

THE JULY 22, 2009 REGULAR/WORKSHOP TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD, CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:35 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:

- 1. Regular Meeting June 10, 2009
- 2. Regular/Workshop Meeting June 24, 2009
- 3. Regular/Workshop meeting Closed Session June 24, 2009

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Halbert to approve the minutes items #1, #2 & #3.

Poll Vote:

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

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES: (None Submitted)

FINANCIAL REPORTS: (Collections for June 2009)

a. Clerk Report:	TOTAL	\$8,518.67
b. Construction Official Report:	TOTAL	\$11,898.00
c. Court Report:	TOTAL	\$20,389.84
d. Tax Collector Report - Tax Report:	TOTAL	\$231,549.85
e. Tax Collector Report - Redemption Report:	TOTAL	\$96,466.05
f. Tax Collector Report - Utility Report:	TOTAL	\$12,346.86
g. Treasurer Report:	TOTAL	\$2,992,238.34

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:

Dave Thomas, Waterford Township War Memorial Committee requested permission from the Township to place a Gold Star Mother’s Moment on Block 18, Lot 4.01.

Brenda Ihorn, Rolling Thunder requested permission from the Township to place a Gold Star Mother’s Moment on Block 18, Lot 4.01.

Al Campbell, American Legion noted it should be researched to establish the ownership of the property on Block 18, Lot 4.01.

Jay Woldorf, Conrad Avenue requested permission to remove soil from his property generated by the irrigation pond he is digging. Mr. Woldorf agreed to fence the perimeter of his property not just around the irrigation pond.

Ron Passarella, Almira Avenue noted Jay Woldorf can not be required to fence in his irrigation pond.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

APPLICATIONS:

- a. Tattooing and Body Piercing License Applications:
 - 1. Back Stage Tattoos
 - 2. The Ink Station

b. New Jersey State Firemen's Association Membership Applications:

1. Jullien R. Molock

c. Raffle License Applications:

1. Assumption Church RA-483
2. Waterford Township War Memorial Committee RA-484

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

Voice Vote:

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. WATERFORD TOWNSHIP CIVIC AND EVENTS ASSOCIATION: Requested to hold their Annual Concert in the Park sponsored by the Camden County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Waterford Township Civic and Events Association on June 17, 2009. They provided an Insurance Certificate naming the Township as additional insured and a Hold Harmless Agreement. The Mayor and Township Committee authorized this request at the May 13, 2009 Township Committee Meeting. Due to the weather on June 17, 2009 the event was postponed. A new date has been set for August 20, 2009.

Notation: The Hold Harmless Agreement has been provided and the Insurance Certificate has been received for the date of August 20, 2009.

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Condo to approve the request from the Waterford Township Civic and Events Association for the new date of Thursday, August 20, 2009.

Voice Vote:

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

2. GYPSY MOTH EGG MASS SURVEY: Letter from the State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture informing the Township that defoliation caused by the Gypsy Moth has been detected in Waterford Township.

Moved by Finnerty, 2nd by Halbert to authorize the Township Clerk to complete the application received from the State of New Jersey and request a Gypsy Moth Egg Mass Survey.

Voice Vote:

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

DISCUSSION:**1. REQUEST FROM JAY WOLDORF REGARDING THE IRRIGATION POND HE IS DIGGING:**

The property is located at 1672 Conrad Avenue. He is requesting permission to continue digging a Irrigation Pond on his farm and to remove the soil to another Pinelands Community where the soil will be used for agriculture or horticulture related uses.

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Finnerty to place a resolution on the next meeting agenda to support the request of Jay Woldorf with the resolution to include that Jay Woldorf agreed to fence the perimeter (noting it was not a requirement) of his property on which the irrigation pond is located pursuant to the discussion this evening on this matter.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Condo - Yes

Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes

Committeeman Halbert - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

Jay Woldorf, Conrad Avenue noted he did not want to agree to put up a fence, but would consider putting up a fence.

