

**A G E N D A**  
**Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Council**  
**Wednesday, March 8, 2023**  
**7:00 PM**

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT NOTICE**

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 FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**AWARDS & PROCLAMATIONS**

**APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL CHANGES**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Combined Meeting of February 8, 2023 AND Closed Session Meeting of February 8, 2023**

**MOTION:**

**SECOND:**

**ROLL CALL**

**Special Meeting of February 23, 2023**

**MOTION:**

**SECOND:**

**ROLL CALL**

**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  
Engineer – Neglia Group  
Fire Prevention  
Grantswriter - Bruno Associates  
Recreation Minutes  
Tax Collector

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Paris Square HOA Letter dated February 2, 2023  
Municipal Services Reimbursement Request  
(Resolution #2023-67)
2. County Open Space Grant Contract  
Veterans Park Dog Park - \$22,597  
(Resolution #2023-68)
3. Scott Loverich, Neglia Letter dated March 6, 2023  
Recommendation of Contract Award  
Borough Hall Entry Doors Grant (Resolution #2023-70)
4. Memorandum of Agreement-Chodae Church and School  
(Resolution #2023-71)
5. Northvale PBA Local 233 Agreement  
(Resolution #2023-72)

**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:**

**SECOND:**

**RESOLUTION #2023-65**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF A RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE YEAR 2023**

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the professional services of a Risk Management Consultant for the year 2023 to provide services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires **that** 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; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has reviewed all submissions received and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate Barsa Insurance Agency as Risk Management Consultant for 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Risk Management Consultant for the year 2023 is hereby designated as Barsa Insurance Agency at rates as set forth in the professional services agreement attached as Exhibit “A”; 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 2023 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 Risk Management Consultant’s Agreement for this appointment.

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**RESOLUTION #2023-66**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF AN IT CONSULTANT FOR THE YEAR 2023**

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed necessary for the Borough of Northvale to engage the services of a IT Consultant for the year 2023 to provide services for the proper operation of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, funds to pay for said service are available by way of budget and to compensate said IT Consultant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires **that** a resolution authorizing the appointment for these services must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough having previously advertised for submissions in response to a Request for Qualification for professional services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has reviewed all submissions received and determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to designate DART Computer Services Inc. as Borough IT Consultant for 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Borough IT Consultant for the year 2023 is hereby designated as DART Computer Services Inc. at rates as set forth in the agreement attached as Exhibit “A”; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into the services agreement for this appointment.

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**RESOLUTION #2023-67**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OFFER TO RESOLVE CLAIM FOR 2022 SERVICES AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT BY PARIS SQUARE HOMEOWNERS’ ASSOCIATION**

**WHEREAS**, on September 6, 2006, the Northvale Planning Board/Zoning Board (the “Board”) adopted Resolution 06-13, granting approval to Rio Vista Homes at Northvale, LLC (“Rio Vista” or “Developer”) to construct an 88 unit multi-family development called Rio Vista on the subject lots. Since 2006, nine (9) resolutions involving the Subject Property have been adopted, all of which are incorporated herein by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, dominion and control of the said housing development was transferred from the Developer, to a private homeowners association, known and referred to as the Paris Square Homeowners’ Association, Inc., (hereinafter 'Paris Square' or 'Association') or a similar name; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough previously resolved, on September 28, 2022, to reimburse the Association pursuant to the New Jersey Municipal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:67-23.3, et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough and the Association executed a settlement agreement on or about November 10, 2022 authorizing payment for services from 2014 through 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association has requested reimbursement for the identical services for calendar 2022, and the borough now seeks to authorize payment based upon similar cost structure, adjusted for the number of households receiving such services in 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon available information, the Borough’s per household cost for street lighting in the relevant time period is approximately:

2022-	\$42.57	x 79 eligible =	\$3,363.03
Street lighting total			\$3,363.03; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon available information, the Borough’s per household cost for snow removal in the relevant time period is approximately:

2022-	\$52.31	x 79 eligible =	\$4,132.49
Snow removal total			\$4,132.49; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough now seeks to resolve the claims by the Association for 2022, and to uphold and fulfill its responsibilities and obligations to all residents by providing essential services required by statute and case law, and other good cause appearing.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Borough Attorney is authorized to offer a settlement of all claims and issues for reimbursement advanced by Paris Square for calendar 2022, in an amount not to exceed a total of Seven Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Five and 52/100 (\$7,495.52.00) Dollars, consistent with the settlement agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer and/or his designee, and Municipal Clerk be and are hereby authorized to effectuate such payment from the general fund

payable from such account or accounts as the CFO may deem appropriate, subject to certification of available funds by the Chief Financial Officer, and execution of such other voucher or purchase order as may be necessary, in the usual course of business; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be sent immediately upon the entry hereof to the CFO, managing agent or counsel for the Association and all departments, vendors and agencies necessary to provide the required services.

