

Conference Meeting – February 23, 2016

The Township Council of the Township of West Orange met in the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, and 66 Main Street, West Orange, New Jersey at 6:46 p.m. Karen J. Carnevale, Municipal Clerk, read the following statement:

This is to inform the general public that this meeting is being held in compliance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law, 1975. A notice of this meeting was emailed to the Star Ledger and the West Orange Chronicle on October 14, 2015.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilwoman Casalino, Councilman Guarino, Councilman Krakoviak, Councilwoman McCartney and Council President Cirilo

Megan Brill, Executive Director of the Downtown West Orange Alliance along with Joe Fagan, Township Historian made a presentation with regard to happenings in the Downtown area as well as an update regarding the campaign for Historical Markers that is currently taking place. The Township Council recognized Marley Dias, #1000BlackGirlBooks, for her activism in the community.

Public Meeting – February 23, 2016

The Township Council of the Township of West Orange met in the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, and 66 Main Street, West Orange, New Jersey at 7:23 p.m. Karen J. Carnevale, Municipal Clerk, read the following statement:

This is to inform the general public that this meeting is being held in compliance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law, 1975. A notice of this meeting was emailed to the Star Ledger and the West Orange Chronicle on October 14, 2015.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilwoman Casalino, Councilman Guarino, Councilman Krakoviak, Councilwoman McCartney and Council President Cirilo

Public Comment

The Council President asked if there was anyone who wished to make a statement at this time.

Heidi Sawyer – 300 Gregory Avenue

Frank Nicoletti – 3C2 Suzan Court

Lisa Muckle – 296 Gregory Avenue

Dave Cubie – W.O. Library Director

Mark Meyerowitz – 19 Howell Drive

Drew Sawyer – 300 Gregory Avenue

Rosary Morelli – Ralph Road

Kevin Malanga – Ridge Road

Jerry Eben – 26 Walker Road

Anthony Puglisi – Public Information Officer – Essex County

Mr. Anwar-304 Gregory Avenue

There was no one else who wished to be heard and the public hearing was closed.

***Review of Consent Agenda**

***Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The Public Meeting minutes of the February 9, 2016 were approved as submitted.

***Resolution(s) adopted on Consent Agenda:**

- a. 61-16 Resolution Temporarily Amending and Supplementing Chapter 7, Traffic, Subsection 7-23.3, U-Turn Prohibitions (Legal-Buffman)
This resolution would temporarily amend and supplement Chapter 7, Traffic, Subsection 7-23.3, U-Turn Prohibitions to add “Intersection of Prospect Avenue and Guerino Drive” with the prohibited U-Turn movement “From Prospect Avenue southbound to Prospect Avenue northbound”. This amendment is necessary to eliminate the conflicts between motorists making the U-Turn at the signalized intersection of Prospect Avenue with Guerino Drive from southbound to northbound and those exiting the Villas at Eagle Ridge. This amendment is further necessary to reduce the congestion of traffic in the southbound direction leading into the signalized intersection resulting from the motorists waiting to make the U-Turn.

- b. 62-16 Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Gordon and Gordon Regarding Retention as Special Counsel for Tax Appeal Involving Environmental Issues (Legal – Moon)
This resolution authorizes the execution of a professional services agreement with Gordon and Gordon for their retention as Special Counsel for Tax Appeal involving Environmental Issues for the year 2016. Gordon and Gordon will be paid rate of \$150 per hour pursuant to the terms of the professional services agreement.

- c. 63-16 Resolution Authorizing 2015 Reimbursement for Municipal Services - Llewellyn Park – Leaf Collection and Obstruction (Lepore)
An Agreement pursuant to the Municipal Services Act between the Llewellyn Park Committee of Managers, a fee simple private community, and the Township provides for the reimbursement of leaf collection and disposal costs to Llewellyn Park based on costs the Township would incur in providing those services. This Resolution authorizes reimbursing Llewellyn Park for leaf collection and disposal

services in 2015.

