

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
7:00 PM Regular Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2022

The meeting was called to order and opened at 7:01 by Mayor Sandy Henley. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times on January 10, 2022. 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:

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

Acting Clerk/Administrator Wendy Gibson, Township Solicitor Robert Wright, Chief of Police Stephen Ent, Fire/EMS Chief Craig Farnsworth and Deputy Clerk were also present.

Approval of Minutes of the 02/15/22 Regular meeting and 02/15/22 Workshop; motion to approve by Mr. Carr; second by Mr. DeSilva. Motion carried 4-0.

Public Comments on Agenda Items – Mr. Gary Berberian 138 Winstead Drive wanted to note that item 15(b), Resolution 44-22 may have had a clerical error within the body of the Resolution, regarding the actual amounts listed.

All in favor to close public comment.

Monthly Reports: Tax Collector January 2022 Report.

Ordinances:

a. 1-2022 Ordinance of the Township of Westampton to Accept the Dedication of that Portion of Hancock Lane Located in BLOCK 902, LOT 1 (second reading, motion & second required, then open to public).

No public comment was made, all in favor to close.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 1-22 was made by Mr. DeSilva; second by Mr. Carr. Motion carried 4-0.

Resolutions:

- a. 42-22 Payment of Vouchers – this resolution approves the payment of bills through 03/01/22.

Motion to approve Resolution 42-22 made by Ms. Burkley; seconded by Mr. DeSilva.
Motion Carried 4-0.

Consent Agenda Resolutions

- a. 43-22 Resolution Appointing a Full Time Patrolman
- b. 44-22 Resolution Approving the Deferral of Local School Taxes
- c. 45-22 Resolution Approving Sale of iPad and iPhone
- d. 46-22 Resolution Authorizing Shared Service Agreement - MACCS Program
- e. 47-22 Resolution Authorizing Shared Service Agreement – Tax Collector
- f. 48-22 Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Certain Approved State Contract Vendors

Ms. Burkley requested to discuss Resolution 47-22, stating she would prefer to have a full-time person in the Tax office.

Mr. DeSilva asked how long the term was, to which Ms. Gibson replied December 31st.

Mr. Carr replied that it was a temporary solution, and he wanted to make sure we found the right person and to provide adequate time.

Mayor Henley noted that the Township was motivated to get the work done, and that he was confident the agreement will work.

Motion to pull resolution 47-22 and approve Resolution numbers 43-22 through 46-22 and 48-22 made by Mr. Carr; second by Mr. DeSilva. Motion Carried 4-0.

Motion to approve Resolution 47-22 made by Mr. Carr; second by Mr. DeSilva. Motion Carried 3-1.

OPM Mailbox & Correspondence:

None.

Open to Public Comment:

None.

All in favor to close public comment.

Dates to Remember:

Dates to Remember: Next Scheduled Meeting March 1, 2021 Budget Workshop@ 6PM, Regular meeting @ 7:00PM, Law Enforcement Career Day March 31st 12PM-2:30PM @Rowan Campus Mount Laurel; Recreation Department Easter Event April 7th.

Committee Liaison Reports/Comments:

Committeewoman Burkley wanted to recognize a former employee who passed away, Ms. Shirley Venitsky. She was retired three times and worked for the Township for 30 years in multiple offices. She was known for collecting articles for historical purposes. Ms. Burkley requested to write a proclamation honoring her.

Ms. Burkley also noted that the schools cannot have an art fair this year due to a faculty member's maternity leave, and the essay question for Black History Month was chosen. She requested assistance with reading and scoring.

Committeeman Carr wanted to acknowledge the Timbuctoo History event.

Mayor Henley wanted to acknowledge the fires in town, noting that the money spent toward the Emergency Services team is well spent. The team proves what they can do, and as a resident, he's extremely proud. He thanked everyone for everything they do.

Motion to adjourn the public meeting and approve Resolution number 2-15-2022 to enter into Executive Session was made by Mr. DeSilva; seconded by Mr. Carr. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 7:25 PM. Motion Carried 4-0.

Executive Session

Resolution No. 3-1-2022: 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 – Personnel.

Executive Session officially adjourned at 7:43PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Gibson, Acting Municipal Clerk