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**RESOLUTION #2023-68**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF BERGEN FOR VETERANS PARK DOG PARK PROJECT: BAG DISPENSERS, FENCE GATE, BENCHES, FENCING**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale wish to enter into a Bergen County Trust Fund Project Contract (“Contract”) with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using a \$22,597.00 matching grant award from the 2022 Funding Round of the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) for the municipal park project entitled Veterans Park Dog Park, located in Block 801, Lot 19 on the tax maps of the Borough of Northvale; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council hereby acknowledge that, in general, the use of this Trust Fund grant towards this approved park project must be completed by or about December 14, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant will be disbursed to the municipality as a reimbursement upon submittal of certified Trust Fund payment and project completion documents and municipal vouchers, invoices, proofs of payment, and other such documents as may be required by the County in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant disbursement to the municipality will be equivalent to fifty (50) percent of the eligible construction costs incurred (not to exceed total grant award) applied towards only the approved park improvements identified in the aforesaid Contract in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements. Professional Services Costs may be reimbursed from grant award’s unexpended balance, should there be a balance.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize Mayor Joseph McGuire to be a signatory to the aforesaid Contract and to execute the contract.

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**RESOLUTION #2023-69**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF CHARLES J. AMOROSSO FROM THE NORTHVALE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Charles J. Amorosso has submitted a formal letter of resignation dated February 17, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale acknowledges receipt of said letter of resignation,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Borough of Northvale hereby accepts the resignation of Charles J. Amorosso from the Northvale Police Department.

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**RESOLUTION #2023-70**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION ACCEPTING LOWEST BID FOR BOROUGH HALL ENTRY DOORS**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale has solicited bids for a contract award for ADA Compliant Borough Hall entry doors; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale received four bids as follows:

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| <b>1. Innovational Construction &amp; Design, Inc.,</b> | <b>\$20,500.00</b> |
| <b>2. VMF Construction</b>                              | <b>\$24,500.00</b> |
| <b>3. BGD Contracting LLC</b>                           | <b>\$38,000.00</b> |
| <b>4. R.J. Michaels &amp; Co., Inc.</b>                 | <b>\$47,200.00</b> |

**WHEREAS**, the Bids were submitted pursuant to a solicitation package prepared by Acari + Iovino Architects dated February 17, 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, the lowest responsive bid is below the amount of the CDBG Grant in the amount of \$28,000.00,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Borough of Northvale hereby accepts the lowest bid from Innovational Construction and Design Inc., in the sum of \$20,500.00 and authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract for said purpose in the form substantially in conformance with the proposed contract.

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**RESOLUTION #2023-71**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE SECURITY TO CHODAE COMMUNITY CHURCH AND SCHOOL**

**WHEREAS**, the Chodae Church and School have requested that the Boroughs of Norwood and Northvale provide police security at its property at 100 Rockland Avenue, Norwood, New Jersey and 150 Railroad Avenue, Northvale, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale Police Chief has reviewed the proposal and recommends acceptance of the Memorandum of Agreement for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough agrees that it is in its best interests to enter into this memorandum of agreement,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a memorandum of agreement in substantially the same form as set forth.

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**RESOLUTION #2023-72**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A NEW AGREEMENT WITH NORTHVALE PBA LOCAL NO. 233**

**WHEREAS**, Borough of Northvale and the Northvale PBA Local 233 have negotiated a new five year Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement represents the culmination of those negotiations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale believes the Agreement is fair and reasonable and is in the best interests of the Borough.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Agreement.

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**RESOLUTION #2023-73**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION TO RESCIND PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE #0240-33-009-003**

**WHEREAS**, Plenary Retail Consumption License #0240-33-009-003 for Maxim Enterprises, LLC was approved on Resolution #2021-102 on June 9, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the licensee must petition a 12.39 release from the State for 2022/2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Plenary Retail Consumption License #0240-33-009-003 has been rescinded for the year 2022/2023.

**ROLL CALL**

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**RESOLUTION #2023-74**

**TITLE: PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**ORDINANCE – 1st READING**

**ORDINANCE #1062-2023**

**AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT AND FIX THE SALARIES OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

**MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS**

**BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT**

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT**

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

**ADJOURNMENT**