

Conference Meeting – February 11, 2025

The Conference meeting began at 6:36 p.m., the Municipal Clerk read the following statement:

This is to inform the general public that this meeting is being held in compliance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975. The notice for this meeting was emailed to the Star Ledger and the West Orange Chronicle on December 11, 2024.

Roll Call – Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin
Councilwoman Scarpa, Council President Krakoviak

- West Orange African Heritage Organization (WOAHO.org)-Fundraising Campaign for the Holcomb College Scholarship Fund for Local Students- Brent Scott, Vice President
- Council Liaison Announcements

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Meeting February 11, 2025

The Public meeting began at 7:07 p.m., the Municipal Clerk read the following statement:

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Roll Call – Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin
Councilwoman Scarpa, Council President Krakoviak

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Rudin to dismiss Special Counsel, open the meeting for public comment, and consider and vote on the Bill List.

Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin and Councilwoman Scarpa voting “Aye.”
Councilwoman Casalino and Council President Krakoviak voting “Nay.”

Public Comment

Joe Fagan – PIO

Anthony Puglisi-PIO Essex County

Maureen Robinson – Mt. Pleasant Avenue-issues with Apartment rental

Dr. Deborah Harvest – Elliott Place – Seton Hall Prep parking

Ibrahim Abouelnaja – Freeman Place – Bigotry/Hate Has No Home Here

Darnell Gibbs – Pure Natural Vibes

Mehwish Qureshi – Mt. Pleasant Ave. – Discrimination in West Orange

Amelia Abdelrazik – Kirk Street – Discrimination – Islamophobia resolution

Heather Naja – Freeman Place – Islamophobia resolution

Matt Dragon – Sheridan Avenue – Islamophobia resolution

Jacob Stevens – Greenwood Avenue – leaf blower ordinance

Don Freundlich – Dogwood Avenue – Bright lights at Field near his home

Doug Adams – Westover Terrace – Resolutions not being addressed

Dean Weiss – Roseland, NJ – Leaf blower ord.

Ed Reichman – Moore Terrace – Leaf blower ord.
Joe Panullo – Essex Fells, NJ – We Care – West Essex Highlands – Leaf blower ord.
Zasah Khademi – Dawes Avenue – Leaf blower ord.
Sally Malanga – Ridge Road – Leaf blower ord.
Beverly Reilly – Lenox Terrace – Leaf blower ord.
Richard Leonardis – Pleasant Valley Way – Leaf blower ord.
Darren Nurse – Dartmouth Road – Budget
Robert Hoatson – Gaston Street – Audio in Council chambers
Erin Bollinger – Champagne Terrace, Montclair, NJ – Leaf blower ord.
Lawrence Cohen – Lincoln Avenue – Leaf blower ord., Budget, Goose control
Imelda Urias – Watson Avenue – Leaf blower ord.
Jessica Stolzberg – Fairfield Street, Montclair, NJ – Leaf blower ord.
Michael Giovine – Manger Road – Leaf blower ord.
Vincent Militiello – E. McClellan Avenue, Livingston – Leaf blower ord.

There was no one else who wished to be heard, and the public comment portion of the agenda was closed.

Bill List – Approved

At 10:03 p.m., Joseph Vena approached the Council President and asked if he could speak on Ordinance 2890-25 POP-UP Parties. He offered some edits to the ordinance that he wants the Council to consider.

At 10:07 p.m., on motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa, the meeting was adjourned.

All members present voting “Aye.”

The Minutes of this meeting are on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.


Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk


Joe Krakoviak
Council President

Adopted: March 11, 2025