

Conference Meeting – May 24, 2022

The West Orange Township Council met in person for the first time since March 2020, beginning at 6:47 p.m., Karen Carnevale, Municipal Clerk read the following statement:

This is to inform the general public that this meeting is being held in compliance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975. The annual notice was emailed to the Star Ledger and filed in the Township Clerk's office on November 24, 2021, and published in the West Orange Chronicle on December 2, 2021.

Roll Call – Councilwoman Matute-Brown, Councilman Rutherford, Councilwoman Williams, Council President McCartney

Councilwoman Casalino - Absent

The Council gave their liaison announcements.

Public Meeting – May 24, 2022

The West Orange Township Council meeting began at 7:08 p.m., Karen Carnevale, Municipal Clerk read the following statement:

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Roll Call – Councilwoman Matute-Brown, Councilman Rutherford, Councilwoman Williams, Council President McCartney

Councilwoman Casalino - Absent

Public Comment

Karen DeAngelis – Crest Ridge Apartments

Bill Slezak – Marie Terrace

Steven Mintz – Clarken Drive

Benjamin Kleinberg – Crest Ridge Apartments

Joe Krakoviak – Grandview Avenue

Ron Charles – Colonial Woods Drive

Melissa Frader – Crest Ridge Apartments

Kevin Malanga – Ridge Road

Joyce Rudin – Woodland Avenue

A statement was read into the record on behalf of Joe Fagan – Public Information Officer – Township of West Orange by Karen Carnevale, Municipal Clerk

Clare Silvestri – Grandview Avenue

There was no one else who wished to be heard and the public comment portion of the agenda was closed.

***Review of Consent Agenda**

***Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting-** May 10, 2022 Public Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes April 26, 2022

***Report of Township Officers – None**

***Reading of Petitions and Communications and Bids-None**

***Bills**

***Resolution(s) adopted on Consent Agenda**

- a. **132-22** Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application for the West Orange Municipal Alliance Committee for DMHAS Grant Funding for the West Orange Municipal Alliance Grant (Legal-Trenk)
- b. **133-22** Resolution Authorizing a Donation from the West Orange Police Department to the Ukrainian Congress Committee (Abbott)
- c. **134-22** Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)
- d. **135-22** Resolution to Enter into an Agreement with the North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System (NJWCPS) (P. Reynolds)
- e. **136-22** Resolution Extending the Contract for Tree Removal Services with Rich Tree Service, Inc., 325 Bergen Street, So. Plainfield, NJ in the Amounts Indicated on the Resolution (Lepore)
- f. **137-22** Resolution Extending Award of Contract for Emergency and Non-Emergency Tree Services with Rich Tree Service, Inc., 325 Bergen Street, So. Plainfield, NJ, as Lowest Responsible Bidder, Savatree, LLC (formerly Tree Tech, Inc.) P.O. Box 158, 1248 Sussex Tpk., Mt. Freedom, NJ 07970, as the Second Lowest Responsible Bidder and Downes Tree Service Co., Inc., 65 Royal Avenue, Hawthorne, NJ 07505, as Third Lowest Bidder in the Amounts Indicated on the Resolution (Lepore)
- g. **138-22** Resolution Extending the Contract for Tree Removal Services with Downes Tree Service, Inc., 65 Royal Avenue, Hawthorne, NJ in the Amounts Indicated on the Resolution (Lepore)
- h. **139-22** Resolution Authorizing the Township of West Orange to Enter Into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, 37 Hoffmans Crossing Road, Califon, NJ 07830 (P. Reynolds)
- i. **140-22** Resolution Authorizing an Abandoned Car Auction (P. Reynolds)
- j. **141-22** Resolution Authorizing the Award of the New Library Contract to H&S Construction & Mechanical in the Amount of \$4,846,000 plus Alternate #1 at \$229,000 for a total of \$5,075,000 (Lepore)

- k. **142-22** Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Contract to CME Associates to Provide Professional [Engineering Services for Minish Park (A.K.A Lancaster Park) Improvements for the Reconstruction for a New Community Garden, Ballfield Upgrades and a Covid-19 in the Amount of \$43,000. (Lepore)
- l. **143-22** Resolution Permitting Display of Fireworks for the Juneteenth Holiday on June 17, 2022 at the Rock Spring Golf Course (Legal-Moon)
- m. **144-22** Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Refund Payment to the Listed Taxpayer Due to An Overpayment of Taxes Due to a Duplicate Payment (Tax Collector)
- n. **145-22** Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Refund Payment of Homestead Rebate to the Listed Disabled Veteran (Tax Collector)
- o. **146-22** Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Refund Payment to the Listed Taxpayer Due to An Overpayment of Taxes Due to an Overpayment (Tax Collector)

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the consent agenda was approved.

