

**MINUTES OF
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
WORKSESSION MEETING
July 22, 2019**

The Worksession Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Council President Patil, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Councilmembers Joshi, Lombardi, Patil, and Sendelsky

Councilmembers Coyle, Diehl, and Gomez were absent.

Also present were Township Clerk Russomanno, Deputy Clerk McCray, Township Attorney Northgrave, Business Administrator Ruane, Health Inspector Spearnock, Township Engineer O’Krepky, Acting Director Fircha, Fire Chief Latham, Police Captain Askelson and Cameraman Cologne.

The Clerk advised that adequate notice of this meeting as required by the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, has been provided by an Annual Notice sent to The Home News and Tribune, The Star Ledger and the Sentinel on December 1, 2018 and posted in the Main Lobby of the Municipal Complex on the same date.

Council Vice President Patil opened the meeting for comments from the public.

Esther Nemitz, 162B Fay Street, under Law item “b” this looks like they are extending to 30 years everyone hopefully it will continue for a long time to come. Sorry we don’t have a Farmers Market this year we looking for a new farmer for next year.

Bruce Diamond, 74 Calvert Avenue , he watched the last Council Meeting it was disappointing on lack of de-quorum. Mr. Hahn should have been escorted out he find it offensive.

Julian Zimmet, Stiles Road, he reported at Johnstone & Vineyard cross walk needs some attention.

Hearing no further comments, this public hearing was closed, on a motion made by Councilmember Lombardi seconded by Councilmember Sendelsky, with all in favor.

5. REVIEW OF MINUTES

a. through f. No comments were made.

6. REPORTS FROM ALL COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Councilmember Joshi, on Library Board he has two updates. The board received a \$240,000.00 grant from PSE & G which will go toward the HVAC, electric repairs and Lights for all three libraries. They are considering/debating on getting two Book Mobiles the cost is slightly more but seems reasonable they will be 30 feet long which means they don’t a CDL license to drive. One mobile for each end of town, north and south.

Councilmember Sendelsky, asked the volume of books they hold. That will be double the maintenance and an additional driver.

Councilmember Lombardi reported the Finance Committee will be meeting with Directors this week. He asked Councilmember Joshi to find out the status of the Library NJ Link if it is being continued.

7. POINTS OF LIGHT –

Council Vice President Patil announced Public Hearing on the 2019 Municipal Budget will be on Monday, July 29, 2019 and our Special Election will be Tuesday, September 10, 2019.

Councilmember Lombardi added a Happy Birthday to Councilmember Joshi who just finished his twenties.

8. FROM THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

a. Councilmember Sendelsky asked what departments does this cover.

Ms. Ruane, everything we own.

b. through f. No comments were made.

9. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE:

a. through d. No comments were made.

10. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH:

a. and b. No comments were made.

11. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW:

a. through c. No comments were made.

d. Mr. Northgrave is pulling this off the agenda.

12. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENGINEERING:

a. through e. No comments were made.

13. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

a. through d. No comments were made.

14. FROM THE CHIEF OF FIRE:

a. No comments were made.

15. FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE:

a. No comments were made.

b. ADDING TO AGENDA: Resolution for 2019 Impound Auction Sale.

16. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION:

a. through c. No comments were made.

17. FROM THE TOWNSHIP CLERK:

a. No comments were made.

18. FROM THE COUNCIL MEMBER TO THE PLANNING BOARD:
Councilmember Sendelsky

Edison Township Planning Board Meeting of Monday July 15,2019

The following resolutions were passed:

- #P9-2019 Shopping Center Associated - Corner of Lafayette & Route One
- #P10-2019 Primrose Schools - 23 Nevsky Street
- #P11-2019 Edison Urban Renewal,LLC-2165 and 2205 Lincoln Highway
- #P11-2018 RAS33,LLC (Royal Albert's Palace Food Prep Building)-King Georges Road
- #P5204 W & G Realty- Easy street
- #P19-2018 Summit Associates -150 Fieldcrest Avenue
- #P19-2018 Summit Associates- 115 Newfield Avenue

JFK Hospital - Extension of Time- P18-09/10, P28-04/05 and P88-04/05

Their attorney just came before the board to clarify what the time period for the extension was . There approvals were granted June 20, 2017 so they have three years from that date or **June 30, 2020** as the date that the project must be started by.

New Business:

#P12-2019 Fedex Ground Package System -25-53 Talmadge Road Block 124 Lots 22.01 & 22.02

A Proposal to change 5 trailer storage spaces with 3 drive in ramps on the South elevation on the existing facility. There were no variances required. They were granted the approval with the following conditions:

- Adhere to our engineer and planners reports
- Clean up the weeds on the property line that adjoins the post office
- All prior conditions on the original approval are not being changed
- Amy changes to this approved application will come back to the board.

#P2-2017 (Amended) Camp Kilmer Urban Renewal Associates-Road 2 Block 3.E Lot 3.013

Revisions to the prior resolution compliance submission to the planning board which occurred April of 2018. No variances were requested

They have requested to move the site sign so that it is closer to the entrance of the job and that it will not be interfering with the construction. They want to swap out the townhouse units that had direct access to the street sidewalk and make them flats with the entrance through the building similar to the other units. There is no increase in the number of units and have reduced some overall square footage. They have eliminated the dumpster from the site and will have internal garbage chutes which the super will take toters out to the street for pick up. They relocated the storm water detention system to the center of the parking lot for easier maintenance and access.

The board approved the changes with the following conditions:

- They will adhere to the comments of our engineer and planner
- They will submit a phase 1 and phase 2 parking plan
- That they will submit a road #2 Agreement for the maintenance of the road that is shared with the Vo-tech.
- That provisions for a shuttle bus will be provided on a regular schedule.

Respectfully Submitted- Councilman Len Sendelsky

**19. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
ORDINANCES FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION, PUBLIC HEARING, AND FINAL ADOPTION:**

O.2045-2019 No Comments were made.

O.2046-2019 No Comments were made.

20. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Council President Gomez:

- a. absent

Councilmember Coyle:

- a. absent

Councilmember Diehl

- a. absent

Councilmember Joshi:

- a. Fresco litigation can u give notice on position.

Mr. Northgrave there is a claim a stream not be properly managed. We don't agree he believes there is a law suit filed.

- b. Street Paving where are we on the list.

Ms. Ruane, they haven't started, we just awarded the contracts.

Councilmember Lombardi:

- a. He read about a law suit case in Ohio regarding Opioids, where do we stand on this issue.

Mr. Northgrave, we should move on this also.

Councilmember Patil:

- a. He had a question on American Water bills.

Councilmember Sendelsky:

- a. 445 Plainfield holes in street clean up
- b. Park renovations

On a motion made by Councilmember Lombardi, seconded by Councilmember Sendelsky, with all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27pm.

Ajay Patil
Council Vice President

Cheryl Russomanno, RMC
Municipal Clerk