL CALL -**

Mayor Bazela, Councilwoman Libby, Councilman Marana, Councilman Piehler, Councilman Shepard, Councilman Sokoloski and Councilman Sotiropoulos were present.

Also present: Mr. Gregg Paster, Borough Attorney, Mr. Paul Niehoff, Borough Engineer and Wanda A. Worner, Borough Clerk.

**APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES –**

Motion by Councilman Marana; seconded by Councilman Piehler to approve the appointment of Fran Weston of 416 Simon Way as Clerk Typist/Deputy Clerk/Recycling/DPW Secretary, Deputy Registrar/Board of Health Secretary, effective immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE: All present in favor.

Motion by Councilman Piehler; seconded by Councilman Sotiropoulos to approve the promotions of the following, effective immediately:

Sergeant William R. Essmann to Lieutenant  
Patrolman Michael P. Graham to Sergeant  
Patrolman Robert T. Pizzi to Sergeant

ROLL CALL VOTE: All present in favor.

Mayor Bazela administered the Oath of Office to each of the officers with their families present.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS –**

Mayor Bazela made presentation of a plaque to Ron Weston for his 17 years as baseball commissioner and thanked Mr. Weston for all of his years of service as a volunteer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

Motion by Councilman Shepard; seconded by Councilman Sokoloski to approve the minutes of the Combined Meeting of October 10, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Shepard, Councilman Sokoloski, Councilwoman Libby, Councilman Marana and Councilman Piehler voted yes. Councilman Sotiropoulos abstained.

Motion by Councilman Marana; seconded by Councilman Sotiropoulos to approve the minutes of the Combined Meeting of November 14, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Marana, Councilman Sotiropoulos, Councilman Piehler, Councilman Shepard and Councilman Sokoloski voted yes. Councilwoman Libby abstained.

**MONTHLY REPORTS – (Correspondence on file in Borough Clerks Office)**

- Tax Collector – November
- Police Department – November
- Fire Prevention – November
- Municipal Court – November
- Building Department – November

**CORRESPONDENCE –**

**FOR DISCUSSION –**

**RESOLUTIONS –**

Motion by Councilman Piehler; seconded by Councilwoman Libby to approve Resolution #'s 2012-144 – 150, on Consent Agenda, as follows:

**RESOLUTION #2012-144**

**Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to Issue a Refund due to the Overpayment of Taxes**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that a warrant be drawn as indicated below in the designated amount representing a duplicate tax payment as follows:

Block/Lot	Name /Address	Date Paid	Amount
1003/11	Young Jun Yoo 171 Winthrop Street Northvale, NJ 07647	11/7/2012	\$ 3,039.53

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mr Young Jun Yoo has advised that he wants the refund rather than applying the payment to the next quarter property tax.

**RESOLUTION #2012-145**

**Authorize the CFO to Refund Veterans Deductions and Overpayment of Taxes**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, that warrants be drawn to the individuals listed below in the amounts indicated, representing refunds of tax deductions allowed for 2012:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Deduction</u>
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Robert Bettega	1011/15	250.00	Veteran Deduction
Kenneth Wentzler	112/10	257.63	Veteran Deduction & Overpayment

**RESOLUTION #2012-146**

**Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to issue Refunds for the Overpayment of Taxes due to County Board Judgments**

**WHEREAS**, the Bergen County Tax Board issued Judgments adjusting the 2012 Assessments on 15 properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Assessed Values on 14 properties were reduced and one property was increased; and

**WHEREAS**, the reductions caused overpayments on 10 properties whose 2012 Tax is paid in full requiring refunds to be issued; and

**WHEREAS**, five properties require revised tax bills to be issued since the 2012 Tax is not paid in full.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Chief Financial Officer shall issue refunds totaling \$10,448.80 and the Tax Collector shall issue revised tax bills to the properties as listed as follows:

