

A G E N D A
Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Council
Wednesday, May 10, 2023
7:00 PM

STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY

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

Mayor McGuire	Student Representative
Councilman Argiro	Santi Franco De La Matta
Councilman Hogan	Nver Bakalian
Council President McMorrow	Angelina Simpadian
Councilman Mattessich	Reilly McNamara
Councilman Menafra	Abigail Alam
Councilman Sokoloski	Liam Quilal-Lan
	Nate Choi

Borough Attorney Ferraro	Ray Bodnar
Borough Engineer Loverich	Cory Canlas
Municipal Clerk Weston	Isabel Mantiega

STUDENT OFFICIALS

Hannah Yun	Sean Park	Sharon Kim
Ryan Mathew	Maddie Villiard	Joshua Passmoor
Matthew Viteri	Abram Rodriguez	Giuliana Rivera
Brooke Astudillo	Hayden Rubino	
Leon Melnikov	Vivienne Leong	

Mayor McGuire suspends the order of business at this time to entertain the Public Hearing on the Borough's Open Space Application for Field Improvements at Hogan Park.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING
FIELD IMPROVEMENTS AT JOHN L. HOGAN MEMORIAL PARK
NEW YORK AVENUE

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC
CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

AWARDS & PROCLAMATIONS
EMT Members – Certificates of Appreciation

Approval of Block Party, June 24, 2023, rain date June 25, 2023 -requested by Andrew Durfee – Walnut Street close between Philadelphia and Legrand

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Combined Meeting of April 12, 2023 AND Closed Session Meeting of April 12, 2023

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. Neglia Group, Letter dated April 10, 2023
2023 Riverside Coop Road Program
(Resolution #2023-98)
2. Andrew Durfee Request dated May 1, 2023
Block Party June 24, rain date 6/25
Walnut Street between Philadelphia and Legrand

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 #2023-97

TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A 2023 BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“County Trust Fund”), provides matching grants to municipal governments and to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the development or redevelopment of outdoor municipal recreation facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale desires to further the public interest by obtaining a matching grant of approximately \$80,000.00 from the County Trust Fund to fund the improvement of the baseball and softball fields at Hogan Park; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale has reviewed the County Trust Fund Program Statement, and the Trust Fund Municipal Program Park Improvement application and instructions, and desires to make an application for such a matching grant and provide application information and furnish such documents as may be required; and,

WHEREAS, as part of the application process, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale held the required Public Hearing to receive public comments on the proposed park improvements in the application on May 10, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen shall determine whether the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the County Trust Fund; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the County Trust Fund in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the

County of Bergen for the above named project and ensure its completion on or about the project contract expiration date.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale:

1. That it is hereby authorized to submit the above completed project application to the County; and,
2. That, in the event of a County Trust Fund award that may be less than the grant amount requested above, the Mayor and Council has, or will secure, the balance of funding necessary to complete the project, or modify the project as necessary; and,
3. That the Mayor and Council is committed to providing a dollar-for-dollar cash match for the project; and,
4. That only those park improvements identified and approved in the project application, its Trust Fund contract, or other documentation will be considered eligible for reimbursement.
5. That the Mayor and Council agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and,
6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION #2023-98

TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR THE 2023 RIVERSIDE COOPERATIVE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, Northvale, acting as lead agency, administered the bid process for the 2023 Riverside Cooperative Road Improvement Project (the “Project”) on behalf of the Boroughs of Demarest, Dumont, Englewood Cliffs, Harrington Park, Hillsdale, New Milford, Northvale, and Tenafly, all municipalities located within the County of Bergen; and

WHEREAS, on April 4, 2023 sealed bids for the Project were received, opened and read aloud and the Project was subsequently awarded to D & L Paving Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$4,590,263.81; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale’s portion of the Project is \$600,501.00; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to pay its portion of the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the payment of \$600,501.00 for the Project.

RESOLUTION #2023-99

TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR RIVERSIDE COOPERATIVE TREE REMOVAL, TRIMMING AND STUMP GRINDING SERVICES AND FENCING MATERIALS AND INSTALLATION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 ET. SEQ. and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7 et seq., permits the creation of a cooperative pricing system whereby two or more contracting units join together to form a joint purchasing and cooperating pricing system; and

WHEREAS, the Riverside Cooperative was duly formed and created and has designated the Borough of Northvale as the Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Riverside Cooperative intends to solicit bids for the 2023 Tree Removal, Trimming and Stump Grinding Services AND Fencing Materials and Installation Services; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate of said goods and services is anticipated to exceed the current bid threshold and is therefore required to be bid under a formal process pursuant to Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 et. seq; and

WHEREAS, as the Lead Agency, the Borough of Northvale is responsible for advertising for the receipt of bids for the 2023 Tree Removal, Trimming and Stump Grinding Services and Fencing Materials and Installation Services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the Borough of Northvale does hereby authorize the Municipal Clerk to advertise for the receipt of bids for the 2023 Tree Removal, Trimming and Stump Grinding Services and Fencing Materials and Installation Services.

