

Conference Meeting – August 9, 2022

The Conference meeting began at 6:38 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, Councilman Rutherford, Councilwoman Williams, Council President McCartney

Councilwoman Matute-Brown was delayed.

A Mayor's Proclamation was presented to the owners of Jimmy Buffs in celebration of their 90th Anniversary. Miss Amanda Raymond, Student Ambassador – Grass Roots Community Foundation gave a power point presentation about the foundation and upcoming events for Green Ribbon Week in September.

Public Meeting – August 9, 2022

The West Orange Township Council meeting began at 7:02 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, Councilman Rutherford, Councilwoman Williams, Council President McCartney

Councilwoman Matute-Brown arrived at 7:14 p.m.

Public Comment

Claire Silvestri – Grandview Avenue

Joe Fagan – Public Information Officer – West Orange

Anthony Puglisi – PIO – Essex County

Michael Miltiades – Rand Drive

Joe Krakoviak – Grandview Avenue

Kevin Malanga – Ridge Road

Corey Dischman – Llewellyn 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-** July 19, 2022 Public Meeting Minutes

***Report of Township Officers – None**

***Reading of Petitions and Communications and Bids**

- a. Planning Board – Proposed Amendment to Land Use Regulations, Chapter 25; Implementing Supplement Agreement with Fair Share Housing Center-Ord. 2685-22

***Bills**

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

- a. **198-22** Resolution Determining the Form and Other Details of its “Note Relating to the Water Bank Construction Financing Program of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank”, to be Issued in the Principal Amount of up to \$4,865,000, and Providing for the Issuance and Sale of Such Note to the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank, and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Such Note by the Township of West Orange in Favor of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank, all Pursuant to the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Water Bank Construction Financing Program (Legal-Trenk)
- b. **199-22** Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)
- c. **200-22** Resolution Awarding a Contract for the Purchase of a Truck Chassis and Body and Salt Spreader to Allegiance Trucks, 525 West Linden Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036 and Cliffside Body Corporation, 130 Broad Avenue, Fairview, NJ 07022 in accordance with their proposals dated July 8, 2022 and July 19, 2022 which comply with their contract No. 20/21-55 with a State approved cooperative purchasing agency, Educational Services Commission of New Jersey in the total amount of \$275,092.00 (Lepore)
- d. **201-22** Resolution Awarding a Contract to John Deere Corporation and Jesco Inc. as Qualified Vendor, through Use of the Sourcewell (formerly NJPA) National Cooperative Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (Lepore)
- e. **202-22** Resolution Authorizing The Collector Of Taxes To Rebate Payment To The Listed Taxpayer Pursuant To Final Judgment By The Tax Court Of New Jersey (K. Longo)
- f. **204-22** Resolution Authorizing The Collector Of Taxes To Refund Sewer Charges And Rebate Payment To The Listed Taxpayer (K. Longo)
- g. **205-22** Resolution Authorizing The Collector Of Taxes To Refund Payment To The Listed Taxpayer Due To Veteran Exemption (K. Longo)
- h. **206-22** Resolution Authorizing The Collector Of Taxes To Rebate Payment To The Listed Taxpayer Pursuant To Final Judgment By The Tax Court Of New Jersey (K. Longo)
- i. **207-22** Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Matrix as an Environmental Consultant for the Township to Conduct Phase Two Assessment with Regard to 1 Lakeside Avenue, Block 115, Lot 16.01 and Block 1302, Lot 1¹ at a Cost of \$37,300.00 (Legal-Beckelman)
-

- j. **208-22** Resolution Approving Memorandum of Agreement Between AFSCME New Jersey Council 63, Local 3476 and the Township Of West Orange (Gross)
- k. **209-22** Resolution Approving Memorandum of Agreement Between the West Orange Fire Superior Officers Association and The Township Of West Orange (Gross)
- l. **210-22** Resolution Approving Memorandum Of Agreement Between the West Orange Firefighters' Mutual Benevolent Association, Local 28 ("FMBA") and the Township Of West Orange (Gross)
- m. **211-22** Resolution Approving Memorandum Of Agreement Between Teamsters Local 560, Public Department Of Public Works Supervisors And The Township Of West Orange (Gross)
- n. **212-22** Resolution Approving Memorandum Of Agreement Between Teamsters Local 560, Public Safety Telecommunication Operators and the Township Of West Orange (Gross)
- o. **213-22** Resolution Approving Memorandum of Agreement Between West Orange PBA Local 25 and The Township of West Orange (Gross)
- p. **214-22** Resolution Approving Memorandum of Agreement Between West Orange PBA Local 25 - Superior Officers Association (SOA) and The Township of West Orange (Gross)

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

All members present voting "Aye."

