

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk. This meeting has been properly advertised according to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Lischin, Murray, O'Neill, Perri, Piergiovanni, Travagline, Dewees

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 29, 2017

2017 BEST PRACTICES INVENTORY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Perri - Sewer Inter Local, Planning Board, Senior Citizens, Shared Services

Councilman O'Neill - Court/Violations, Library

Councilman Piergiovanni – Insurance and Safety, Chamber of Commerce, Municipal Alliance, Northfield School

Councilman Murray - Finance/Collections, Mainland Regional, Economic Development, Traffic Safety

Councilman Lischin – Fire Department/EMS, Inspections, Code Enforcement, Housing/Zoning, Technology/MRHS Channel 2, Cultural Committee, Green Team, Sign Sub Committee

Councilman Travagline – FAN, Sign Sub Committee, Shared Services, Green Team Advisory

Council President Dewees - Buildings/Grounds, Athletic Fields, Bike Path, Veterans' Park, 1st Street Playground, Birch Grove, Public Works, Roads, Engineering, Little League/Babe Ruth, Sign Sub Committee, Traffic Safety

MAYOR'S REPORT

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT

PUBLIC SESSION/FIVE MINUTES PER SPEAKER

RESOLUTIONS

- 179-2017 Award of Contract for Portable Generator Set
- 180-2017 To Approve an Application for Use of Facilities - 8U Sand Sharks
- 181-2017 Recognizing Family Association of Northfield Volunteer Football and Cheerleading Coaches for 2017 Season
- 182-2017 Recognizing Members of the Board of Trustees for Family Association of Northfield
- 183-2017 Cancel Grant Balances
- 184-2017 Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, New Jersey Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a License a Cost Sharing Agreement
- 185-2017 Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Sewer
- 186-2017 Decreasing Change Fund for Birch Grove Park
- 187-2017 Resolution Urging the State Legislature to Extend the 2% Cap on Police and Fire Arbitration Contract Awards

ORDINANCES

- 11-2017 Reserved Parking Spaces at the Northfield Municipal Building
Introduction / No Public Input / Published in the Press of AC 9/16/2017
2nd Reading / Public Hearing / Final Consideration 9/26/2017
- 12-2017 Amending Chapter 43 and Chapter A376 of the Code of the City of Northfield
Introduction / No Public Input / Published in the Press of AC 9/16/2017
2nd Reading / Public Hearing / Final Consideration 9/26/2017

PAYMENT OF BILLS \$ 359,719.26

MEETING NOTICES

City Council	September 26, 2017	6:00pm Work Session
		Regular Session immediately following

ADJOURNMENT

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 179-2017**

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PORTABLE GENERATOR SET

WHEREAS, the City of Northfield is desirous of purchasing a Portable Generator Set; and

WHEREAS, the Deputy Municipal Clerk solicited, received, and opened sealed proposals on August 31, 2017 as follows:

	Base Bid
Gen Serve Inc.	\$39,392.00
Warshauer Generator, LLC	\$51,958.00

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of Municipal Engineer, Rami Nassar, to accept the bid from Gen Serve, Inc., 115A Twinbridge Drive, Pennsauken, NJ 08110 in the amount of \$39,392.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that the bid from Gen Serve, Inc., 115A Twinbridge Drive, Pennsauken, NJ 08110 in the amount of \$39,392.00 be accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Certification of the Availability of funds has been received from the Chief Finance Officer.

I, Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 12th day of September, 2017.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 180-2017**

TO APPROVE AN APPLICATION FOR USE OF FACILITIES

WHEREAS, Mr. Sean Sutley has properly submitted an Application for Use of Facilities requesting use of the Boys Farm League Baseball Field from September 13, 2017 until the last week of December 2017, subject to availability based on use by Northfield Little League teams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sean Sutley has presented this request on behalf of the South Jersey Sandsharks 8U team; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Northfield Little League has advised that the field use request can be granted, with specific dates to be determined based upon the future needs of the Northfield Little League Baseball program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Northfield hereby approves the Application for Use of Facilities presented by Mr. Sean Sutley subject to the full execution of the Use of Facilities Agreement, and compliance with its terms and conditions, the terms and conditions of the current Use of Facilities Guidelines and the representations made in the subject Applications for Use of Facilities.