Block/Lot	Name/Address	Assessed Value	Judgment Value	Reduced Amount/Refund/Revised Bill
402/5	Hans & Imelda Egg 601 Gladys Court	467,100	460,000	\$923.42 – Revised Bill
603/4 CT002	BCF Equity Property 438 Broad Avenue Palisades Park 234B Industrial Parkway	1,194,600	1,094,600	\$2,489.00 – Revised Bill
808/3	Anne Drogaris Mavroudis 307 Conger Avenue	519,300	490,000	\$729.28 – Revised Bill
1005/4	Raymond Kim 175 Winthrop Street	290,100	390,100	\$2,489.00 – Revised Bill
104/16	Thomas L. Murphy Dennis Acosta & Maritza Tirado-Acosta 113 W. White Horse Rd, S4 Voorhees, NJ 08043	869,600	815,000	\$1,358.99 – Refund
106/10	Andre & Tollen Farah 422 Longview Court	463,900	435,800	\$699.41 – Refund
401/13	Robert & Tracey Shuck 617 Wildwood Rd W	477,100	430,000	\$1,169.83 – Refund
406/25	Bertold & Ruth Hahn 420 Johned Road	496,600	450,000	\$1,159.87 – Refund
506/7.01	Dennis & Bernadette Daurio 315 Maryann Way	623,800	600,000	\$592.38 – Refund
607/1	Hiram & Allison Torres 226 Franklin Street	592,700	540,000	\$1,311.70 – Refund
701/4	Ho Kyong Lee 541 White Avenue	831,600	800,000	\$786.52 – Refund
707/17	Neil & Peter Kelleher 519 White Avenue	384,600	315,000	\$1,732.34 – Refund
821/12	Caridad Cabrera 1128 Waimea Bend Round Rock, TX 175 Livingston Street	320,800	300,000	\$517.71 – Refund
919/9	Rajesh Mathew 182 Walnut Street	531,600	525,000	\$164.27 - Refund
1009/1.02	Sih Y & Cecilia Lee 131 Rockland Avenue	599,200	540,000	\$1,473.49 - Refund

**RESOLUTION #2012-147**

**Authorize Mayor Bazela to Sign the 2012-2013 Interlocal Agreement with the Borough of Rockleigh for Snow Plowing Services**

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et. seq. governs shared service agreements between municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale desires to enter into an Agreement with the Borough of Rockleigh for the providing of sanding, salting and snow plowing of streets located with the Borough of Rockleigh; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement has been prepared to encompass the months of November and December 2012 and January through April, inclusive, of 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that Mayor Paul Bazela and Borough Clerk Wanda A. Worner be and are hereby authorized to execute the aforesaid Agreement on behalf of the Borough.

**RESOLUTION #2012-148**

**Waive Building Department Fee for the Installation of a Salt Storage Shed at the DPW Building Located at 195 Paris Avenue**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the above mentioned fee is hereby waived.

**RESOLUTION #2012-149**

**Petition the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to Insert an Item of Revenue and Appropriation – Chapter 159 – Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (Deluxe Cleaners) - \$380,705.00**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Northvale in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year **2012** in the sum of **\$380,705.00**, which is now available from **Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (Deluxe Cleaners)**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of **\$380,705.00** is hereby appropriated under the caption **Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (Deluxe Cleaners)**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from **Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (Deluxe Cleaners)** in the amount of **\$380,705.00**.

**RESOLUTION #2012-150**

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

WHEREAS, claims have been submitted to the Borough of Northvale in the following amounts under various funds of the borough:

Current Appropriations (2012)	\$ 339,747.35
Appropriation Reserves (2011)	\$ 0.00
General Capital Fund	\$ 19,577.50
Animal License Trust	\$ 2.40

Community Development Trust	\$ 0.00
Developer's Escrow Trust	\$ 0.00
Food Trust	\$ 0.00
Recreation Trust	\$ 2,654.23
Summer Recreation	\$ 1,641.00
Public Defender Trust	\$ 0.00

**WHEREAS**, above claims have been listed and summarized in the attached Bills List Report, and the corresponding vouchers have been reviewed and approved by the department head, council liaison, finance committee, and the chief financial officer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the funds have been properly appropriated for such purposes and are available in the Borough of Northvale, and that the claims specified on the schedule attached hereto, following examination and approval by the finance committee, be paid and checks issued accordingly; and

**WHEREAS**, claims have already been paid in the following amounts for the purpose specified below:

Payroll	December 2012	\$ 299,491.83
Local School	December 2012	\$ 0.00
County Tax	December 2012	\$ 0.00
County Open Space	December 2012	\$ 0.00
Health Benefits	December 2012	\$ 39,453.56
Recreation Transfers	December 2012	\$ 0.00
Regional School	December 2012	\$ 0.00

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the claims totaling **\$ 702,567.87** and ratified respectively.

