

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

7:00 PM Regular Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2020

The meeting was called to order and opened at 7:00 PM by Mayor Sandy Henley. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times on January 3, 2020. This meeting was held remotely via telephone conference call and the Zoom app. The flag was saluted and there was a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

Committeeman DeSilva	Present
Committeeman Eckart	Present
Mayor Henley	Present
Committeewoman Mungo	Present
Committeeman Wisniewski	Present

Administrator Wendy Gibson and Marion Karp, Clerk, were present. Carol Berlen and Ruben Perez, Township Solicitors were also present.

Approve Agenda – motion to approve the agenda made by Mr. Wisniewski; second by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.

Minutes of the 11/10/20 meeting; workshop session minutes of 11/10/20; executive session minutes of 11/10/20 – motion to approve by Ms. Mungo; second by Mr. Wisniewski. All voted yes, Mr. Eckart abstained.

No questions or comments had been received in the Township Clerk's OPM mailbox.

Scheduled Appointments: None

Public Comments on Agenda Items

No comments were made.

Monthly Reports: WTES, Tax Collector, Police

New Business: None

Ordinances:

a. 14-2020 Amend the Code of the Township of Westampton, Chapter 250, Zoning – this ordinance adds the TC-Town Center Zone which creates a balanced development of commercial, residential and public uses (second reading) – motion & second required, then open to the public for comment. **This ordinance would be withdrawn from further consideration at this time. Motion to withdraw the ordinance made by Mr. Wisniewski; seconded by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.**

Resolutions:

a. 137-20 Payment of Vouchers – this resolution approves the payment of bills through 12/1/2020. Motion to approve made by Mr. Eckart; seconded by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.

b. 138-20 Municipal Park Development Grant Program Reimbursement – this resolution provides for the reimbursement of grant funds from the County for the Rolling Hills playground improvements. Motion to approve made by Mr. Eckart; seconded by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.

c. 139-20 Chapter 159, Municipal Park Development Grant – this resolution permits the insertion of a special item of revenue into the 2020 Budget, amount is \$70,587.00 (Rolling Hills playground improvements). Motion to approve made by Mr. Eckart; seconded by Mr. Wisniewski. All voted yes.

d. 140-20 Cancel Unexpended Balance, Current Fund – this resolution permits an unexpended balance in the amount of \$12,500.00 for Vehicle Maintenance to be cancelled and credited to Surplus. Motion to approve made by Ms. Mungo; seconded by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.

e. 141-20 Approve Emergency Appropriation – this resolution approves an emergency appropriation of \$12,500.00 to purchase a police administrative vehicle. Motion to approve made by Mr. DeSilva; seconded by Mr. Eckart. All voted yes, Mr. Wisniewski abstained.

f. 142-20 Refund Taxes, Block 1001, Lot 59 – this resolution refunds taxes over paid due to a duplicate payment in the amount of \$748.33. Motion to approve made by Mr. Wisniewski; seconded by Ms. Mungo. All voted yes.

Correspondence:

2021 Westampton Township Meeting Dates

Committee Liaison Reports: None

Dates to Remember:

Township Committee meeting December 15, 2020

Open to public Comment

Nancy Burkley – is glad the town center ordinance is being withdrawn. She asked about a historic zone for Rancocas and for Timbuctoo. She thinks one should be created since so many variances are necessary due to the odd shaped lots. Hainesport has a historic zone as does Montclair, it would be good for the residents. She also spoke about the handicapped parking at the Municipal building; it is insufficient. She doesn't think the 15-minute spaces are as important as handicapped spaces. Wendy Gibson stated that she absolutely would look into this.

Committee Members Comments

Mr. Eckart – hopes everyone had a good Thanksgiving; he did a lot of reflection this weekend; he is thankful and proud of the staff at the Municipal building. We are all going through this together and have handled it well; our Township manager has done a great job with this; he wished her a happy birthday. He is proud of the Township as a community and is proud of the staff.

Mr. DeSilva – happy birthday to Wendy; thanks to Public Works and Recreation for getting the new playground up and running.

Ms. Mungo – thanked all for their hard work; Happy Birthday to Wendy.

Mr. Wisniewski – seconds what Mr. Eckert said; Happy Birthday to Wendy, keep up the good work.

Mayor Henley – he agrees with everyone's comments; Happy Birthday to Wendy.

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Wisniewski; second by Mr. Eckart. All were in favor.

There were no further comments and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Municipal Clerk