

THE FEBRUARY 25, 2009 REGULAR/WORKSHOP TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD, CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 PM BY THE MAYOR, MARYANN MERLINO.

NOTICE OF TIME AND DATE FOR THIS MEETING APPEARED IN RESOLUTION #2009-6 DATED JANUARY 4, 2009 WHICH WAS SENT TO THE RECORD BREEZE AND COURIER-POST NEWSPAPERS AS A LEGAL NOTICE. ALSO, COPIES OF RESOLUTION #2009-6 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".

OPENING PRAYER:

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

ROLL CALL:

Committeeman Condo - Present

Committeewoman Finnerty - Present

Committeeman Halbert - Present

Committeeman Hamilton - Present

Mayor Merlino - Present

ALSO PRESENT:

Virginia L. Chandler, Township Clerk - Present

Lawrence C. Ruocco, Township Administrator - Present

John P. Maroccia, Township Solicitor - Present

PRESENTATIONS: (None Submitted)

CLOSED SESSION: (AS NEEDED) (None Submitted)

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

MINUTES:

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| 1. Reorganization Meeting | January 4, 2009 | (On Hold) |
| 2. Budget Workshop Meeting | January 17, 2009 | |
| 3. Regular/Workshop Meeting | January 28, 2009 | |
| 4. Regular/Workshop Meeting Closed Session | January 28, 2009 | |

Moved by Halbert, 2nd by Hamilton to approve the minutes items #2, #3 and #4.

Poll Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

Adoption of Ordinance #2009-1

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #2007-20 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND WAGES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008.

NOTATION: CONTRACTUAL SALARY FOR THE CHIEF OF POLICE

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.

MAYOR CLOSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Halbert to adopt Ordinance #2009-1.

Poll Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

Adoption of Ordinance #2009-2

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #2008-14 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND WAGES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2009.

NOTATION: CONTRACTUAL SALARY FOR THE CHIEF OF POLICE
DELETE SOLICITOR FROM SALARY ORDINANCE
DELETE COORDINATOR FROM SALARY ORDINANCE
ADD ADMINISTRATOR TO SALARY ORDINANCE

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.

MAYOR CLOSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Moved by Halbert, 2nd by Finnerty to adopt Ordinance #2009-2.

Poll Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

FINANCIAL REPORTS: (Collections for January 2009)

a. Clerk Report:	TOTAL	\$1,868.72
b. Construction Official Report:	TOTAL	\$2,698.00
c. Court Report:	TOTAL	\$21,084.36
d. Tax Collector Report - Tax Report:	TOTAL	\$1,494,649.67
e. Tax Collector Report - Redemption Report:	TOTAL	\$803.94
f. Tax Collector Report - Utility Report:	TOTAL	\$125,848.95
g. Treasurer Report:	TOTAL	\$3,717,226.23

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Halbert to accept the above Financial Reports as submitted.

Voice Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

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

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Bill Richardson, Bellevue Avenue noted in the past the school would have charged the Township for the use of the school for the Summer Recreation Program if the Township charged a fee to attend the program.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

APPLICATIONS:

- a. Retail Food License Applications: (New-Change of Ownership)
 - 1. Little Dom's Pizza

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Finnerty to approve item a. under applications.

Voice Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

COMMUNICATIONS: (None Submitted)

DISCUSSIONS:

Susan Wainwright-Danson explained the proposal for the Summer Recreation Program.

1. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM TO BE EXTENDED AND TO HAVE FEES CHARGED IN COORDINATION WITH THE PROGRAM.

Resolve: Added to Agenda as Resolution #2009-89.

2. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECREATION COMMITTEE TO DECREASE THE FEES FROM \$75.00 PER DAY TO \$25.00 PER DAY FOR RECREATION FIELD USE FOR TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS.

Resolve: Added to Agenda as Resolution #2009-90.

3. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECREATION COMMITTEE TO CHARGE \$75.00 PER DAY FOR RECREATION FIELD USAGE BY NON-WATERFORD TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS.

Resolve: Added to Agenda as Resolution #2009-91.

4. REQUEST FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION TO NAME THE TRAIL HEAD PARK BEING CREATED AT THE BURNT MILL RECREATION CENTER BE NAMED AFTER MARILYN BEARD TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE "MARILYN BEARD TRAILHEAD" IN HER HONOR.

Resolve: Added to Agenda as Resolution #2009-92.

5. APPOINTMENT OF A LICENSED WATER OPERATOR AS BACK UP WATER OPERATOR WHEN THE TOWNSHIP WATER OPERATOR IS ON VACATION. QUOTES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

Victor Pangia explained matter.

Resolve: Ralph Condo will research matter.

6. SEWAGE PUMP STATION #1 - MAJOR CLOG ON JANUARY 16, 2009 - SOLUTIONS THAT WOULD AVOID THIS TYPE OF PROBLEM IN THE FUTURE.

Victor Pangia explained matter.

Resolve: Direct ERI to check with prior engineer for a report, survey or recommendation for maintenance in the past.

7. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AFFORDABLE PAVING CONTRACTORS, INC. TO PERFORM AN EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF THE WEST GENNESSEE AVENUE CULVERT.

Victor Pangia explained matter.

Resolve: Added to agenda as Resolution #2009-94.

8. PROPOSED RESOLUTION DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF DETERMINING THE APPROPRIATE RATES FOR THE WATER SEWER UTILITY.

Victor Pangia explained.

Resolve: Added to Agenda as Resolution #2009-93.

9. PROPOSED INCREASE IN TOWNSHIP ZONING FEES.

Brian Kraus explain matter.

