

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

6:00 PM Closed Session 7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

June 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Carolyn Chang. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times January 3, 2014. The flag was saluted and there was a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

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

George Saponaro, Solicitor, was present.

Marion Karp, Deputy Clerk was present.

Motion to approve 6/10/14 agenda made by Mr. Daniels; second by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes.

Minutes of the 5/27/2014 meeting – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes, Mayor Chang abstained. Closed session minutes of 5/27/14- motion to approve by Ms. Teleisa; second by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes, Mayor Chang abstained.

Scheduled Appointments

None

Public Comments on agenda items

No comments made.

Old Business

None

New Business

Police Retirement – Lt. Sean McGough was retiring, effective July 1, 2014.

Resolutions

71-14 Payment of Vouchers – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes. Ms. Teleisa asked about a charge on page 5 – a trash bill. She also had a question regarding the school taxes – the questions would be directed to Donna when she returned.

72-14 Chapter 159, Clean Communities Grant – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

73-14 Rancocas Road Sidewalk Improvement Project – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

74-14 Timbuctoo Parking and Access Driveway Improvements Project – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

75-14 Renew 2014-15 Liquor Licenses – motion to approve by Mr. Thorpe; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

76-14 Sell 2000 KME Pumper – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes. Only one bid was received; the Committee asked if other vendors were contacted to see if they were interested; Craig Farnsworth stated that they had. The vehicle was originally purchased for \$214,000 in the year 2000; the bid amount is pretty good considering the age of the vehicle. Craig has no concerns regarding the condition of the truck and thinks the bid is on the higher side of the value of the truck at this time. He recommends that they accept the bid.

77-14 Executive Session – for discussion of litigation; motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes.

Ordinances

8-2014 Amend Handicapped Parking (second reading) – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes. We are keeping track of any spots that are granted. This person was granted the space on the street due to a very steep driveway and her disability. This was opened to the public for comment; no comment was made.

Correspondence

Mayor Chang has the bid from CFA for the pumper bid.

Dates to remember

June 11, 2014 at 7 PM – Westampton Middle School will have their scholarship awards ceremony with a buffet dinner and awards presentation. She is honored to present the Mayor's award to the two most improved students, one male and one female.

June 14, 2014 – Police Officer benefit called "Officer Down"; it consists of a motorcycle ride that starts in Seaside Heights to Neptune. It supports officers that were injured or died in the line of duty. Mr. Maybury would participate. It is well attended.

Mayor Chang asked the Chief if he would comment on the graduation of the two police officers, she was invited but could not attend due to a court appearance. It was very well attended according to the Chief; Mayor Chang asked him to extend her congratulations to the new officers.

Mr. Daniels – much to his chagrin he didn't get a notice but would have attended if he had.

Workshops

None

Comments

Fire/EMS – Acting Chief Craig Farnsworth stated that they have been fairly busy; things are moving along. Mayor Chang noticed that their green and yellow signs have been placed out seeking volunteers for the department; Craig stated they formulated a plan using social media as well; they have received three or four interested parties so far. They are trying their hardest to get new volunteers.

Fire Official Augustino – routine work going on, monthly inspections.

Police Chief Smith – Lt. McGough is retiring at the end of the month.

Mayor Chang– the Police Department was able to get information from the State Police to identify the person who was responsible for all the auto break-ins in Rolling Hills. Chief Smith stated that it took them 7 months to receive the information. Mayor Chang was also happy to note the person responsible for kicking in doors in the 5th district was caught.

Mr. Thorpe – sad news with New Century going out of business; 1500 people have lost their jobs.

Mr. Daniels – will join the Mayor at the WMS awards ceremony; this is the 5th year he has been involved. He is presenting the Shane's Promise award; each year the school picks out two students who have experienced a traumatic or life altering event but have managed to maintain good grades. As the veteran's liaison; he would like to mention that Friday was the anniversary of D Day; it is the 70th anniversary of the observance.

Mayor Chang – was honored to represent the Committee at a block party at Deerwood Country Club; it was her pleasure to see neighbors celebrating together and having a good time. It was the first of its kind over in Deerwood; she hopes it is made an annual event.

Mr. Maybury – spoke regarding the release of the new website; it is almost the middle of June; its time. Mayor Chang said it is appropriate for a member of the governing body to reach out to the new webmaster. Mr. Maybury volunteered as liaison.

Open to public Comment

There were no further comments and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Deputy Clerk