

THE JANUARY 23, 2008 REGULAR/WORKSHOP TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD, CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:35 PM BY THE MAYOR, ROEDER D. HALBERT.

NOTICE OF TIME AND DATE FOR THIS MEETING APPEARED IN RESOLUTION #2008-6 DATED JANUARY 5, 2008 WHICH WAS SENT TO THE RECORD BREEZE AND COURIER-POST NEWSPAPERS AS A LEGAL NOTICE. ALSO COPIES OF RESOLUTION #2008-6 WERE SENT TO THE RECORD BREEZE, COURIER-POST AND INQUIRER NEWSPAPERS, AND A COPY IS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW".

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

OPENING PRAYER:

ROLL CALL:

Committeeman Clark - Present

Committeeman Hamilton - Present

Committeewoman Merlino - Present

Committeeman Richardson - Present

Mayor Halbert - Present

ALSO PRESENT:

Virginia L. Chandler, Township Clerk - Present

John P. Maroccia, Township Solicitor - Present

RESOLUTION:

Resolution #2008-58

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND INSTRUCTING THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF WATERFORD TOWNSHIP TO REHIRE MICHAEL ARMOR AND DANIEL CHIUMENTO AS POLICE OFFICERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD.

Moved by Merlino, 2nd by Hamilton to adopt Resolution #2008-58.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Abstain

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - Abstain

Mayor Halbert - Yes

PRESENTATIONS:

Presentation by the Waterford Township Environmental Commission regarding the Trail Head Grant.

EMERGENCY ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA: (None Submitted)

MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting December 12, 2007
2. Regular Meeting Closed Session December 12, 2007

Moved by Clark, 2nd by Richardson to approve the minutes items #1 & #2.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes
Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
Committeewoman Merlino - Yes
Committeeman Richardson - Yes
Mayor Halbert - Abstain

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES: (None Submitted)

FINANCIAL REPORTS: (December 2007)

- a. Clerk Report: \$4,927.95
- b. Construction Official Report: \$12,526.00
- c. Court Report: \$34,192.98
- d. Tax Collector Report - Tax Report: \$266,176.87
- e. Tax Collector Report - Redemption Report: \$10,858.80
- f. Tax Collector Report - Utility Report: \$12,538.31
- g. Treasurer Report: \$5,082,180.70

Moved by Richardson, 2nd by Hamilton to accept the above Financial Reports as submitted.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes
Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
Committeewoman Merlino - Yes
Committeeman Richardson - Yes
Mayor Halbert - Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING: (FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Karen Chiumento noted her appreciation for the rehire of Daniel Chiumento and Michael Armor as police officers.

Mike Miller, State PBA noted his appreciation for the rehire of Daniel Chiumento and Michael Armor as police officers.

Richard Lalli, Maple Avenue congratulated Daniel Chiumento and Michael Armor regarding their rehire as police officers. He noted his displeasure with the parties that prosecuted the Police Officers. He noted the back pay and the legal fees for the officers need to be addressed.

Jay Radano, Green Meadow Drive noted his displeasure with the parties that prosecuted the Police Officers.

Eugene Barraro, Beachwood Drive voiced concerns about the proposed Trail Head noting there is a problem with children/teenagers having fires in that area in the evening.

MAYOR CLOSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

APPLICATIONS:

a. Tattoo and Body Piercing License Applications:

1. Back Stage Tattoos
2. The Ink Station

b. Coin Operated Amusement Devices License Applications:

1. Racks Bar & Grille

Moved by Merlino, 2nd by Hamilton to approve the above license applications items a & b.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Mayor Halbert - Yes

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Request from the Waterford Township Athletic Association for the Year 2008 as follows:

- a. Hold their monthly meetings at the Township Municipal Building.
- b. Hold their baseball and softball registrations at the Township Municipal Building.
- c. Use the Township Recreational Complexes for their games.

Moved by Clark, 2nd by Richardson to approve the above requests from the Waterford Township Athletic Association for the Year 2008 with the stipulation they keep their insurance current naming the Township as additional insured.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Mayor Halbert - Yes

OLD BUSINESS: (None Submitted)

NEW BUSINESS:

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES: (None Submitted)

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #2008-59

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED BY CAPE CUMBERLAND CONSTRUCTION, INC.

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Merlino to adopt Resolution #2008-59.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes
Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
Committeewoman Merlino - Yes
Committeeman Richardson - Yes
Mayor Halbert - Yes

Resolution #2008-60

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED BY THE WATERFORD CATHOLIC MEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Clark to adopt Resolution #2008-60.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes
Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
Committeewoman Merlino - Yes
Committeeman Richardson - Yes
Mayor Halbert - Yes

Resolution #2008-61

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD RECORDS COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIVISION OF ARCHIVES AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT PARIS GRANT PROGRAM - WATERFORD TOWNSHIP PARIS GRANT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN.

Moved by Richardson, 2nd by Merlino to adopt Resolution #2008-61.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes
Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
Committeewoman Merlino - Yes
Committeeman Richardson - Yes
Mayor Halbert - Yes

Resolution #2008-62

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD AND THE TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW FOR THE PURPOSES OF POLICE VEHICLES SPEEDOMETER CALIBRATIONS.

