

**ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649**

**REGULAR PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING**

**MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 20, 2002**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Public Business Meeting of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by President Feigenson.

**II. FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Mr. O'Connor.

**III. SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT**

The Sunshine Law Statement was read by Mr. Feigenson.

All requirements of the Open Public Business Meetings Law have been met for this meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Oradell. Notice of this meeting was filed with the Borough Clerk, posted in Borough Hall and the Oradell Free Public Library, faxed to the Town News, The Record and all persons requesting such notice on November 15, 2002.

**IV. MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission Statement was read by Mr. Gallow.

The Oradell Public School District, a safe and nurturing learning community dedicated to the ongoing pursuit of educational excellence, inspires life-long learning in its children through comprehensive, innovative curriculum and instruction designed to maximize student potential, develop responsible citizens, and promote respect for the uniqueness of all individuals.

Adopted by the Oradell Board of Education June 26, 2002

**V. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mr. Gallow, Mrs. LaForgia, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Walsh, Mrs. Norian, Mr. Feigenson

ABSENT: Mr. Julis, Mrs. Looram

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey S. Mohre, Superintendent, Mr. John Esposito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and approximately 20 members of the public.

## **VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

There were no comments made at this time from the public.

## **VII. MINUTES**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Public Work Session Meeting of Wednesday, October 9, 2002.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

Review of Minutes – October 30, 2002, Regular Public Business Meeting  
Review of Minutes – November 6, 2002, Public Work Session

There were no comments from Board Members on these Minutes.

## **VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

Mr. Mohre thanked all the parents who attended Monday's Parent's Visitation Day held in the school.

The Superintendent talked about a survey sent home to parents in the community seeking information regarding the number of children at home and their ages; these data will be used in projecting future enrollments in the school.

He then noted that the State would be monitoring Oradell tomorrow, Thursday, November 21. This review of the District includes an assessment of the school's curriculum and an evaluation of the facility.

Mr. Mohre stated that he would provide an update on the Strategic Plan at the December 18 meeting.

The Superintendent then provided an overview of the Long Range Facility Plan (LRFP), which is required to be completed by all school districts and submitted to the State Department of Education. He introduced Mr. Charles Koch of the architectural firm Seyffer and Sklar, who gave a presentation regarding Oradell's LRFP.

Following the presentation, members of the Board and the audience asked questions regarding the LRFP. Some of the topics discussed included:

- Definitions of key issues in the Plan
- How funding from the State is determined
- Time-line in the process for submitting the Plan
- Next steps for the Board once the Plan is accepted

Mr. Feigenson reported on a seminar he attended regarding the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB). He also noted that there is an all day session on School Construction being held December 7, and invited all Board members to attend.

## **IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION**

### **A. BI-BOROUGH - Mrs. LaForgia, Chairperson**

Mrs. LaForgia stated that the next Bi-Borough Committee Meeting will be scheduled for a date in January, 2003. Mr. Mohre noted that the Social Studies Curriculum is being developed with the River Edge School District this year.

### **B. BUILDING & GROUNDS - Mr. Walsh, Chairperson**

Mr. Walsh read aloud his summary of a committee meeting held with the Mayor and Council on November 18. He talked about several issues related to parking around the school.

Mr. Spadaccini asked about the water seeping in the Art Room and Mr. Esposito responded that he has already taken action to rectify this situation.

1. Use of School Facilities – It was moved by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, that the Board of Education approve the following request for use of school facilities:
  - a. Oradell Arts & Business Coalition's *WINTERFEST '03* – To be held February 7 through February 8, 2003, using the multi-purpose room, gymnasium and auditorium. All associated custodial overtime costs above and beyond \$250.00 to be paid for by the Oradell Arts & Business Coalition, Inc.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

### **C. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Norian, Chairperson**

Mrs. Norian suggested setting up a committee meeting. Mr. Mohre will get back to her with possible meeting dates. The Superintendent explained to the Board

why they had to pass the following resolution regarding the Multi Year Equity Plan.

1. Acceptance of 2001-2002 Multi Year Equity Plan Annual Review of Progress – It was moved by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the 2001-2002 Multi Year Equity Plan Annual Review of Progress.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by roll call vote with two abstentions (Mr. Gallow, Mr. O'Connor).**

D. FINANCE - Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson

Mr. Spadaccini scheduled a committee meeting for Wednesday, December 11 at 7:00 pm. The Board decided to hold a meeting at 8:00 pm on that date to discuss the LRFPP and its implications.

