**M I N U T E S**

**Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Council**

**Wednesday, February 9, 2022**

**7:00 PM**

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Marana called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers at 116 Paris Avenue, Northvale, New Jersey 07647.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT NOTICE**

Mayor Marana read the Open Public Meetings Acts Notice 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 have been advertised in the official Newspaper of the Borough, filed with the Municipal 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 & MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mayor Marana asked everyone to stand and join him in a salute to the flag led by new Police Officer Christopher Murphy. Mayor Marana also asked everyone to remain standing for a moment of silence remembering long time residents Linda Sue Clark and Carmen Albanese.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Marana Present Councilman Hogan Present

Councilman Argiro Present Councilman McGuire Present

Councilman DeLisio Present Councilwoman McMorrow Present

Councilman Devlin Present

**Other Officials Present**: Deena Rosendahl, Borough Attorney, Marie Raffay, Borough Engineer, Frances Weston, Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION #2022-35**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF CHRISTOPER MURPHY**

**MOTION: Councilman McGuire SECOND: Councilman DeLisio**

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale has determined the need to authorize the hiring of a police officer for the Northvale Police Department based on vacancies and the current table of organization; and

**WHEREAS,** the Police Chief has recommended the appointment of Christopher Murphy to the position of entry level patrolman effective February 14, 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** Christopher Murphy has completed all necessary pre-employment testing and background checks; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to hire Christopher Murphy in the position of entry level patrolman subject to a one year period of probation.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that Christopher Murphy be and is hereby appointed as an entry level patrolman for the Borough of Northvale effective February 14, 2022, paid a salary of $57,654.87 in accordance with the current PBA contract.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**Mayor Marana administers the Oath of Office to new police officer Christopher Murphy**

Chief Ostrow thanks the Mayor and Council and welcomes Police Officer Murphy. Officer Murphy has been working for the Camden Police Department.

**AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

Supermarket Employee Day Proclamation – Mayor Marana reads the Proclamation which will be presented to Inserra Supermarkets declaring February 22nd as Supermarket Employee Day.

**APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL CHANGES**

Approve the appointment of Tyler Cowley, 311 Lambert Avenue, Northvale to the Northvale Junior Fire Department.

**MOTION: Councilman Argiro SECOND: Councilman Hogan**

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Sine Die Meeting of December 28, 2021 AND Closed Session Meeting of December 28, 2021**

**MOTION: Councilman DeLisio SECOND: Councilman McGuire**

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**Reorganization Meeting of January 4, 2022**

**MOTION: Councilman Hogan SECOND: Councilman DeLisio**

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**Special Meeting of January 26, 2022 AND Closed Session Meeting of January 26, 2022**

**MOTION: Councilman Hogan SECOND: Councilman Argiro**

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**MONTHLY CORRESPONDENCE**

The following reports are on file in the Municipal Clerk’s office and can be viewed by the public between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Building Department

Colliers Engineering

Fire Prevention

Millenium Strategies

Recreation Minutes

Tax Collector

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Colliers Engineering & Design Letter – February 4, 2022

Proposal for Design & Bidding Services – Veterans Drive Roadway

Improvements Phase I – NJDOT FY2022 GRANT – NVB-0021P

(Resolution #2022-48)

1. Bob Connell’s email – Changes to Building Department fees

**RESOLUTIONS –** Consent Agenda –

*“All items are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council member. Any item may be removed for further discussion or for a roll call vote in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the general order of business”*

**MOTION: Councilman Argiro SECOND: Councilman Hogan**

**RESOLUTION #2022-33**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 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**

209/12 Gilbert Otero 11/10/2021 $2,399.66

361 Bradley Avenue

Northvale, NJ 07647

Property – 361 Bradley Avenue

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Mr. Otero has indicated that he would prefer to have a refund since he is no longer affiliated with Corporate Settlement whose check caused the overpayment.

