

THE MARCH 28, 2012 REGULAR/WORKSHOP TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD, CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:32 PM BY THE MAYOR, MARYANN MERLINO.

NOTICE OF TIME AND DATE FOR THIS MEETING APPEARED IN RESOLUTION #2012-7 DATED JANUARY 5, 2012. THIS NOTICE WAS SENT TO THE RECORD BREEZE AND COURIER-POST NEWSPAPERS AS A LEGAL NOTICE AND SUNSHINE NOTICE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW". IT IS ALSO POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG:**

**ROLL CALL:**

- Committeeman Richardson - Present
- Committeeman Hurley - Present
- Committeeman Hamilton - Present
- Committeeman Critelli - Present
- Mayor Merlino - Present

**PROFESSIONALS:**

- Virginia L. Chandler, Township Clerk - Present
- Lawrence C. Ruocco, Township Administrator - Present
- John P. Maroccia, Township Solicitor - Present
- Debra L. Shaw-Blemings, Deputy Township Clerk - 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. Regular Meeting                         | February 8, 2012  |
| 2. Regular/Workshop Meeting                | February 22, 2012 |
| 3. Regular/Workshop Meeting Closed Session | February 22, 2012 |

Moved by Richardson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hurley to approve the above minutes items 1, 2, & 3.

Poll Vote:

- Committeeman Richardson - Yes
- Committeeman Hurley - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Committeeman Critelli - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:** (SECOND/FINAL READING) (None Submitted)

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

a. Clerk Report: (February 2012)	TOTAL	\$2,570.71
b. Construction Official Report: (February 2102)	TOTAL	\$20,170.00
c. Court Report: (February 2012)	TOTAL	\$28,114.56
d. Tax Collector Report - Tax Report: (February 2012)	TOTAL	\$3,032,149.22
e. Tax Collector Report - Redemption Report: (February 2012)	TOTAL	\$59.78
f. Tax Collector Report - Utility Report: (February 2012)	TOTAL	\$95,979.49
g. Treasurer Report: (January 2012)	TOTAL	\$2,654,113.21
h. Treasurer Report: (February 2012)	TOTAL	\$4,987,619.99

Moved by Critelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to accept the above Financial Reports as submitted.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

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

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

John Howarth, Anthony Road apologized for using the word corruption in the past regarding Pay to Play. He voiced his concern about Honda Day at the Atco Raceway. He inquired about the hiring of the position of Code Enforcement Officer. He voiced his approval of a Play to Pay Ordinance to eliminate political contributions. He inquired about the towing issue. He voiced his support of the Summer Recreation Program noting his concern that the school would not be unavailable for the summer Program.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

**APPLICATIONS:**

a. Coin Operated Amusement Devices:

1. Rack's Bar & Grille

b. Kennel License Application:

1. Atco Care Alot Kennels

Moved by Hurley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to approve the above applications.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Report of Bond Anticipation Note Sale held on March 20, 2012 submitted by the Township Chief Financial Officer.

Moved by Critelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to accept the above report as submitted.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

**DISCUSSION:**

1. Facility Use Policy for Field Use Fees Resident Versus Non-Resident.

A policy was set for the fees to be charged for field use as follows:

If 55% of the players are Waterford Township Residents the fee will be \$25.00 per use.

If only 45% of the players are from Waterford Township the fee will be \$75.00 per use.

2. Agenda E-Mailing Documentation in Lieu of Printed Copies.

All Township Committee agree to paperless agenda including agenda items.

3. Sewer Grinder for Pump Station #1.

Environmental Resolutions Inc. (ERI) are holding the pump grinder plans, they are also holding the tax maps due to a dispute regarding the bills for these items. The Township and ERI will meet to review the bills submitted by ERI after the meeting it will be decided on how to move forward with the matter.

4. Summer Recreation Program Matter.

Susan Danson explained the School Board will be moving forward with the roof project this summer therefore the Waterford Elementary School will not be available this summer for the program. The other schools are not large enough to accommodate the large amount of children.

All Township Committee agreed the Summer Program will not be held this year due to the unavailability of the Waterford Elementary School.

