

**Borough of Garwood Workshop Meeting of
The Mayor and Council
WORKSHOP
MINUTES
November 15, 2016**

Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Westfield Leader, and UC Local Source, advertised on January 7, 2016, notification was sent to the Star Ledger and prominently posted on the municipal public bulletin board and filed in the office of the municipal clerk informing the Public of the time and place according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

Mayor Lombardo	ABSENT		
Councilwoman Cuccaro	P	Councilman Sarno	P
Councilman Martin	P	Councilwoman Todisco	P
Councilman Mathieu	P	Council President Petruzzelli	P

Mayor Lombardo was excused and Council President Petruzzelli directed the meeting.

Also, present: Borough Administrator/Clerk Christina M Ariemma, Attorney Catherine M. DeAppolonio on behalf of Mr. Robert Renaud and Borough Engineer Donald Guarriello.

Borough Engineer Donald Guarriello ***NO REPORT***

Borough Attorney Catherine M. DeAppolonio on behalf of Mr. Robert Renaud - ***NO REPORT***

Administrator/Clerk Christina M Ariemma – Mentioned the memo concerning dates for Bulk Program 2017, Price for Bulk Program 2017. All agreed to set the price at \$90.00 per permit and the date for Spring program is June 5, 2017 and the date for Fall program is October 16, 2017. Resolutions will be on next agenda. Re-org date for Monday, January 2, 2017 at 7:00 or Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. was discussed. All agreed to hold the Reorganization Meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS – Council President Petruzzelli read the following report

The Liquid Church of Garwood is participating in a Christmas Outreach program on Saturday, December 3rd, 2016. All branches of the Liquid Church are working together to pack a record-breaking 500,000 meals in conjunction with their partner, The Food Bank of New Jersey. They will need a total of 3,000 volunteers to achieve this lofty goal, and are hoping that the residents of Garwood will help support them in this effort.

The Liquid Church has been a great supporter of Garwood with their Summer Outreach Program here in Borough Hall and at the Sports and Recreation Center. Please give them your support, if you can, on December 3rd. You can register at www.liquidchurch.com/christmas-outreach. Sessions for helping at 9 am to 10:45 -- 11:30 to 1:15 pm, and 2:00 pm to 3:45pm.

The Garwood Girl Scouts Troop 40929, 11th grade girls, will be conducting a leaf raking and snow shoveling community service program this fall and winter, as a fundraiser for their Troop. They are looking to help the community by bagging leaves and shoveling snow, for a suggested donation of \$10.00. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. You can request their assistance by calling or texting their leader, Eva Perednia, at 908-251-4185. Flyers are available here and at the Library. They ask that residents supply the leaf bags which can be obtained at the DPW Building on South Avenue.

There will be a "Friends of Colin Turkey Trot" on Friday, November 25th. This 5K run/walk at the Lexington Avenue side of Unami Park begins at 10 AM, with registration from 8:15 to 9:45 am. Registration is \$25.00 before Nov. 11 and \$30 after Nov. 11. The Friends of Colin Turkey Trot will support research into Ewing's Sarcoma, a pediatric bone cancer that claimed the life of 16 year old Colin Maher, nephew of former Councilman Bill Nierstedt. 100% of the proceeds will benefit the Friends of Colin, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Entry forms are available at Borough Hall.

Last week the fall edition of the Garwood Gazette was mailed to all Garwood residents from the Cranford Post Office. The Mayor personally contacted the Cranford Postmaster to ensure that our mailers are being delivered accurately. If you did not receive a Garwood Gazette in the mail by now, please contact Borough Hall at 789-0710 to tell them if you did not receive it. The Mayor will follow up with the Cranford Post Office. Extra copies of the Gazette are available at Borough Hall and the Garwood Library.

This Saturday, November 19th is Mayor's Saturday. Stop by for a chat, or bring your questions and comments to the Mayor at 11:00 AM in the Council Chambers. Councilman Joe Sarno will also be in attendance.

Comments or matters for discussion from members of Council:

Councilwoman Cuccaro - **NO REPORT**

Councilman Martin - **NO REPORT**

Councilman Mathieu - **NO REPORT**

Councilman Sarno - **NO REPORT**

Councilwoman Todisco – mentioned the Lion's Club is having a pancake breakfast this Sunday, November 20th. Also mentioned that Mary Stawasz had passed away.

Council President Petruzzelli – reported the Knights of Columbus is having a blood drive on Saturday, November 19th from 9 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. and Thanksgiving dinner November 20th from 1:00 p.m. till 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Is there anyone in the audience that wishes to address the mayor and council please step to the microphone, state your full name and address. Please limit your comments to three minutes.

Bruce Paterson, 325 Willow Avenue asked about scout donations.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:15 p.m., a motion to adjourn the workshop session was made by Councilman Sarno, followed by a second from Councilwoman Cuccaro.

Respectfully submitted:



CHRISTINA M. ARIEMMA, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Garwood