

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST CALDWELL  
FEBRUARY 4, 2014**

A Regular Meeting of the West Caldwell Mayor and Council, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, was held in the Public Meeting Room, 30 Clinton Road, West Caldwell, New Jersey, on Tuesday, February 4, 2014 at 7:15 P.M.

The Township Clerk announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Tempesta, Councilmen Otterbein, Cecere, Hladik, O'Hern, Hladik, Wolsky and Docteroff

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Adam Brewer, Township Administrator  
Paul G. Jemas, Municipal Attorney  
Mary S. Donovan, Township Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

On the recommendation of Councilman O'Hern, seconded by Councilman Wolsky, it was regularly moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, January 27, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Upon the vote being polled, Councilmen Cecere, O'Hern, Hladik, Wolsky and Docteroff voted in the affirmative with Council President Otterbein abstaining because of absence.

**BILLS ORDERED PAID:**

It was regularly moved by Councilmen Wolsky, seconded by Council President Otterbein that the Bill List as submitted by the Chief Financial Officer be attached to the Minutes and be paid and that the Mayor, Clerk and Treasurer be authorized to sign the necessary warrants for their payment.

Upon the vote being polled, Councilmen Cecere, Otterbein, Wolsky, Hladik and Docteroff voted in the affirmative with Councilman O'Hern abstaining.

**PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA:**

It was regularly moved by Council President Otterbein, seconded by Councilman Cecere, that the six Resolutions on the Agenda this evening be read by consent.

Upon the vote being polled, Councilmen Otterbein, Cecere, Hladik, O'Hern, Wolsky and Docteroff voted in the affirmative.

The Township Clerk read the following six Resolutions by Consent, attached and made part of these Minutes:

No. 9342  
By: Mr. Wolsky

**SUBJECT:** RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF RESTORATION BOND HELD IN CONNECTION WITH RNM-WEST CALDWELL, LLC.

No. 9343  
By: Mr. Cecere

**SUBJECT:** RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING THE ENTRY INTO AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTVILLE AND THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST CALDWELL FOR VACTOR TRUCK EQUIPMENT AND OPERATOR.

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No. 9344  
By: Mr. Wolsky

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING PAYMENT PLAN WITH SUNNYFIELD CONDOS UNPAID UTILITY BALANCES.

No. 9345  
By: Mr. Cecere

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING FIRST OPTION EXTENSION WITH FREDCO LAWN MAINTENANCE.

No. 9346  
By: Mr. Wolsky

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF 2013 CURRENT FUND APPROPRIATION RESERVES.

No. 9347  
By: Mr. O’Hern

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM WHICH THE PUBLIC IS EXCLUDED.

It was regularly moved by Council President Otterbein, seconded by Councilman Cecere that the six Resolutions read by consent be adopted as read.

Upon the vote being polled, Councilmen Otterbein, Cecere, Hladik, O’Hern, Wolsky and Docteroff voted in the affirmative.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

Councilman Cecere reported the following:

1. He reminded residents to not move the snow from driveways onto the cleared streets.
2. The Local Assistance Board will meet on Wednesday, January 8, at 6:30 pm in the municipal building.
3. There will be an Environmental Commission meeting on Thursday, February 13, 2014 and the public is invited.
4. His son, Carmen, competed in the 2014 Dolphin Gymnastic Classic in Orlando, FL and placed in vault, floor, pommel horse, rings, pbars and hi bars and took second place overall.

**PUBLIC WORKS & WATER**

Councilman Otterbein reported the following:

1. He asked that residents not deposit snow from their property onto the cleared roads.
2. The Board of Health meeting to be held on February 5 is cancelled.

Councilman Wolsky asked that residents to shovel out the fire hydrants on their streets.

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**PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:**

Councilman Hladik reported the following:

1. He asked that residents not deposit snow back onto the cleared roads as it is a safety issue.
2. The Borough of Caldwell is partnering with West Caldwell for the Open Space Grant to turf Essex Valley School field.
3. He suggested that they meet with Caldwell to discussing sharing more services. A meeting with be scheduled to discuss those services.
4. The Library Board will meet and discuss resumes for library director position.

**LEGAL & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:**

The Township Clerk read the title of an Ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE POSITION OF SAFETY COORDINATOR FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTERING TOWNSHIP OF WEST CALDWELL’S SAFETY PROGRAM.”

It was regularly moved by Councilman O’Hern, seconded by Councilman Wolsky that the Ordinance be passed on first reading; that it be published and posted as a pending Ordinance in the manner required by law and that the Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014.

Upon the vote being polled, Councilmen Otterbein, Cecere, Hladik, O’Hern, Wolsky and Docteroff voted in the affirmative.

Councilman O’Hern reported the following:

1. He congratulated Mary Donovan on becoming the township clerk.
2. He discussed the open staff positions and that the Legal Committee will have recommendations for the next Council meeting.
3. He also recommended that the Mayor and Council meet with the professionals on March 4, 2014.

**FINANCE AND WELFARE COMMITTEE:**

Councilman Wolsky reported on the following:

1. The budget meeting will take place on Saturday, February 8, 2014 at 11 am and it is a public meeting.
2. The budget will be presented to the Finance committee on Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 6:30 pm.
3. He has reached out to The Bridge and introduced himself as the council representative.

**COMMUNITY PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE:**

Councilman Docteroff reported the following:

1. He discussed having wi fi at the public pools.
2. He discussed using a text-based system to send out messages about recreation programs and pools.
3. There is a Camp Wyanokie meeting on February 5, 2014.

There was a discussion on how to best inform West Caldwell residents on recreation program changes.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:**

Mayor Tempesta reported that the Borough of Caldwell and West Caldwell have signed an extension of the joint dispatch system for the police department. Also, Caldwell and West Caldwell have joined together to apply for an open space grant for turfing the Essex Valley School field.

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Mayor Tempesta asked Administrator Brewer to request follow up with Alan Abramowitz of Essex County on potholes on Passaic Avenue from Glenwood Way to Pine Tree Place.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

The Township of Fairfield has requested if they could use the public meeting room for their court sessions from March until July 2014. Fairfield is renovating their building.

**INVITATION TO CITIZENS FOR DISCUSSION:**

There were no comments from the public.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no other business, it was regularly moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Upon the vote being polled, Councilmen Otterbein, Cecere, Hladik, O'Hern, Wolsky and Docteroff voted in the affirmative.

Council adjourned at 7:45 pm.

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Mary S. Donovan  
Township Clerk