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-34**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO ISSUE REFUNDS OF OVERBILLED 2021 TAXES DUE TO THE 2021 SUBDIVISIONS**

**WHEREAS,** 2 properties were each subdivided into 2 lots effective in the 3rd and 4th Quarters of 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the first and second quarter taxes are paid in full; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2021 Total Tax was billed for each property on the subdivided lots and as such the Mother Lots do not exist for tax purposes anymore.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Chief Financial Officer shall issue refunds to the property owners listed below.

**Block/Lot Name/Address Amount**

107/4 John Montemarano $6,860.00

438 Andre Avenue

Northvale, NJ 07647

1011/10 Erin Moran $5,078.00

164 Walnut Street

Northvale, NJ 07647

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-36**

**TITLE: APPROVE RAFFLE LICENSE #226 – ST. ANTHONY’S CHURCH – CASINO NIGHT – APRIL 30, 2022**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED,** that the following license to conduct a Casino Night be issued to:

NAME: St. Anthony’s Church

ADDRESS: 199 Walnut Street

LOCATION OF RAFFLE: 199 Walnut Street

HOURS: 6:30 PM – 12:00 AM

DATE OF RAFFLE: April 30, 2022

ID #: 353-1-146

RAFFLE LICENSE #: RL 226

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-37**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF AN ENGINEER FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of an Engineer for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Engineer; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Colliers Engineering & Design, Inc. as Engineer for the Borough for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Engineer for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Colliers Engineering & Design, Inc. at a rate not to exceed $55,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Engineer during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-38**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A BOROUGH ATTORNEY, COAH ATTORNEY, AND LABOR ATTORNEY FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Borough Attorney, COAH Attorney, and Labor Attorney for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Borough Attorney, COAH Attorney, and Labor Attorney; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP as Borough Attorney, COAH Attorney, and Labor Attorney for the Borough for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Borough Attorney, COAH Attorney, and Labor Attorney for the year 2022 is hereby designated as DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP at a rate not to exceed $75,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Borough Attorney, COAH Attorney, and Labor Attorney during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-39**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF AN AUDITOR FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of an Auditor for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Auditor; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Wielkotz & Company, LLC as Auditor for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Auditor for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Wielkotz & Company, LLC at a rate not to exceed $50,400; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Auditor during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-40**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A BONDING ATTORNEY FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Bonding Attorney for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Bonding Attorney; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Rogut McCarthy LLC as Bonding Attorney for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Bonding Attorney for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Rogut McCarthy LLC at a rate not to exceed $7,500; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Bonding Attorney during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-41**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Risk Management Consultant for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Risk Management Consultant; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Otterstedt Insurance Agency as Risk Management Consultant for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Risk Management Consultant for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Otterstedt Insurance Agency at a rate not to exceed $20,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Risk Management Consultant during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-42**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Tax Appeal Attorney for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Tax Appeal Attorney; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole and Giblin, LLP as Tax Appeal Attorney for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Tax Appeal Attorney for the year 2022 is hereby designated as DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole and Giblin, LLP at a rate not to exceed $50,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Tax Appeal Attorney during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-43**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A GRANTSWRITER FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Grantswriter for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Grantswriter; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Millenium Strategies, LLC as Grantswriter for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Grantswriter for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Millenium Strategies, LLC at a rate not to exceed $15,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Grantswriter during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-44**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Public Defender for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Public Defender; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Jordan D. Yuelys as Public Defender for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Public Defender for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Jordan D. Yuelys; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Public Defender during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-45**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A PROSECUTOR FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Prosecutor for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Prosecutor; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Mark P. Fierro, Esq. as Prosecutor for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Prosecutor for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Mark P. Fierro, Esq.; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Prosecutor during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-46**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A REAL ESTATE CONSULTANT/APPRAISER FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Real Estate Consultant/Appraiser for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Real Estate Consultant/Appraiser; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Associated Appraisal Group for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Real Estate Consultant/Appraiser for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Associated Appraisal Group at a rate not to exceed $25,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Real Estate Consultant/Appraiser during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-47**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A PLANNER FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Planner for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Planner; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Colliers Engineering & Designs, Inc. as Planner for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Planner for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Colliers Engineering & Design, Inc. at a rate not to exceed $5,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Planner during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-48**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER FOR THE YEAR 2022**