The bill list is as follows:

vendor	checkno	chktotal	description
N.J. DEPT OF HEALTH & SENIOR S	131	2.40	EXPENDITURES ANIMAL TRUST
BROOKER ENGINEERING, PLLC	477	-4227.50	RIO VISTA
GREGG F. PASTER & ASSOC.	568	1062.50	ORD 912-12 DPW EQUIPMENT
MASER CONSULTING P.A.	569	18515.00	VARIOUS
ARAMARK, INC. (WEARGUARD)	6650	-117.93	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
JESCO, INC.	7255	-62.26	Recycling O/E
NORTHVALE FIRE ASSOCIATION	7411	0.00	VARIOUS
NORTHVALE FIRE ASSOCIATION	7412	0.00	VARIOUS
FRANK FERRARO	7413	1700.00	Fire O/E
RONALD QUACKENBUSH	7414	1500.00	Fire O/E
NORTHVALE FIRE ASSOCIATION	7415	7950.00	Fire O/E
NORTHVALE FIRE ASSOCIATION	7416	2700.00	Fire O/E
AAA EMERGENCY SUPPLY CO.,INC.	7417	988.20	Fire O/E
ANITA TIRE	7418	1408.00	VARIOUS
ANNE DROGARIS MAVROUDIS	7419	729.28	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
ANNETTE MATTESSICH	7420	300.00	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
ARAMARK, INC. (WEARGUARD)	7421	119.19	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
BCF EQUITY PROPERTY INC.	7422	2489.00	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
BENAQUISTA CONSTRUCTION,CO, IN	7423	37.50	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
BERGEN COUNTY PIPES AND DRUMS	7424	500.00	Appropriated Grants
BERTOLD & RUTH HAHN	7425	1159.87	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
BI-STATE BRAKE CO., INC.	7426	110.67	Recycling O/E
BRIANT BODRATO	7427	30.73	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
CABLEVISION	7428	350.02	VARIOUS
CARIDAD CABRERA	7429	511.24	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
CESCO	7430	172.52	Buildings & Grounds
CHASAN LEYNER & LAMPARELLO	7431	1136.00	Legal Services O/E
CLIFFSIDE BODY CORPORATION	7432	153.84	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
COACHMAN INTERNATL TOURS,INC	7433	1550.00	Recreation Senior Bus Trips
CSX TRANSPORTATION	7434	1429.24	Administrative & Executive O/E
D & E UNIFORMS	7435	583.95	Fire O/E

