# APPROVED: February 27, 2023

# WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL REORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS MEETING January 9, 2023

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Ms. Huber called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Huber welcomed everyone to the newly renovated Council room of the Municipal Building. She noted the meeting tonight is on Zoom and thanked everyone for their patience with any technical challenges. She thanked the School District for their help with the recording devices used in the Council room.

ROLL CALL: Gawas, Geevers, Mandel, Stevens, Whitfield

### STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

This is to advise that the notice requirement provided for in the "Open Public Meeting Act" has been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given and transmitted to The Times and Princeton Packet on January 6, 2023; filed with the Clerk of the Municipality; posted on the Township website on December 20, 2022 and posted in the West Windsor Township Municipal Building at North Post and Clarksville Road. All Council meetings are open to the public with access via Zoom for those who wish to attend virtually. Please see the Township website for further details.

<u>ATTENDEES</u>: Council: Gawas, Geevers, Mandel, Stevens, Whitfield; Mayor: Marathe; Township Attorney: Smith; Business Administrator: Schmid; Township Clerk: Huber; Deputy Township Clerk: Sheehan

### SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Ms. Huber led the salute to the flag.

# NOMINATION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS 2023

## NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Ms. Huber called for nominations for Council President.

Ms. Gawas nominated Ms. Mandel to serve as Council President.

Ms. Geevers seconded the nomination.

Ms. Huber asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Geevers

Second: Stevens

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Mandel

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Ms. Huber called for a vote to confirm the election of Ms. Mandel as Council President.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Mandel

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

### ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Ms. Mandel, with her husband Richard by her side, was sworn in by Ms. Huber.

Ms. Huber turned the meeting over to Council President Mandel.

Ms. Mandel thanked and recognized present in the room Senator Shirley K. Turner, Assemblywoman Verlina Reynold-Jackson, Assemblyman Anthony S. Verrelli, and Mercer County Commissioners Nina D. Melker, Kristin L. McLaughlin, and Terrance Stokes. She thanked Ms. Huber and her staff on their work towards having the first meeting of the year back in the Municipal Building and

noted she is excited to be back in the newly renovated Council Room.

# NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

President Mandel called for nominations for Council Vice President.

Ms. Geevers nominated Mr. Stevens to serve as Council Vice President.

Ms. Gawas seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none. She asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Geevers

Second: Gawas

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Mr. Stevens as Council Vice President.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# ADMINISTRATION AND OATH OF OFFICE TO COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

Mr. Stevens was sworn in by Ms. Huber.

# NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEMBER

President Mandel called for nominations for Affordable Housing Committee Member.

Ms. Gawas nominated Ms. Geevers to serve as Affordable Housing Committee Member.

Mr. Whitfield seconded the nomination.

President Gawas asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Gawas

Second: Stevens

RCV: <u>Aye</u> Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Ms. Geevers as Affordable Housing Committee Member.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEMBER

Ms. Geevers was sworn in by Ms. Huber.

### NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF PLANNING BOARD CLASS III MEMBER

President Mandel called for nominations for Planning Board Class III Member.

Mr. Whitfield nominated Ms. Geevers to serve as Planning Board Class III Member.

Ms. Gawas seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Stevens

Second: Gawas

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Ms. Geevers as Planning Board Class III Member.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO PLANNING BOARD CLASS III MEMBER

Ms. Geevers was sworn in by Ms. Huber.

# NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

President Mandel called for nominations for Emergency Management Council Representative.

Mr. Stevens nominated Ms. Gawas to serve as Emergency Management Council Representative.

Ms. Geevers seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Geevers

Second: Stevens

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Ms. Gawas as Emergency Management Council Representative.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# ADMINISTRATION AND OATH OF OFFICE TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Ms. Gawas, with her children Aadi and Isha by her side, was sworn in by Ms. Huber.

### LIAISONS FOR BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

#### NOMINATION OF BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS LIAISON

President Mandel called for nominations for Board of Recreation Commissioners Liaison.

 ${\tt Mr.}$  Whitfield nominated  ${\tt Ms.}$  Gawas to serve as Board of Recreation Commissioners Liaison.

Mr. Stevens seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Geevers

Second: Whitfield RCV: Aye Gawas
Aye Geevers
Aye Stevens

Aye Mandel

Aye Whitfield

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Ms. Gawas as Board of Recreation Commissioners Liaison.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# NOMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION LIAISON

President Mandel called for nominations for Environmental Commission Liaison.

Mr. Stevens nominated Ms. Gawas to serve as Environmental Commission Liaison.

Ms. Geevers seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Geevers

Second: Stevens RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Ms. Gawas as Environmental Commission Liaison.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# NOMINATION OF HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL LIAISON

President Mandel called for nominations for Human Relations Council Liaison.

 $\mbox{Mr.}$  Whitfield nominated  $\mbox{Ms.}$  Mandel to serve as  $\mbox{Human}$  Relations Council Liaison.

