

**TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

MARCH 8, 2017

REGULAR MEETING

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THE MARCH 8, 2017 REGULAR TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM BY THE MAYOR, WILLIAM A. RICHARDSON, JR.

MAYOR RICHARDSON ANNOUNCED THAT NOTICE OF TIME AND DATE FOR THIS MEETING APPEARED IN RESOLUTION #2017-7 DATED JANUARY 2, 2017. THIS NOTICE WAS SENT TO THE COURIER-POST, CENTRAL RECORD AND HAMMONTON GAZETTE 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.

MAYOR RICHARDSON REQUESTED TO PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES TO ALLEVIATE DISRUPTION OF THE MEETING.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

OPENING PRAYER:

The Opening Prayer was led by Committeeman Ferguson.

ROLL CALL:

Committeeman Campbell - Absent
Committeeman Ferguson - Present
Committeeman Giangiulio - Present
Committeewoman Sura - Present
Mayor Richardson - Present

PROFESSIONALS:

Susan E. Danson, Township Administrator - Present
David C. Patterson, Esquire Township Solicitor - Present
Lori Friddell, Township Clerk - Present
Dawn Liedtka, Deputy Township Clerk - Present
Chris Rehmann, PE, PP, Township Engineer, ARH Associates - Present

PRESENTATIONS:

- **PROCLAMATION**
ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH – APRIL 2017

CLOSED SESSION: Not Needed

EMERGENCY ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA: Not Needed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting February 22, 2017
2. Closed Session February 22, 2017

Moved by Committeeman Giangiulio, 2nd by Committeeman Ferguson to approve the Regular and Closed Session Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2017 as presented

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Poll Vote: Campbell - Absent
 Ferguson - Yes
 Giangiulio - Yes
 Sura - Yes
 Richardson - Yes

4-0- Motion Carried

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES: (SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING)

ORDINANCE #2017-10

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD AMENDING, REVISING AND/OR SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 220 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD CAPTIONED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE"

Mayor Opened the Meeting to the Public for Comments.

There Being No Public Comment, the Mayor Closed the Meeting to the Public for Comments

Moved by Committeeman Ferguson, 2nd by Committeewoman Sura to adopt Ordinance #2017-10

Poll Vote: Campbell - Absent
 Ferguson - Yes
 Giangiulio - Yes
 Sura - Yes
 Richardson - Yes

4-0- Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Engineer's Report:

Township Engineer Rehmann issued a report on projects going on within the township.

He informed the Committee that the Lincoln Avenue project is on schedule for advertising in April.

The Water Conservation and Drought Management Plan has been submitted to NDEP, DPW, and the Township. They are awaiting comments.

Engineer Rehmann explained that they are seeking an expert to inspect the Township jail facilities. He stressed the importance of having someone with expertise to insure qualification of the facility without issues. He is awaiting a price proposal.

Mr. Rehmann explained that a proposal has been submitted for the development of a Lead and Copper plan that is required of all water systems. He assured Committee that he doesn't believe that the Township has a high risk, but it is imperative that a reasonable sampling program be in place to determine the risk (if any) to our community.

Township Engineer Rehmann concluded his report by informing Committee that a maintenance bond inspection of Hayes Mill Road and Pinelands Lane will be completed this week. A report will be submitted to the township upon completion.

Committeeman Ferguson

Committeeman Ferguson reminded the public that Waterford Township Athletic Association's Opening Day Parade will be held on April 8th. Mr. Ferguson also noted that the Waterford Township Civic and Event's Association will be holding their annual Easter Egg Hunt at Lions Park on April 8th as well.

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Committeeman Ferguson delivered a report for the Waterford Township Environmental Association in Committeeman Campbell's absence. Mr. Ferguson explained the tee-shirt contest that is currently on going at the elementary schools. The winning designs will be given to volunteers on "Clean Up Day." He also informed Committee that there will be a Paper Shredding event hosted by the WTEC.

Committeewoman Sura

Committeewoman Sura informed the Committee that the baseball and softball fields are being readied by the Public Works Department. Ms. Sura also reported on her attendance at the most recent School Board Meeting. She explained that the Superintendent issues have been resolved.

