

THE SEPTEMBER 26, 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
David C. Patterson, Esquire 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:

1. Regular Meeting August 8, 2012

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Hurley to approve the above minutes item #1.

Poll Vote:

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

2. Regular Meeting Closed Session Towing Operator Licenses August 8, 2012

Moved by Critelli, 2nd by Hurley to approve the above minutes item #2.

Poll Vote:

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

3. Regular Meeting Closed Session McNally Litigation August 8, 2012

Moved by Critelli, 2nd by Richardson to approve the above minutes item #3.

Poll Vote:

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

4. Regular/Workshop Meeting August 22, 2012

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Hurley to approve the above minutes item #4.

Poll Vote:

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

5. Regular/Workshop Meeting Closed Session August 22, 2012

Moved by Richardson, 2nd by Hurley to approve the above minutes item #5.

Poll Vote:

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

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES: (SECOND/FINAL READING)

Adoption of Ordinance #2012-16

ORDINANCE TO RELEASE, VACATE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL PUBLIC RIGHTS IN AND TO A PORTION OF OAK STREET, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

John Howarth, Anthony Road inquired about Ordinance #2012-16.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Richardson to adopt Ordinance #2012-16.

Poll Vote:

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

Adoption of Ordinance #2012-17

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2004-12 CAPTIONED AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RULES, REGULATIONS AND RATES GOVERNING APPLICATION FOR SANITARY SEWER AND WATER SERVICE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD”.

TESTIMONY ON THE REVISIONS:

David Patterson, Township Solicitor sworn in Virginia Chandler, Township Clerk and Stephen Miller, Township Chief Finance Officer.

Virginia Chandler and Stephen Miller gave testimony with David Patterson providing the questions:

(See attached testimony compiled by Deputy Township Clerk, Debra L. Shaw-Blemings)

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 Critelli to adopt Ordinance #2012-17.

Poll Vote:

- Committeeman Richardson - No
- Committeeman Hurley - No
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Committeeman Critelli - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

FINANCIAL REPORTS: (Reports for August)

a. Clerk Report:	TOTAL	\$1,130.01
b. Construction Official Report:	TOTAL	\$22,274.00
c. Court Report:	TOTAL	\$24,205.04
d. Tax Collector Report - Tax Report:	TOTAL	\$5,678,683.87
e. Tax Collector Report - Redemption Report:	TOTAL	\$1,440.51

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Establishment of Trick or Treat Hours for Halloween as follows:

Date: Wednesday, October 31, 2012

Time: 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Moved by Hurley, 2nd by Richardson to approve the Halloween Trick or Treat Hours.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

DISCUSSIONS:

1. Public Water Shut Off Policy:

Anita Wilson, Township Tax Collector and Water and Sewer Rent Collector explained the proposed shut off policy.

All Township Committee agreed to approve the shut off policy.

2. Waterford Township Fire Department Banquet - Purchase Order:

Moved by Richardson, 2nd by Hurley to approve the Purchase Order authorizing the banquet expenditure.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

3. War Memorial Committee Request for Donation:

Moved by Critelli, 2nd by Hamilton to approve the donation of \$250.00 to the War Memorial Committee for their 5th Annual Fall Festival and authorize they make 1100 photo copies at Town Hall for the event.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino – Yes

4. Diesel Retrofit Law Electric Work for Equipment Hook-Up:

The Solicitor to research the law requirement and the CFO to verify funds.

5. Flooding to Properties at 337 & 341 Front Street. (Addressed Under #6)

6. Flooding and Drainage Issues.

All Township Committee agreed to authorize the Township Administrator to request an estimate from the Township Engineer for a Township wide research and proposal for drainage issues.

7. Loudon Athletic Field:

All Township Committee agreed the Loudon Athletic Field needs to be restored to playing condition then a lease agreement would be considered between the Township and Loudon if the WTAA and Loudon could not work out an agreement.

8. Economic Development Committee Final Recommendation of the Haines Boulevard Redevelopment Area:

Committeeman Hamilton read a letter from the Township Economic Development Committee to the Township Committee regarding the Haines Boulevard Redevelopment Area. Debra Shaw Blemings reported on the matter. All Township Committee agreed for a letter to be forwarded to the State NJEDA under the signatures of the Mayor and the Chairperson of the EDC stating the intent to "not proceed" with marketing the development in order to receive the \$25,000.00 grant funding.