D'ERCOLE FARM & GARDEN CENTER	7436	25.00	Buildings & Grounds
DEBORAH KANIECKI	7437	120.00	McGuire Senior Center O/E
DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF N.J.,INC	7438	5063.63	Employee Group Insurance
DELUXE SALES AND SERVICE,INC	7439	257.14	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
DENNIS & BERNADETTE DAURIO	7440	592.38	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
DIGITAL ALLY, INC.	7441	70.00	Police O/E
DOLORES ALFIS	7442	135.00	McGuire Senior Center O/E
DOROTHY GARRY	7443	100.00	McGuire Senior Center O/E
ELLEN J. SPRINGSTEEN	7444	60.00	Municipal Court O/E
EST TIRE DISTRIBUTORS	7445	643.14	Police O/E
GE CAPITAL	7446	834.00	VARIOUS
GRAINGER	7447	3142.50	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
GREGG F. PASTER & ASSOC.	7448	3656.25	Legal Services O/E
HANS J & IMELDA EGG	7449	923.42	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
HASMIG MEKJIAN	7450	70.00	McGuire Senior Center O/E
HILLSDALE BOARD OF HEALTH	7451	60.00	Board of Health O/E
HIRAM TORRES	7452	1311.70	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
HO KYONG LEE	7453	786.52	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
HOMETOWN HARDWARE	7454	115.66	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
INFOCROSSING, A WIPRO CO.	7455	946.80	Tax Collection O/E
INSERRA SUPERMARKET, INC.	7456	193.50	VARIOUS
JACQUELINE WALKER	7457	236.94	Appropriated Grants
JOHN MICALIZZI	7458	300.00	Appropriated Grants
KATHLEEN MCCORMACK	7459	67.00	Construction Code O/E
KAUFMANN,BERN & DEUTCHE,L.L.P	7460	150.00	Planning Board O/E
KENNETH WENTZLER	7461	257.63	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
LA CASA FORMOSA	7462	1606.50	McGuire Senior Center O/E
LISA SALERNO	7463	105.00	McGuire Senior Center O/E
MAGELLAN HILL TECHNOLOGIES	7464	3715.38	Telephone
MARGARET RASO	7465	765.00	Appropriated Grants
MASER CONSULTING P.A.	7466	1915.00	Engineering Services O/E
MAUREEN FELICI	7467	350.00	McGuire Senior Center O/E
METRO LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION	7468	518.00	Buildings & Grounds
MICHAEL PORTA	7469	164.07	Administrative & Executive O/E
MICRO SYSTEMS -NJ.COM.,L.L.C.	7470	1400.00	Tax Assessment O/E
MIELE SANITATION CO	7471	60516.32	Solid Waste Disposal
MILLENNIUM STRATEGIES LLC	7472	7500.00	Administrative & Executive O/E
MINUTEMAN PRESS	7473	30.00	McGuire Senior Center O/E
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SVCS,INC.	7474	339.75	Fire O/E
NEIL & PETER KELLEHER	7475	1732.34	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP	7476	244.77	VARIOUS
NORTHVALE FIRE ASSOCIATION	7477	326.40	Fire O/E
NORWOOD CAR CARE	7478	153.01	Fire O/E
OAK TREE PRINTING,INC.	7479	75.00	VARIOUS
ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC.	7480	14.16	Sewer
PATRICK JOHNSON	7481	900.00	Administrative & Executive O/E
PETRILLO'S DELI	7482	330.00	Fire O/E
POLAND SPRING WATER CO.	7483	223.81	VARIOUS
PTOABC	7484	200.00	Police O/E
RACHLES / MICHELE'S OIL CO,INC	7485	12566.09	Gasoline
RAJESH MATHEW	7486	164.27	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
RAYMOND KIM	7487	2489.00	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS ,INC.	7488	99.00	Police O/E
RICK CARBAUGH	7489	200.00	Police O/E
ROBERT BETTEGA	7490	250.00	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
ROBERT CARLISLE	7491	147.00	McGuire Senior Center O/E
ROBERT PIZZI	7492	57.24	Appropriated Grants
ROCKLAND ELECTRIC CO	7493	5033.17	Street Lighting
ROCKLAND ELECTRIC COMPANY	7494	4226.51	Electricity
RUSCON TRUCK SVCE/EQUIP CO, IN	7495	475.06	Fire O/E
RVP LLC	7496	162.50	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
SCHULTZ FORD,INC.	7497	507.28	Police O/E
SIH Y & CECILIA LEE	7498	1473.49	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
SIRCHIE FINGER PRINT LABS,INC.	7499	39.59	Police O/E
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	7500	1116.13	VARIOUS
STATE LINE FIRE AND SAFETY INC	7501	141.00	Fire O/E
SUZANNE BURROUGHS	7502	50.00	Tax Collection O/E

TANYA DMITRUK	7503	361.00	VARIOUS
TECHNICAL FIRE SERVICES,INC.	7504	450.00	Fire O/E
THOMAS L. MURPHY	7505	1358.99	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
TROOPER FOODS	7506	222.92	McGuire Senior Center O/E
TYCO ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES	7507	550.00	Animal Control O/E
UNITED WATER NEW JERSEY	7508	6974.71	Fire Hydrants Service
VALLEY HEALTH MEDICAL GROUP	7509	132.00	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
VALLEY PAINT & DECORATING	7510	705.85	Parks & Playgrounds
VERIZON WIRELESS	7511	745.94	Telephone
VERIZON/BELL ATLANTIC	7512	106.94	Telephone
WANDA A. WORNER	7513	60.00	DPW Streets & Roads O/E
WILLIAM ESSMANN	7514	481.33	Appropriated Grants
YOUNG JUN YOO	7515	3039.53	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
UNITED WATER NEW JERSEY	7516	540.57	Water
ANDRE & TOLEEN FARAH	7517	699.41	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
ROBERT & TRACEY SHUCK	7518	1169.83	TAX OVERPAYMENTS
BSN SPORTS	10056	61.74	RESERVE RECREATION BASKETBALL
HEINZ D. SCHROEDER	10057	1089.99	RESERVE RECREATION RIFLE CLUB
NORTHERN VALLEY SOCCER LEAGUE	10058	97.50	RESERVE RECREATION SOCCER
SPEED SOCCER LLC	10059	1305.00	RESERVE RECREATION SOCCER
THOMAS GLEASON	10060	100.00	RESERVE RECREATION BASKETBALL
GRAINGER	10078	1641.00	RESERVE SUMMER RECR TRUST
PAYROLL ACCOUNT - NORTHVALE	20121123	188687.71	VARIOUS