Committeeman Giangiulio

Committeeman Giangiulio reported that the Historical Society is still looking for items pertaining to Waterford Township's rich history. Mr. Giangiulio also reported that the Office of Emergency Management has been successful at having all three local schools set up and approved by the American Red Cross as "emergency shelters." He thanked Mr. Chiddenton and Mr. DiRocco for their hard work in getting the schools approved and having the people available to properly staff them.

Mr. Giangiulio noted that the Police Department is having a "Pizza with a Cop" at Gallery Pizza. All proceeds will benefit the Police Foundation.

Committeeman Giangiulio reported on the various trainings going on in the Fire Department and with the Waterford Township EMS. The Fire Department was involved with Explorer training, Hazmat Training, Fire Fighter Rescue, and a review of the fire last month on Bartram Avenue. On behalf of the Fire Department, Mr. Giangiulio reminded the public to change the batteries in their smoke detectors when they "spring" their clocks forward. The EMS team did three CPR training courses as well as a course on "Patient Charting." Mr. Giangiulio stressed the impact that drug use is having on our community and asked the public to watch and report any suspected drug use.

Administrator Danson

Administrator Danson reminded Committee of the various activities that will be going on throughout Waterford in the Spring. On Saturday, May 20th, the Waterford Home and School Association will be hosting the 2nd annual Color Run. On that same day, the township will host the 2nd annual Spring Fling on Atco Avenue. There will also be a Car Show on the avenue on June 17th.

Mayor Richardson

Mayor Richardson reported that the Public Works department has been busy repairing pot holes, cleaning the water basins, and trimming roadside trees. He also detailed that the Public Safety Building is on schedule and that construction should begin around March 17th.

As far as development around town, the Haines Boulevard Redevelopment plan will be going to the Pinelands for approval and then a request for developers will go out. Administrator Danson has also been working with the owner of the Murphy's plaza to find a replacement for Murphy's. Dollar General should also be open by the beginning of May.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC: (FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public for comments.

There being no public comment, the Mayor closed the meeting to the public for comment.

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APPLICATIONS:

1. **FACILITY USE:**

Ratification of Approval
Waterford Township Athletic Association Soccer Practice
Burnt Mill Complex - Large Soccer Field
Every Monday and Wednesday 5:30p.m. – 8:00p.m.
February 20, 2017 – May 18, 2017
100% Waterford Residents

Moved by Committeeman Giangiulio, 2nd by Committeeman Ferguson to ratify approval of Application item #1

Poll Vote: Campbell - Absent
 Ferguson - Yes
 Giangiulio - Yes
 Sura - Yes
 Richardson - Yes

4-0- Motion Carried

2. **FACILITY USE:**

Waterford Township Athletic Association
Rutgers Safety Clinic
Municipal Building Court Room
Monday, March 27, 2017 – 4:30p.m. – 10:00p.m.
100% Waterford Residents

Moved by Committeeman Giangiulio, 2nd by Committeewoman Sura to approve the Application item #2

Poll Vote: Campbell - Absent
 Ferguson - Yes
 Giangiulio - Yes
 Sura - Yes
 Richardson - Yes

4-0- Motion Carried

COMMUNICATIONS: (NONE)

DISCUSSIONS:

- 2017 Budget Update
 - Administrator Danson explained that the first “Budget Workshop Meeting” was held on March 1st. At this meeting, there was discussion on how to save the Township money. Chief Financial Officer McKendry and Administrator Danson were tasked to lower the budget and reallocate some funding. Ms. Danson stressed that they are being fiscally responsible. At the current time, Ms. Danson and Ms. McKendry have been able to cut the yearly amount per household increase from \$112.00 to \$84.00.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: (INCLUDES RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES)

RESOLUTIONS:

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RESOLUTION # 2017-115

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS
(2017 TEMPORARY BUDGET AMENDMENT)

RESOLUTION # 2017-116

AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES (2016 BUDGET)

RESOLUTION # 2017-117

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD AUTHORIZING IN REM TAX FORECLOSURE

RESOLUTION # 2017-118

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD

RESOLUTION # 2017-119

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000.00

RESOLUTION # 2017-120

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD AUTHORIZING THE FORMATION OF A GREEN TEAM FOR THE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY PROGRAM

RESOLUTION # 2017-121

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD SUPPORTING GREEN PURCHASING

RESOLUTION # 2017-122

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD SEEKING SUSTAINABLE JERSEY CERTIFICATION

RESOLUTION # 2017-123

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF PERMIT FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$280.00 PURSUANT TO THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (49 BRIARCLIFF ROAD)