RESOLUTION #2023-100

TITLE: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AMENDING THE DATE OF RAFFLE LICENSE #236 FOR NORTHVALE FIRE ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the Northvale Fire Association applied and was approved for Raffle License #236 to be held on July 10, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Raffle License #236 is a raffle to win a leather helmet; and

WHEREAS, the Northvale Fire Association has submitted an application to amend the date of drawing to August 14, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the raffle license drawing date has been approved to be changed from July 10, 2023 to August 14, 2023.

RESOLUTION #2023-101

TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL OPEN BALANCES ON THE MOTHER LOT OF A SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, Block 911, Lot 8 was purchased by Eastern Allied Construction Corporation in early 2022 and subdivided into Lots 8.01 and 8.02 and new homes were constructed; and

WHEREAS, the Mother Lot no longer exist in the Tax Duplicate for Tax Year 2023; and

WHEREAS, Lots 8.01 and 8.02 were sold in November and December of 2022 and the Builder has paid all the taxes at the end of 2022 and the owners of the subdivided lots are paying Preliminary Tax on their new lots.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Tax Collector shall Cancel the Preliminary Tax Amounts on the Mother Lot Block 911 Lot 8 as listed below.

Block/Lot	Name/Address	Amount
911/8	Eastern Allied Construction 180 Railroad Avenue	5,153.96

RESOLUTION #2023-102

TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR NEGLIA GROUP – 2023 RIVERSIDE COOP ROAD PROGRAM – PROJECT NO. NOVLMUN23.012

WHEREAS, Neglia Group has prepared a scope of services for the 2023 Riverside Cooperative Road Program as per their letter dated April 10, 2023 as follows:

Construction Management Services (Phase I)	\$50,028.00
Material Basis (Phase II)	\$ 1,000.00

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies that the funds will be available not to exceed \$51,028.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the Proposal for Construction Management Services and Material Basis for Neglia Group.

RESOLUTION #2023-103

TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO RETURN ESCROW FOR JOANN VOSSLER, 153A SCHARER AVENUE, BLOCK 1001, LOT 10

WHEREAS, JoAnn Vossler was the owner of 153A Scharer Avenue, Block 1001, Lot 10; and

WHEREAS, the governing body approved Resolution #2022-100 from June 8, 2022 to purchase 153A Scharer Avenue, Block 1001, Lot 10 in the amount of \$80,000; and

WHEREAS, JoAnn Vossler had a balance of \$2,326.50 in her escrow account; and

WHEREAS, there are no objections to the return of escrow from the Borough Engineer and Building Department and there are no outstanding bills.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to return the remainder of escrow fees to JoAnn Vossler, 4684 Hurst Road, Altamont, New York 12009 for property located at 153A Scharer Avenue, Northvale, New Jersey 07647 in the amount of \$2,327.50 from escrow account number 17001.

RESOLUTION #2023-104

TITLE: RESOLUTION TO SHOW SUPPORT OF S3739/A5402 DELAYING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FOURTH ROUND OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

WHEREAS, S3739/A5402 would delay the implementation of the fourth round of affordable housing obligations, including present and prospective need and related litigation, until July 1, 2028; and

WHEREAS, extending the obligation to 2028 will present a clearer picture of how each of the towns fared in meeting their goals, and give all parties additional time to assess the efficacy and local impacts of the 3rd round agreements; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey’s Municipalities are still sorting out the ripple effects of COVID lockdowns on their tax bases and land use plans; and

WHEREAS, post COVID record inflation has driven construction, debt financing and service costs to levels that incentivize builders to overreach, demanding more residential units than the infrastructure of fully developed communities can safely and responsibly absorb; and

WHEREAS, working through the 3rd round obligations requires more time than had been allotted given the cascading effects of COVID; and

WHEREAS, municipalities should be allowed to work towards appropriately meeting the 3rd round commitments before adding yet another layer that public health safety & welfare, limited infrastructure, hyper-local environmental and infrastructure challenges and fiscal realities may show to be unrealistic; and

WHEREAS, an extension would also give the legislature and the Governor time to reestablish their proper roles in balancing the needs of all stakeholders in this process.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale hereby support S3739/A5402; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Murphy, to the members of the New Jersey Senate and Assembly and to the League of Municipalities.