1. Monthly Certifications – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Walsh, that the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Moneys for the month end, October, 2002, be accepted as attached and, furthermore, that the Board certify that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3 that no major account or fund in the 2002/03 Budget has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6:A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

2. Payment of Invoices – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, that the invoices for the period of October 31, 2002 through November 20, 2002 be approved as follows:

Fund 11 ( <i>General Current Expense</i> )	\$476,345.28
Fund 12 ( <i>Capital Outlay</i> )	\$ .00
Fund 20 ( <i>Special Revenue Funds</i> )	\$ 6,792.11
Fund 40 ( <i>Debt Service Fund</i> )	\$389,054.92
Fund 55 ( <i>Milk</i> )	\$ .00
Fund 50 ( <i>Summer School</i> )	\$ .00
TOTAL	\$872,192.31

**ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

3. Transfer of Funds – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. O’Connor, that the Board approve the transfer of funds as set forth below:

**Meeting of November 20, 2002  
Transfer of Funds\***

#	From Account (Credit)	To Account (Debit)	Credit	Debit
1	11-190-100-640-00-0213	11-000-261-420-00-0607	\$3,698.60	\$3,698.60
2	11-190-100-640-00-0212	11-000-262-100-00-0614	\$3,132.49	\$3,132.49
3	11-190-100-640-00-0204	11-000-270-514-00-0502	\$2,040.73	\$2,040.73
4	11-190-100-640-00-0204	11-000-262-420-00-0607	\$1,430.00	\$1,430.00
5	11-190-100-640-00-0213	11-000-230-610-00-0104	\$1,283.26	\$1,283.26
6	11-000-223-110-00-0214	11-000-262-100-00-0614	\$751.10	\$751.10
7	11-190-100-640-00-0204	11-000-290-340-00-0100	\$650.00	\$650.00
8	11-190-100-640-00-0213	11-000-230-610-00-0112	\$605.59	\$605.59
9	11-190-100-640-00-0213	11-000-213-890-00-0302	\$275.00	\$275.00
10	11-190-100-640-00-0213	11-000-219-600-00-0202	\$243.56	\$243.56
11	11-190-100-640-00-0213	11-000-219-104-00-0222	\$112.50	\$112.50
12	11-190-100-640-00-0213	11-000-219-890-00-0202	\$90.00	\$90.00
13	11-190-100-640-00-0204	11-213-100-101-00-0222	\$80.00	\$80.00
14	11-190-100-640-00-0204	11-120-100-101-00-0220	\$15.00	\$15.00
15	11-190-100-640-00-0204	11-000-262-800-00-0607	\$11.76	\$11.76
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$14,419.59</b>	<b>\$14,419.59</b>

**\* Transaction Date For Above Transfers October 31, 2002**

**ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

**E. PERSONNEL - Mr. Julis, Chairperson**

1. Retroactive Approval of Movement on the Teacher Salary Guide – It was moved by Mr. Gallow, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve movement on the guide for the 2002/03 school year, retroactively to September, 2002 for Carolyn Baldino, part-time (.5) technology teacher, from BA 15/Step 2 to MA 15/Step 2. Effective September 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, at the annual salary of \$36,109.00\* as set forth on the Oradell Education Association’s 2001/02 Teacher’s Salary Guide, to be paid in equal semi-monthly installments. (Original appointment on 8/29/02 agenda)

**\*Until a contract agreement is ratified for the 2002/03 school year by the Oradell Board of Education and the Oradell Education Association, annual salaries shall be the same as the 2001/02 school year with the increment Step based on the 2001/02 salary guide.**

## **ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

2. Resignation of Part-time World Language Teacher – It was moved by Mr. Gallow, seconded by Mrs. LaForgia, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accept with regret, the resignation of Jacqueline Caffrey, effective at the end of the school day on Friday, December 20, 2002.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

F. POLICY – Mr. Gallow, Chairperson

No report was given.

G. PUBLIC RELATIONS - Mrs. Looram, Chairperson

In the absence of Mrs. Looram, it was noted that a meeting is scheduled for December 5 at 7:30 pm.

## **X. OLD BUSINESS**

The Board reviewed the Action Item List and asked Mr. Esposito to remove Item #2, regarding school financing.

Mrs. LaForgia asked about the NJ Coalition, disposable cameras for the school and the trimester report card.

Mr. Esposito provided an update on his search for a company to give us quotes on screens for the school.

## **XI. NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Walsh asked for a copy of the survey that was sent out to parents. Mr. Mohre stated that he would be sending Mr. Walsh a copy in the forthcoming Board Packet.

**XII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

One attendee asked about the design of the survey. Another inquired about the next steps for the Board regarding the LRFP. The Board is to discuss this issue at a meeting to be held December 11 at 8:00 pm.

**XIII. CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mrs. LaForgia, that the Board adjourn to Closed Session at 10:50 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

**WHEREAS**, a matter to be considered by the Board of Education deals with personnel, negotiations and/or possible litigation, and

**WHEREAS**, public disclosure of this matter may be prejudicial to the public good,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this matter be considered in a meeting closed to the public; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Minutes of this meeting be sealed until the matter is resolved.