5. Pay to Play Matter.

All agreed to amend the Township Pay to Play Ordinance fashioned after the Medford Township Ordinance and the Borough of Chesilhurst Ordinance.

6. Towing Matter.

Chief Knoll and Lieutenant Cormaney explained the Towing Ordinance and the issues relating to the towers.

Robert Passarella, Jr. explained his concerns.

James Gatto explained his concerns.

The Township Solicitor to review the Towing Ordinance including the spin off issue that was discussed.

7. Pestletown Roadway Project.

The issue of Adams, Rehmann & Heggan (ARH) continuing the project versus Consulting & Municipal Engineers (CME) completing the project was discussed. It was noted there is a dead tree that is an issue with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) further research is needed.

8. Environmental Resolutions, Inc. (ERI) Billing Issue.

On hold until the outcome of a meeting between Environmental Resolutions Inc. (ERI) and the Township regarding the bills in dispute.

9. EMS Budget Allotment.

Bettyanne Gardner, EMS Chief inquired about what items would be included in the proposed budget allotment. The Finance Department is working on a list of items to be considered for the proposed budget allotment.

10. Waiving of Construction & Zoning Fees for Non-Profit Organizations:  
(Churches, Schools and all other Organizations)

Edward Toussaint explained the matter regarding the waiving of fees.

All Township Committee agreed that fees under \$100.00 to be waived and fees over \$100.00 will not be waived for churches and non-profit organizations with the school to pay 20% of the fee. Edward Toussaint to send a letter to all that are effected to inform them of this decision.

11. Removal of the Grass on the Infield on the 90' Field at the Ritter Recreation Complex.

All Township Committee agreed to remove the grass if funds are available for the infield mix.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Reconsideration of fees on Facility Use Application from Chill Navy Fast Pitch for use of Ritter Field on Sundays from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM through July 2012.

Stipulation they submit an Insurance Certificate naming the Township as additional insured.

Notation: Application approved by the Recreation Committee on March 13, 2012. Application approved by Township Committee on March 14, 2012 with the Use Fee set at \$75.00 per use and Escrow Deposit of \$200.00.

Moved by Richardson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hurley to reconsideration the Chill Navy Pitch field use fees.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - \$25.00

Committeeman Hurley - \$25.00

Committeeman Hamilton - \$25.00

Committeeman Critelli - \$75.00

Mayor Merlino - \$75.00

Reconsideration passed with the fee to be \$25.00 per use for this time only as the policy was not in place prior to this evening regarding the percentage of in town residents.

**FACILITY USE APPLICATIONS:**

1. Atco Men's Softball - Sunday Games

Moved by Hurley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to approve the approve request with the stipulation they submit an Insurance Certificate naming the Township as additional insured.

(Approved by the Recreation Committee on March 27, 2012)

Escrow Deposit: \$200.00

Fees Per Use: \$25.00

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

2. Softball Team Sponsored by Devlins (Sextons) Sunday Games

Moved by Hurley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to approve the approve request with the stipulation they submit an Insurance Certificate naming the Township as additional insured.

(Approved by the Recreation Committee on March 27, 2012)

Escrow Deposit: None

Fees Per Use: None

In lieu of payment Sextons Equipment to provide the services of their boom truck for replacement of light bulbs at the recreation complexes.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

**NEW BUSINESS:** (INCLUDES RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES)

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution #2012-106

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (JANUARY 1, 2011 THRU DECEMBER 31, 2011).

Resolution #2012-107

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMERICAN LAWN IRRIGATION INC. TO PROVIDE IRRIGATION SYSTEM MAINTENANCE TO VARIOUS RECREATION FIELDS AND PARKS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD.

Resolution #2012-108

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS.

Resolution #2012-109

RESOLUTION APPOINTING BRIAN KRAUS AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD FOR THE TERM APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012.

Resolution #2012-110

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP EMS SQUAD TO HOLD COIN DROPS ON SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2012 AND SUNDAY APRIL 15, 2012 AT THE INTERSECTION OF JACKSON ROAD AND COOPER ROAD.

Resolution #2012-111

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT TO HOLD A COIN DROP ON SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2012 AT THE INTERSECTION OF WHITE HORSE PIKE AND ATCO AVENUE.

