

Conference Meeting – September 6, 2022

The Conference meeting began at 6:35 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 Casalino, Councilwoman Matute-Brown, Councilman Rutherford, Councilwoman Williams, Council President McCartney

The Council gave their liaison announcements. Joe Fagan reported on past and upcoming events in West Orange.

Public Meeting – September 6, 2022

The West Orange Township Council meeting began at 7:02 p.m., Karen Carnevale, Municipal Clerk read the following statement:

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

Public Comment

James Jackson – Ashley Road

Darnell Gibbs - Tremont Avenue, Orange, NJ

Corey Dischman – Llewellyn Avenue

Susan Lenczyk – Eagle Rock Avenue

Mark Meyerowitz – Howell Drive

Noria Gibbs – Tremont Avenue, Orange, NJ

Joe Krakoviak – 20 Grand View Avenue

Susan Scarpa – Gregory Avenue

Todd Dubovy – Burnett Terrace

Todd Dubovy on Behalf of Micaela Bennett – Old Indian Road

Claire Silvestri – 20 Grand View Avenue

Anthony Puglisi – PIO Essex County

Sally Malanga – Ridge Road

Zasah Khademi – Dawes Avenue

Gary Van Wyk – Burnett Terrace

Joyce Rudin – Woodland Avenue

Kevin Malanga – Ridge Road

Ted Reinhardt – Ferris Drive

Rosary Morelli – Ralph Road

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-** August 9, 2022 Public Meeting Minutes

***Report of Township Officers – None**

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

***Bills**

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

- a. **215-22** Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)
- b. **216-22** Resolution to Award a Contract to Computer Square d/b/a CSI Technology Group for the West Orange Police and Fire Emergency InfoShare/Cad/Rms Software Maintenance Renewal (Reynolds)
- c. **217-22** Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Refund Payment to the Listed Taxpayer Due to an Overpayment of Taxes Due to a Duplicate Payment (Longo)
- d. **218-22** Resolution Approving Matrix Cost Estimate Dispute Proposal (Legal-Beckelman)
- e. **219-22** Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Closing Documents to Finalize The Sale of an Undersize Parcel of Land in the Upper Mellon Avenue Area of the Township to the Adjacent Property Owner Pursuant to Previously Granted Resolutions and Ordinances (Legal-Moon)
- f. **220-22** Resolution Authorizing a Contract for the Removal of the UST and Replacement of the 2,000-Gallon Diesel Tank with an AST to Slack Environmental Services, 180 Market Street, Kenilworth, NJ 07033 in the Amount of \$75,073.99 for Services at the Township's Cherry Lane Pump Station (Lepore)
- g. **221-22** Resolution Authorizing an Additional Expenditure for the 2021 Community Development Block Grants for Kingsley Street, Wheeler Street and Wheeler Street Sanitary Sewer with Crew

Engineers, Inc., 1250 Route 23 North Butler, NJ 07405 in the Amount of \$2,000.00 Bringing the Adjusted Contract Amount to \$24,000.00 (Lepore)

- h. **222-22** Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Refund Payment to the Listed Taxpayer Due to an Overpayment of Taxes Due to a Duplicate Payment (K. Longo)
- i. **223-22** Resolution Authorizing an Award of a Professional Services Contract to CME Associates, 3759 Highway 1 South, Suite 100, Monmouth Junction, New Jersey 08852, Manal Baba, LSRP, to Provide Professional Services for a Site Investigation and Remediation of Motor Oil Discharge at the Public Works Building, 25 Lakeside Avenue In Accordance for a Fee Not To Exceed \$38,550.00 (Lepore)
- j. **224-22** Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Contract With a NJ Licensed Tree Expert (NJLTE) for the Township's Urban Tree Inventory in the Rights Of Way Along the Township's Street Network be Awarded to ED Arborists and Foresters, 976 Old School House Road, Blairstown, NJ 07825 in the Amount of \$52,500.00 (Lepore)
- k. **225-22** Resolution Authorizing an Award of Contract to Reggio Construction, Inc., 416 E. Central Blvd., Palisades Park, NJ 07650 for the Project Street Improvements 2021, Phase I, in the Amount Of \$2,125,752.70 (Lepore)
- l. **226-22** Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Contract to CME Associates, 3759 Highway 1 South, Suite 100, Monmouth Junction, New Jersey 08852, Manal Baba, LSRP, to Provide Professional Services to Perform Additional Site Investigations of the 21 Areas of Concern at the Public Works Building, 25 Lakeside Avenue for a Fee Not to Exceed \$82,600.00 (Lepore)
- m. **227-22** Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 with H&S Construction and Mechanical, Inc. in the Amount of \$6,946.54 or a 0.14 percent increase in the original contract amount of \$5,075,000.00 bringing the adjusted contract amount to \$5,081,946.54 (Lepore)
- n. **228-22** Resolution Authorizing the Purchasing Agent, on behalf of the Township to Issue and Execute a Purchase Order for \$102,435.00 to Herc Rentals Inc., 27500 Riverview Center Blvd., Bonita Springs, FL 34134 for Needed Equipment Rental for Leaf and Snow Season- November 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022 (P. Reynolds)
- o. **230-22** Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session for the Purpose of Contract Negotiations - Downtown Redevelopment Area (Legal)
- p. **231-22** Resolution Authorizing an Award of Contract to Factory Direct Bus Sales, Inc., 155 Terminal Drive, Plainview, New York 11803 for Two 2023 Ford E-450 Minibuses-16 Ambulatory Seats with Two Wheelchair Positions in the Amount of \$116,551.00 for Each Bus or a Total of \$233,102.00 (Lepore)