**WHEREAS,** it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Environmental Engineer for the year 2022 to provide non-contractual services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** funds to pay said professional persons are available by way of budget and bond ordinance to compensate said Environmental Engineer; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requiresthat a resolution authorizing the appointment for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services be submitted by December 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough has reviewed all submissions received by December 8, 2021 and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Colliers Engineering & Designs, Inc. as Environmental Engineer for 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Environmental Engineer for the year 2022 is hereby designated as Colliers Engineering & Design, Inc. at a rate not to exceed $36,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the compensation for said position shall be commensurate with the services rendered by said Environmental Engineer during the year 2022 and shall be provided for in the salary and other expenses ordinances of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the professional services agreement for this appointment attached as Exhibit "A".

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-49**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO ISSUE REFUNDS OF INTEREST CHARGED DUE TO POST OFFICE ERRORS**

**WHEREAS,** tax payments for 6 properties delivered late due to Postal errors; and

**WHEREAS,** the owners paid the late tax and interest penalties; and

**WHEREAS,** the tax payments were delivered to the Tax Collector on December 27, 2021 validating the property owners original on time payment.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Chief Financial Officer shall issue refunds to the property owners for the interest charged due to Postal error.

**Block/Lot Name/Address Amount**

206/19 Paul & Kathleen Wiegartner 30.85

378 Bradley Avenue

Northvale, NJ 07647

206/35 Brian & Andrea Thumm 21.89

356 Bradley Avenue

Northvale, NJ 07647

409/61 Andrew & Donna Gullestad 36.99

435 Crest Drive

Northvale, NJ 07647

411/8 Canela Becker 46.28

408 Briarwood Lane

Northvale, NJ 07647

707/7 Margaret L. Cooke 47.00

448 Clinton Avenue

Northvale, NJ 07647

820/12 Sunil & Mrunalini Chokshi 31.81

178 High Street

Northvale, NJ 07647

**\*\*\*\*\*\***

**RESOLUTION #2022-50**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR COLLIERS ENGINEERING & DESIGN - VETERANS DRIVE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PHASE I – NJDOT FY2022 GRANT – NVB-0021P**

**WHEREAS,** the Borough is in need of the above mentioned services; and

**WHEREAS,** Colliers Engineering & Design has prepared a scope of services per their letter dated February 4, 2022, as follows:

**SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Design and Bid Services $22,750.00

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer certifies that funds will be available not to exceed $22,750.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the Proposal for Professional Design and Bid Services for Colliers Engineering & Design.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Mayor Marana opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on the Consent Agenda items only.

**CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

There being no questions or comments, Mayor Marana closed the meeting to the public.

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**RESOLUTION #2022-51**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION SETTING SALARY OF FRANCES WESTON AS MUNICIPAL CLERK, REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS, BOARD OF HEALTH SECRETARY, RECYCLING/DPW SECRETARY, SAFETY OFFICER AND ELECTION OFFICIAL**

**MOTION: Councilman DeLisio SECOND: Councilman Argiro**

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-165, the Borough must set salaries for non-contractual officers and employees, statutory employees and elected officials not directly subject to duly adopted collective bargaining agreements by separate ordinance; and

**WHEREAS,** on December 28, 2021 Frances Weston was appointed as the Municipal Clerk for the Borough of Northvale, having previously served as the Acting Borough Clerk; and

**WHEREAS,** Frances Weston has further been serving the Borough in the roles of Registrar of Vital Statistics, Board of Health Secretary, Recycling/DPW Secretary, Safety Officer and Election Official; and

**WHEREAS,** pending adoption of the Salary Ordinance, it is in the best interest of the Borough to award the following salary for the officers hereinafter listed as set forth below:

Title: Salary:

Municipal Clerk $67,789.00

Registrar of Vital Statistics $ 6,258.00

Board of Health Secretary $ 2,882.00

Recycling/DPW Secretary $ 4,071.00

Safety Officer $ 500.00

Election Official $ 500.00

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the salaries listed herein for the officers set forth herein are hereby adopted retroactive to December 28, 2021.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Abstain

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC ON RESOLUTION #2022-51**

Mayor Marana opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on Resolution #2022-51 only.

**CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

There being no questions or comments, Mayor Marana closed the meeting to the public.

**ORDINANCES – 1ST READING**

**ORDINANCE #1047-2022**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING AND MODIFYING CHAPTER 200 ZONING, ARTICLE V ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT, §200 OF THE NORTHVALE BOROUGH CODE**

**MOTION: Councilman DeLisio SECOND: Councilman McGuire**

**Section 1. Purpose & Authority.** The purpose of this ordinance is to modify and amend Chapter 200, Zoning, Article V Administration and Enforcement, §200pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1, and 40:49-2.

**Section 2. Amendments.** (amendments are highlighted, deletions strikethrough).

§200-23 Zoning Review and Fees: All zoning permits include a plan review, pre-inspections and final inspections. Fees for zoning review shall be as follows:

1. The fee for any small review shall be $75.00. Small reviews include, but are not limited to: Driveway, shed, fence, sign, above ground pool, retaining wall and new business.
2. The fee for any mid-size review shall be $100.00. Mid-sized reviews include, but are not limited to: Deck, Inground pool and detached garage.
3. The fee for any large project shall be $150.00. Large project reviews include but are not limited to new homes and structures, additions and telecommunication.

**Section 3. Repealer.** All prior ordinances that are inconsistent with this ordinance are repealed. All ordinances are hereby amended to be consistent with this ordinance and all ordinances, including this one, shall be construed consistent with the express purpose of this ordinance.

**Section 4.** **Savings and Construction.** This ordinance shall be construed consistent with the purpose stated in Section 1 hereof. Any ambiguities in this ordinance shall be construed in accordance with the purpose of this ordinance. If any part of this ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall be saved to the full extent possible. This ordinance repeals provisions of the Northvale Code only where stated herein; otherwise this ordinance is amendatory and supplementary to existing provision of the Northvale Code.

**Section 5. Codification.** This ordinance shall be codified as amendments to the chapters set forth herein.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval and publication of notice of adoption as provided by law.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**ORDINANCE #1048-2022**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING AND MODIFYING CHAPTER 84, CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM §84-2 FEES OF THE NORTHVALE BOROUGH CODE**

**MOTION: Councilman DeLisio SECOND: Councilman McGuire**

**Section 1. Purpose & Authority.** The purpose of this ordinance is to modify and amend Chapter 84, Construction Codes, Uniform §84-2 Fees, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1, and 40:49-2.

**Section 2. Amendments.** (amendments are highlighted, deletions strikethrough).

§ 84-2 Fees.

[Last amended 2-14-2018 by Ord. No. 988-2018]

Fees shall be as follows:

A. New construction (based on cubic footage): ~~$0.07~~ $0.09 per cubic foot.

B. State fees: $0.00371 per cubic foot; $1.90 per $1,000 of value of construction.

C. Renovations, alterations, repairs, and minor work:

(1) Twenty-five dollars per $1,000 of cost (or fraction thereof).

~~(2) Minimum fee: $65.~~

D. Certificates of occupancy fees:

(1) Residential: ~~10% of permit fee; minimum $100.~~ $200.00

(2) Nonresidential: ~~15% of permit fee; minimum $250.~~ $250.00

(3) Change of use: ~~$200.~~ $250.00

(4) Certificate of continued occupancy: $200.

(5) TCO: $100 for the first 30 days; $~~75~~ $150.00 for each additional 30 days.

(6) Admin Fee: $25.00.00 each permit

E. Variations:

(1) Residential: ~~$100.~~ $250.00

(2) Nonresidential: $250.