John Maroccia noted the resolution will not include any condition on the fence issue as he can not be required to fence in the irrigation pond.

2. REQUEST FROM THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP WAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE: To place a Gold Star Mother's Monument on Township Property Block 18, Lot 4.01 located by the American Legion on Atco Avenue.

Voice Vote:

Moved by Finnerty, 2nd by Hamilton to authorize the War Memorial Committee to place the Gold Star Mothers Monument on the Township Property Block 18, Lot 4.01 contingent upon the property being owned by the Township.

Committeeman Condo - Yes

Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes

Committeeman Halbert - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

3. UPDATE OF MASTER PLAN:

Mayor and Township Committee all agreed to move forward providing the CFO, Steve Miller identify where the funding will come from for the update of the Master Plan.

4. COUNCIL ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING (COAH): Proposal from Environmental Resolutions, Inc. for the preparation of additional documentation to be submitted to the Council on Affordable Housing.

Mayor and Township committee all agreed to request Barbara Fegley from Environmental Resolutions, Inc. attend a meeting to provide information regarding this matter.

OLD BUSINESS:

GRASS CLIPPING ISSUE: General discussion regarding adequate notice to the public.

Resolution #2009-197

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CAMDEN COUNTY AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR CUT AND LEAVE AND AUTHORIZING THE DISCONTINUATION OF THE PICKUP OF GRASS CLIPPINGS BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD.
(EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2009)

Moved by Halbert, 2nd by Hamilton to adopt Resolution #2009-197.

Moved by Halbert, 2nd by Hamilton to amend the motion to include the effective date of September 1, 2009 for the start of the cut and leave policy for grass clippings.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Condo - Abstain

Committeewoman Finnerty - Abstain

Committeeman Halbert - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Finnerty requested the pot holes along the MS Bike Tour be fixed prior to the tour.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #2009-193

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSUMPTION CHURCH/ASSUMPTION SCHOOL TO CLOSE CARL HASSELHAN DRIVE ON AUGUST 15, 2009 FOR THEIR ANNUAL FEAST DAY CELEBRATION AND CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE.

Resolution #2009-194

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TERMINATION OF THE SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM SITE SUPERVISOR.

Resolution #2009-195

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF THE SUMMER PROGRAM ASSISTANT SITE SUPERVISOR TO THE POSITION OF SUMMER PROGRAM SITE SUPERVISOR.

Resolution #2009-196

RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAWRENCE C. RUOCCO AS MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD PURSUANT TO THE COAH REQUIREMENT.

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Finnerty to adopt Resolution #2009-193 through Resolution #2009-196.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Condo - Yes

Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes

Committeeman Halbert - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

Resolution #2009-197 (Adopted Under Old Business)

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES: (None Submitted)

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

a.	Current Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$208,122.00
b.	Utility Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$15,014.99
c.	Dog Fund/Animal Control Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$257.00
d.	Municipal Alliance Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$58.25
e.	Payroll Disbursements Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$4,328.57
f.	State Grant Bill List.	TOTAL	\$10,460.60

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:

Al Campbell, Linden Avenue requested the Township look into the ownership of the property where the War Memorial Committee requested to place the Gold Star Mother’s Moment. He voiced his approval of how the Township Committee handles the discussion items on the agenda. He voiced his concerns about the Gypsy Moth problem in the Township. He noted he appreciates working with the Township.

Bob Di Clementi, Maple Avenue noted where the War Memorial Committee wants to place the Gold Star Mother’s Monument should be preserved for the veterans.

Ron Passarella, Almira Avenue inquired about the irrigation pond issue.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

ISSUES FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE:

Committeeman Condo questioned who directs the Township Professionals to perform duties.

Happy Summer to All.

Thank you to Betty Richardson and Tim Richardson for assisting in stuffing the tax bill envelopes.

CLOSED SESSION: (AS NEEDED) (None Submitted)

CLOSING PRAYER:

ADJOURNMENT: (9:00 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