RESOLUTION #2023-105

TITLE:

ROLL CALL

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC ON QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS ONLY

ORDINANCE – 2nd READING

ORDINANCE #1063-2023

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE RESURFACING OF VETERANS DRIVE (PHASE II) AND LEGRAND AVENUE (FROM VETERANS DRIVE TO THE DEAD END) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$567,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

MOTION:

SECOND:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Borough"), is hereby authorized to resurface Veterans Drive (Phase II) and Legrand Avenue (from Veterans Drive to the dead end) in, by and for the Borough. Said improvement shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 2. The sum of \$567,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvement described in Section 1 hereof. Said sum so appropriated shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the State grant appropriated by this ordinance. No down payment is required pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) because this ordinance involves a project to be funded by a State grant. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefitted.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the making of such improvement (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is not a current expense of the Borough, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law, and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$567,000, and (4) \$225,680 of said sum is to be provided by the State grant hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$341,320, and (6) the cost of said purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$81,000, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of said purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that the sum of \$225,680 received or to be received as a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of such purpose.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$341,320 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 6. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$341,320 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 7. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law, and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes and to issue said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance, and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of the Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$341,320 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 10. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or

any of its agencies in aid of said purpose (other than the State grant hereinbefore appropriated, which shall be applied to the cost of said purpose but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for said purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 11. The Borough intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 12. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 14. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON
ORDINANCE #1063-2023**

ROLL CALL

ORDINANCE #1064-2023

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$910,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

MOTION:

SECOND:

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said Borough, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down

payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Borough.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (3) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (4) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Undertaking of the 2023 Road Improvement Program at various locations, as set forth on a list prepared by the Borough Engineer and placed or to be placed on file with the Borough Clerk. Depending upon the contract price and other exigent circumstances, and upon approval by the Borough Council, there may be additions to or deletions from the aforesaid list. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$775,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 36,905
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$738,095
Period of Usefulness	10 years

B. Acquisition of a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of a dump truck for the use of the Department of Public Works.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 90,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 4,945
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 85,055
Period of Usefulness	5 years

C. Undertaking of various improvements to the Borough Hall Complex. It is hereby determined and stated that said complex being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 10,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 480
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 9,520
Period of Usefulness	15 years

D. Installation of security cameras at various parks.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 35,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,670
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 33,330
Period of Usefulness	10 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$910,000
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 44,000
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$866,000

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$75,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$44,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$44,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$866,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$866,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 9.56 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$866,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 14. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 15. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON
ORDINANCE #1064-2023**

ROLL CALL

ORDINANCE #1065-2023

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE
BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE**

MOTION:

SECOND:

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale wishes to establish an official Borough Seal to represent the pride and history of the Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1 The Borough Seal.

The Borough hereby adopts the following Borough seal which shall constitute the Borough's official seal. The image of the Borough seals shall be as set forth below:



SECTION II

All Ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION III

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication according to law.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #1065-2023

ROLL CALL

ORDINANCE #1066-2023

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES, AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

MOTION:

SECOND:

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The employees herein designated shall be paid up to the annual salaries as follows:

POSITION/TITLE	2023 SALARY
Mayor	6,203.00
Council Members	4,376.50
Borough Clerk, Bd. of Health Secretary, Registrar, DPW Secretary, Election and Safety Officer	87,050
Chief Financial Officer	41,000.00
Accounting Assistant	48,809.00
Qualified Purchasing Agent	6,000.00
Tax Collector/Payroll Clerk	76,035.00
Tax Assessor	23,063.00

Planning Zoning Secretary	5,000.00
Construction Code Official &UCC Bld. Subcode Official	23,063.00
Fire Sub-code Official	9,298.00
Electrical Sub-code Official	13,056.00
Plumbing & Mechanical Sub-code Official	11,762.00
Construction Code Technical Assistant	46,085.00
Code Compliance Officer	26,650.00
Code Compliance Secretary	2,012.00
Fire Prevention Officer	16,810.00
Fire Prevention Inspector	15,285.00
Fire Prevention Secretary	2,859
Magistrate	28,627.00
Acting Judge	250.00 per session
Court Administrator	32,070.00
Deputy Court Clerk / Violations Clerk	Up to 25.00 per hour
Recording Clerk	Up to 25.00 per hour
Municipal Court Attendant	75.00 per session
Municipal Prosecutor	\$13,307.00
Public Defender	5,569.00
Alternate Public Defender	150.00 per case
DPW Superintendent	134,100
Assistant DPW Superintendent	129,100
DPW Part-time / Seasonal Worker	13.00 – 15.00 per hour
Deputy Registrar	3,987.00
Pest Control Officer	4,271.00
Public / Special Events Coordinator	5,000.00
Recreation Director	5,000.00
Senior Center Director	45,651.00
Senior Center Assistant to the Director	Up to 18.00 per hour
Senior Center Bookkeeper	Up to 15.00 per hour
Senior Center Assistants	Up to 14.00 per hour
Senior Van Driver	Up to 20.50 per hour
Fire Department Engineer	1,700.00
Library Director	75,000.00
Youth Services Librarian (NJ Certified)	43,000.00
Senior Library Assistant	20.00 – 25.00 per hour
Library Assistant	14.00 – 19.00 per hour
Library Monitor / Page	Up to 13.00 per hour
Library Custodian	Up to 15.00 per hour