Ms. Geevers seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Geevers

Second: Whitfield

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Ms. Mandel as Human Relations Council Liaison.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# NOMINATION OF PARKING AUTHORITY LIAISON

President Mandel called for nominations for Parking Authority Liaison.

Ms. Geevers nominated Mr. Whitfield to serve as Parking Authority Liaison.

Mr. Stevens seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Gawas

Second: Geevers RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Mr. Whitfield as Parking Authority Liaison.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# NOMINATION OF SHADE TREE COMMISSION LIAISON

President Mandel called for nominations for Shade Tree Commission Liaison.

Mr. Stevens nominated Mr. Whitfield to serve as Shade Tree Commission Liaison.

Ms. Geevers seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Gawas

Second: Geevers
RCV: Aye Gawas
Aye Geevers
Aye Stevens
Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Mr. Whitfield as Shade Tree Commission Liaison.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

<u>Aye</u> Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# NOMINATION OF SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON

President Mandel called for nominations for School Board Liaison.

 $\operatorname{Ms.}$  Gawas nominated  $\operatorname{Mr.}$  Stevens to serve as School Board Liaison.

Ms. Geevers seconded the nomination.

President Mandel asked for any further nominations. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to close nominations.

Motion to close nominations: Geevers

Second: Gawas RCV: Aye Gawas

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Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

President Mandel called for a vote to confirm the election of Mr. Stevens as School Board Liaison.

RCV: Aye Gawas

Aye Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Gawas thanked everyone in attendance and thanked Council for her nominations. She also thanked her parents who are her role models for community service as well as her children in attendance. Ms. Gawas wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. Stevens thanked everyone for their attendance tonight and for their support. He thanked Council for his nomination of Vice President. Mr. Stevens also thanked everyone from the construction workers to Township staff for their work to make the Council room ready for the meeting tonight.

Mr. Whitfield thanked everyone for attending tonight including the County and State legislators. He congratulated President Mandel on her nomination as Council President and Mr. Stevens on his nomination as Council Vice President. Mr. Whitfield emphasized the importance of respect for others and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Ms. Geevers congratulated President Mandel on her nomination as Council President and Mr. Stevens on his nomination as Council Vice President. She thanked the County and State legislators for their attendance tonight and for their support. Ms. Geevers also thanked her family for their love and support. She expressed her appreciation for all of the Police, Fire and EMS workers in the Township and thanked all of the volunteers in the community. Ms. Geevers encouraged residents to visit the Township website for volunteer opportunities. She also encouraged residents with concerns to reach out to the Council members and attend Township Planning Board and Council meetings.

President Mandel wished everyone a Happy New Year. She thanked Mercer County Executive Brian M. Hughes, the County and State

legislators for their attendance tonight. She congratulated the Council members on their new elected positions for this year. President Mandel thanked the Council members for her nomination as Council President and noted she is proud to serve with her colleagues and she looks forward to working with Mr. Stevens as Vice President. President Mandel noted she is joined by her husband Richard in attendance tonight and thanked him for his support. She stated she attended the Inauguration of Trenton City Council Members on January 1, 2023 and the Mercer County Board of County Commissioners Reorganization meeting on January 4, 2023. President Mandel expressed her appreciation to all the hard-working staff members, many volunteers on the Township Boards, Commissions and Committees and noted she is looking forward to working together with everyone in 2023.

## RESOLUTIONS

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2023-R001	Regular Meetings for Calendar Year 2023
2023-R002	Legal Newspapers for Calendar Year 2023
2023-R003	Establishing Procedural Guidelines for the Council of West Windsor Township
2023-R004	Municipal Holidays for Calendar Year 2023
2023-R005	Cash Management Plan Authorization for West Windsor Township
2023-R006	Establishing the Rate of Interest Charged on Delinquent Taxes and 6% Year End Penalty
2023-R007	Authorizing the Cancellation of any Property Tax Refund or Delinquency less than \$10.00
2023-R008	Authorizing Temporary Municipal Budget Appropriations for 2023
2023-R009	Appointing Janis DiNatale as Affirmative Action Public Agency compliance Officer through December 2023

2023-R010	Authorizing the Reappointment of Susan Abbey as a Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2026
2023-R011	Authorizing the Reappointment of Carl Van Dyke as a Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2026
2023-R012	Authorizing the Reappointment of Dan Fabrizo as a Member of the West Windsor Township Parking Authority with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2027
2023-R013	Authorizing the Reappointment of Charles Appelget as a Member of the Agricultural Advisory Committee with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2025
2023-R014	Authorizing the Reappointment of Jean Jacobsohn as a Member of the Affordable Housing Committee with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2025
2023-R015	Authorizing the Reappointment of Jen Ping Wang as a Member of the Affordable Housing Committee with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2025
2023-R016	Authorizing the Reappointment of Yan Mei Wang as a Member of the Human Relations Council with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2024
2023-R017	Authorizing the Reappointment of Ellen Clancey as a Member of the Shade Tree Commission with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2027
2023-R018	Authorizing the Reappointment of Kevin Appelget as an Advisor of the Shade Tree Commission with a Term to Expire on December 31, 2023
2023-R019	Authorizing the Reappointment of Siddharth Satish as a Student Member of the Human Relations Council with a term to Expire on December 31, 2024