Resolution #2012-112

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD TO DISBURSE THE FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY THE TOWNSHIP FROM THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP TRI-CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE TO THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,422.53.

Resolution #2012-113

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WATERFORD TOWNSHIP ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION TO CLOSE VARIOUS STREETS FOR THEIR BASEBALL/SOFTBALL OPENING DAY PARADE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2012 RAIN DATE SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2012.

Moved by Critelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to adopt Resolution #2012-106 through Resolution #2012-113.

Amended Motion by Critelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to include Resolution #2012-114.

Resolution #2012-114

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY AND ADJOINING PROPERTY ANDERSON AVENUE – BLOCK 43.01, LOT 3 TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2012 AT 10:00 AM.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes (Except no on Resolution #2012-109)

Committeeman Hurley - Yes (Except no on Resolution #2012-109)

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:** (FIRST READING)

Introduction of Ordinance #2012-7

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #2009-8 CHANGING THE RATES FOR SANITARY SEWER AND WATER SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD.

Moved by Critelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hurley to approve to advertise for hearing on April 11, 2012.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

Committeeman Richardson noted that the increase in fees will effect four member of the Township Committee.

Introduction of Ordinance #2012-8

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 176 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD CAPTIONED "LAND USE". (FEES)

Moved by Hurley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamilton to approve to advertise for hearing on April 25, 2012.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

a.	Current Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$161,836.98
b.	Capital Fund Bill List.		\$4,375.00
			\$48,000.00
		TOTAL	\$52,375.00
c.	Utility Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$10,398.94
d.	Utility Capital Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$4,055.00
e.	Animal Control Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$275.00
f.	Adopt-A-Cop/Municipal Alliance Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$960.00
g.	CDBG Appropriations Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$2,071.10
h.	Police Outside Services Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$16,420.00
i.	State Grant Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$7,698.50

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

Amended Motion by Critelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richardson to add \$48,000.00 to the Capital Fund Bill List for the bill submitted by John Gibson.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

**PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING:**

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Thomas Giangliulo, Planning Board Chairman inquired about the status of the proposal prepared by Adams, Rehmann & Heggan for the Planning Board regarding the Waterford Township School Board Referendum.

All Township Committee agreed to not move forward on the proposal and let the School Board handle the matter.

Robert Thurston, Condo Avenue inquired about why the Public Works Manager, Mike Micklasavage uses a Township Vehicle for transportation back and forth to work.

Al Beck, Oakwood Lane inquired about the funding for the repair to the Waterford Elementary School Roof voicing his concern regarding property taxes.

Ralph Condo, Condo Avenue noted the Township School Board received an over \$800,000.00 refund from the Hammonton School Board and they are receiving \$400,000.00 in State Aid questioning why the Township School Board still needs funds for the repair for the Waterford Elementary School Roof.

John Howarth, Anthony Road voiced his concerns about property taxes regarding the repair for the Waterford Elementary School. He noted his approval that the Township Pay to Play Ordinance is scheduled to be revised. He noted the 20% construction permit fees the school will be required to pay will still effect the taxes on way or another. He voiced his concerns about Honda Day at the Atco Raceway especially since it is baseball opening day.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

**ISSUES FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE:**

Camden County Trails Grant 2012 - Atco Lake Properties owned by Camden County.

The Township has received notification from the State of New Jersey that the Township will receive \$190,000.00 in State Aid for the "A" Avenue and "B" Avenue Drainage Project.

Thank you to everyone regarding the Saint Baldericks Event.

There is information on the Social Media that is incorrect.

The meeting tonight was a good meeting.

Thank you to the Police Department for concessions to assist with the budget matter.

Happy Easter to everyone.

Larry Ruocco noted he will not be attending the April 11, 2012 Township Committee Meeting as he will be on vacation.

**CLOSED SESSION: (AS NEEDED)** (None Submitted)

**ADJOURNMENT:** (10:00)

Moved by Richardson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hurley to adjourn.

ALL IN FAVOR:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

RESPECTIFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Virginia L. Chandler, RMC  
Township Clerk