

MARCH 6, 2018

**BOROUGH OF CLIFFSIDE PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

MINUTES OF THE CAUCUS MEETING MARCH 6, 2018

CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL:

Mayor	Thomas Calabrese
Councilwoman	Donna Spoto
Councilwoman	Dana Martinotti
Councilman	Kenneth Corcoran
Councilman	Peter Colao

ABSENT AT ROLL CALL:

On a motion by Councilman Corcoran, seconded by Councilwoman Martinotti, Councilman Fontana and Councilman Bongard were given an excused absence.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Spoto, Martinotti, Corcoran, Colao. **ABSENT:** Fontana, Bongard.

SERCAN ZOKLU STATED:

THIS IS A CAUCUS MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL, AND NOTICE WAS GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

1. NOTICE PUBLISHED JANUARY 16, 2018 WITH THE RECORD, AND JANUARY 10, 2018 WITH THE JERSEY JOURNAL, BOTH OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS OF THE BOROUGH.
2. POSTING OF NOTICE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.
3. PRESERVING A COPY IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE.

MINUTES: REVIEWED PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES.

APPOINTMENTS: REVIEWED PROPOSED APPOINTMENTS.

RESOLUTIONS: REVIEWED PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS.

ORDINANCES: REVIEWED PROPOSED ORDINANCES.

COMMUNICATIONS: REVIEWED COMMUNICATIONS.

On a motion by Councilwoman Spoto, seconded by Councilman Corcoran, Resolution 2018-54 was offered for adoption.

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ROLL CALL:

AYES: Spoto, Martinotti, Corcoran, Colao. ABSENT: Fontana, Bongard.

RESOLUTION 2018-54

Whereas, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

Whereas, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

Whereas, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cliffside Park wishes to discuss the following:

**CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS
JD YORK**

Minutes will be kept, and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, the minutes can be made public.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the public be excluded from this meeting.

The Mayor and Council entered Closed Executive Session.

The Mayor and Council returned from Closed Executive Session.

On a motion by Councilwoman Martinotti, seconded by Councilman Corcoran, Resolution 2018-53 was offered for adoption.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Spoto, Martinotti, Corcoran, Colao. ABSENT: Fontana, Bongard.

RESOLUTION 2018-53

WHEREAS, the Patrol Officer, J.D. York, has petitioned the Borough to retire and to initiate Terminal Leave; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has historically addressed Terminal Leave Applications through negotiations and formal contracts.

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police, Richard Gaito, has met with the Borough Administrator, Joseph Rutch, Borough CFO, Frank Berardo, and Borough Attorney, Christos J. Diktas, and has been advised that there are funds due to Police Officer J.D. York pursuant to the PBA Collective Bargaining Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council does hereby authorize Borough Administrator, Joseph Rutch, Chief of Police, Richard Gaito, and Borough Attorney, Christos J. Diktas, Esq., to negotiate a Terminal Leave Agreement with Police Officer J.D. York.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council does hereby authorize Chief of Police, Richard Gaito, and Borough Administrator, Joseph Rutch, to execute the Terminal Leave Agreement on behalf of the Borough.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Certified True Copy of this Resolution be served upon Chief of Police, Richard Gaito; Borough Administrator, Joseph Rutch; Chief Financial Officer, Frank Berardo; Police Officer, J.D. York; and Borough Attorney, Christos J. Diktas.

PUBLIC PORTION: On a motion by Councilwoman Martinotti, seconded by Councilman Corcoran, the meeting was opened to the public.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

On a motion by Councilwoman Martinotti, seconded by Councilman Corcoran, the public portion of the meeting was closed.


ADJOURN: On a motion by Councilwoman Martinotti, seconded by Councilman Corcoran, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



SERCAN ZOKLU, BMC
BOROUGH CLERK

APPROVED:



THOMAS CALABRESE
MAYOR