WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

6:00 PM CLOSED SESSION 7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 14, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Sidney Camp. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times February 25, 2011. The flag was saluted and there was a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

Committeewoman ChangPresentCommitteeman DanielsPresentCommitteeman MayburyPresentCommitteeman RobbinsPresentMayor CampPresent

George Saponaro, Solicitor, was present. Donna Ryan, Clerk/Administrator and Marion Karp, Deputy Clerk were present.

Minutes of the May 24, 2011 meeting; motion to accept by Mr. Robbins, second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes. Closed session minutes of May 24, 2011; motion to accept by Mr. Daniels, second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

Scheduled Appointments

6:00 PM - Closed Session

Comments on agenda items

No comments were made.

New Business

a. Boy Scout Project in Rancocas Village – boy scouts will occasionally attend the Recreation Commission meetings, Todd is working with a scout to overhaul the baseball field in Rancocas village; most of the money is raised by the scouts but the Recreation Department is contributing a small amount. Eagle Scouts look for projects; this field is owned by the Friends Meeting. Mr. Robbins asked about the fact that we are putting money towards it; and we will be able to use it for practices. We would be able to use the field if needed. We do cut the grass on it.

b. Park Funding – we will not be receiving the second round of funding this year. We can file next year for the next round of funding.

Ordinances

None

Resolutions

62-11 Payment of Vouchers – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Ms. Chang. All voted yes. Mr. Robbins asked about the charges for the Home Depot Credit Card; there was a bill for over one thousand dollars; he wanted to know how we are monitoring this and wants to make sure that individuals are not using the municipalities' card for their own purchases. Mr. Daniels asked if there was a limit on the card; Donna answered that it is about two thousand dollars.

63-11 Award Construction Contract for Sports Complex Phase III – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes. There is a \$72K grant tied to this. We are installing some optional items in the bid; it will be about \$74K in total spent. We added the optional items as to avoid a change order later on, as Donna explained. This is for walkways for handicapped accessible; asphalt to the baseball fields and the playgrounds and partially around the parking lots. We can't finish it all at this time. It includes a walking path all the way around the baseball fields.

Ms. Chang asked about the drainage problems and if these walkways would have an effect; we are waiting to see what effect they will have, we are expecting some improvement with the drainage issues; we do not have a maintenance bond in place at this time. Solicitor George Saponaro is going to discuss this with engineer Greg Valesi, who is still reviewing the matter. Mr. Robbins is concerned about spending money if we aren't certain that the drainage problems would be improved; Donna explained that we would be installing the walkways anyway. Mr. Daniels asked if it is possible that the drainage problem be made worse; Donna explained that the walkways were designed taking these problems in mind. He asked what the nature of the change was in the contract; there was a minor mathematical error in the bid that our engineer discovered; it made the bid a bit lower.

64-11 Person to Person Liquor License Transfer (Charlie Browns) – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes, Ms. Chang abstained, Mayor Camp voted no. Mayor Camp commented regarding the name of CB Mt. Holly; it should be listed as CB Westampton, LLC. He has always had issue with this; we need the name for recognition.

65-11 Refund Homestead Rebates on Exempt Properties – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

66-11 Refund 2011 Taxes (Disabled Vet Exemption), Block 1502, Lot 49 – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

67-11 Cancel Taxes, Block 401.01, Lot 73 – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

68-11 Executive Session – for discussion of personnel matters. Motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

Correspondence

NJ American Water – proposed rate change, notice of public hearing 6/15/11 @ 7 PM, Westampton Municipal Building.

Workshop – discussions to be scheduled at a later date

Rancocas Traffic Snow parking Burlington County Farmland Preservation Program Ordinances Historic Preservation Ordinance

Dates to remember

NJ American Water Public Hearing - 6/15/11 @ 7 PM

WMS 8th grade graduation – this Saturday, June 18th at BCIT

Flag Day – June 14th

On July 1st at the Timbuctoo dig site, the CBS morning show will broadcast live for four hours. Temple University's media department is contacting media sources. Ms. Chang asked if there had ever been any interest from Rutgers; there hasn't, as far as Mayor Camp knows. There has been some discussion about bringing on a senior archaeologist from within New Jersey to the dig.

Comments

Chief Smith – there have been numerous narcotics seizures made which are attributed to the dog; it is working out well. Kohls has had an on going problem with shop lifting arrests.

Dep. Clerk Marion Karp – passed the test to become a Certified Recycling Professional; she could sign the Recycling Tonnage Grant for other townships. It is a requirement to be certified beginning in 2012.

Mr. Daniels – attended the Westampton Memorial Day celebrations this year; both he and the Mayor spoke. A representative of Senator Menendez's office spoke. WMS is having their 8th grade awards ceremony; he traditionally gives out two awards. He gives one award to a boy and one to a girl. The last award is the Sarah Ferguson award, we lost her last year, which was far too soon. Her mother Kathy used his narrative as part of her narrative.

Open to public Comment

Richard Nasco – represents the new owner of Charlie Browns; no offense was meant to Westampton. They purchased 17 of the remaining restaurants; he is going to make a notation that it should be changed to reflect Westampton. They are very happy to be here. It is one of the profitable locations.

Janet Curran – spoke about the baseball field history in Rancocas; she hopes that one day Westampton will have its own team. She thinks the Timbuctoo dig is a very private thing; she thinks it shouldn't have been disturbed. She complained about un registered cars near the site. The grass has been cut; notice was sent to the resident.

There were no further comments and the meeting was closed.

Mayor Camp – the Timbuctoo dig is taking place now through the middle of July. All are welcome to volunteer. There is intention of them coming in August to our meeting to make a presentation.

There were no further comments and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Deputy Clerk