F. Swimming pools:

(1) Aboveground: $100.

(2) In-ground: ~~$25 per $1,000 of cost of construction; $65 minimum~~. $250.00

G. Demolition:

(1) Residential: ~~$150.~~ $250.00

(2) Nonresidential: $500.

(3) Structural tower: $200.

(4) Accessory to R-3: $40.

H. Signs: $100 each.

I. Asbestos and/or lead abatement:

(1) Asbestos abatement: $150.

(2) Lead abatement: $250.

(3) Asbestos certificate: $100.

(4) Lead ccl: $75.

J. Plan review: 20% of the permit fee, nonrefundable, included in the permit fee.

K. Plumbing fees:

(1) Fixtures and appliances connected to the plumbing system:

(a) Water closet/bidet/urinals: $25 each.

(b) Bathtubs: $25 each.

(c) Lavatory/sink: $25 each.

(d) Shower/floor drain: $25 each.

(e) Washing machine: $25 each.

(f) Dishwashers:

[1] Residential: $100 each.

[2] Commercial: $100 each.

(g) Hot-water heater: ~~$60 each.~~ $100.00

(h) Hose bibs: $30 each.

(i) Water cooler: $30 each.

(j) Garbage disposal: $30 each.

(k) Indirect connection: $30 each.

(l) Vent stack: ~~$20 each~~.$40.00

(m) Drinking fountains: $25 each.

(2) Special devices:

(a) Grease traps: ~~$100 each.~~ $150.00

(b) Oil separators: ~~$100 each~~. $150.00

(c) Water-cooled air conditioners: $100 each.

(d) Refrigeration units: $100 each.

(e) Water utility connection: $100 each.

(f) Sewer utility connection: $100 each.

(g) Backflow preventors: $75 each.

(h) Backflow preventors (commercial): $~~100 each~~, $150.00 with ports.

(i) Steam boilers: $75 each.

(j) Hot-water boilers: ~~$75 each.~~ $175.00

(k) Gas connection: ~~$50 each.~~ $100.00

(l) ~~Active solar systems: $50 each~~. Sewer pumps: $75 each.

(n) Interceptors: $75 each.

(o) Fuel oil piping: ~~$50 each.~~$100.00

(p) Medical gas piping: $100 per station.

(q) Condensate lines: $25 each.

(3) Minimum fee: $80.

L. Electrical fees:

(1) Electrical fixtures and devices:

(a) Switching outlets, lighting outlets:

[1] Receptacles one to 25: $65 each.

[2] Each additional 25 outlets: $50 each.

(2) Electrical devices/generators/transformers:

(a) Two kilowatts to 10 kilowatts: $30 each.

(b) Over 10 kilowatts and less than or equal to 45 kilowatts: $90 each.

(c) Over 45 kilowatts and less than or equal to 112.5 kilowatts: $250 each.

(d) Over 112.5 kilowatts: $500 each.

(3) Motors:

(a) Two horsepower up to 10 horsepower: $25 each.

(b) Over 10 horsepower and less than or equal to 50 horsepower: $75 each.

(c) Over 50 horsepower and less than or equal to 100 horsepower: $100 each.

(d) Over 100 horsepower: $500 each.

(4) Service panels/service entrance subpanels:

(a) Less than or equal to 200 amps: ~~$100.~~ $150.00

(b) Greater than 200 amps and less than or equal to 1,000 amps: $250.

(c) Greater than 1,000 amps: $750.

(5) Swimming pool bonding: $100.

(6) Swimming pool lights: $50.

~~(7) Minimum fee: $90.~~

M. Fire protection fees:

(1) Sprinklers:

Number of Heads Fee

1 to 20 ~~$100~~ $150.00

21 to 100 ~~$200~~ $250.00

101 to 200 ~~$300~~ $350.00

201 to 400 ~~$600~~ $700.00

401 to 1,000 ~~$750~~ $850.00

Over 1,000 ~~$900~~ $950.00

(2) Heat/smoke detectors:

Number of Detectors Fee

1 to 12 $125

Each additional 10 ~~$35~~ $50.00

Panel $125.00

(3) Each standpipe: $300.

