

APPROVED: March 31, 2014

WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
BUSINESS SESSION
February 18, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: President Maher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

This is to advise that the notice requirement provided for in the "Open Public Meetings Act" has been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given and transmitted to The Times and Princeton Packet; filed with the Clerk of the Municipality; and posted in the West Windsor Township Municipal Building at North Post and Clarksville Roads on January 3, 2014.

ATTENDEES: President: Maher; Vice President: Geevers; Council: Borek; Mendonez, Jr.; Samonte; Mayor: Hsueh (left at 8:14 p.m.); Business Administrator: Schmid; Township Attorney: Herbert; Chief Pica; Director of Community Development: Ward (arrived at 8:47 p.m.); Landscape Architect: Dobromilsky (arrived at 8:47 p.m.); Clerk: Young

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Ms. Young led the salute to the flag.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS AND/OR TOPIC FOR PRIORITY CONSIDERATION

Promotional Ceremony of Sergeant Mark Lee

Chief Pica gave a brief history of Sergeant Lee's educational background and work experience. He also outlined Sergeant Lee's outstanding achievements.

Sergeant Lee, with his two daughters by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Swearing in of Patrolman Carlos Abade, Patrolman James Collins, Patrolman Frank Zicha, Patrolman Edward McQuade, and Patrolman Sean VanNess

Patrolman Carlos Abade

Chief Pica gave a brief history of Patrolman Abade's educational background and noted that he was a recent graduate of the Mercer County Police Academy where he finished number one in physical fitness.

Patrolman Abade, with his father, mother and fiancé by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Patrolman James Collins

Chief Pica gave a brief history of Patrolman Collins' educational background at Monmouth Police Academy and then became a Special Law Enforcement Officer II with the Asbury Park Police Department.

Patrolman Collins, with his father, mother, brothers and his sister by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Patrolman Frank Zicha

Chief Pica gave a brief history of Patrolman Zicha's educational background and noted that he was a graduate of the Ocean County Police Academy and completed a year of service at Point Pleasant Beach Police Department.

Patrolman Zicha, with his mother by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Patrolman Edward McQuade

Chief Pica gave a brief history of Patrolman McQuade's educational background and noted that he was a graduate of the Mercer County Police Academy.

Patrolman McQuade, with his father, mother, and his fiancé by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Patrolman Sean VanNess

Chief Pica gave a brief history of Patrolman VanNess's educational background and noted that he spent six years in the United States Air Force as part of the security forces team.

Patrolman VanNess with his wife and daughter by his side was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Council congratulated Sergeant Lee and the new Patrolmen. They advised that they were proud of their accomplishments and thanked them for choosing West Windsor Township.

Council took a five minute recess.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Gerald Ricciardi, JCP&L Representative, provided new contact information to Council and the Township. He explained the new text alerts and the use of the company's website.

Ms. Sarah Thomson, 113 Cranbury Road, thanked Council and Administration for assisting the residents with the Cranbury Road RFP process.

Mr. John Church, 11 Princeton Place, suggested that residents clear out the storm drains and dig out their fire hydrants.

Mr. John T. Jones, 252 Cranbury Road, spoke about the meeting he had with the Township regarding the need for the guardrail in front of his property.

Mr. Alvin Lerner, 67 Rainflower Lane, suggested making the Municipal parking lot resurfacing a priority.

Mr. Pete Weale, 144 Fisher Place, suggested that there should be a residency requirement for Police Officers. He also spoke about snow removal on private property.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

Mayor Hsueh spoke about the use of the road salt for the primary roads to conserve utilization due to the shortage.

Ms. Schmid advised that there are no delays in the pickup of the recycling waste.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Borek spoke about the residents' responsibility to shovel the snow from their sidewalks. He noted that the Police have been informing negligent residents of their responsibilities.

Ms. Samonte thanked DPW for the great job in keeping the roads clear of snow, and thanked Mr. Borek for assisting with the salt replenishment for West Windsor.

Mr. Mendonez suggested using "greener" salt, and noted that the Environmental Commission is looking into alternatives. He spoke about ADA compliance for the renovations to the Municipal Complex and asked JCP&L to follow up with the Village Grande residents.