Section 2. The compensation of Special Police and School Crossing Guards shall be as follows:

School Crossing Guards - per hour \$ 23.85

Section 3. Time in excess of forty (40) hours per week for all full time employees is to be paid at the rate of time and one-half excluding all statutory appointments.

Section 4. All full time Borough employees and School Crossing Guards shall be paid bi-weekly, or as determined by resolution of the Mayor and Council.

Section 5. Sick leave policies for all employees other than D.P.W. Contract and Police Contract employees are in accordance with Administrative Rules, Regulations and Practices.

Section 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed.

Section 7. Salaries, wages and compensation herein set forth shall be retroactive to January 1, 2023.

Section 8. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after passage and publication according to law.

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS ON
ORDINANCE #1066-2023**

ROLL CALL

ORDINANCE #1067-2023

**AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES AND COMPENSATION OF DPW
CONTRACT EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE, COUNTY OF
BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY (Year 2 of 5-Year Contract – 2.50%)**

MOTION:

SECOND:

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
NORTHVALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:**

Section 1. The Department of Public Works Contract Employees shall consist of One Superintendent, and in the discretion of the Governing Body, there may be an Assistant Superintendent, Foremen and such other Department of Public Works employees as determined by the Governing Body.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SALARY SCHEDULE
EMPLOYEES HIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1995**

2023	2023
Less than 1 year of service	\$45,252.17
Beginning 2nd year of service	\$70,832.78
Beginning 3rd year of service	\$79,163.00
Beginning 4th year of service and thereafter	\$87,493.22
Working Foreman	\$9,668.36
C-2 License	\$735.44

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SALARY SCHEDULE
EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER JANUARY 1, 1995**

2023	2023
Less than 1 year of service	\$49,973.85
Beginning 2nd year of service	\$58,665.93
Beginning 3rd year of service	\$70,832.58
Beginning 4th year of service	\$79,163.01
Beginning 5th year of service	\$87,493.22
Working Foreman	\$9,668.36
C-2 License	\$735.44

All Employees, regardless of date of hire, in this bargaining unit shall receive a CDL stipend payable by separate check, before June 1 of the year in which it is due as follows:

Effective 1/1/23	\$2,300.00
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Section 2. In addition to the compensation set forth in Section 1, each full time employee of the Borough of Northvale shall receive longevity pay as follows:

EMPLOYEES HIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1995

- 2% of the base annual pay after 5 years of service
- 4% of the base annual pay after 9 years of service
- 6% of the base annual pay after 13 years of service
- 8% of the base annual pay after 17 years of service
- 10% of the base annual pay after 21 years of service

Longevity shall be paid in two installments with the 1st pay check in July and the 1st pay check in December of each year and it is not to exceed \$7,500.00 in any one year.

EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER JANUARY 1, 1995

Effective January 1, 1995, longevity pay will no longer be granted to any employees hired after January 1, 1995.

Section 3. The Superintendent of Public Works will designate a member of the Department each week to be available on a Saturday, Sunday or Holiday. Such time will be classified as “Stand By” time and shall be paid at the rate of \$215.00 per day.

Section 4. Each new and existing employee of the Department of Public Works shall receive \$2,000.00, effective January 1, 2022, for clothing allowance. Clothing allowance shall be paid by separate check in 2 (two) equal installments. The 1st (first) payment shall be in the 1st (first) pay period of each year and the 2nd (second) payment shall be during the 1st (first) pay period in July of each year.

Section 5. Time in excess of forty (40) hours per week for all full time employees is to be paid at the rate of time and one-half.

Section 6. All full time employees of the Department of Public Works shall be paid bi-weekly.

Section 7. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after passage and publication according to law.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE #1067-2023 ONLY

ROLL CALL

ADJOURNMENT OF STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY AGENDA

ORDINANCES – 1st READING

ORDINANCE #1069-2023

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REVISE CHAPTER 200 “ZONING” OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT

BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

DRAFT - SUBJECT TO CHANGE