All members present voting “Aye.”

Ordinance(s) on Second and Final Reading

Ordinance 2678-22

On motion made by Councilwoman Matute-Brown and seconded by Council President McCartney, **An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 25, Section 28 of the General Ordinance of the Township of West Orange, Entitled “Steep Slope and Natural Features Ordinance** was taken up on second and final reading.

All members voting “Aye.”

The Council President stated that this is the scheduled time for the public hearing and asked the Clerk to read the ordinance by title only.

The Council President asked if there was anyone who wished to be heard.

There was no one that wished to be heard and the public hearing on this Ordinance was closed.

On motion made by Council President McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Williams, the above referenced ordinance was adopted.

All members present voting “Aye.”

Ordinance(s) on First Reading - None

Pending Matters-New Matters-Council Discussion

- Painting of Town Hall Steps in Celebration of Pride Month
- Upcoming Pride Flag Raising

- Juneteenth Celebration
- Diverse Developers Golf Outing
- W.O. African Heritage Organization – Men Who Cook – June 12, 2022
- Discussion regarding Town Council Meetings – Hybrid and In Person

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilman Rutherford, the Council adjourned their public meeting and entered into an ABC Hearing.

All members present voting “Aye.”

ABC Hearing

672-21 Amended Resolution 672-21 TO Reflect Approval of Person-to-Person Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0722-33-021-004, from 4 Corners Deli, LLC to Donato Reali, (Pocket License) Nunc Pro Tunc for October 24, 2019 (Kayser)

On motion made by Council President McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the above referenced resolution was approved.

All members present voting “Aye.”

676-22 Hearing on Renewal for Plenary Retail Consumption, Distribution and Club Licenses for the **2022-2023** License Term (Clerk)

On motion made by Council President McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the above referenced resolution was approved.

All members present voting “Aye.”

677-22 Resolution Rescinding in Part ABC Resolution No. 669-21, Removing Licensee No. 0722-33-021-004, 4 Corners Deli, LLC (Pocket License) as a License Approved for Renewal for the 2021/22 License Term for Failure to Meet All Qualifications for Renewal for that Term (Kayser)

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the above referenced resolution was approved.

All members present voting “Aye.”

678-22 Resolution Approving of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0722-33-021-004, for 4 Corners Deli, LLC, Nunc Pro Tunc for the 2019/20 License Term (Kayser)

On motion made by Council President McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the above referenced resolution was approved.

All members present voting “Aye.”

679-22 Resolution Renewing ABC License 0722-33-021-004, for Donato Reali (Pocket License) for the 2020/21 License Term (Kayser)

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the above referenced resolution was approved.

All members present voting "Aye."

680-22 Resolution Reapproving Renewal of the ABC Resolution for Shaku & Kaamil, Inc., License No. 0722-44-061-008, Nunc Pro Tunc for the 2018/19 License Term Effective July 30, 2019, the Date on Which the Licensee's 12.18 and 12.39 Special Rulings Were Granted by the State ABC Division (Kayser)

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the above referenced resolution was approved.

All members present voting "Aye."

681-22 Resolution Renewing the ABC License for Shaku & Kaamil, Inc., License No. 0722-44-061-008, Nunc Pro Tunc for the 2019/20 License Term, Effective July 30, 2019, the Date on Which the Licensee's 12.18 and 12.39 Special Rulings Were Granted by the State ABC Division (Kayser)

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the above referenced resolution was approved.

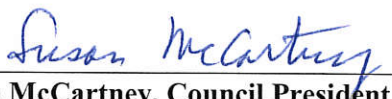
All members present voting "Aye."

At 9:23 p.m., on motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the meeting was adjourned.

All members present voting "Aye."

The Minutes of this meeting are on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.


Karen J. Carneyale, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk


Susan McCartney, Council President

Adopted: June 14, 2022