Resolution(s) Removed from the Consent Agenda

Resolution 203-22

Resolution Approving Mutual General Release, Covenant Not to Sue and Dismissal Litigation By and Between Kevin Malanga and the Township of West Orange and West Orange Senior Housing Urban Renewal, LLC (Legal-Trenk)

A motion was made by Council President McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Williams, the above referenced resolution was approved.

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

Ordinance(s) on Second and Final Reading

Ordinance 2685-22

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, **An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter XXV Land Use Regulations of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange to Implement a Settlement Agreement with Fair Share Housing Center** 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 Council President McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Williams, the above referenced ordinance was adopted.

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

Ordinance 2692-22

On motion made by Council President McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, **An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 7, Traffic, Subsection 7-29.1, Speed Limits, General of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange to Establish a Speed Limit of 25 miles Per Hour on Mt. Pleasant Avenue, from Prospect Avenue to Jones Place, a County Road, Subject to the Consent of the Essex County Commissioners** 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 Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the above referenced ordinance was adopted.

All members present voting "Aye."

Ordinance(s) on First Reading

Ordinance 2693-22

On motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, **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 approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on September 6, 2022.

All members voting "Aye."

Ordinance 2694-22

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 6, 2022.

All members voting "Aye."

Pending Matters-New Matters-Council Discussion

- Capital Improvement Budget Workshop dates
- Special Meeting – Rent Leveling Board and Cannabis Task Force

After a brief discussion and on motion made by Councilwoman Matute-Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Williams, the Council voted to combine the Special meeting of the Rent Leveling Board and the Cannabis Task Force on one evening.

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

- Town Pool

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

All members present voting "Aye."

ABC Hearing

Resolution 695-22

Resolution Rescinding in Part ABC Resolution No. 688-22, Removing Licensees, as Licensees Approved for Renewal for the 2022-2023 License Term for Failure to Obtain Special Ruling (Clerk)

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

All members present voting "Aye."

Resolution 696-22

Resolution Rescinding In Part ABC Resolution(s) No. 688-22, 659-21 And 643-20 Removing License No. 0722-33-049-009 Fred Kravant, as a Licensee Approved For Renewal for the 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 License Terms For Failure To Obtain Special Rulings (Legal-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."

Resolution 697-22

Resolution Approving Renewal Of Inactive License 0722-33-049-009 Frederic N. Kruvant (Pocket), Nunc Pro Tunc to August 11, 2020, for the 2020-21 License Term Pursuant to Special Ruling, N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 (Legal-Kayser)

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

All members present voting "Aye."

Resolution 698-22

Resolution Approving Renewal Of Inactive License 0722-33-049-009 Frederic N. Kruvant (Pocket), Nunc Pro Tunc to June 22, 2021 for the 2021-2022 License Term Pursuant to Special Ruling, N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 (Legal-Kayser)

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

All members present voting "Aye."

Resolution 699-22

Resolution Approving Renewal of Inactive License 0722-33-049-009 Frederic N. Kruvant (Pocket), for the 2022-23 License Term Pursuant to Special Ruling, N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 (Legal-Kayser)

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

All members present voting "Aye."

Resolution 700-22

Resolution Rescinding In Part ABC Resolution(s) No. 688-22 And 659-21 Removing License No. 0722-33-067-010 Fan & Jade, Inc., as a Licensee Approved for Renewal for the 2021-2022 And 2022-2023 License Terms for Failure To Obtain Special Ruling (Legal-Kayser)

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

All members present voting "Aye."

Resolution 701-22

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."

Resolution 702-22

Resolution Approving a Person to Person and Place to Place Transfer of Liquor License No. 0722-33-016-004 from Starlite Restaurant & Pizzeria, Inc. to Tapas Tavern, LLC, 277 Main Street, West Orange, NJ

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

All members present voting "Aye."

At 9:34 p.m., on motion made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Matute-Brown, the ABC Hearing was adjourned.

All members present voting "Aye."

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


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


Susan McCartney, Council President

Adopted: September 6, 2022