

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

Township of West Orange

66 Main Street – 7:00 p.m.

February 7, 2023

Meeting No. 5

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 23, 2022 and published in the West Orange Chronicle on December 1, 2022.

Statement of Decorum

**In all matters not provided for in subsection 3-15.1 and except upon consent of the Council President, each person addressing the Council pursuant to this subsection shall be required to limit his or her remarks to five (5) minutes and shall at no time engage in any personally offensive or abusive remarks. The chair shall call any speaker to order who violates any provision of this rule.
(1972 Code § 3-15.2)**

Roll Call – Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilman Rutherford, Councilwoman Scarpa, Council President Williams, Mayor McCartney

1. Public Comment

2. *Consent Agenda

3. *Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Public Meeting January 24, 2023 and Special Meeting January 31, 2023

4. *Report of Township Officers - None

6. *Reading of Petitions and Communications and Bids

a. Correspondence of the West Orange Township Council Appointing Roz Moskowitz Bielski as a Commissioner to the Economic Development Commission for a One-Year Appointment Beginning on January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

7. *Bills-None

8. *Resolutions

a. 38-23 Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)

b. 39-23 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Professional Services Agreement to Retain BBG as Redevelopment Appraiser – 2023 effective January 1, 2023 (Legal-Moon)

c. 40-23 Resolution Rejecting the Bids for Repair and Maintenance of Buses for the W.O. Public Works Department and Authorizing the Purchasing Agent to Re-Bid and Advertise (P. Reynolds)

d. 41-23 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)

e. 42-23 Resolution Authorizing the 2022 Reimbursement for Services to Private Communities – Street Lighting (Lepore)

f. 43-23 Resolution Appointing John O. Gross as Fund Commissioner, and Peter Smeraldo as Alternate Fund Commissioner, to the Garden State Municipal JIF and the Bergen Municipal Employee Benefits Fund

- g. **44-23** Resolution Authorizing the 2022 Reimbursement for Services to Private Communities – Snow Removal (Lepore)
- h. **45-23** Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Appropriation of Funds for the Emergency Repairs at the Rock Spring Golf Club, 90 Rock Spring Road (Lepore)
- i. **46-23** Resolution Authorizing the 2022 Reimbursement for Services to Private Communities – Leaf Collection (Lepore)
- j. **47-23** Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Refund Payment to the Listed Taxpayer Due to a Veteran Exemption (K. Longo)
- k. **48-23** Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session to Discuss Matters of Contract Negotiations and Potential Litigation, Specifically, (1) Library Transition including (i) sale of 46 Mt. Pleasant Avenue for 64 deed restricted affordable senior units; (ii) opening of new Library at 10 Rooney Circle; and (iii) interim services for library patrons, (2) Rock Spring Food and Beverage Issues, (3) Rock Spring Community Meeting – Open Public Meetings Act, (4) Downtown Redevelopment Issues, (5) The legal ramifications of changing the number of letters of support already issued for the cannabis businesses (Legal-Trenk)
- l. **49-23** Resolution Authorizing Interlocal Agreement with Borough of North Caldwell for Animal Shelter Services - 2023 (DeNova)
- m. **50-23** Resolution Authorizing a Contract with PSE&G Company, in the amount of \$77,321.87 to Perform Work Associated with the 2020 CDBG Mitchell Street Improvements Project for Decorative Street Lighting (Carballo)
- n. **51-23** Resolution Authorizing Execution of Agreement with Wayne DeFeo to Act as Consultant to Assist in 2023 with the Solid Waste & Recycling Services Bidding Process at a Rate of \$185. Per Hour, NTE \$30,000. (Legal-Trenk)

9. Ordinances on Second and Final Reading

- a. **2709-23** Bond Ordinance Providing for Phases Ii(B), Iii(B), Iv, V And Vi of the Local Unit’s Allocable Share of the Flood Mitigation Facilities Project of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties, By and In the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey (The “Local Unit”); Appropriating \$6,565,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$6,565,000 Bonds or Notes to Finance the Cost Thereof (Gross)
- b. **2710-23** 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 (Gross)

10. Ordinances on First Reading

- a. **2713-23** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 25, Section 47.5 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township Of West Orange (Legal-Trenk) **(to be heard on second and final reading on 3.21.23 after Zoning Bd. review)**
- b. **2714-23** An Ordinance Releasing, Extinguishing and Vacating the Rights of the Public at a Variable Width-60’ Right of Way Known as Municipal Plaza Township of West Orange, County Of Essex and State of New Jersey (Lepore)
- c. **2715-23** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5, Section 34.3, Section 34.4, Section 34.5, and Section 34.6 And Chapter 25, Section 24.2 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange (Licensed Cannabis Entities) (Legal-Moon)

11. Pending Matters/New Matters/Council Discussion

12. ABC Hearing-None

13. Adjournment

**The Council President may at his/her discretion modify with consent the order of business at any meeting of the Council if he/she deems it necessary and appropriate.
(1972 Code § 3-8; Ord. No. 726-84; Ord. No. 1157-93; Ord. No. 2128-07 § II)**

Agenda is subject to change.

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Next Meeting Date(s): February 21, 2023