

APPROVED: March 4, 2013

WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
BUSINESS SESSION  
January 22, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: President Borek called the meeting to order at 7:03 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 8, 2013.

ATTENDEES: President: Borek; Council Members: Geevers, Khanna, Maher; Mayor: Hsueh; Business Administrator: Schmid; Township Attorney: Herbert; Township Clerk: Young

ABSENT: Samonte

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Ms. Young led the salute to the flag.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS AND/OR TOPIC FOR PRIORITY CONSIDERATION

- Promotional Ceremony of Lieutenant Patrick O'Brien, Sergeants MaryLouise Dranchak, Brian Geraghty, Robert Fow, and Danny Mohr

Chief Pica gave special acknowledgment to former West Windsor Township Chief of Police, Frank Cox and his wife Christina who attended the ceremony.

Lieutenant Patrick O'Brien

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

Lieutenant O'Brien, with his wife and children by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Sergeant MaryLouise Dranchak

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

Sergeant Dranchak, with her husband by her side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Sergeant Brian Geraghty

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

Sergeant Geraghty, with his mother, brother, and sister by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Sergeant Robert Fow

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

Sergeant Fow, with his wife and daughter, and father by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

Sergeant Danny Mohr

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

Sergeant Mohr, with his wife and daughters by his side, was sworn in by Ms. Young.

- Swearing in of Patrolman Nicholas Barber

Patrolman Nicholas Barber

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

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

Mr. Maher congratulated the officers and noted his appreciation for their services.

Mr. Khanna spoke about the officers doing an excellent job in keeping the residents safe.

Ms. GeEVERS thanked Chief Pica for his leadership and congratulated the officers.

Mr. Borek acknowledged former Chief Cox. He spoke about the officers' dedication and professionalism.

Mayor Hsueh thanked the Police Division for the excellent job they did during Hurricane Sandy. He commended the officers and wished them good luck.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Church, 11 Princeton Place, spoke about the need for the information pertaining to the costs for the Township's fire hydrants.

Ms. Schmid advised that she has received the information pertaining to the fire hydrants from the Board of Public Utilities.

Ms. Debbie Hepler, 10 Dean Court, spoke about West Windsor politics, the helicopter flight lessons, and Mr. Herbert's billable hours for litigation.

Mr. Herbert responded to some of Ms. Hepler's allegations, and requested she get her facts straight.

Mr. Andy Bromberg, 24 Providence Drive, thanked the Mayor for the open house meetings where the Mayor discussed various Township topics.

Ms. Janet Lerner, 67 Rainflower Lane, offered positive comments and support for the Council and Mayor.

Mr. Pete Weale, 144 Fisher Place, spoke about several concerns including zero tolerance policy, the Grover House Report, Township intersections and sidewalks, the pocket park, Police Division, and other Township topics.

#### MAYOR/ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

Mayor Hsueh advised that there will be a meeting held by Howard Hughes Corporation to discuss the development of the old American Cyanamid property. He also informed Council of the two meetings to discuss the Princeton Junction pocket park.

Ms. Schmid noted that Public Works have completed the storm clean up and will begin collection in Zone 3 of fallen trees due to the storm. She also spoke of the speed limit signage that has been changed on Village Road.

#### COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Maher asked about the legality of the signage for the speed limit on Village Road.

Mayor Hsueh stated that the speed limit reduction was to prevent accidents in the future.

Ms. Schmid offered to follow-up with the legality of the signage and to inform Council.

Mr. Maher reminded everyone that residents making public comments should not be discouraged from making their statements. He also spoke against the Asian theme of the Princeton Junction pocket park. Mr. Maher urged Administration to have the Township's Landscape Architect available to answer questions pertaining to the park.

Mr. Khanna spoke of the Martin Luther King celebrations he attended. He affirmed the importance of human life and the need for better gun control laws. Mr. Khanna commented on the right of freedom of speech and for residents to make sure their facts are correct before presenting them.

Ms. Geever spoke about a forum at the Arts Center and noted that the Farmers' Market is a community asset. She also commented on School Safety program held by Rutgers, the fire company's installation dinners, and asked that the Township's Landscape Architect attend a meeting to discuss the pocket park.

CHAIR/CLERK COMMENTS

President Borek acknowledged that the majority of Council would like a presentation by the Landscape Architect about the Princeton Junction pocket park. He advised that Administration will be presenting Council with the Municipal Budget on Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.

President Borek confirmed that the Grover Farm Restoration Committee will not be ready to present their report at the next meeting and, therefore, asked that the Committee hold the presentation of their report until after the budget process.

Mr. John Church, 11 Princeton Place, noted that the report was complete and the Committee was waiting on the Grover House investigation report from Mr. Herbert.

President Borek asked to have resolution 2013-R040 moved forward for consideration because representatives from the West Windsor Fire Company were present to address any questions.

Council members agreed to move the resolution forward.

2013-R040 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Contract  
with Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc. to Purchase a  
New Fire Apparatus with 1500 Gallon Per Minute Pumper  
to Replace a 1994 2000 GPM Pumper-\$722,588.00

Chief Glover of the West Windsor Fire Company explained that in order to serve the community, this apparatus was needed. He reviewed the high costs to maintain the twenty-year old truck which would be replaced. Chief Glover noted that this type of truck is used daily and the pumper will provide the ability to use foam to extinguish a fire or spill.

