

## WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

5:30 PM Closed Session      7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

September 9, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 with Committeewoman Teleisa absent; all other members present. Resolution 9-9-14 was adopted to go into Executive session to discuss EMS personnel; EMS and Police Contracts and Real Estate. The meeting was reopened to the public at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was called back to order at 7:04 PM by Mayor 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	Absent (arrives at 7:13)
Committeeman Maybury	Present
Committeewoman Teleisa	Absent (arrives at 7:13)
Committeeman Thorpe	Present
Mayor Chang	Present

George Saponaro, Solicitor, was present.

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

Approve 9/9/14 Agenda – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

Minutes of the 8/12/2014 meeting – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes. Closed session minutes of 8/12/14- motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

### **Scheduled Appointments:**

7:00 PM Bonnie Rick, JIF – “Put Safety on the Agenda”- presentation regarding the Township’s safety program; all Township employees participate in this. Continuing education is a large part of this program. In 2013 Westampton Township received the highest award possible - \$1,625.00. The theme for this year is “Special Events” – parades, festivals, fireworks displays, etc. Planning for these types of events is extremely important and can help to prevent mishaps.

7:00 PM Ingerman – Townhouse Architecturals. The applicants are here tonight with an alternate set of architectural plans for their project. The detailing and roof pitches have been changed as well as the color schemes, which will be light green, blue and yellow with white trim work. The brick is red in color. They would bring color samples when

appearing before the LDB. There will be 72 apartment units. If the Committee approves of this design, they will be able to move forward with their site plan approval process. Motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

### **Public Comments on agenda items**

Janet Curran – asked about the bond ordinance and if we need a new heating and air conditioning system. She asked where the money was coming from. The ordinance is for the roof and for the HVAC systems, which need to be replaced. The bond ordinance needed to be changed because both flat roofs failed and all of the HVAC units need to be replaced. The boilers and controls must also be replaced since they are custom and not anything standard. This increased the cost quite a bit. One unit will be salvaged and lifted off for the new roof and put back. The new system should cut some of our energy costs. The municipal building is 23 years old.

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

JIF 2014 Member Update – presentation by Bonnie Rick

Sgt. Daryl Caulfield – Deployment for Operation Enduring Freedom – Sgt. Caulfield did not officially notify the Committee because of some uncertainty earlier. This is his official notification; he leaves on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October; the end of October or beginning of November is when he ships out. He will be in 11 countries in the Middle East.

Burlington County Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning Project – this is nearly complete. There will be a resolution at the next meeting for the Committee to approve. We will be adopting our mitigation plan.

### **Resolutions**

94-14 Payment of Vouchers – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes.

95-14 Award Construction Contract, Holly Lane Improvements – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes. Mayor Chang confirmed that this project was part of the grant we received. There was only one bid submitted. Three

companies picked up the specs but only one submitted a bid. This may be because everyone has all their projects lined up for the fall already.

96-14 Cooperative Pricing Agreement – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes. This pricing agreement includes salt, fuel and some construction material such as stone; as well as deer carcass removal.

97-14 Amend Capital Budget – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; seconded by Ms. Teleisa. All voted yes. Our bond ordinance had been planned out earlier in the year; because the roof project is going to cost more than planned, we must amend our capital budget.

### **Ordinances**

9-2014 Adopt Redevelopment Plan, Block 902, Lots 1, 2 & 3 (second reading) – motion to approve by Mr. Maybury; second by Mr. Daniels. All voted yes. This was opened to the public for comment. No comment was made and the meeting was closed. This needed to be adopted before Resolution #98-14 could be approved.

### **Resolutions**

98-14 Designate Woodmont as Redeveloper for Block 902, Lots 1, 2 & 3 – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; second by Mr. Maybury. All voted yes.

### **Ordinances**

10-2014 Bond Ordinance (first reading) – motion to approve by Ms. Teleisa; second by Mr. Thorpe. All voted yes.

### **Correspondence**

The Mayor attended the funeral service of Sarah Homer, a member of the Timbuctoo Discovery Project; she read aloud the thank you card she received from her family.

### **Dates to remember**

EMS Memorial Service – they will be holding a 9/11 service at 8:30 AM which will be presided over by the EMS Chaplain. This is open to the public. The Mayor would be attending.

EMS Open House – October 9<sup>th</sup>

**Comments – Department Heads & Professionals**

Acting Fire Chief Farnsworth – Saturday was the Stop Drop and Roll event, about 900 people attended. They fell short of breaking the record but they got the word out about fire prevention. The Mayor said it certainly was not a failure, she didn't see a child that wasn't happy.

Fire Official John Augustino – has been following his normal routine

**Open to public Comment**

Gil Gehin Scott – Nancy Burkley couldn't attend and asked him to follow up on her comments regarding OPMA. Donna Ryan advised that it can be done two ways – they are now going to open their executive meetings before they go into closed session.

Mr. Milanes – concerned about the new projects in the Township and traffic. He had attended last week's LDB meeting; he was the lone resident that had attended. He is concerned about the church coming in and dictating what we should do. He thinks it is too much traffic for Rancocas Road.

Janet Curran – asked why the Township posted an ad for Fire Chief on the website; she thinks we have a very good acting Chief that can fill the position. She doesn't like hearing that we are going outside of the Township looking to fill that position.

Mr. Daniels – is reminded that Mr. Caulfield's deployment is not something that he takes lightly; from one Vet to another it is a point of pride. He wished him Godspeed; our residents and he thank him for his service. He echoes the comments the Mayor made regarding the Stop Drop and Roll event; even though we fell short of the Guinness World Record, it was a wonderful event and fostered a feeling of community. He thanked Dave Shaw; he is truly an asset to our community.

Mr. Thorpe – attended the Stop Drop and Roll event and thanked everyone for their efforts. He hopes they make the record next year. Stay safe Sgt. Caulfield and come back quickly.

Ms. Teleisa – attended the Westampton Board of Education meeting yesterday; she introduced Ron Weiman who is a Board member. The schools look beautiful for their opening week. She wished St. Caulfield well, he will be missed, he is definitely an asset to this town, please be safe, we look forward to his return. Stop Drop and Roll was a great event; it brought the community together and bonded families; they did an awesome job.

Mayor Chang– wishes Sgt. Caulfield much safety and a speedy return to Westampton Township; he will be missed.

There were no further comments and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Deputy Clerk