

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

6:00 PM CLOSED SESSION

7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 13, 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

Mayor Camp read a proclamation aloud for the 10th anniversary of 9/11 that he had received from the Governor. There was a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

Committeewoman Chang	Present
Committeeman Daniels	Present
Committeeman Maybury	Present
Committeeman Robbins	Present
Mayor Camp	Present

George Saponaro, Solicitor, was present.

Donna Ryan, Clerk/Administrator and Marion Karp, Deputy Clerk were present.

Minutes of the August 9, 2011 meeting; motion to accept by Mr. Daniels, second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes. Closed session minutes of August 9, 2011; motion to accept by Mr. Daniels, second by Mr. Robbins. All voted yes.

Scheduled Appointments

7:00 PM – Swear in new Police Officer, Joshua Rowbottom. Mayor Camp would wait until later in the meeting due to a resolution having to be approved first.

Comments on agenda items

No comments were made.

Old Business

None

New Business

a. Raffle License #11-2011, Burlington County 4-H Leaders Council, Inc., 11/11/11 – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; second by Ms. Chang. All voted yes.

b. Appoint Alternate Public Defender – Mr. Maybury made a motion to appoint James Grace; second by Mr. Robbins. There were no other motions made. All voted yes.

c. Bureau of Fire Prevention Report – August 2011

d. Burlington County Bridge Commission – Greenbacks to Go Green Financing Program – Donna would try to attend this meeting; members of the Committee are also welcome to attend

e. Comcast Franchise Renewal – this is for the west side of the Township, it is the same procedure for the renewal completed for the east side of the Township a few years ago. There will be a public hearing; Donna has the full application in her office if anyone wants to see it.

Ordinances

12-2011 Amend Chapter 250, Zoning – add standards for monopole tower antenna co-location and temporary storage buildings – first reading. Motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

Resolutions

84-11 Payment of Vouchers – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes. Mr. Robbins asked about the bond reduction for the Sports Complex. The bond was posted in cash and held as escrow; half of it was released due to substantial completion of the project, so it is being refunded. He asked if the total expenditures of the recreation trust fund are within budget; Donna answered that they are.

85-11 Hire Police Officer, Joshua Rowbottom – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

86-11 Extension of Time for Payment of Tax Bills – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

87-11 Chapter 159, Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Mr. Robbins. All voted yes.

88-11 Refund Taxes, Block 1805, Lot 39 – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Mr. Robbins. All voted yes.

89-11 Sidewalk Improvements Project – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes. This is for the 2012 year.

90-11 Holly Lane Phase 2 Roadway Improvements Project – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes. This is for the 2012 year.

91-11 Springside Road Bikeway Improvements Project – motion to approve by Ms. Chang; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes. This is for the 2012 year.

92-11 Bond Release, Courtyard by Marriott, Block 904, Lot 6 – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

93-11 Executive Session – for discussion of contracts. Motion to approve by Ms. Chang; second by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

94-11 Interlocal Services Agreement – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes. There is no cost to the Township; Donna volunteers to do this.

95-11 MACCS Contract Funding – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

96-11 MACCS Agreement Renewal – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Mr. Robbins. All voted yes.

97-11 Bonding of Affordable Housing Sites – motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

Correspondence

Annual State of the County Dinner – 9/26/11

NJ American Water – public fire service

Swear in new Police Officer, Joshua Rowbottom. Mayor Camp swore in Joshua Rowbottom. He has been with Westampton on a part time basis for two and one half years. He is taking the position of Deon McCall, who recently resigned.

Workshop – discussions to be scheduled at a later date

Rancocas Traffic – Donna would write a summary; there are no funds for additional engineering this year

Snow parking – Mike Meenan would have a short presentation in October or November

Burlington County Farmland Preservation Program Ordinances – the County is changing their agricultural development area again

Historic Preservation Ordinance – the Committee must decide how this would move forward; they need to discuss the letter from the Solicitor

Wawa – Springside Road (workshop 9/27/22 6 PM) – Wawa representatives will have a plan for the Committee to show what improvements they would like to make

Dates to remember

Ribbon cutting, Marriott Courtyard – Thursday, September 15th

Westampton Day, September 24th

Fire Open House, October 13th

Comments

Chief Johnson –there was some damage to the Township from the hurricane; but nothing catastrophic. They had over 70 runs in the period; most residents were prepared.

Chief Smith – we are back to using Nixle. For the snow ordinance, they have printed window stickers to put on vehicles already. He recommends applying it Township wide. If you do it Township wide, there is no need to post signs on every street. We could put it on the website. This will be his last meeting for a while; he has vacation and then is going to the FBI training. Lt. Otto would be attending the meetings.

Solicitor Saponaro – will file a suit to try and get the bonding company to pay for the engineering costs for Westampton Woods (Orleans).

Mr. Daniels – thanked both Chiefs for their diligence and the departments during Hurricane Irene.

The social media was very valuable during the earthquake. Mayor Camp commented that residents should use the Township website for their information as some information posted was erroneous. Mr. Daniels attended 9/11 memorials this past weekend on Saturday and Sunday. 9/11 will be identified as the benchmark moment for this generation. We lost Mr. James, a WMS gym teacher in the attack.

Ms. Chang – had the pleasure on Sept. 10th to attend an event at Tabernacle Baptist Church for the National Day of Service; where they dispensed free legal advice to residents.

Open to public Comment

No comments from the public were made.

Mayor Camp – thanked the Police Department for a great job with the incident that took place overnight; their diligence is to be commended.

There were no further comments and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Deputy Clerk