ROLL CALL VOTE: All present in favor.

**ORDINANCES – 2<sup>nd</sup> reading –**

**BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE  
County of Bergen  
State of New Jersey**

**ORDINANCE # 913-2012**

**AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES AND COMPENSATION OF POLICE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY” – POLICE CHIEF**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**Section 1.** That the following annual salaries, wages and compensation shall be paid to the Police Chief of the Borough of Northvale in the amounts set forth opposite their respective title and commencing on January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, and January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012

Chief of Police \$144,000.00    January – December 2011  
Chief of Police \$146,626.00    January – December 2012

**Section 2.** Said compensation is intended to be the total salaries, wages and compensation of the Chief of Police inclusive of longevity and no other compensation shall be given or owed to the employee.

**Section 3.** All full time employees of the Police Department shall be paid bi-weekly.

**Section 4.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed.

**Section 5.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately after passage and publication according to law.

Motion by Councilman Sotiropoulos

Seconded by Councilman Marana

Open public hearing –

Mayor Bazela opened the public hearing on Ordinance #913-2012.

Close public hearing –

There being no questions or comments from the public; Mayor Bazela closed the public hearing on Ordinance #913-2012.

Council Comments –

There being no questions or comments from the Council; Mayor Bazela asked for a Roll Call Vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE: All present in favor.

#### **MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS –**

Councilman Sokoloski – had nothing to report this evening.

Councilman Marana – reported on the Building Department revenue for the past month and stated that the other matters that he has to discuss will be in closed session.

Councilman Shepard – reported that Santa Clause will be coming to town on December 22. He further reported on the Fire Prevention activities for the past month.

Councilman Sotiropoulos – reported that there will be a ceremony to honor those for their acts during Hurricane Sandy. He stated that some of the recipients are Karl Braun from the fire department for his donation of food, Kevin Trainor and Jessica DeMarzo for manning the ambulance corps and Mr. Dolores Alfis for the great job she did at keeping the Senior Center open as a warming center. He further reported that on Sunday, there will be an event at the Rockleigh Country Club for the Junior Police Academy graduation.

Councilwoman Libby – had no report with regard to the Senior Center. She reported that the Northvale Chamber of Commerce is now up and running and they have a PO box at the Post Office of #63.

Councilman Piehler – had nothing to report this evening.

Mayor Bazela – reported that the town has now received funding from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund for the Deluxe Property. He stated that Maser Consulting has done sampling at the Tect/Danzig property and it looks as if the samples are coming back pretty good. He thanked the DPW for the excellent job they did in clearing the land so that the Engineers could do their job. He stated that there are plans for that property and he would like to see that move forward ASAP.

#### **BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORTS –**

Mr. Niehoff reported on the various projects ongoing in town and stated that everything appears to be moving along just fine.

#### **BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORTS –**

Mr. Paster stated that he has submitted a written report for everyone to review on the various projects that he has worked on this past month. He stated that everything else he has is for closed session..

#### **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –**

There were no questions or comments from the public at this time.

#### **CLOSED SESSION –**



Motion by Councilman Sotirpoulos; seconded by Councilwoman Libby to enter into closed session and approve Resolution #2012-154 at 8:20 PM.

### **RESOLUTION #2012-154**

#### **Providing for a Meeting not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act**

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Northvale 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 Council of the Borough of Northvale to discuss in session not open to the public certain matter relating to an item or items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b, as listed below:

1. Matters required by law to be confidential
2. Matter involving individual privacy
3. Matters relating to a collective bargaining agreement

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Northvale that immediately after the adoption of this resolution the Council shall enter into closed session.

