

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

7:00 PM Regular Meeting

June 2, 2020

The meeting was called to order and opened at 7:01 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 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, Township Solicitor, was also present. Police Chief Steve Ent and WTES Chief Craig Farnsworth were present as well.

Approve Agenda – motion to approve the agenda made by Ms. Mungo; second by Mr. Eckart. All voted yes.

Minutes of the 5/19/20 meeting; executive session minutes of 5/19/20 – motion to approve by Mr. Eckart; second by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.

Scheduled Appointments: None

Public Comments on Agenda Items

No comments were made.

New Business: None

Ordinances:

4-2020 Bond Ordinance (first reading) – this bond ordinance provides for the acquisition of various capital equipment for the Township, including various equipment for the police department, a backhoe for the public works department, various pieces of equipment for WTES and various security and safety equipment for the municipal offices and buildings. Down payment is in the

amount of \$12,475.00; total amount to be raised is \$249, 500.00. Motion to approve made by Ms. Mungo; second by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.

Resolutions:

a. 76-20 Payment of Vouchers – this resolution approves the payment of bills through 6/2/2020. Motion to approve made by Mr. DeSilva; seconded by Mr. Eckart. All voted yes.

b. 77-20 Approve Purchase of 81 Westwind Way – this resolution approves the Salt & Light Company, Inc. to purchase 81 Westwind Way and convert the property from an owner-occupied affordable housing unit to an income-restricted rental affordable housing unit. Motion to table made by Mr. Wisniewski; seconded by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.

c. 78-20 Authorize Execution of a Water Services Agreement – this resolution authorizes the execution of a water services agreement between the Township of Westampton, the Township of Burlington, MRP Industrial NE, LLC and Coba, Inc., for water services to the property known as Block 902, Lots 1, 2 & 3 – motion to approve made by Ms. Mungo; seconded by Mr. Eckart. All voted yes.

d. 79-20 Acceptance of Furniture Donation – this resolution authorizes Westampton Township to accept a used furniture donation values at \$950.00. Motion to approve made by Ms. Mungo; seconded by Ms. Eckart. All voted yes.

e. 80-20 Authorize Execution of Trust Application Waiver to the Westampton Historical Society – this resolution approves the execution of the trust application waiver which is necessary to permit the Historical Society to submit a grant application for the premises known as the Rancocas Community Center, 203 Main Street, for a capital improvement grant. Carol Berlen asked Wendy Gibson if she had a discussion regarding the process; the Historical Society is renting the property from the Township. Wendy had asked if there was a financial match for the project that the Township would be required to make if they signed this waiver. She believes that the Historical Society does have the cash in hand to complete the project and doesn't think the Township would be on the hook as far as a match, if it is required. Mayor Henley was concerned and asked if it was \$5000 or \$50,000.00. Wendy was able to ascertain that they have plenty of cash to work with. Carol recommends approval tonight and can modify it as per Wendy when she gathers the rest of the information tomorrow due to the deadline to apply of June 4th. Motion to approve made by Ms. Mungo; seconded by Mr. DeSilva. All voted yes.

Correspondence: None

Committee Liaison Reports: None

Police Chief Ent – the Floyd family is in his prayers; he wants all to know that our officers are highly trained in how to diffuse situations; he is continuing the open dialog between the residents and the Police Department of Westampton township. Mayor Henley thanked him; he knows it is a difficult time.

Dates to Remember:

July 7, 2020 – new date for rescheduled NJ Primary Election

Open to public Comment

No comments were made.

Committee Members Comments

Mr. DeSilva – we have a great group in our Police Department; they are respectful of our residents; he knows it's a really hard time now.

Mr. Henley – thanks to the Police Department and their leadership; he hopes everything stays peaceful; prayers to Mr. Floyd's family and friends and all affected by the situation.

Ms. Mungo – thanked everyone; its been a crazy few months; thanks to Chief Ent and all of the staff; she is confident we will all continue to work together and come together as one during this time.

There were no further comments and the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Municipal Clerk