

APPROVED AS AMENDED: April 21, 2008

WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
BUSINESS SESSION
February 25, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: President Anklowitz 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 July 6, 2007.

ATTENDEES: President: Anklowitz; Vice President: Borek; Council: Geever, Kleinman; Mayor Hsueh; Township Attorney: Herbert; Business Administrator: Marion; Chief Financial Officer: Louth; Township Clerk: Young

ABSENT: Morgan

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Ms. Young led the salute to the flag.

President Anklowitz asked to hold public comment until after the Mayor's State of the Township Address.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS

STATE OF THE TOWNSHIP ADDRESS

Mayor Hsueh outlined 2007 accomplishments and spoke of the goals for 2008. He introduced and thanked many of his volunteers to various Boards, Committees, and other volunteer organizations.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Ruth Potts, 11 Penn Lyle Road, a member of the West Windsor Arts Council, wanted to express her gratitude to Administration and Council for their support at the Art Auction that was held this past weekend.

Mr. Bob Akens, 32 Windsor Drive, commented on the presentation at a Council meeting given by Mr. Goldin of InterCap Holdings this past Saturday.

Mr. David Siegel, 17 Berrien Avenue, also commented on the presentation by InterCap and thanked Council for the opportunity to have an open mic session at the meeting of Saturday.

Mr. Pete Weale, 144 Fisher Place, commented on moving the public comment portion of tonight's meeting until after the Mayor's Township Address. He also outlined several other points that he has addressed in the past. Mr. Weale also stressed that the length of the meetings should be reduced to allow for Township Council Minutes to be done in a timely fashion.

Mr. Danny Glover, 24 Providence Drive, complimented Council on the forward progress they have been making on the redevelopment project.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

Mr. Marion announced that the budget meeting schedule has been distributed to Council and, pending Council input, the meeting would be noticed in the near future.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

January 7, 2008 - Business Session
January 14, 2008 - Closed Session I
January 14, 2008 - Closed Session II
January 14, 2008 - Special Agenda Session
January 22, 2008 - Closed Session I - as amended
January 22, 2008 - Closed Session II - as amended

Bills & Claims

Motion to approve consent agenda: Kleinman

Second: Geevers

RCV: aye Borek *

aye Geevers

aye Kleinman

Morgan - absent

aye Anklowitz

* Mr. Borek abstained from voting on the January 22nd, 2008 Closed Session minutes because he was not in attendance at these meetings.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS AND/OR DIVISION MANAGERS

ADMINISTRATION

2008-R046 Authorizing Approval of a Grant Agreement with The Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission - Planning Assistance

2008-R047 Authorizing the Township to Enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with West Windsor Superior Officers Association for a Three Year Contract Period January 1, 2007 - December 31, 2009

Mr. Marion noted that upon approval of the resolution before Council, the contract would then be provided to the Superior Officers for them to ratify.

2008-R048 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Contract with Vital Services Group for Support and Maintenance of Proprietary Computer Hardware and Software

2008-R049 Authorizing Details Related to the Issuance of
General Improvement Refunding Bonds in the Principal
Amount of \$17,254,000 in Accordance with Local Bond
Law

Ms. Louth noted the reduction in interest rates and the Township's AAA Bond Rating would allow the resale of the proposed bonds for a significant savings to the Township of approximately \$700,000.

2008-R050 Authorizing the Transfer of Funds within the 2007
Municipal Budget

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

2008-R034 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute the
Professional Services Agreement with Remington,
Vernick & Arango Engineers for the Improvements
along Alexander Road

HUMAN SERVICES

2008-R051 Authorizing the Business Administrator and Clerk to
Execute a Professional Services Agreement with
Marcie Tyson for Health Education and Promotion
Services

2008-R052 Authorizing an Amendment to the Contract for Mike
Winkler of Saizan & Winkler Architects for the
Senior Center Project

Mr. Marion noted that completing the bid documents for Phase I of the Senior Center Project is a top priority.

PUBLIC WORKS

2008-R053 Endorsing the Submission of a 2007 Municipal
Recycling Tonnage Grant Application to the NJ
Department of Environmental Protection and
Designating Alex Drummond to Ensure Proper Filing of
the Application

Motion to approve Resolutions 2008-R034, and 2008-R046 through

2008-R053: Geevers

Second: Kleinman

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Kleinman

Morgan - absent

aye Anklowitz

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COUNCIL AND/OR CLERK

2008-R054 Urging the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing to Adopt Regulations that Create Realistic Affordable Housing Goals and that give Municipalities the Tools to Reach these Goals within the Bounds of Sound Planning and Fiscal Responsibility

Mr. Herbert noted that the resolution includes comments from Council as requested and also addresses the concerns with the COAH regulations.

Ms. Kleinman inquired about Mr. Muller's memo and asked why the resolution and the memo are not being sent together to the Council on Affordable Housing.

Mr. Herbert noted that the memo contains more specific information and comments to COAH and further discussion of the memo is scheduled for the March 3rd meeting. He suggested approving the resolution tonight because it is a general policy statement from the Township.

Ms. Geevers commented that property tax reform must be examined and the property tax issue must be dealt with to make living in New Jersey more affordable.

Mr. Borek noted that the new COAH rules are a disadvantage to the State.

Mr. Jen Ping Wang, Vice-Chair of the West Windsor Affordable Housing Committee inquired about how the Committee will be incorporated.

Mr. Herbert noted that the Affordable Housing Committee for the Township will be meeting this week and their comments will be incorporated into Mr. Muller's memo.

2008-R055 Urging the New Jersey Department of Transportation
to Provide Funding for the Vaughn Drive Connector

Mr. Herbert noted that the resolution urged support for the funds to be reinstated for the reconstruction of Vaughn Drive.

Ms. Geevers explained that the State should provide 100% of the funding for the project because the Princeton Junction train station is a State asset and critical to the redevelopment area.

President Anklowitz commented that he agreed that the State should pay for the entire project and at minimum should continue to provide the funding that was previously allocated.

Ms. Kleinman noted that construction costs increase all the time and inquired if the allocated nineteen million dollars would be sufficient to pay for the project.

Mr. Marion noted that the project cost was amortized over a period of years and increases in expenses were built into the cost.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

2008-01 AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SALARY AND WAGE PLAN FOR
THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR AND PROVIDE FOR THE
ADMINISTRATION THEREOF - Superior Officers

Motion to introduce: Borek

Second: Kleinman

RCV: aye Borek

aye Geevers

aye Kleinman

 Morgan - absent

aye Anklowitz

The public hearing will be held on March 17, 2008.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

Ms. Kleinman spoke of the Parking Authority reviewing requests for proposals from professionals for the construction of parking decks. She also spoke about the Historical Society planning for the future of the Schenck Farmstead and provided an update about the Arts Council's fundraiser.

Ms. Geevers noted that the Parking Authority is looking into the current placement of the bicycle lockers at the train station because they may impose a security issue. She also advised that summer parking at the train station was going to be determined in the near future. Ms. Geevers spoke of the Redevelopment Finance Committee and noted that different finance options are being reviewed and there is discussion of the issuance of bonds by investors for the project.

Mr. Borek commended the Police Division and the other agencies involved in the incident at West Windsor-Plainsboro High School South. He noted that the reverse 911 calls received was an efficient and informative process.

President Anklowitz thanked everyone for attending the Saturday, February 23rd meeting. He noted that it was a very informative meeting and was grateful to those who assisted in the preparation of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Borek
Second: Geevers
VV: All ayes, Morgan absent

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Sharon L. Young
Township Clerk
West Windsor Township