Motion by Councilman Sotiropoulos; seconded by Councilwoman Libby to enter into open session at 8:39 PM.

Motion by Councilman Sotiropoulos; seconded by Councilwoman Libby to table Resolution #2012-151 to the Sine Die meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: All present in favor.

Motion by Councilman Marana; seconded by Councilman Sokoloski to approve Resolution #2012-152, as follows:

### **RESOLUTION #2012-152**

#### **Approve the Appointment of Shuaib Firozvi as Information/Technology Consultant**

WHEREAS, the Borough requires an information/technology consultant to implement and maintain the data systems of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, it appears that Shuaib Firozvi has the requisite skills and experience to provide the necessary services required by the Borough to serve its data processing and storage needs; and

WHEREAS, the value of a contract to provide such services will not exceed \$17,500 and thus is not subject to the provisions of the 'Fair and Open Process', as set forth in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the 2012 operating budget, as adjusted and permitted by statute, to compensate the successful vendor for such services, as appears by the Chief Financial Officer's certification of funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that Shuaib Firozvi be and hereby is awarded a contract for information/technology consulting services, retroactive to January 1, 2012, in an amount not to exceed Six Thousand Four Hundred (\$6,400) Dollars, and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized and directed to

execute and deliver such contract on terms and conditions as may be acceptable to the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the successful vendor upon adoption hereof.

Motion by Councilman Sokoloski; seconded by Councilman Sotiropoulos to approve Resolution #2012-153, as follows:

**RESOLUTION #2012-153**

**Approve the Tax Appeal of Marguerite Melvin – 145 Livingston Street**

WHEREAS, Marguerite Melvin is the record owner of property situated at Block 1003, Lot 13, with a street address of 145 Livingston Street located in the Borough of Northvale, New Jersey, and

WHEREAS, Marguerite Melvin is the Plaintiff in legal actions against the Borough of Northvale in the Tax Court of New Jersey, specifically Docket Nos.: 0017685-2010, 019013-2011 and TBA-2012, challenging the action of the Bergen County Board of Taxation with respect to the assessment of her property, and

WHEREAS, the parties now wish to amicably resolve the outstanding issues regarding the assessment of the property and settle the lawsuits between them pending in the Tax Court of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Florio and Kenny, L.L.P., Tax Appeal Counsel for the Borough of Northvale, is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Borough of Northvale, a Stipulation of Settlement resolving the Complaints filed by:

- 1) Marguerite Melvin, for property situated at Block 1003, Lot 13, 145 Livingston Street, Northvale, New Jersey 07647.
- 2) For tax years 2010, 2011 and 2012

Assessment reduced:

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>Proposed Assessment</u>
2010	\$341,300.00 (Land)	\$251,000.00 (Land)
	<u>\$162,800.00 (Improv.)</u>	<u>\$ 1,000.00(Improv.)</u>
	\$504,100.00 (Total)	\$252,000.00 (Total)

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>Proposed Assessment</u>
2011	\$249,100.00 (Land)	\$205,000.00 (Land)
	<u>\$162,800.00(Improv.)</u>	<u>\$ 1,000.00 (Improv.)</u>
	\$411,900.00 (Total)	\$206,000.00 (Total)

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>Proposed Assessment</u>
2012	\$249,100.00 (Land)	\$205,000.00 (Land)
	<u>\$162,800.00(Improv.)</u>	<u>\$ 1,000.00 (Improv.)</u>
	\$411,900.00 (Total)	\$206,000.00 (Total)

Interest on any refund due is waived, provided the refund is made within 60 days of the date judgment is issued by the Court.

All in accordance with the discussions held at a certain meeting of the Borough Council on December 12, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Tax Assessor, Tax Appeal Counsel and the Attorney for the taxpayer upon adoption hereof.

ROLL CALL VOTE: All present in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT –**

Motion by Councilman Marana; seconded by Councilman Sortiropoulos to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM.

ROLL CALL VOTE: All present in favor.

PAUL J. BAZELA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Wanda A. Worner  
Borough Clerk

Approved: April 10, 2013