I, MARY CANESI, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Northfield, held this 12th day of September, 2017.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 180-2017 ATTACHMENT

CITY OF NORTHFIELD

Application for Use of Facilities

Name and Address of Organization: 80 South Jersey Sand Sharks Baseball
476 County Club Drive, Egg Harbor City, NJ 08215

Tell Us Who You Are / Description and Purpose of Organization: Sean Sutley coach of
80 Sandsharks team. We are a non profit travel baseball team for 80

Is the Group a Not-For-Profit Organization? Yes No

Do Participants Pay a Fee for Your Sport / Event? Yes No

If Yes, How Much? \$ 250 per Person Day Season (other)

Name of Applicant / Responsible Party: Sean Sutley Title/Affiliation ASST Coach

Home Address: 605 Hazel Ave Northfield, NJ 08225

Telephone: (H) [redacted] (C) Same (W) [redacted]

Name and Location of Facility(ies) Being Requested: Farm, Softball, Minor League field
in that order based solely on availability from NFLL

For the Following Purpose: Practice and Games for 80 team

on the Following Date(s): 9/3 - 12-31-17 (Saturday/Sundays only)

Specify the Hours of Use: From: 4pm To: 8pm ^{once a week}

of Participants per Date: 14 # of Participants who are Northfield Residents: 8

Will Juveniles be Present? Yes No If Yes, What Ages? 7/8 yrs old
Applicant MUST submit names, addresses, & telephone # of all coaches / chaperones along with the application

Have You Applied to Other Municipalities for Use of their Facilities for this Event? Yes No

If Yes, Name of Municipality/ies: N/A

Date/s and Disposition of Request/s: N/A

Applicant has received a copy of the City of Northfield Use of Facilities Guidelines and Use of Facilities Agreement and agrees to abide by and comply with the terms of that Agreement. Applicant further acknowledges that s/he must obtain from the Municipal Clerk's Office the date/time of the Council Meeting at which the Application will be considered, and attendance at same is required in order for the Application to be heard.

NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PERMITTED

APPLICANT: [Signature] DATE: 8/22/17

Note: The City of Northfield has the right, in its sole discretion, to deny, limit, or revoke the use of requested facility(ies) when in the opinion of the City of Northfield the use presents a risk of unreasonable injury to persons or damage to property of the City of Northfield or others.

FAILURE TO COMPLETE ANY PORTION OF THE APPLICATION WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC REJECTION

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 181-2017**

**RECOGNIZING FAMILY ASSOCIATION OF NORTHFIELD
VOLUNTEER FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING COACHES
FOR 2017 SEASON**

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that the following persons have been named Volunteer Coaches of Family Association of Northfield for the 2017 football and cheerleading season and are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed:

Varsity Football:

Joe Russo
Cliff Murray
Rob Rodriguez
Frank Procaccini
Steve Kintish
Mike Tierney
Tyler Wicz
Nate Kwapinski
Adam Gillman

Junior Varsity Football:

Jason Barretta
Jim Travagline
Tom Mozitis
Cliff Murray

Pee Wee Football:

Chris Kennedy
Barry Cramer
Nick Grasso
Paul Leidy
Bill Gillingham

Taxi Football:

Joe Goukler
Mark Bruno
Mike Sher
Robert Varnadore

Varsity Cheer:

Amy Hughes
Amber Barretta
Belinda Notaro

Junior Varsity Cheer:

Amber Barretta
Belinda Notaro

Pee Wee Cheer:

Lisa Carlton
Jennifer Juckett
Kate Carangi

Taxi Cheer:

Paula Hostler-Casey
Melissa Hackett

I, Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 12th day of September, 2017.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 182-2017**

**RECOGNIZING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
FAMILY ASSOCIATION OF NORTHFIELD**

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that following persons have been duly elected to the board of Family Association of Northfield in accordance with their ByLaws:

Bill Meade, President	Term Ending April, 2019
Chris Murray, Treasurer	Term Ending April, 2019
Jenn Ingram	Term Ending April, 2019
Nick Grasso, Vice President	Term Ending April, 2020
Angelo DeRosa	Term Ending April, 2020
Kathie Sher, Secretary	Term Ending April, 2020
Jennifer Turon	Term Ending April, 2018
Tom Sher	Term Ending April, 2018
Joe Russo	Term Ending April, 2018

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Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 183-2017**

CANCEL GRANT BALANCES

WHEREAS, certain Grant balances remain on the City's balance, and it has been determined that they are no longer required; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic that the following unexpended appropriation and receivable balances of the Grant Fund be cancelled:

Grant	Receivable	Appropriation	Operations
2017 Distracted Driving Grant	\$ 220.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 0.00

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Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 184-2017**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
NORTHFIELD, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING
THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LICENSE A COST SHARING
AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, Gerald J. Engle is the owner of that certain parcel of real property known and designated as Lot 23-25 in Block 160 on the Tax Map of the City of Northfield, Atlantic County, New Jersey (the "Engle Property"), which property is adjacent to the City Property; and

WHEREAS, the City benefits from certain right of way rights and entitlements adjacent to the Engle Property; and