- d. 64-16 Resolution Authorizing 2015 Reimbursement for Services to Private Communities-Snow Removal (Lepore)
A State Statute, commonly known as the Municipal Services Act, requires a Municipality either provide services associated with snow and ice control or reimburse the private communities for costs the Township would incur in providing those services. This Resolution authorizes reimbursing 20 private communities for costs associated with snow and ice control in 2015.
- e. 65-16 Award of Bid, Emergency and Non-Emergency Tree Services, Rich Tree Service, Inc., 325 Bergen Street, South Plainfield, NJ 07080 in the Amount(s) Specified in the Resolution, Subject to 2016 Budget Appropriation (Lepore)
- f. 66-16 Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)
- g. 67-16 Resolution Authorizing an Additional Appropriation of \$2,000.00 for Crew Engineers, Inc., 1250 Route 23 North, Butler, NJ 07405 for Additional Field and Design Services Associated with the Project 2016 Street Improvements (Lepore)
- h. 68-16 Resolution Authorizing an Award of Contract for Maintenance of Various Township Owned Parcels Including Turf Maintenance, Litter and Debris Collection, Weed Control and Fall Leaf Collection and Disposal to D’Onofrio & Son, Inc., Landscaping, 47 Van Ness Terrace, Maplewood, NJ 07040 for the Amount Specified on the Resolution (Lepore)
- i. 69-16 Resolution Authorizing the Release of Surety Bond 184499 in the Amount of \$12,724.14 for a Major Subdivision on Old Indian Road Posted by Tecnicarts, Inc., P.O. Box 788, Clarksburg, NJ 08510 and Provided by North American Specialty Insurance Company, 160 Gould Street, Suite 118, Needham, MA 02494 (Lepore)
- j. 70-16 Resolution Placing Lien on Certain Real Property Located at 2 Belgrade Terrace (Legal-Roglieri)
This resolution would authorize the Township to place a lien on certain real property located at 2 Belgrade Terrace, West Orange, New Jersey for services rendered by Friendly Tree Experts, Inc. in removing a tree that the Township Forester deemed hazardous and was not removed by the property owner. The cost to remove the tree was \$4,175.00.

On motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman McCartney, the consent agenda was approved.

All members voting “Aye.”

Resolution(s) Removed from Consent Agenda

Prior to adopting resolutions 71-16 and 72-16, Jennifer Credidio, Esq., McManimon, Scotland and Baumann, was asked to give a detailed explanation of each of the resolutions.

Resolution 71-16

- k. Resolution of the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, New Jersey Authorizing the Termination and Discharge of Certain Recorded Documents Relating to Block 66, Lots 1, 5 and 7 Within the Downtown Redevelopment Area, Commonly Known as the Edison Battery Site**

At this time, Council President Cirilo allowed a brief question and answer period for the public’s understanding of the resolutions. Jennifer Credidio, Esq., McManimon, Scotland and Baumann addressed questions from the following residents:

Mark Meyerowitz – 19 Howell Drive

Kevin Malanga – Ridge Road

Rosary Morelli – Ralph Road

Mariel Clemenson – 4 Cherrywood Circle

There was no one else who wished to be heard.

On motion made by Councilwoman McCartney and seconded by Councilman Guarino, the above mentioned resolution was adopted.

Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman McCartney, Councilman Guarino and Council President Cirilo voting “Aye.” Councilman Krakoviak voting “Nay.”

Resolution 72-16

- 1. Resolution of the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, New Jersey Authorizing Revisions to an Agreement with DGP Urban Renewal, LLC for the Redevelopment of Certain Property in the Downtown Redevelopment Area Commonly Known as the Edison Battery Factory**

At this time, Council President Cirilo allowed a brief question and answer period for the public’s understanding of the resolutions. Jennifer Credidio, Esq., McManimon, Scotland and Baumann addressed questions from the following residents:

Mark Meyerowitz – 19 Howell Drive

Mariel Clemenson – 4 Cherrywood Circle

Rosary Morelli – Ralph Road

There was no one else who wished to be heard.

On motion made by Councilwoman McCartney and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the above mentioned resolution was adopted.

Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman McCartney, Councilman Guarino and Council President Cirilo voting “Aye.” Councilman Krakoviak voting “Nay.”

Ordinance(s) on Second and Final Reading

Ordinance 2476-16

- a. On motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Council President Cirilo, **An Ordinance Amending the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange, Chapter 23, Section 1.1, Establishing Fees and Rates at Ginny Duenkel Pool for the 2016 Season** was taken up on second and final reading.

All members voting “Aye”.

The Council President stated that this is the scheduled time for the public hearing and asked the Clerk to read the ordinance by title only.

The Council President asked if there was anyone who wished to be heard.

Clare Silvestri – 20 Grandview Avenue

There was no one else who wished to be heard and the public hearing was closed.

On motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the above mentioned ordinance was passed on second and final reading and ordered advertised according to law.

All members voting “Aye”.

Ordinance 2477-16

- b. On motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 25, Sections 4(b), 7.1 and 9.12 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange (Standby Power Generators)** was taken up on second and final reading.

All members voting “Aye”.

The Council President stated that this is the scheduled time for the public hearing and asked the Clerk to read the ordinance by title only.

The Council President asked if there was anyone who wished to be heard.

Clare Silvestri – 20 Grandview Avenue

There was no one else who wished to be heard and the public hearing was closed.

On motion made by Council President Cirilo and seconded by Councilman Guarino, the above mentioned ordinance failed to pass on second and final reading.

All members voting “Nay.”

At 10:07 p.m., on motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the Council meeting was adjourned.

All members voting “Aye”.

The Minutes of this meeting are on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

KAREN J. CARNEVALE, R.M.C.

VICTOR CIRILO, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Adopted: March 8, 2016