RESOLUTION # 2017-124

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF PERMIT FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$280.00 PURSUANT TO THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (2130 KOHLER AVENUE)

Moved by Committeeman Giangiulio, 2nd by Committeeman Ferguson to adopt Resolutions #2017-115 through #2017-124

Roll Vote: Campbell - Absent
 Ferguson - Yes
 Giangiulio - Yes
 Sura - Yes
 Richardson - Yes

4-0- Motion Carried

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE #2017-11

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 266 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD CAPTIONED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"

Moved by Committeeman Giangiulio, 2nd by Committeewoman Sura to introduce Ordinance #2017-11 with Public Hearing and Second Reading on March 22, 2017.

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Poll Vote: Campbell - Absent
 Ferguson - Yes
 Giangiulio - Yes
 Sura - Yes
 Richardson - Yes

4-0- Motion Carried

ORDINANCE #2017-12

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE SALE OF CERTAIN TOWNSHIP OWNED PROPERTY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)

Moved by Committeeman Ferguson, 2nd by Committeeman Giangiulio to introduce Ordinance #2017-12 with Public Hearing and Second Reading on March 22, 2017.

Poll Vote: Campbell - Absent
 Ferguson - Yes
 Giangiulio - Yes
 Sura - Yes
 Richardson - Yes

4-0- Motion Carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

1. Current Fund Bill List	\$ 1,627,408.09
2. Utility Fund Bill List	\$ 39,006.37
3. Trust Fund Bill List	\$ 1,215.33
4. State Grant Bill List	\$ 16,309.26
5. Planning Board Escrow Bill List	\$ 1,605.00
6. Utility Escrow Bill List	\$ 832.50

Moved by Committeeman Ferguson, 2nd by Committeewoman Sura to approve and pay the above bills as submitted if documentation is present and when funds are available

Poll Vote: Campbell - Absent
 Ferguson - Yes
 Giangiulio - Yes
 Sura - Yes
 Richardson - Yes

4-0- Motion Carried

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Joe Petralia of 915 Maple Ave questioned the status of the Public Safety Building and how it was being built even though it was voted down by the voters in the township.

Mayor Richardson explained that the cost of the building was down to 3.75 Million and that the signed agreements indicated that the average household would only be paying approximately \$50-\$60. The building has no "bells and whistles."

Mr. Petralia thanked Mayor Richardson for the explanation.

Richard Angelino of Chew Road questioned whether the township would be hiring full time firefighters. He also questioned what the status was of the cell phone tower.

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Mayor Richardson explained that the Fire Department is a Volunteer Department. He also noted that the "Cell Phone Tower" was on schedule.

Mr. Angelino expressed frustration at a letter he received regarding open pool permits. He is concerned that because of problems he is having with an employee that he will be the subject of harassment.

Mayor Richardson assured Mr. Angelino that harassment is not acceptable.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS.

ISSUES FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE: None

CLOSED SESSION:

RESOLUTION #2017-125

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 **Related to:**

1. Related to: Potential Litigation - Resident complaint
2. Related to: Attorney/Client Privilege - Wade Tax Appeals
3. Related to: Litigation - Palladino v. Waterford et al. (CEPA)
4. Related to: Attorney/Client Privilege - Atco Raceway
5. Related to: Personnel - Related to Personnel
6. Related to: Litigation - COAH

Moved by Committeeman Giangiulio, 2nd by Committeeman Ferguson to adopt Resolution #2017-125
Voice Vote: All in favor, no objections. Motion Passed.

MAYOR RECESS MEETING FOR CLOSED SESSION AT 7:36 PM

MAYOR RECONVENE MEETING AT 8:05PM

ROLL CALL:

Committeeman Campbell - Absent
Committeeman Ferguson - Present
Committeeman Giangiulio - Present
Committeewoman Sura - Present
Mayor Richardson - Present

STATEMENT ON RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION:

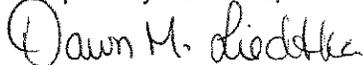
Solicitor Patterson stated that no decisions were made in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Committeeman Giangiulio, 2nd by Committeewoman Sura to adjourn meeting at 8:05 PM
Voice Vote: All in Favor, No Objections. Motion Passed.

Attachments: Engineer's Report

Respectfully Submitted,



Dawn M. Liedtka
Deputy Township Clerk

