

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
7:00 PM Regular Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2021

The meeting was called to order and opened at 7:00 by Mayor Sandy Henley. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times on January 4, 2021. This meeting was held in person in the Westampton Township Municipal Building Courtroom. The flag was saluted and there was a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

Committeeman Carr	Present
Committeeman DeSilva	Present
Mayor Henley	Present
Committeewoman Mungo	Present
Committeeman Wisniewski	Absent

Acting Clerk/Administrator Wendy Gibson was present. Bob Wright, Township Solicitor, Michael Watson, Township Labor Attorney, and Police Chief Ent were also present.

Executive Session

Resolution No. 10-5-2021: Resolution Authorizing the Mayor, Township Committee and Support Staff to Meet in Private Session and Authorizing the Exclusion of the Public From that Portion of the Meeting Dealing with Specific Issues Requiring Non-Public Discussions - Attorney-Client Privilege. Motion to enter Executive Session made by Mr. Carr, seconded by Mr. DeSilva.

The Committee, Township Attorneys and Township Administrator adjourned to the meeting room at 7:03PM, and returned to the Courtroom at 7:46PM. All in favor to return to the regular meeting.

Approval of Minutes of the 9/21/21 meeting; motion to approve by Mr. DeSilva; second by Ms. Mungo. Motion Carried 4-0.

Discussion

Little Free Libraries

Township Administrator Wendy Gibson presented to the Committee research on the Little Free Libraries. She discussed that it was in the best interest of the Township, for residents wishing to build a structure, to follow the Little Free Library Organization's guidelines, and then seek approval from the Township.

Mr. DeSilva, Ms. Mungo, and Mayor Henley agreed that residents should follow the guidelines of the organization. Ms. Gibson advised she would create a conceptual process to be voted upon at a future meeting.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

Nancy Burkley, Olive Street, wanted to mention that the residents had to do a lot of work to get a certification from the Little Free Library organization, and she was happy that the Committee was moving forward.

She also wanted to ask why the Township was rejecting the Roadway Improvement Project Bids.

Ms. Gibson discussed that it was in the best interest of the Township to reject the bids, due to upcoming utility work in the selected roadways. Its best to wait and re-bid the project after the work is completed.

Monthly Reports: none

Resolutions:

- a. 116-21 Payment of Vouchers – this resolution approves the payment of bills through 10/05/2021. Motion to approve made by Mr. Carr; seconded by Mr. DeSilva. Motion Carried 4-0.

Consent Agenda Resolutions: Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted with a single motion; any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of funds; any items requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda.

- a. a. 117-21 Resolution Affirming Civil Rights
- b. 118-21 Resolution Establishing Curfew for Mischief and Halloween Nights
- c. 119-21 Resolution Authorizing Cancellation of Taxes – Block 1001.02, Lot 19 (Totally Disabled Veteran)
- d. 120-21 Resolution Approving Memorandum of Agreement with AFSCME Local 3827A
- e. 121-21 Resolution Rejecting 2021 Road Improvement Project Bids
- f. 122-21 Resolution Approving Memorandum of Agreement with FOP Lodge 147, Superior Officers

Mr. Carr requested to pull Resolution 119-21 from the list to vote separately. Motion to approve consent agenda resolutions 117-21, 118-21, 120-21 and 121-21 made by Ms. Mungo; seconded by Mr. Carr. Motion Carried 4-0.

Motion to approve Resolution 119-21 made by Ms. Mungo; seconded by Mr. DeSilva. Motion Approved 3-0-1. Mr. Carr abstained.

OPM Mailbox & Correspondence: none

Open to Public Comment:

No public comment made. All in favor to close public comment.

Committee Liaison Reports/Comments:

Mr. DeSilva wanted to mention that the Recreation Department will still be doing Trunk or Treat on October 22nd. A location has been selected, but details have not yet been finalized.

Ms. Mungo wanted to mention that she was in communication with the Westampton Schools. They are doing well, but she wants everyone to keep staff and students in thought.

Mayor Henley wanted to thank everyone for coming out to the meeting.

Mr. Carr wanted to present his gratitude toward Det. Sgt. Chieffalo.

Mr. Wisniewski seconded the words of Mr. Carr.

Township Administrator Ms. Gibson mentioned there may be a typo in the date of the minutes that were approved, Committee confirmed that their date was correct, no action needed.

Dates to Remember:

Next Scheduled Meeting October 19, 2021,
Fire Prevention Open House @Westampton Township Fire Station Thursday
October 7th @ 6PM, Rancocas Community Center Ham Dinner, Saturday
October 9th 4-7PM, Trunk or Treat, October 22nd, Location & Time TBD.

Motion to adjourn the public meeting was made by Mr. DeSilva; seconded by Ms. Mungo. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 7:59PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Gibson, Acting Municipal Clerk