Ms. Geever asked that Mr. Surtees discuss the 2013 Annual Report from the Zoning Board at the next Work Session. She also advised that Mr. Jany received a Citation for Distinguished Service to Agriculture from the NJ Department of Agriculture at the State Convention in Atlantic City.

CHAIR/CLERK COMMENTS

President Maher appreciated Mr. Borek's efforts to get the road salt for the Township. He urged total buy-in from the Cranbury Road residents on the reconstruction of their road and sidewalks. President Maher asked Administration for their assistance to achieve this goal.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

2014-R044 Refund of Overpaid Property Tax

2014-R045 Refund of Overpaid Sewer Rent

MINUTES

January 6, 2014 - Business Session - as amended

BILLS & CLAIMS

Motion to approve consent agenda: Borek

Second: Geevers

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Mendonez

aye Samonte

aye Maher

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM ADMINISTRATION AND COUNCIL/CLERK

2014-R046 Authorizing the Reappointment of Jeffrey I. Rubin, Esq. as Municipal Prosecutor for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 - \$30,000.00

2014-R047 Authorizing Administration to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Health Education Services, for the period January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014 - \$9,350.00

2014-R048 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Shared Services Agreement with Hamilton Township to Provide Certain Public Health Services Related to Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD's) - \$1,100.00

Motion to approve Resolutions 2014-R046, 2014-R047 and

2014-R048: Borek

Second: Samonte

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Mendonez

aye Samonte

aye Maher

2014-R049 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Contract with Bergey's Trucks, Inc. dba Bergey's Truck Center to Provide a 2013 or Newer Cab and Chassis with 29 Cubic Yard High Compaction Heavy Duty Rear Loading Body Compactor Truck - \$214,900.00

Mr. Borek noted his frustration that there was only one bidder for the truck but advises that the equipment is very much needed by DPW.

Mr. Mendonez asked for a spreadsheet showing the Department's entire fleet.

President Maher asked that Administration submit a Township fleet inventory by taking each department and division's inventory and consolidating it on one Excel spreadsheet for distribution to Council. President Maher advised that one bid for the truck is an issue and the Township needs to receive multiple bids in the future.

Motion to approve: Borek

Second: Samonte

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Mendonez

aye Samonte

aye Maher

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

2014-001 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SALARY AND WAGE PLAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR AND PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF - Bus Driver

Motion to introduce: Geevers

Second: Borek

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Mendonez

aye Samonte

aye Maher

The Public Hearing will be held on March 3, 2014.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Alvin Lerner, 67 Rainflower Lane, suggested that JCP&L use "Nixel" for their notifications.

Ms. Schmid advised that JCP&L is already posting their notifications on "Nixle".

Mr. Pete Weale, 144 Fisher Place, addressed the need to have the Mayor present during public comment. He suggested a change in the form of government.

Mr. Andy Bromberg, 24 Providence Drive, noted that the Mayor, under the Township's form of government, does not need to be present at the Council Meetings.

COUNCIL REPORTS/DISCUSSION TOPICS/NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of Grover Memorial Plans

Mr. Dobromilsky reviewed the concept plans and location for the Grover Memorial. He noted that the verbage on the plaque will be as suggested by the Grover family, and a solar light will be placed at the location.

Ms. Ward commented that the Lions Club of West Windsor is interested in donating money for the memorial.

President Maher suggested using a rock to place the plaque on.

Council offered additional suggestions.

President Maher asked about a timeline for the project.

Mr. Dobromilsky noted that between three and six months the memorial should be completed.

Discussion of Energy Supply (Electric and/or Natural Gas) Market Options

Mr. Dobromilsky advised that government entities can participate in an auction to purchase energies such as gas or electric to reduce costs.

Mr. Dobromilsky reviewed options and noted that the Township could save 8% to 15% in their energy bills

Council addressed questions.

Ms. Samonte asked for the pros and cons in going out to auction for the Township's energy needs.

Mr. Dobromilsky answered Council's questions and noted that he is looking for feedback.

President Maher suggested that Council begin to do their homework on this issue and revisit the topic again in a few weeks.

Review of Follow-up Document

This was deferred for discussion at the next Work Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Borek

Second: Samonte

VV: All approved

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Sharon L. Young
Township Clerk
West Windsor Township