

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP
RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING

JANUARY 6, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Donna Ryan. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times December 13, 2013. The flag was saluted and there was a moment of silence.

Carolyn Chang and Robert Thorpe were sworn in for a three year term for Committeeperson by Judge Bookbinder, respectively.

Roll Call:

Committeewoman Chang	Present
Committeeman Daniels	Present
Committeeman Maybury	Present
Committeewoman Teleisa	Present
Committeeman Thorpe	Present

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

Nominations for Mayor – Donna Ryan asked for nominations for Mayor. Ms. Teleisa nominated Ms. Chang, seconded by Mr. Thorpe. There were no other nominations. All voted yes, Mr. Daniels voted no. Ms. Chang was sworn in as Mayor for a one year term by Judge Bookbinder.

Nominations for Deputy Mayor – Ms. Chang asked for nominations for Deputy Mayor. Mr. Thorpe nominated Mr. Maybury, seconded by Ms. Teleisa. There were no other nominations. All voted yes, Mr. Daniels voted no. Mr. Maybury was sworn in as Deputy Mayor for a one year term by Judge Bookbinder.

Mr. Daniels asked if he could have a moment to speak. He explained why he had voted no and stated that he felt excluded from certain processes but he would continue to work to advance the agenda of Westampton Township. He congratulated Mayor Chang and Committeeman Thorpe on their reelections and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Approval of minutes – 12/10/13 meeting – motion to approve by Ms. Teleisa; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes, Mr. Maybury abstained.

Nominations for Auditor – Ms. Chang asked for nominations for Auditor. Ms. Teleisa nominated Bowman and Company (Todd Saler), seconded by Mr. Thorpe. There were no other nominations. All voted yes. Bowman & Company were appointed as Township Auditors for a one year term.

Nominations for Solicitor – Ms. Chang asked for nominations for Solicitor. Mr. Thorpe nominated George Saponaro, of Saponaro and Sitzler, seconded by Ms. Teleisa. There were no other nominations. George Saponaro was appointed as Township Solicitor for a one year term. All voted yes.

Nominations for Engineer – Ms. Chang asked for nominations for Engineer. Ms. Teleisa nominated CME Associates, seconded by Mr. Thorpe. There were no other nominations. All voted yes. CME Associates were appointed as Township Engineer for a one year term.

Nominations for Planner – Ms. Chang asked for nominations for Planner. Mr. Daniels nominated Harry McVey, Louis Glass Associates, seconded by Mr. Maybury. There were no other nominations. All voted yes. Louis Glass Associates was appointed as Planner for a one year term.

Mayor's Appointments (one year term)

Police Liaison – Ms. Chang

Public Works Liaison – Mr. Maybury

Recreation Liaison – Ms. Teleisa

Municipal Court Liaison – Ms. Chang

Westampton School Board Liaison – Ms. Teleisa/Mr. Thorpe

Rancocas Valley Regional High School Board Liaison – Mr. Thorpe

EMS/Fire Liaison – this position would remain open for now

Veteran's Affairs Liaison – Mr. Daniels

Senior Citizens Liaison – Mr. Daniels

Appointments – (miscellaneous terms)

Administrator (one year) – motion was made by Mr. Daniels to appoint Donna Ryan, seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

Class IV Member Land Development Board (2)(4 years) – motion was made by Mr. Maybury to appoint Tony Carugno and Gary Borger, seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes.

Land Development Board Alternate #1(2 years) – motion was made by Ms. Teleisa to appoint Wilbur Williams, seconded by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

Land Development Board Alternate #2 (1 year) – motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to appoint Claude Attaway, seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

Recreation Commission (3) (3 years) – motion was made by Mr. Daniels to appoint Denise Flynn and Stephanie Lott, seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes. The third position would remain open at this time until someone was selected.

Environmental Advisory Committee (2) (3 years) – motion was made by Mr. Maybury to appoint Beth Eilers, seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes. The second position would remain open until someone was selected.

Historic Commission (1) (4 years) – motion was made by Ms. Teleisa to appoint Roy Ruby, seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes, Mr. Thorpe abstained.

Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator (1) (1 year) – motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to appoint Craig Farnsworth, seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

Registrar (3 years) – motion was made by Mr. Daniels to appoint Marion Karp, seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

Deputy Registrar (3 years) – motion was made by Mr. Maybury to appoint Elaine Adair, seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes.