Council addressed questions of Chief Glover.

Motion to approve: Geevers

Second: Khanna

RCV: aye Geevers

aye Khanna

aye Maher

Samonte, absent

aye Borek

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

December 10, 2012 - Closed Session

December 10, 2012 - Business Session

BILLS & CLAIMS

Motion to approve consent agenda: Khanna

Second: Geevers

RCV: aye Geevers

aye Khanna

aye Maher

Samonte, absent

aye Borek

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM ADMINISTRATION AND COUNCIL/CLERK

2013-R031 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Developer's Agreement with The Glen at West Windsor (aka West Windsor Gardens II) (PB-10-01)

2013-R037 Authorizing the Business Administrator and Clerk to Execute a Conservation and Maintenance Agreement with the Delaware and Raritan Canal Commission of the State of New Jersey to Insure Maintenance of the Alexander Road at Old Bear Brook Road Improvement Project

2013-R038 Permitting Federal Investment Realty Trust to Connect the Property Known as Lot 1 in Block 7.16 - 4201 Quakerbridge Road to the Public Sewer Line Located in Lawrence Township, subject to approval of Lawrence Township, ELSA, and NJDEP

2013-R039 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute the Grant Agreement for Highway Safety Fund Program 2012 (Safe Corridors)

Motion to approve Resolutions 2013-R031, 2013-R037, 2013-R038, and 2013-R039: Geever

Second: Khanna

RCV: aye Geever

aye Khanna

aye Maher

Samonte, absent

aye Borek

2013-R032 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with ACT Engineers, Inc. for Studies or Tasks Supplemental to the In-House Engineering Services-\$475.00

2013-R033 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Arora and Associates, P.C. for Studies or Tasks Supplemental to the In-House Engineering Services-\$475.00

2013-R034 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Van Cleef Engineering Associates for Studies or Tasks Supplemental to the In-House Engineering Services-\$475.00

2013-R035 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with James F. Parvesse for Studies or Tasks Supplemental to the In-House Engineering Services-\$475.00

2013-R036 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Remington, Vernick & Arango Engineers for Studies or Tasks Supplemental to the In-House Engineering Services-\$475.00

Mr. Maher asked who determines the amount of \$475 for each of the Professional Services Agreements.

Ms. Schmid noted that it is determined by the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Engineer.

Mr. Maher asked at what point does the project have to go out to bid. He also recommended that the Township not always go with the lowest bidder. Mr. Maher suggested that the process be examined.

Ms. Schmid explained that she is a Qualified Purchasing Agent and Council could establish that the bid threshold may be up to but not exceeding \$36,000.00. She informed Council of the time it takes to prepare the documents to go out to bid for a service because it is labor intensive. Ms. Schmid advised that with competitive bidding, the Township is forced to go with the lowest qualified bidder.

Mr. Herbert spoke about the proposed ordinance for introduction at Hamilton Township which offers the Township another consideration versus having to take the lowest bidder.

Motion to approve Resolutions 2013-R032 through 2013-R036:

Khanna

Second: Geevers

RCV: aye Geevers

aye Khanna

aye Maher

Samonte, absent

aye Borek

#### DISCUSSION TOPICS

Ms. Geevers inquired about the Council holding an agenda session versus listing topics on the agenda for discussion.

General discussion ensued over holding agenda and budget work sessions.

#### COUNCIL REPORTS

Mr. Maher commented that the Zoning Board approved the expansion of the Valero Gas Station despite a petition that was passed around at the meeting. He encouraged the public to attend meetings that affect their neighborhood or community.

Mr. Herbert noted that the Zoning Board cannot accept petitions from the public.

Mr. Khanna spoke about the Planning Board having their Reorganization meeting and officers were appointed.

Ms. Geevers attended the School Board meeting where the discussion surrounded the moving of the School Board Election to the November Election. She advised that they will be taking a vote on this matter.

#### ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Church, 11 Princeton Place, spoke about the contracts that go out to bid and the lowest responsible bidder. He also inquired about the pocket park, fire hydrant inspections, and the new south parking lot at the train station.

Mayor Hsueh advised that there were underground storm water issues that the contractor is attempting fix at the parking lot location.

Mr. Al Lerner, 67 Rainflower Lane, spoke about the issues surrounding the North Post Road and Clarksville Road intersection.

Ms. Schmid advised that the intersection will be striped in the spring by the County.

Ms. Debbie Hepler, 10 Dean Court, asked for Police presence at the North Post and Clarksville intersection. She addressed several other concerns.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion to go into closed session at 9:35 p.m.: Geevers

Second: Khanna

RCV: aye Geevers

aye Khanna

aye Maher

Samonte, absent

aye Borek

Ms. Young read the closed session resolution into the record:

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting, and

Whereas, the Township Council of West Windsor Township has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public; and

Whereas, the regular meeting of this Township Council will reconvene; and

Whereas, the below stated subject matter shall be made available at such time as the issues discussed therein are resolved and its disclosure would not subvert any particular exception for convening a closed session.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Township Council of the Township of West Windsor will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12: For the discussion of the PBA Grievance and the investigation report for the Grover House.

MEETING RECONVENED

Meeting reconvened at: 10:17 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Maher

Second: Geevers

VV: All approved; Samonte absent

The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 p.m.

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Sharon L. Young  
Township Clerk  
West Windsor Township