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2023-R020

Authorizing the Reappointment of Akshat Agarwal as a Student Member of the Human Relations Council with a term to Expire on December 31, 2024

Motion to approve resolutions 2023-R001 through 2023-R020:

Stevens

Second: Gawas RCV: Aye Gawas

<u>Aye</u> Geevers

Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

### CONSENT AGENDA

2023-R024

Endorsing the Application for Membership to the New Jersey State Firemen's Association for Matthew R. Fry of the Princeton Junction Volunteer Fire Company #1

# MINUTES

October 25, 2022 - Business Session - as amended October 25, 2022 - Closed Session - as amended November 14, 2022 - Business Session - as amended November 28, 2022 - Business Session - as amended

### BILLS AND CLAIMS

Motion to approve consent agenda: Gawas

Second: Stevens
RCV: Aye Gawas
Aye Geevers
Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield

Aye Mandel

# RECOMMENDATIONS FROM ADMINISTRATION AND COUNCIL/CLERK

2023-R021	Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with ACT Engineers, Inc. for Miscellaneous Engineering
2022 7022	Services - \$3,000.00
2023-R022	Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Van Cleef Engineering Associates for Miscellaneous Engineering Services - \$3,000.00

2023-R023 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute the Renewal of a Shared Services Agreement Between West Windsor Township with Hamilton Township for the Provision of Sexually Transmitted Disease - STD Clinic Services

Motion to approve resolutions 2023-R021 through 2023-R023:

Stevens

RCV: Aye Gawas
Aye Geevers
Aye Stevens
Aye Whitfield
Aye Mandel

Second: Gawas

# INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

2023-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING PART II

"GENERAL LEGISLATION" OF THE REVISED GENERAL

ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR, NEW JERSEY

(1999) CHAPTER 4; "ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT"

SECTION 4-37 "POLICE DIVISION" OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR

Mayor Marathe expressed his approval of Ordinance 2023-01.

Motion to Introduce: Gawas

Second: Geevers
RCV: Aye Gawas
Aye Geevers
Aye Stevens

Aye Whitfield Aye Mandel

PUBLIC HEARING: January 23, 2023

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Church, 11 Princeton Place, congratulated Council and staff on their return to the renovated Council Room.

Mr. Brian Hughes, Mercer County Executive, congratulated the Mayor and Council on the newly renovated Council Room. He noted the County's appreciation and support for the Township.

Mr. John Hinsdale, 38 Quaker Road, expressed his disagreement with Council and concerns regarding events in Washington, DC on January 6, 2021.

Mayor Marathe wished everyone a Happy New Year. He thanked the Facility and Buildings Manager, Brian Aronson, Council and staff for their work with the Municipal Building renovations. Mayor Marathe congratulated President Mandel on her election as Council President.

#### CLOSED SESSION

Motion to go into closed session: Geevers

Second: Gawas

Ms. Huber 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 contract negotiations and litigation updates.

Meeting reconvened at: 8:45 p.m.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Stevens

Second: Gawas
VV: All approved

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Allison D. Sheehan

Deputy Township Clerk

West Windsor Township

Andrea Mandel

Council President

West Windsor Township

# WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP VOUCHERS TO BE APPROVED

January 9, 2023

PAYEES	FUND	ACCT. NO.	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT
TREASURER, STATE OF NJ / 1989 GT GREEN TRUST INTEREST	TRUST	121530	WIRE	3,435.67
GREEN TRUST PRINCIPAL COMMUNITY PARK ACQ #1113-94-019 DUE 01/20/2023	TRUST	121529	WIRE	36,672.49
TOTAL TRUST				40,108.16

West Windsor

# List of Bills - (100001) CASH - PNC - CURRENT DISBURSEMENTS **CURRENT FUND**

Meeting Date: 01/09/2023 For bills from 12/19/2022 to 01/08/2023

Check#	Vendor	Description	Account	PO Payment	Check Tota
81674	168 - MID JERSEY MUN. JOINT INS FUND	2023 INSURANCE - ASSESSMENT DUE 1/1/2023	230,092.00	230,092.00	
81675	2318 - PROVIDENT AGENCY INC.	2023 EMERGENCY SERVICE INVOICE 70398	13,330.00	13,330.00	_
	TOTAL				243,422.00
Total to be	paid from Fund 10 CURRENT FUND	243,422.00			
		243,422.00			

# WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP VOUCHERS TO BE APPROVED

January 9, 2023

PAYEES	FUND	ACCT. NO.	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT
WEST WINDSOR PLAINSBORO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL TAX DUE 1/11/2023	CURRENT	101450	WIRE	8,009,819.00

TOTAL CURRENT 8,009,819.00