Appointments – 1 year term

Prosecutor – motion was made by Ms. Teleisa to appoint Shelia Ellington, seconded by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

Alternate Prosecutor – any prosecutor licensed to practice in Burlington County

Public Defender – motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to appoint James Grace, seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

Alternate Public Defender – motion was made by Mr. Daniels to appoint Daryl Pennington, seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

Bond Counsel – motion was made by Mr. Maybury to appoint Parker McCay, seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes.

COAH Special Counsel – motion was made by Ms. Telesia to appoint Mike Moubert, seconded by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

Tax Special Counsel – motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to appoint Kathleen McGill Gaskill, seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

Labor Counsel – motion was made by Mr. Daniels to appoint Brown & Connery, seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

Risk Management Consultant – motion was made by Mr. Maybury to appoint Hardenbergh Insurance Group, seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes.

Zoning Officer – motion was made by Ms. Teleisa to appoint Gene Blair, seconded by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

Deputy Zoning Officer – motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to appoint Marion Karp, seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

Class III Member Land Development Board Committee member – motion was made by Mr. Daniels to appoint Robert Maybury, seconded by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

Historic Commission (Committee member) – this position would be left open for consideration and an appointment would be made at a later date.

Environmental Commission (LDB Member) – motion was made by Mr. Daniels to appoint Ron Applegate, seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

Automatic Appointments

Mayor is a member of the Land Development Board

Zoning Officer is a member of the Land Development Board

Deputy Mayor is a member of the Economic Development Commission

Resolutions

- 1-14 Professional Appointments - Motion was made by Mr. Maybury to approve the professional appointments, seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes.

The following Resolutions #2-14 through #12-14 are part of the consent agenda and were subject to one motion and vote. Motion to approve resolutions was made by Ms. Teleisa, seconded by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

- 2-14 Designation of Depositories
- 3-14 Official Newspaper
- 4-14 Meeting Schedule
- 5-14 Interest Rates
- 6-14 Township Administrator
- 7-14 Assessor Appeals
- 8-14 Assessor Appeals - rollback taxes
- 9-14 Mayor as Signatory
- 10-14 Temporary Budget
- 11-14 Appoint Risk Management Consultant
- 12-14 Adopt Cash Management Plan
- 13-14 Payment of Vouchers - motion was made by Mr. Thorpe to approve the payment of vouchers, seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

The meeting was opened to the public for comment. No comments were made and the meeting was closed.

There will be a Township committee workshop on January 8, 2014 at 6 PM.

Township Committee meetings will take place @ 7 PM on January 14th & 28th.

Comments

Craig Farnsworth – thanked the Committee for the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator position.

Donna Ryan – Happy New Year, she is looking forward to working with everyone this year.

Marion Karp – Happy New Year, congratulations to Mr. Thorpe and Ms. Chang on their re-election; she looks forward to working with everyone for another year.

Solicitor Doug Burry – looks forward to working with the Committee again, Happy New Year, congratulations.

Mr. Daniels – Happy New Year, congratulations on the re-elections, he looks forward to moving forward.

Mr. Thorpe – wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Ms. Teleisa – congratulations to everyone on their appointments, she is looking forward to another year together.

Mr. Maybury – thanked everyone for coming out, Happy New Year, he looks forward to working Together.

Ms. Chang – would like to acknowledge Freeholder Amy Belgard; Councilman Anderson from Willingboro, and Mayor Overton from Eastampton Township who are in the audience. She is humbled by the confidence the members have placed in her by supporting the nomination for her as Mayor of Westampton Township. She pledges that they as a Committee will work together for the good of the Township. To the professionals, she thanks them all, to the folks in the trenches on a day to day basis – each and every one of the support staff, the Police, the Rec Department, the Court, she thanks them for their commitment to the residents of the community. She thanked her office staff who were here, past and present and thanked her family. Special thanks go out to her husband, daughter and son. A special message to daughter Chelsea who just celebrated her 21 birthday, it is bittersweet as she leaves tomorrow for a semester abroad in Tokyo, Japan. Westampton is a wonderful place to work, live and raise a family. This is a diverse community and the Committee reflects that and hopefully will continue to do that. The appointments made tonight also reflect that. Know that the changes made tonight are a reflection of the fact that it is time for change. There are many challenges and issues to be tackled; affordable housing, the

development of the Hogan farm and the implementation of the Vision Plan. She thanked everyone for their love and support and for coming out tonight.

There being no further comment from the public, the meeting was closed. There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Deputy Clerk