

August 24, 2015

An Executive Session meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Newton was held on the above date at 8:10 pm. Present were Mrs. Becker, Deputy Mayor Diglio, Mayor Flynn, Mr. Levante, Mr. Elvidge and Town Manager, Thomas S. Russo, Jr. Also present were Michael S. Richards, Police Chief, Debra Millikin, Deputy Town Manager, and Ursual H. Leo, Esq., Legal Counsel.

Mayor Flynn made the following declaration that "in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this Special meeting was given to the two newspapers of record and posted on the official bulletin board on December 31, 2014."

The following Resolution was read which authorized the Town Council to enter into Executive Session.

RESOLUTION # 151-2015

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Newton is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specific purposes when authorized by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town Council of the Town of Newton to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b and designated below:

- (1) Tactics and Techniques Utilized In Public Safety

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Newton, assembled in public session on August 24, 2015, that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on August 24, 2015, at 8:10PM in the Town of Newton Municipal Building, 39 Trinity Street, Newton, NJ, for the discussion of matters relating to the specific item designated above.

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Town Council that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

TACTICS AND TECHNIQUES UTILIZED IN PUBLIC SAFETY

The Governing Body expressed their concerns on the public's perception of the lack of safety in the Town of Newton to Chief Richards. Chief Richards responded to many of their concerns. After a lengthy discussion, the Town Council invited Chief Richards to come back and to continue this dialogue in the future. Mayor Flynn, and the entire Council thanked Chief Richards for his work and the efforts of his department to keep Newton safe.

Upon motion of Mr. Elvidge, seconded by Mrs. Becker and carried, Council left Executive Session at 10:10 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,



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