On motion made by Councilman Rutherford and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the consent agenda was approved.

All members present voting "Aye."

Resolution(s) Removed from the Consent Agenda

Resolution 229-22

Resolution Remanding 91 Ashland Ave., LLC Appeal of Rent Leveling Board Decision by Tenants to the Rent Leveling Board (Kayser)

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

Councilwoman Matute-Brown, Councilman Rutherford, Councilwoman Williams and Council President McCartney voting "Aye."

Councilwoman Casalino recused herself.

Resolution 232-22

Resolution Designation Hackman Capital Partners, LLC as Conditional-Redeveloper for Film Services Overlay District (FSOD) of the Downtown Redevelopment Plan and Authorizing the Negotiation of a Redevelopment Agreement (Legal-Beckelman)

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

All members present voting "Aye."

Resolution 233-22

Resolution Authorizing Change Order #2 for the 10 Rooney Library Project (Lepore)

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

Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Matute-Brown, Councilwoman Williams and Council President McCartney voting "Aye." Councilman Rutherford voting "Nay."

At approximately 9:35 p.m., on motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the Council entered into Executive Session.

All members present voting "Aye."

At approximately 10:31 p.m., on motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the Council ended their Executive Session and returned to the Public meeting.

All members present voting "Aye."

Ordinance(s) on Second and Final Reading

Ordinance 2693-22

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Council President McCartney, **An Ordinance Amending And Supplementing Chapter 7, Traffic, Subsection 7-32.1 Handicapped Parking On Streets And Subsection 7-32.2, Restricted Parking Zones, Of The Revised General Ordinances of the Township Of West Orange - 149 Watchung Ave., 124 High St., 111 Chestnut St., 138 Chestnut St., 106 Elm St.,** was taken up on second and final reading.

All members present 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 Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Council President McCartney, the above referenced ordinance was adopted.

All members present voting "Aye."

Ordinance 2694-22

On motion made by Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Councilwoman Williams, **An Ordinance Creating a Reclassification and Salary Schedule of Certain Township of West Orange Employees Setting Forth Their Titles, Classification and Salary Ranges and Adopting a Salary Guide and Establishing the Employee's Status as a Township Employee and Under the Guidelines of the New Jersey Department of Personnel** was taken up on second and final reading.

All members present voting "Aye."

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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 Councilwoman Matute-Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the above referenced ordinance was adopted.

All members present voting "Aye."

Ordinance(s) on First Reading

Ordinance 2695-22

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, **An Ordinance Creating a Reclassification and Salary Schedule of Certain Township of West Orange Employees Setting Forth Their Titles, Classification and Salary Ranges and Adopting a Salary Guide and Establishing the Employee's Status as a Township Employee and Under the Guidelines of the New Jersey Department of Personnel**, was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on September 20, 2022.

All members voting "Aye."

Ordinance 2696-22

On motion made by Council President McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Williams, **An Ordinance Providing For A Special Emergency Appropriation In An Amount Not To Exceed \$950,000.00 To Fund Contractually Required Severance Liabilities Resulting From The Retirement Of Employees In The Township**, was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on September 20, 2022.

All members voting "Aye."

Pending Matters-New Matters-Council Discussion

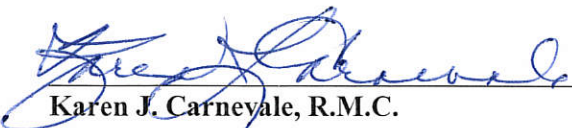
- Ideas on how to conduct the Public Council meetings
- Township Council Newsletter
- Mt. Pleasant Forest

ABC Hearing – None

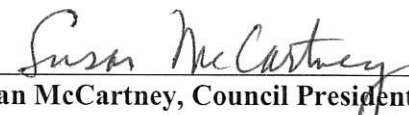
At 10:56 p.m., on motion made by Councilwoman Matute-Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Williams, the meeting was adjourned.

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: September 20, 2022