**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

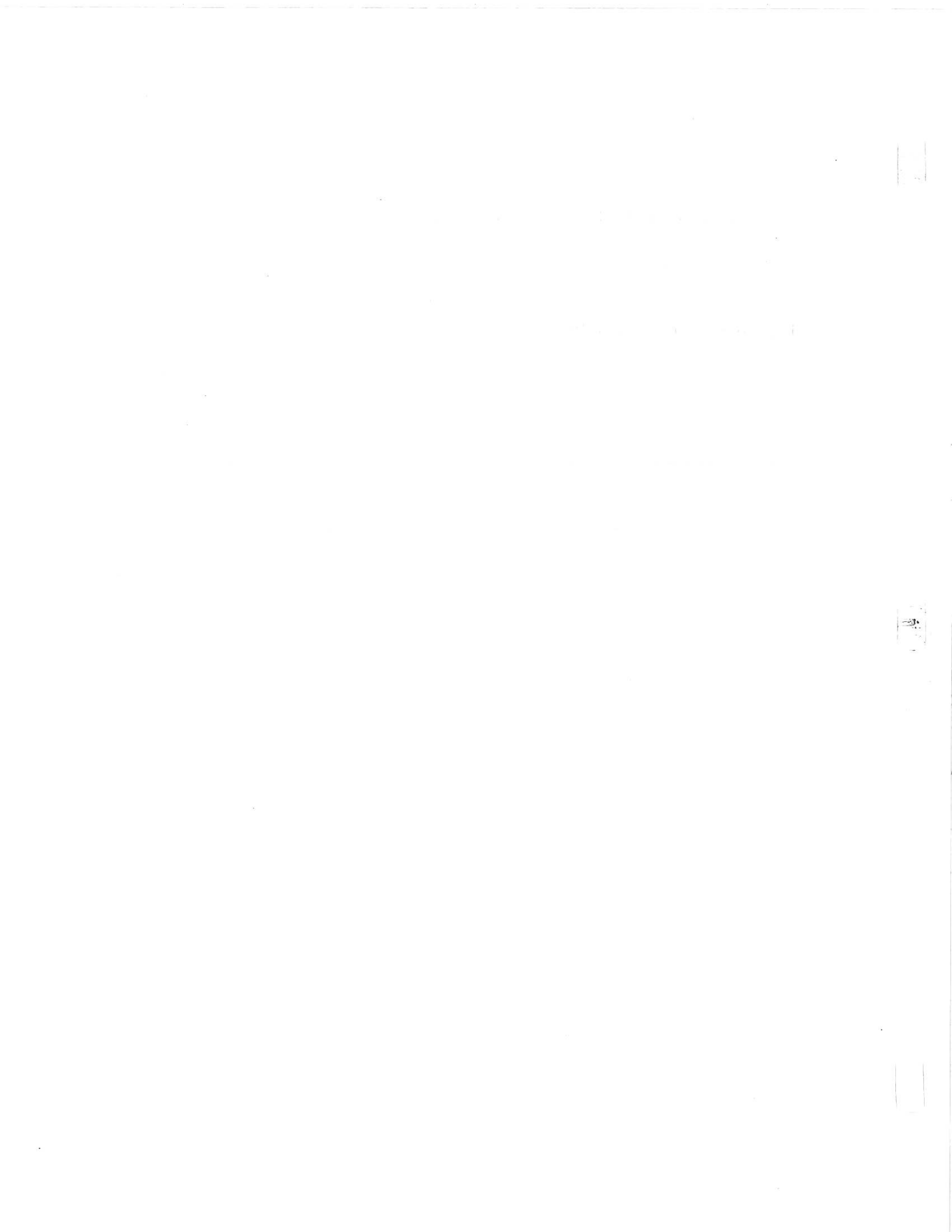
It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, that the Closed Session of the meeting be adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

Respectfully submitted,

  
John Esposito  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary





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**CLOSED SESSION OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING  
NOVEMBER 20, 2002**

**MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Closed Session of the Regular Public Business Meeting of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 11:00 p.m. by President Feigenson.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mr. Gallow, Mrs. LaForgia, Mr. Walsh, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Walsh Mrs. Norian, Mr. Feigenson

**ABSENT:** Mr. Julis, Mrs. Loram

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey S. Mohre, Superintendent and Mr. John Esposito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

**WHEREAS**, a matter to be considered by the Board of Education deals with personnel, negotiations and/or possible litigation, and

**WHEREAS**, public disclosure of this matter may be prejudicial to the public good,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this matter be considered in a meeting closed to the public; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Minutes of this meeting be sealed until the matter is resolved.

Mr. Feigenson provided an overview of the negotiations meeting. He discussed the prescription alternatives and salary issues.

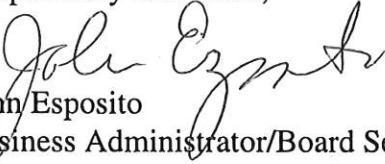
**III. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, that the Closed Session of the meeting be adjourned at 11:40 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

**Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.**

Respectfully submitted,

  
John Esposito  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary