

Conference Meeting – February 7, 2017

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 6:43 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, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975. The annual notice was emailed to the Star Ledger and filed in the Township Clerk's office on November 28, 2016 and published in the West Orange Chronicle on December 8, 2016.

Roll Call:

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

A presentation was made by Tammy Williams, Chair of the Human Relations Commission with regard to the 2016 Annual Report for the commission.

Jack Sayers gave an update on the Redevelopment on Main Street.

Public Meeting – February 7, 2017

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 7:20 p.m. Karen J. Carnevale, Municipal Clerk, read the following statement:

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Roll Call:

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

Public Comment

Brian Feeney – 27 Woods End Road and Historic Preservation Commission Chair

Cindy Brown – 24 Korwel Circle

Eric Friedman – 716 Northfield Avenue

Anthony Puglisi – Public Information Officer – Essex County

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

The Council responded at this time.

***Review of Consent Agenda**

***Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The continuation of the public meeting minutes of December 20, 2016 and the Public Meeting minutes of January 17, 2017 were approved as submitted.

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

- a. 41-17 Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Affordable Housing Issues and Potential Litigation/Claims (Trenk)
- b. 42-17 Resolution Authorizing the Township's Application for the Municipal Alliance Grant for the Fiscal Year 2018 (Duffy)
This resolution authorizes the Township to proceed with an application for the Municipal Alliance Grant for the fiscal year 2018. The Municipal Alliance Grant is provided through the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse that funds local prevention and treatment programs.
- a. 43-17 Resolution Authorizing Reimbursement Costs for Private Garbage Collection for the Period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 to Private Home Owner Associations/Individuals (Gross)
- c. 44-17 Resolution Authorizing the Municipality to Apply for the 2016 Recycling Tonnage Grant (Salese)
- d. 45-17 Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)
- e. 46-17 Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Cancel Taxes to the Listed Taxpayer Due to a Successful Appeal of an Added Assessment of Taxes Per a County Board Judgment (Gagliardo)
- f. 47-17 Resolution of Support from Local Governing Body Authorizing the Sustainable Jersey Grant Application (Rodriguez-Grant Writer)
- g. 48-17 Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Rebate Payment to the Listed Taxpayer Pursuant to Final Judgment by the Tax Court of New Jersey (Gagliardo)
- h. 49-17 Resolution Authorizing the Township to Participate in the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System (DeSantis)
- i. 50-17 Resolution Amending Resolution 22-17, Emergency Temporary Appropriation Resolution For the Purpose of Funding Eminent Tax Appeals Prior to Adoption of 2017 Budget N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 (Gross)
- j. 51-17 Resolution Authorizing Special Council Blau and Blau to File and Prosecute Affirmative Tax Appeals (Legal-Trenk)

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

All members voting "Aye."

Ordinance(s) on Second and Final Reading

Ordinance 2504-17

On motion made by Councilwoman McCartney and seconded by Councilman Guarino, **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Section 51 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange, Entitled “Human Relations Commission”** was taken up on second and final reading.

All members present 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.

No one wished to be heard.

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

All members present voting “Aye.”

Ordinance(s) on First Reading

Ordinance 2505-17

On motion made by Councilwoman McCartney and seconded by Councilman Guarino, **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 23, Sections 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange - (Rate Schedule for the Rental and Use of Toby Katz Community Center)** was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on February 21, 2017.

All members voting “Aye.”

Ordinance 2506-17

On motion made by Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Councilwoman McCartney, **An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 7, Traffic, Subsection 7-32.2, Restricted Parking Zones of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange – Handicapped Parking – 18 and 55 Chestnut Street and 24 Watchung Avenue** was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on February 21, 2017.

All members voting “Aye.”

At this point the Council went into Executive Session to discuss Resolution 41-17 - Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Affordable Housing Issues and Potential Litigation/Claims.

Pending Matters/New Matters/Council Discussion

Mr. Sayers gave an update with regard to the restoration project at St. Mark’s Church and the potential auction of the two Ridgeway Avenue properties. Mr. Gross announced that a \$5,000.00 donation was received for Operation Hope from Mr. Richard Trenk. Mr. Trenk gave a briefing of what Operation Hope was.

At 9:44 p.m., on motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the 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.
Municipal Clerk

JOE KRAKOVIAK
Council President

Adopted: February 21, 2017