

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

5:45 PM WORKSHOP/EXECUTIVE SESSION 7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

October 16, 2018

The meeting was called to order and opened at 7:01 PM by Mayor Wisniewski. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times January 5, 2018. The flag was saluted and there was a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

Committeeman Henley	Present
Committeewoman Hynes	Present
Committeewoman Smith-Hartman	Absent
Mayor Wisniewski	Present

Walter Denson, Solicitor, was present. Marion Karp, Clerk, was present.

Approve Agenda – motion to approve by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.

Minutes of the 10/2/18 meeting; 10/2/18 workshop & closed session minutes of 10/2/18 – motion to approve by Mr. Henley; second by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.

Scheduled Appointments

None

Public Comments on Agenda Items

No comments were made.

New Business

Appointment of new Committee member to fill vacancy (N.J.S.A. 40A:16-3) – motion to appoint Nancy Burkley made by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.

Administer Oath of Office – Municipal Clerk Marion Karp gave the Oath of Office to Ms. Burkley. She would fill Abraham Lopez's position which would end on 12/31/2018.

Ordinances

None

Resolutions

135-18 Payment of Vouchers - this resolution approves the payment of bills through 10/16/18. Motion by Ms. Hynes; seconded by Mr. Henley. All voted yes, Ms. Burkley abstained.

136-18 Chapter 159 – this resolution approves the insertion of a special item of revenue into the 2018 budget; Bullet Proof Vest Grant in the amount of \$1,186.00. Motion by Ms. Hynes; seconded by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.

137-18 Submit Grant Application – this resolution approves the submission and execution of a grant application to the NJDOT for the 2019 Municipal Aid Project. Motion by Mr. Henley; seconded by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.

138-18 Contract Change Order #1-2018 – this resolution approves the change order for the Woodlane Road Sidewalk Improvement Project which results in a decrease of \$22,918.00 in the project cost. Motion by Mr. Henley; seconded by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.

139-18 Chapter 159 – this resolution approves the insertion of a special item of revenue into the 2018 budget; 2016 Municipal Park Development Grant in the amount of \$110,000.00. Motion by Mr. Henley; seconded by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes. Ms. Burkley asked if we had to match the funds, we did not.

140-18 Oppose Application of Elcon Recycling – this resolution opposes the resubmittal of an application to the Pennsylvania EPA that would allow for the construction of a thermal oxidizer facility that burns hazardous and toxic wastes which would have a direct impact on the residents of the Township of Westampton. Motion by Ms. Hynes; seconded by Mr. Henley. All voted yes, Ms. Burkley abstained.

141-18 Termination of Redevelopment Agreement – this resolution terminates the redevelopment agreement between Westampton Township and Woodmont Properties, LLC due to the loss of the property to a foreclosure proceeding. Motion by Mr. Henley; seconded by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.

142-18 Designate Block 805, Lot 1 as a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area – this resolution authorizes the LDB to prepare a redevelopment plan for this property in accordance with the public hearing that was held on 4/4/18. Motion to approve by Mr. Henley; seconded by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes, Ms. Burkley abstained.

Correspondence

Willingboro MUA – meeting date changed from 10/17/18 to 10/24/18

PSE&G – notice of Public Hearings, 11/1/18, 49 Rancocas Road, 4:30 & 5:30 PM

Westampton Courts Condominium Complex – scheduled paving, use of emergency access gates – for discussion/approval. Motion by Ms. Hynes to approve; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.

Committee Liaison Reports

Mr. Henley – is looking forward to the Fall Festival on October 26; please come out and enjoy it.

Ms. Hynes – commended WTES for their Open House last week, it was a wonderful event and was very well attended. The next Board of Education meeting will be held November 12th; the next HPC meeting is October 24th.

Dates to Remember

October 19 – Movie Night sponsored by the Westampton Police Department, 7 PM, HHS

October 20 – Trunk or Treat, Special Services School complex, 1- 4 PM

October 26 - Westampton Recreation's Fall Festival, 6-9 PM, Sports Complex

November 10 - America Recycles Day, RVRHS, 8:30 - noon

November 13, 14, 15 – NJLM Annual Conference, Atlantic City

November 17 – Annual Rabies Clinic, 9 AM – 11 AM, Public Works Garage

December 6 – Westampton Recreation/Westampton Board of Education Annual Senior Citizen's Holiday Dinner, 6 PM, WMS

Open to public Comment

Assemblyman Ryan Peters – is going to all 20 towns in his district; he is checking in to see if he can push forward on anything; he wanted to talk about what he is doing in Trenton. The number one issue is taxes, the new governor has raised taxes in the amount of \$1.8 billion. He spoke regarding public utilities and the money that used to be distributed to individual municipalities; now they pay directly to the State. \$364 million is being withheld from municipalities each year. Since 2009 the State has kept \$5.8 million dollars that would have been due to Westampton Township. He would like the township to pass his resolution in favor of this legislation; he has 18 municipalities on board so far. He would forward the resolution to the Township. They are also trying to cap state appropriations at 2 percent. He wants to help in any way he can.

There being no further comment from the public, the meeting was closed.

Committee Members Comments

Mr. Henley – we have a packed house tonight, he wants to thank everyone for coming out to the meeting. Thanks to the police; he was able to watch as they helped a resident; watching them in action was great.

Ms. Hynes – welcomed Committeewoman Burkley; she is excited to work with her; she has been to more Township meetings than probably any other resident. She wanted to commend Parker Smith for going above and beyond the call of duty last week with residents of Holly Hills. Thanks to all for the help with the Fun Run, it was a great success, they had at least 100 participants.

Ms. Burkley – thanked the Committee for the appointment; she believes that once you are on the Committee there are no political parties; she looks forward to working with them to do what's best for Westampton.

Mayor Wisniewski – thanked all for coming out; he likes having a bigger crowd in attendance. Keep up the good job department heads. They are trying for positive changes; Ms. Burkley has always attended meetings and asked lots of tough questions; he welcomes her input and congratulations on being appointed.

There were no further comments and the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Municipal Clerk