Resolve: Inform the public at the next meeting that the Township will be raising the fees and give the public a chance to comment prior to raising the fees.

10. PROPOSED JOINT FIREWORKS DISPLAY FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY RECEIVED FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW.

Resolve: Further research to establish the cost.

11. PROJECT DESCRIPTION FORM FOR (CDBG) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR PROGRAM YEAR XXXI (2009-2010).

Resolve: Recommendations to be provided at the next meeting.

12. PROPOSED ORDINANCE DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING WHICH APPOINTED OFFICIALS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PROGRAM.

Resolve: John Maroccia to further research matter.

13. RECREATION COMMITTEE ISSUES - RESPONSE FROM JOHN MAROCCIA.

Pamela Finnerty explained the need for fencing at the Recreation Complexes and possible ways of acquiring the needed funding by soliciting for fees from sponsors. John Maroccia noted that some Towns bid for naming rights of their recreation fields to bring in funding.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion on the Township's Safety Deposit Box at the Susquehanna Bank.

2. Loudon Fire Company: Discussion on the possibility of the Loudon Fire Hall becoming a Community Center. Also, about financial aid that may be available to do a feasibility study regarding other buildings in the Township. The possibility of sewer for the Loudon Fire Company Building rather than putting in a new septic system. Carl Lange noted the Township could use the building and property for the residents and the property is now being used as a Soccer Field. He requested the Township put a new roof on the Loudon Fire Company Administration Building. He noted the Loudon Fire Company still needs a new septic system. It was noted that the recreational fields can not be used without authorization.

3. Discussion on the drainage problem at the EMS Building located on A Avenue and the White Horse Pike and the drainage problem at the Atco Fence Company on B Avenue and the White Horse Pike. A quote to be requested from ERI to evaluate the problem and send a recommendation letter to the State of New Jersey regarding the hazardous condition.

4. Environmental Commission request regarding the Litter Ordinance: The Township Solicitor to prepare an ordinance to raise all fees for littering in the Township.

NEW BUSINESS:**RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution #2009-79

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD TO SELL VARIOUS SURPLUS PROPERTY THROUGH GOV DEALS INTERNET AUCTIONEERING SERVICES THROUGH STATE CONTRACT NUMBER 70967.

Resolution #2009-80

RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION FOR THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT TO HOLD COIN DROPS ON SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009 AND SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2009 FROM 9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM ON THE WHITE HORSE PIKE AT ATCO AVENUE.

Resolution #2009-81

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOUTH JERSEY ENDURO RIDERS TO USE SECTIONS OF WHARTON STATE FOREST WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD ON MARCH 29, 2009 FOR THEIR ANNUAL CURLY FERN ENDURO.

Resolution #2009-82

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THAT A QUALIFIED FIRM HAS BEEN RETAINED BY THE APPLICANT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES.

NOTATION: NEW PROJECT LOAN - ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS EXPANSION AND SALT STORAGE BUILDING.

Resolution #2009-83

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A LOAN FROM THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM.

NOTATION: NEW PROJECT LOAN - ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS EXPANSION AND SALT STORAGE BUILDING.

Resolution #2009-84

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THAT THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER BE AUTHORIZED TO ACT AS AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF WATERFORD TOWNSHIP.

NOTATION: NEW PROJECT LOAN - ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS EXPANSION AND SALT STORAGE BUILDING.

Resolution #2009-85

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THAT A QUALIFIED FIRM HAS BEEN RETAINED BY THE APPLICANT FOR LEGAL SERVICES.

NOTATION: NEW PROJECT LOAN - ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS EXPANSION AND SALT STORAGE BUILDING.

Resolution #2009-86

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION TO CLOSE VARIOUS STREETS FOR THEIR BASEBALL/SOFTBALL OPENING DAY PARADE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2009 WITH THE RAIN DATE SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2009.

Resolution #2009-87

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CERTIFIED TAX COLLECTOR TO HOLD A TAX SALE ON MAY 13, 2009 BEGINNING AT 1:00 PM IN THE COURT ROOM OF THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

Resolution #2009-88

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND POSTED BY OCEAN EXCAVATING, INC. FOR THE COOPER ROAD SIDEWALK AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

Resolution #2009-89

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AFFORDABLE PAVING CONTRACTORS, INC. TO PERFORM AN EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF THE WEST GENNESSEE AVENUE CULVERT.

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Condo to adopt Resolution #2009-79 through Resolution #2009-94.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Condo - Yes

Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes

Committeeman Halbert – Yes (Except Abstain on Resolution #2009-81)

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

(None Submitted)

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

a.	Current Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$345,667.31
b.	Utility Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$20,840.67
c.	Municipal Alliance Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$1,600.00
d.	State Grant Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$6,417.10

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

Voice Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING:

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Carl Lange, Raritan Avenue spoke about the need for a roof on the Loudon Fire Hall Administration Building.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

ISSUES FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE:

1. Board of Education Meeting on March 18, 2009 with the School Board Budget to be Introduced.
2. Township Department Head Budget Meetings ongoing with a 10% cut requested for all departments. At the conclusion of the Department Meetings, the Budget Meetings will be set.
3. Thank you to everyone for their patience this evening with the agenda items.

CLOSED SESSION: (AS NEEDED)

CLOSING PRAYER:

ADJOURNMENT: (9:30 PM)

Moved by Halbert, 2nd by Hamilton to adjourn.

ALL IN FAVOR:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Virginia L. Chandler, RMC
Township Clerk