WHEREAS, there is a tree located partially on the Engle Property and partially in the City's right of way which is in a dangerous condition and requires removal for liability reasons; and

WHEREAS, due to the location of the subject tree, the City and Engle agree to evenly split the \$1,275 cost of the tree removal, 50/50, with each party responsible to pay \$637.50 to Hellfighters Professional Tree Service; and

WHEREAS, Engle agrees to provide, Hellfighters rights of vehicular and pedestrian access, ingress and egress over and upon the Engle Property in order to remove the subject tree; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, and other good and valuable consideration, the City and Engle agree to evenly split the \$1,275 cost of the tree removal, 50/50, with each party responsible to pay \$637.50 to Hellfighters Professional Tree Service. Further, Engle agrees to provide Hellfighters with rights of vehicular and pedestrian access, ingress and egress over and upon the Engle Property in order to remove the subject tree.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Northfield in the County of Atlantic, New Jersey, duly assembled in public session, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the License and Cost Sharing Agreement attached hereto on behalf of the City of Northfield.

I, MARY CANESI, RMC, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 12th day of September 2017.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 185-2017**

AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF SEWER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that a refund for overpaid sewer pursuant to the following is hereby authorized:

REFUND TO	BLK	LOT	PROPERTY ADDRESS	REFUND AMOUNT
SPUDSY PROPERTIES LLC P.O. BOX 179 NORTHFIELD, NJ	49	17	518 CHESTNUT AVENUE	\$1,020.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer and other appropriate officials be and they are herewith authorized to sign the checks to accomplish the refunds authorized.

Michele L. Kirtsos, CTC

I, Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 12th day of September, 2017.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 186-2017**

DECREASING CHANGE FUND FOR BIRCH GROVE PARK

WHEREAS, Birch Grove Park utilizes a change fund consisting of five hundred dollars (\$500.00); and

WHEREAS, said change fund of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) is in excess of an amount sufficient for everyday transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that a change fund of five hundred dollars (\$250.00) would be sufficient.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Northfield that the change fund of utilized for Birch Grove Park be decreased to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00).

I, Mary Canesi, Municipal Clerk of the City of Northfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of Northfield, held this 12th day of September, 2017.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

Adopted: September 12, 2017

ERLAND V.L. CHAU, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MARY CANESI, RMC, MUNICIPAL CLERK

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
RESOLUTION NO. 187-2017**

**RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO EXTEND THE
2% CAP ON POLICE AND FIRE ARBITRATION CONTRACT AWARDS**

WHEREAS, local municipalities require specific tools to address the rising cost of municipal government; and

WHEREAS, in July 2010 the Governor and New Jersey State Legislature enacted a permanent 2% cap on municipal and school board tax levies with limited exceptions that did not include police and fire arbitration contract awards; and

WHEREAS, salary costs, to a great extent, drive property tax increases; and

WHEREAS, in December 2010 the Legislature unanimously approved and the Governor enacted a temporary 2% cap on police and fire arbitration contract awards in an effort to control increasing salary costs and provide a solution to assist local governments in keeping property taxes down and cost under control; and

WHEREAS, the December 2010 legislation included an April 1, 2014 sunset on the 2% arbitration cap while the 2% property tax levy remained permanent for municipalities and school boards; and

WHEREAS, in June 2014 the Legislature unanimously approved and the Governor enacted an extension to December 31, 2017 for the 2% arbitration cap, however, the 2% property tax levy cap continues to remain permanent, without an exemption for police and fire arbitration contract awards; and

WHEREAS, municipalities continue efforts to contain costs and provide vital services to residents within the 2% property tax levy while the New Jersey economy remains sluggish and taxpayers struggle to keep their homes and pay their taxes; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that this change in arbitration reform needs a longer time to mature in order to see the benefits of the legislation and its actual impact on the cost of local government budgets and the impact on taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the final report and recommendations of the Police and Fire Public Interest Arbitration Impact Task Force, which was established in the December 2010 legislation, is not due until the same day as the expiration of the cap on interest arbitration awards, December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, we recognize it is now time for our taxpayers to benefit directly from these cost saving measures as many police and fire contracts will come due for negotiation after the sunset date, and

WHEREAS, if the cap on interest arbitration expires while the 2% levy cap remains in effect, municipalities will be forced to reduce or eliminate municipal services in order to fund interest arbitration awards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the City of Northfield, Atlantic County, urges the State Legislature to extend the 2% cap on Police and Fire Arbitration Contract Awards for 5 more years at which time the Legislature will have hard data to examine and then make a final decision as to whether this law should be made permanent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution is forwarded to Assemblyman Chris Brown, Assemblyman Vince Mazzeo, Senator Colin Bell, the Commissioner of the Department of Labor, the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor of State of New Jersey and the League of Municipalities.

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