Moved by Merlino, 2nd by Clark to adopt Resolution #2008-62.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Mayor Halbert - Yes

Resolution #2008-63

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING RECIPIENTS FOR THE CAMDEN COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING CAMDEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT REGARDING BLOCK 2421, LOT 2.

Moved by Clark, 2nd by Merlino to adopt Resolution #2008-63.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Mayor Halbert - Yes

Resolution #2008-64

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO TEMPORARILY SIGN PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE PURCHASING AGENT UNTIL THE HIRE OF A NEW PURCHASING AGENT.

Moved by Richardson, 2nd by Merlino to adopt Resolution #2008-64.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Mayor Halbert - Yes

Resolution #2008-65

RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAWRENCE RUOCCO TOWNSHIP COORDINATOR FOR THE TERM FEBRUARY 4, 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008.

Moved by Merlino, 2nd by Hamilton to adopt Resolution #2008-65.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - No

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - No

Mayor Halbert - Yes

Resolution #2008-66

RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAWRENCE RUOCCO TOWNSHIP PURCHASING AGENT FOR THE TERM FEBRUARY 4, 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008.

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Merlino to adopt Resolution #2008-66.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Abstain
 Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
 Committeewoman Merlino - Yes
 Committeeman Richardson - No
 Mayor Halbert - Yes

Resolution #2008-67

RESOLUTION APPOINTING VIRGINIA CHANDLER TOWNSHIP ASSISTANT PURCHASING AGENT FOR THE TERM FEBRUARY 4, 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008.

Moved by Clark, 2nd by Richardson to adopt Resolution #2008-67.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes
 Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
 Committeewoman Merlino - Yes
 Committeeman Richardson - Yes
 Mayor Halbert - Yes

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

a.	Current Fund Bill List 2007.	TOTAL	\$64,136.63
b.	Current Fund Bill List 2008.	TOTAL	\$1,202,991.93
c.	Capital Fund Bill List 2008.	TOTAL	\$13,928.49
d.	Utility Fund Bill List 2007.	TOTAL	\$10,550.44
e.	Utility Fund Bill List 2008.	TOTAL	\$3,925.39
f.	Utility Capital Fund Bill List 2008.	TOTAL	\$680.00
g.	Trust Fund Bill List 2008.	TOTAL	\$1,151.07
h.	State Grant Fund Bill List 2007.	TOTAL	\$3,352.20
i.	State Grant Fund Bill List 2008.	TOTAL	\$386.30
j.	Planning Board Escrow Bill List.	TOTAL	\$9,612.56

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Richardson to approve and pay the above bills as submitted if documentation is present and when funds are available.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes
 Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
 Committeewoman Merlino - Yes
 Committeeman Richardson - Yes
 Mayor Halbert - Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING:

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Richard Lalli, Maple Avenue noted tax concerns regarding the back pay to the police officers and suggested the pay back be spread out over two or three years.

Ron Passarella, Almira Avenue noted his welcome to the newly elected Township Committee. He voiced his approval of the newly appointed Township Solicitor. He voiced his opposition to Grump's Towing being issued a towing license.

Tim Richardson, Bellevue Avenue thanked Dan Cormaney, Lenny Thackston and the Police Department for their assistance regarding a problem.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

CLOSED SESSION: (8:25 PM)

Resolution # 2008-68

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

LITIGATIONS MATTERS REGARDING: TAX APPEAL MATTER AND TOWING LICENSE MATTER

Moved by Merlino, 2nd by Hamilton to adopt Resolution #2008-68.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Clark - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Mayor Halbert - Yes

RECONVENE: (8:50PM)

Mayor Reconvene Meeting:

ROLL CALL:

Committeeman Clark - Present

Committeeman Hamilton - Present

Committeewoman Merlino - Present

Committeeman Richardson - Present

Mayor Halbert - Present

RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION STATEMENT: (NO FINAL ACTION TAKEN)

ISSUES FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE:

Thank you to the Mayor for including all in appointment process of Township Coordinator.

Budget Meetings set for Thursday, February 21, 2008 and Thursday, February 28, 2008 at 7:30 PM.

Property Revaluation needed within the next two years per mandate.

Petitions for Direct Election of Mayor.

Congratulate Larry Ruocco the newly appointed Township Coordinator.

Welcome back Police Officers Daniel Chiumento and Michael Armor.

Looking forward to upcoming Township Celebrations.

Received authorization to move mechanics back into Public Works Building.

Speed Limit sign for Genessee Avenue is ordered.

Working on leaves to be picked up before bad weather.

Drainage problems on Cedar Avenue and Central Avenue are being researched.

JIF Liability Seminar \$250.00 credit per Elected Official for attendance on January 29, 2008.

CLOSING PRAYER:

ADJOURNMENT: (9:00PM)

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Clark to adjourn.

ALL IN FAVOR:

Committeeman Clark - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeewoman Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Mayor Halbert - Yes

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Virginia L. Chandler, RMC
Township Clerk