(4) Each independent pre-engineered system: $150.

(5) Each kitchen exhaust system: $100.

(6) Each gas- or oil-fired appliance which is not connected to the plumbing system: $75.

(7) Hot tar kettle roof: $75.

(8) ~~Minimum fee: $80.~~ Gas Connections: $50.00

(9) Fire Pumps $250.00 each

(10) Single Devices $30.00 each

(11) Exit & Emergency $25.00 each

~~N. Elevator device test, inspection and plan review fee schedule.~~

~~(1) The fees for witnessing final acceptance tests and performing inspections on new and altered elevator devices shall be as follows:~~

~~(a) The basic fees for elevator devices in structures not of Group R-3, R-4, or R-5 or in an exempted structure of Group R-2 shall be as follows:~~

~~[1] Traction and winding drum elevators:~~

~~[a] One to 10 floors: $340.~~

~~[b] Over 10 floors: $567.~~

~~[2] Hydraulic elevators: $302.~~

~~[3] Roped hydraulic elevators: $340.~~

~~[4] Escalators, moving walks: $302.~~

~~[5] Dumbwaiters: $76.~~

~~[6] Stairway chairlifts, inclined and vertical wheelchair lifts, and manlifts: $76.~~

~~(b) Additional charges for devices equipped with the following features shall be as follows:~~

~~[1] Oil buffers (charge per oil buffer): $60.~~

~~[2] Counterweight governor and safeties: $151.~~

~~[3] Auxiliary power generator: $114.~~

~~(c) The fee for elevator devices in structures of Group R-3, R-4, or R-5, or otherwise exempt devices in structures of Group R-2, shall be $227, except fees for dumbwaiters, stairway chairlifts, and inclined and vertical wheelchair lifts shall be $76. These fees shall be waived when signed statements and supportive inspection and acceptance test reports are filed by an approved qualified agent or agency in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.19 and 5:23-2.20.~~

~~(d) The fee for performing inspection of minor work shall be $76.~~

~~(2) The fee for witnessing required routine and periodic inspections and tests for elevator devices in structures not of Group R-3, R-4, or R-5 or otherwise exempt devices in structures of Group R-2, shall be as follows:~~

~~(a) Basic annual fee as follows:~~

~~[1] Traction and winding drum elevators:~~

~~[a] One to 10 floors: $339.~~

~~[b] Over 10 floors: $409.~~

~~[2] Hydraulic elevators; $258.~~

~~[3] Roped hydraulic elevators: $232.~~

~~[4] Moving walks: $484.~~

~~[5] Dumbwaiters: $120.~~

~~[6] Stairway chairlifts, inclined and vertical wheelchair lifts and man lifts: $182.~~

~~[7] Escalators: $695.~~

~~(b) Additional charges for devices equipped with the following features as follows:~~

~~[1] Oil buffers (charge per oil buffer): $60.~~

~~[2] Counterweight governor and safeties: $120.~~

~~[3] Auxiliary power generator: $76.~~

~~(3) The fee for any reinspection of an elevator device shall be set at $203 and shall be billed separately from the above fees upon the issuance of a notice of violation necessitating a reinspection.~~

~~(4) The plan review fee for elevator devices in structures of Group R-3, R-4 or R-5, and for elevator devices wholly within dwelling units in structures of Group R-2, shall be $700 for each device.~~

~~(5) The plan review fee for elevator devices in structures of groups other than R-3, R-4, or R-5, and devices in structures of Group R-2 exempted by Subsection N(4) above shall be $365 for each device.~~

N. Elevator plan review fee for elevator devices shall be $365 for each device.

O. An administrative surcharge of 20% shall be applied to all above-listed fees.

O. Storage tanks/installation/removal:

(1) Capacity up to 2,000 gallons: $100.

(2) Two thousand gallons and over: $500.

