

APPROVED AS AMENDED: January 5, 2015

WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
BUSINESS SESSION
November 24, 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, Samonte; Business Administrator: Schmid; Township Attorney: Herbert; Township Clerk: Young

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Ms. Young led the salute to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Henry Murphy, 10 Hereford Drive, commented on the need for safer crossings on Clarksville Road near Maurice Hawk Elementary School.

Mr. David Beavers, 156 Louis Street, New Brunswick, spoke on behalf of Environment New Jersey Research and Policy Center, about the benefits and commitments to solar energy. He asked Council to sign a letter of support which he supplied.

President Maher advised that he supports solar energy up to the extent it is materially more cost prohibitive and knows the prices are coming down; and the placement of the panels are on brownfields, roof tops, or on top of parking decks. He noted that he is opposed to placing solar panels on open space and farmland.

Ms. Alison Miller, 41 Windsor Drive, spoke about the purchase of the parcel of land from Rosen and Akselrad. She commented that

the County donated 50% of the appraisal purchase, and urged the adoption of Resolution 2014-R249.

Mr. Daryl McMillan 1 Penn Lyle Road, supports safety improvements for the neighborhoods around Clarksville Road.

Mr. Andy Bromberg, 24 Providence Drive, complimented the Police Division on the great job they did in handling the recent burglaries in his neighborhood.

Mr. Marshall Lerner, 3 Sapphire Drive, asked Council to discuss the option of having a public cookout to raise funds and donate to charity.

Ms. Debbie Hepler, 10 Dean Court, inquired about the status of the GPS system for Township vehicles, and spoke about the issues surrounding the Animal Control Officer. She also urged more safety precautions for the Township roads.

Mr. Mendonez advised that the Township is going to lease thirty-five GPS systems for Township vehicles which will have their software updated regularly.

Ms. Schmid noted that the funding for the GPS systems will not be available until after the adoption of the 2015 budget.

Mr. Pete Weale, 144 Fisher Place, spoke about the School Board liaison, the Mayor's absence at the meeting, the availability of the stormwater report, sidewalks on Washington Road, post office lease, and the Grover Farmstead.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

Ms. Schmid noted that the trash pickup for this week will be Friday because of the Thanksgiving Day holiday on Thursday. She explained that as of October 27, 2014, one hundred and fifty eight citations have been issued to residents who have violated the recently adopted brush ordinance.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Borek remarked on his support for the resolution set forth by the West Windsor Bicycle and Pedestrian Alliance. He

suggested that the resolution also be presented to the School Board. Mr. Borek noted that the Police Division is close to an arrest for the defacing of the 911 Memorial.

Ms. Samonte spoke about attending a conference in Philadelphia for the National Foundation for Women Legislators.

Mr. Mendonez advised that the Environmental Commission is reviewing alternatives for salt use during snow storms.

Ms. Geevers commented on attending the groundbreaking ceremony for the new NRG Energy, Inc. headquarters. She noted that the building is to be complete by the first quarter of 2016. She spoke about the Howard Hughes presentation and the article that was written in the West Windsor-Plainsboro News regarding the presentation.

CHAIR/CLERK COMMENTS

President Maher spoke about a mailing that was sent out to all the residents regarding the brush and leaf ordinance that was recently adopted. He commented on the Howard Hughes presentation and the need for additional information from them for better clarification on the project.

President Maher advised that Ordinance 2014-20 is being tabled until further information on the Historical Society's 501(c)(3) status.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

2014-18 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 126 "PEDDLING AND SOLICITING", OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP

President Maher opened the Public Hearing.

