

# **Princeton NJ**

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## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

**Tuesday, June 17, 2025**

**3:30 PM**

**Virtual Meeting**

### **Mayor and Council Closed Session**

## I. STATEMENT CONCERNING NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act and State regulations governing public meetings, including the time, date and location of the meeting and clear and concise instructions to the public for accessing the meeting and making comments. In addition, the agenda and all related materials were posted electronically and made available to the public on Princeton's meeting portal in advance of the meeting.

## II. ROLL CALL

**Staff Present:** Bernard Hvozdovic, Administrator; Deanna Stockton, Deputy Administrator/Municipal Engineer; Trishka Cecil, Municipal Attorney; Robert Merryman, Labor Attorney, Appruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy; and Steve Mlenak, Redevelopment Attorney, Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP

**Present** Brian McDonald, Michelle Pirone Lambros, David Cohen, Mia Sacks, Leticia Fraga, Leighton Newlin, and Mark Freda

## III. CLOSED SESSION

1. Resolution of the Mayor and Council of Princeton to Enter Closed Session (Open Public Meetings Act Sec.3)

**RESULT:** ADOPTED  
**MOVER:** Leticia Fraga  
**SECONDER:** Leighton Newlin

**Aye:** McDonald, Cohen, Fraga, and Newlin

**Absent:** Pirone Lambros, and Sacks

### - Contract Negotiations- PBA

Bernard Hvozdovic, Administrator, provided a brief overview of the discussion to Council.

Robert Merryman, Labor Attorney from Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy, gave an update on the status of the contract negotiations with the PBA and presented their counteroffer to Council for discussion and guidance on how to proceed.

Councilwoman Michelle Pirone Lambros requested additional statistical data for their next meeting on the topic.

Councilwoman Leticia Fraga and Robert Merryman, Labor Attorney, left the meeting at 4:45 p.m. Deanna Stockton, Deputy Administrator/Municipal Engineer, joined the meeting at the same time.

### - Contract Negotiations Concerning the Westminster Conservatory

Steve Mlenak, Redevelopment Attorney from Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis, LLP, joined the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Council President Mia Sacks provided an update on the status of contract negotiations concerning the Westminster Conservatory and sought guidance from Council on how they wish to proceed with the negotiations.

Mr. Mlenak then provided legal guidance on next steps.

**- Friends of Herrontown Woods Lease Agreement (Veblen House)**

Topic was moved up on the agenda to be discussed after the PBA discussion.

Trishka Cecil, Municipal Attorney, reviewed the Friends of Herrontown Woods lease agreement with Council and provided legal advice on the recommended course of action. Council then held discussion on their options and sought guidance from Ms. Cecil, as needed.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to close the Closed Session portion to return to Open Session was made by Councilman David Cohen, seconded by Councilwoman Michelle Pirone Lambros, and carried unanimously by all members present. Then a motion to adjourn at 5:26 p.m. was made by Councilman David Cohen, seconded by Councilwoman Michelle Pirone Lambros, and carried unanimously by all members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn M. Mount