P. Items not covered. Any items not covered in the above fee schedule shall be charged as per N.J.A.C. 5:28-4.20 of the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code.

Q. Non-UCC fees.

(1) Residential CCO fees for resale and rentals:

(a) Single-family residence: $100.

(b) Multiple-family residence: $100, plus $50 for each apt.

~~(c) Zoning reviews: $50.~~

(c) Garage sales: $10.

R. Mechanical subcode fees.

[Added 7-12-2017 by Ord. No. 976-2017]

(1) R3/R4/R5 structures/Use Group.

(a) Water heater: ~~$75.~~ $100.00 each

(b) Steam boiler: ~~$100.~~ $150.00 each

(c) Hot-water boiler: ~~$100.~~ $150.00

(d) Hot-air furnace: ~~$100.~~ $150.00

(e) Oil tank: ~~$75~~.$100.00 each

(f) LPG: ~~$75~~. $150.00

(g) Gas fireplace/log: ~~$75.~~ $100.00

(h) Hydronic piping: ~~$65.~~ $28.00 each

(i) Generator: ~~$100~~. $125.00

(j) A/C unit: ~~$100~~. $125.00

(k) HVAC: ~~$100.~~ $125.00

(l) Chimney liner, one- or two-family: $100.

(m) Pool heater: $100.

(n) Fuel-oil piping: ~~$50.~~ $75.00 each

(o) Gas piping connection: ~~$50.~~ $75.00 each

~~(p) Minimum fee: $80.~~

~~(q) Minimum fee mixed use/commercial: $100.~~

(2) Mechanical work on other than an R3/R5 structure/Use Group shall be calculated based upon $25 per $1,000 of estimated cost.

**Section 3. Repealer.** All prior ordinances that are inconsistent with this ordinance are repealed. All ordinances are hereby amended to be consistent with this ordinance and all ordinances, including this one, shall be construed consistent with the express purpose of this ordinance.

**Section 4.** **Savings and Construction.** This ordinance shall be construed consistent with the purpose stated in Section 1 hereof. Any ambiguities in this ordinance shall be construed in accordance with the purpose of this ordinance. If any part of this ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall be saved to the full extent possible. This ordinance repeals provisions of the Northvale Code only where stated herein; otherwise this ordinance is amendatory and supplementary to existing provision of the Northvale Code.

**Section 5. Codification.** This ordinance shall be codified as amendments to the chapters set forth herein.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval and publication of notice of adoption as provided by law.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Marana opened the meting to the public for questions or comments.

**CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

There being no questions or comments, Mayor Marana closed the meeting to the public.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Council President DeLisio –** reported that the Police had 463 events in the month of January. On February 17th, the Police will present a fraud program at the Senior Center. For the OEM report, the claims for Hurricane Ida are being submitted. They will be processed in 60 days. Northern Valley Greenway had a meeting on February 3rd. They are making progress. There is one grant in progress for Distracted Drivers which was submitted before January 31st. There are two grants pending, the Open Space Veterans Park should hear in Spring 2022 and the Hands Free Doors at the Senior Center was submitted and should have a response in the Fall.

**Councilwoman McMorrow** – reported that she contacted all her committees. The Chamber of Commerce is excited to open up for 2022. Board of Health had their Reorganization meeting. Also spoke with Clare from the Municipal Court. Ambulance Corps is struggling with limited crews. Ambulance calls for the month of January were 11.

**Councilman Devlin** – met with Briant and Billy from the DPW to discuss capital spending. They will meet again on February 15th. Did a walk through with Matt Hartman, Briant and Billy at Willow Avenue and Pierron Street. The Fire Association postponed their installation dinner to May or June. The 300 Club will be held on March 6th. The 125th Anniversary committee has met to discuss having Town Day and the fireworks on the same day. Another meeting is scheduled for February 20th. The Fire Association is committed for June 26th, rain date June 27th. Fire Department had 13 calls for the month of January. Fire Inspection conducted 26 inspections, 6 reinspections. The Golden Age Club has 2 outings scheduled for February. Senior Center has a breakfast scheduled for February 17th.

**Councilman Hogan –** the Building Department issued 12 permits for the month of January and collected $2,606. Planning Board had 3 meetings. The January 5th meeting was the Reorganization meeting. Billy Guyt, Charlie Amorosso, Ed Giannotti, and Gerard McNerney were reappointed. Application for 477 Tappan Road which is not recognized as a two family home. The application was postponed. January 25th meeting had Cho Dae/Cresskill School. Everything was discussed thoroughly and the variance was granted. Cresskill Mayor declared February 2nd as Northvale Appreciation Day. The February 2nd meeting, the attorney for 153 Scharer asked to have it postponed, should be April 20th. The next meeting is February 16th. Insurance – received an email from the Clerk – if any elected official does the training the Borough will receive a $250 credit. Hope all will get this done before the next meeting so he doesn’t have to report on it again!

**Councilman Argiro** – the Library Director position has been filled. Mary Grace Zaccaria would like to get all the programs back to being held in person. The ADA renovations are completed for the entranceway and bathroom. 11 Cards have been issued. Recreation – Sara is settling in nicely as the Recreation Director. She will be sending a mailer to the businesses for sponsorship donations. Indoor soccer and basketball will be winding down the end of the month. Registration is open for baseball and softball and will close on March 7th. There was baseball equipment damaged from the storm that was stored in the Rifle Range. Dick’s Sporting Goods has donated $700 to the Borough for new equipment. On March 12th, the Dick’s in Paramus and Palisades Mall will give all Northvale residents 20% off merchandise purchased. Baseball will be joining with Haworth, Demarest, Closter for games.

**Councilman McGuire** – the schools received big news that the mask mandate will be lifted on March 7th. It will be left up to each school district for mask options. Preschool registration has begun. Preschool would like to thank the DPW for always helping them with snow and ice removal and also for helping with the installation of internet service.

**Mayor Marana** – all items are for closed session discussion.

**BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT**

Marie Raffay reported on the DOT Projects. Colliers will be starting on the design for the Veterans Drive grant application. The paving will be from Veterans Drive to Legrand. The 2023 application in June will request Legrand to the end. Paris/Livingston Streetscape still on schedule. Clinton Avenue DOT is with DOT for review. Riverside Coop roads have been mapped out for Northvale. Should go out to bid in March, award in April, start in May. Senior Center Pavilion apparatus has been delivered and the contractor is ready to start. Hogan Park improvements to the walkway and outfield fence purchase order is anticipated next week. Veterans Park survey was done in December. Billy Guyt took pictures of what was marked out. The draft for the tax map project has been sent to the Mayor and Rob.

Briant Bodrato informed everyone that the contractor for the Senior Center pavilion will be starting tomorrow.

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT**

Deena Rosendahl has items for closed session discussion.

**CLOSED SESSION – 7:41 PM**

***Action may***  ***not***  ***be taken upon return to open session.***

**RESOLUTION #2022-52**

**TITLE: TO PROVIDE FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT N.J.S.A 10:4-12**

**MOTION: Councilman DeLisio SECOND: Councilman Hogan**

**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. Matters where the release of information would impair the right to receive funds.

3. Matters involving individual privacy

4. Matters relating to collective bargaining

5. Matters relating to the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property or the investment of public funds.

6. Matters relating to public safety and property.

7. Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney client privilege.

8. Matters relating to the employment relationship – Personnel

9. Matters relating to the potential imposition of a penalty.

**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.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 8:20 PM**

**ADJOURNMENT – 8:21 PM**

**MOTION: Councilman Hogan SECOND: Councilman Argiro**

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Argiro Yes Councilman Hogan Yes

Councilman DeLisio Yes Councilman McGuire Yes

Councilman Devlin Yes Councilwoman McMorrow Yes

Patrick J. Marana

Mayor

**ATTEST:**

Frances M. Weston

Frances M. Weston

Municipal Clerk

Approved: March 9, 2022