Motion to close public hearing: Borek

Second: Geevers

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Mendonez

aye Samonte

aye Maher

Motion to adopt: Borek
Second: Geevers
RCV: aye Borek
aye Geevers
aye Mendonez
aye Samonte
aye Maher

2014-21 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A SIDEWALK
EASEMENT FROM GHO VENTURES, LLC LOCATED AT BLOCK 6,
LOT 64 - 861 Alexander Road

President Maher opened the Public Hearing:

Motion to close public hearing: Borek
Second: Samonte
RCV: aye Borek
aye Geevers
aye Mendonez
aye Samonte
aye Maher

Motion to adopt: Borek
Second: Samonte
RCV: aye Borek
aye Geevers
aye Mendonez
aye Samonte
aye Maher

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

October 6, 2014 - Work Session
October 20, 2014 - Business Session
October 20, 2014 - Closed Session
October 20, 2014 - Work Session

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-R248 Authorizing the Budget Transfer to Provide for the
Transfer of Funds within the 2014 Municipal Budget

Motion to approve: Samonte

Second: Borek

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Mendonez

aye Samonte

aye Maher

2014-R249 Authorizing Township Staff to Apply to Mercer County
for an Open Space Assistance Grant for the Akselrad
and Rosen Properties - \$652,500.00

2014-R250 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Sidewalk
Easement Agreement with Carnegie 804 Associates, LLC
(PB14-04)

2014-R251 Granting the Request by The Glen at West Windsor LLC
for Reduction of Performance Guarantees for the
Project known as West Windsor Gardens 2 a.k.a The Glen
(PB10-01) - Private Site Improvements

2014-R252 Granting the Request by the Glen at West Windsor LLC
for Reduction of Performance Guarantees for the
Project known as West Windsor Gardens 2 a.k.a The Glen
(PB10-01) - Sales Trailer Restoration

2014-R253 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute an Agreement with West Windsor Junior Football Club for Renewal of Memorandum of Understanding for the Use of Community Park

2014-R255 Approving the Preparation of Specifications and Receive Bids for Proprietary Services Specifically the Purchase of Opticom Emergency Vehicle Preemption Emitters for the Fire Apparatus and Ambulances

Motion to approve Resolutions 2014-R249 through 2014-R253 and 2014-R255: Samonte

Second: Borek

RCV: aye Borek
aye Geever
aye Mendonez
aye Samonte
aye Maher

2014-R254 Authorizing the Purchase of One 2015 Hino 258 ALP Rack Body Truck from H.K. Truck Services, Inc. through New Jersey State Contract A83010 T2080 with Paint Option for the Department of Public Works - \$95,497.00

President Maher spoke to Mr. Drummond, Director of Public Works, about the details of the truck and the year the item was placed in the Capital Budget for purchase.

Motion to approve: Mendonez

Second: Samonte

RCV: aye Borek
aye Geever
aye Mendonez
aye Samonte
aye Maher

2014-R256 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute the Professional Services Agreement with William John Kearns, Jr. of the Law Firm Kearns, Reale & Kearns as Special Counsel - \$1,500

Ms. Geevers asked if an answer can be provided regarding Mr. Herbert's invoices being paid without a current professional services agreement in place.

President Maher advised that Council will be able to submit questions via email to Administration that will be addressed by Mr. Kearns.

Ms. Geevers requested that the term of the contract be amended from March 31, 2015 to December 31, 2014.

Ms. Schmid inquired if Council would want Mr. Kearns to come to a meeting to discuss the Township's form of government.

President Maher noted that it would not be necessary.

Motion to approve as amended: Mendonez

Second: Geevers

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Mendonez

aye Samonte

aye Maher

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Church, 11 Princeton Place, outlined his concerns with the street tree replacement program that the Township has.

Mr. Pete Weale, 144 Fisher Place, spoke about the demolition of the Grover House, and the defacing of the 911 Memorial.

COUNCIL REPORTS/DISCUSSION TOPICS/NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Samonte commented on the Parking Authority evaluating a rated increase for non-residents only. She spoke about the Affordable Housing Committee utilizing funds for energy efficiency upgrades at many of the affordable units.

Ms. Geever outlined details that Planning Board was working on regarding the redevelopment of the Ellsworth Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Borek

Second: Mendonez

VV: All approved

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



Sharon L. Young
Township Clerk
West Windsor Township