

Borough of Tenafly

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

MINUTES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2016

PRESENT: Mayor Rustin and Councilmembers Maxim Basch, Shama Haider, Daniel Park, Paul Stefanowicz and Mark Zinna

ABSENT: Councilmember Anthony Barzelatto

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Administrator Jewel Thompson-Chin
Borough Attorney William R. McClure

At 8:19 p.m. Mayor Rustin read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement: "In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act P.L. 1975, chapter 231, the notice requirements have been satisfied. Meeting dates for the year are listed in the Annual Agenda; copies are sent to the Record, Suburbanite, and Northern Valley Press and posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Municipal Center."

The Salute to the Flag was led by Mayor Rustin

REVISIONS TO AGENDA:

Mr. McClure advised that there were no revisions to the agenda.

PRESENTATIONS:

Proclamation – Children's Product Safety Awareness Month

Mayor Rustin read the following proclamation:

WHEREAS, research show that play is a crucial component of children's development; among other benefits, play encourages creativity, improves coordination and strength, allows children to engage with one another and provides an outlet for emotional expression; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty and responsibility of product manufacturers, parents, federal and state governments to ensure that the toys children play with and other products used by children are safe and encourage well-being and healthy development; and

WHEREAS, in many instances, however, parents have found it difficult to access timely and accurate information about the safety of products used by their children, and American consumers have often times been unaware of, or confused by, safety recalls of children's products; and

WHEREAS, at the national level, the US Consumer Product Safety Commission and at the State level, the New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs, are charged with providing consumers with relevant and accurate information regarding the safety of consumer products and assuring that these products are safe for use by the public; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for parents to be educated about the important role of play in children's lives and to be aware about resources available to parents to verify the safety of children's products in their homes; and

WHEREAS, the Tenafly Mayor and Council urge Tenafly parents to be selective in their toys and children's products when choosing such items to bring into their homes as we approach the holiday season.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Peter S. Rustin, do hereby proclaim the month of November as CHILDREN'S PRODUCT SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH in the Borough of Tenafly.

Mayor Rustin congratulated the Stillman School WITS club and commended Nurse Hess for coordinating the group. Councilman Park presented proclamations from the Bergen County Executive and the Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders to the students.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
No one came forward.

CONSENT AGENDA

- #R16-360/Approve Expenditures as of October 26, 2016
- #R16-361/Execute CDBG Agreement – Grove Street Improvements
- #R16-362/Amend 2016 Meeting Schedule – Change Start Time of November 21st Work Session
- #R16-363/Authorize Refund – Engineering Escrow – 25 Esmond Place
- #R16-364/Approve Raffle Application – RA1143
- #R16-365/Approve Change Order #7 – DPW Administration Building
- #R16-366/Issue Purchase Orders – Furnishing and Equipment for DPW Administration Building

Motion by C. Zinna, second by C. Haider that the Consent Agenda be approved.

On a roll call, the vote on the Consent Agenda was recorded as follows:

C. Barzelatto:	absent	C. Park:	aye
C. Basch:	aye	C. Stefanowicz:	aye
C. Haider:	aye	C. Zinna:	aye

All members present voting in favor, the Consent Agenda was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Stefanowicz

The Library Board met on the 14th. He advised that there is a new teen Librarian named Stacey. He stated that she has been meeting with the middle school and the high school.

The Police Commission met and discussed traffic and pedestrian safety regarding Halloween. He informed that Officer Hector Olmo retired on October 31st after 26 years of service. He stated that they also discussed radio signal and signage on East Clinton Avenue. C. Stefanowicz noted that they are purchasing 4 tasers.

Councilman Zinna

The Chamber of Commerce holiday parade will be held on December 8th. He noted that the Chamber of Commerce is meeting tomorrow night at the Clinton Inn to discuss the street fair and holiday decorations.

Councilman Park

The CAP met and noted that they were discussing a giant grant that they have received from Well Corps. He stated that they are discussing mental and physical wellness for the elementary schools.

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

Mayor Rustin highlighted that next Tuesday is Election Day. He stated that we are very fortunate that we live in a country where people can vote. Mayor Rustin advised the WITS students to remind their parents to vote. Principal Gayle Lander of Stillman School advised that a mock election is being conducted to discuss the election process.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Rustin recognized Borough Attorney William McClure, who read into the record Resolution 16-367.

BE IT RESOLVED in compliance with NJSA 10:4-12, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Tenafly are going into Closed Executive Session to discuss the following matter:

- A. Collective Bargaining
 - 1. PBA Grievance – Step C

Minutes will be taken of the meeting and released to the public at the time that the matter is resolved. After Closed Executive Session, the Mayor and Council will reconvene in the Richard D. Wilson Committee Room to adjourn this public meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Council, on a motion from C. Haider, seconded by C. Stefanowicz, and all present voting in favor, the meeting was adjourned to the Closed Session at 8:38 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the Council, on a motion by C. Zinna, second by C. Park, and unanimously carried, to adjourn this meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lissette Aportela,
MPA, RMC, CMC
Borough Clerk