9. Meeting with School Board: (Not on Best Practices List for Year 2012)

All Township Committee agreed to schedule two Special Meetings with the School Board next year at the Township Reorganization Meeting.

10. State of New Jersey Department of Transportation State Aid Program:

All Township Committee agreed to apply for sidewalks along the White Horse Pike and to apply for the streets in the worst condition.

11. Burnt Mill Road Parking:

All Township Committee agreed to request the Chief of Police submit a plan regarding the remediation of the parking issue at the Burnt Mill Recreation Complex on Burnt Mill Road.

OLD BUSINESS: (None Submitted)

NEW BUSINESS: (INCLUDES RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES)

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #2012-221

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE FOR DEVLINS IRISH PUB LLC FOR THE LICENSE TERM 2012/2013.

Resolution #2012-222

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF TIFFANY LINDSAY FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 4, 2012.

Resolution #2012-223

RESOLUTION APPOINTING ANDREW LIEPE AS BACKUP LICENSED WATER AND SEWER OPERATOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD FOR THE TERM OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012.

Resolution #2012-224

RESOLUTION APPOINTING DOUGLAS YOUNG AS THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) PERSON FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD AND AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF HOURS FOR THE TERM OCTOBER 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012.

Resolution #2012-225

RESOLUTION APPOINTING EDWARD TOUSSAINT AS BUILDING SUBCODE OFFICIAL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD FOR THE TERM DECEMBER 1, 2012 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2016.

Resolution #2012-226 (FAILED)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION, ADVERTISEMENT AND RECEIPT OF BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE CDBG PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS TO ATCO AVENUE.

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Hurley to adopt Resolution #2012-221 through Resolution #2012-225. (Resolution #2012-226 FAILED to be adopted)

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES: (FIRST READING)

Introduction of Ordinance #2012-18

ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 257 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD "TOWING".

Moved by Hurley, 2nd by Richardson to advertise Ordinance #2012-18 for hearing on October 24, 2012.

Poll Vote:

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

a.	Current Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$159,055.63
b.	Utility Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$13,394.33
c.	Utility Capital Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$2,553.33
d.	State Grant Bill List.	TOTAL	\$7,156.84
e.	Planning Board Escrow Bill List.	TOTAL	\$1,748.48

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

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:

David Smith, Front Street thanked the Township Committee for authorizing the Township Engineer to research drainage issues and requested to be informed of the findings.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

ISSUES FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE:

Moved by Richardson, 2nd by Hurley to authorize the purchase of infield mix for the 90 foot field at the Ritter Recreation Complex in the approximate amount of \$2,587.00 to be purchased out of the Recreation Trust Fund where funds have been confirmed by the CFO and authorize the Purchasing Agent to request quotes for the project with volunteers to provide the labor for the project.

Voice Vote:

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

CLOSED SESSION: (AS NEEDED)

CLOSED SESSION: (9:40 PM)

Resolution # 2012-227

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

Discuss Collective Bargaining Agreement - Police Contract

Moved by Critelli, 2nd by Hurley to adopt Resolution #2012-227.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

MAYOR RECONVENE MEETING: (9:52 PM)

ROLL CALL:

Committeeman Richardson - Present

Committeeman Hurley - Present

Committeeman Hamilton - Present

Committeeman Critelli - Present

Mayor Merlino - Present

RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION STATEMENT: Discussion on Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Moved by Critelli, 2nd by Hurley to appoint Township Administrator, Lawrence Ruocco and Committeeman William Richardson as negotiating committee for the Police Contract.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

ADJOURNMENT: (9:57 PM)

Moved by Richardson, 2nd by Critelli to adjourn.

ALL IN FAVOR:

Committeeman Richardson - Yes

Committeeman Hurley - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Committeeman Critelli - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

ATTACHMENTS:

Testimony by Virginia Chandler and Stephen Miller on Ordinance #2012-17 regarding Sanitary Sewer and Water Service with David Patterson providing the questions.

Testimony compiled by Deputy Township Clerk, Debra L. Shaw-Blemings.

Respectfully Submitted:
Virginia L. Chandler, RMC
Township Clerk