

**Conference Meeting – January 9, 2018**

The Township Council of the Township of West Orange met in the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 66 Main Street, West Orange, New Jersey at 6:39 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 October 25, 2017 and published in the West Orange Chronicle on November 2, 2017.

**Roll Call:**

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

Absent: Councilman Cirilo

Mayor Parisi administered the Oath of Office to Susan McCartney for the position of Council President.

On Motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Council President McCartney, the June 2018 Council meeting dates were revised.

All Council members present voting “Aye.”

Mr. Sayers gave an update on the progress of Phase I of the Redevelopment Project on Main Street.

Councilman Cirilo arrived at 7:17 p.m.

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**Roll Call:**

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

**Public Comment**

Jerry Eben – 26 Walker Road

Suzanne Robinson – 34 Dogwood Drive

Adam Kraemer – 20 Moran Road

Michael Kolmus – 50 Baxter Lane

Alan Sanders – 27 Old Salem Road

Norman Turner – 675 Mt. Pleasant Avenue

Susan Lenczyk – 234 Eagle Rock Avenue

Kevin Malanga – 57 Ridge Road

Robert Daniel – 2B Buckingham Road

Clare Silvestri – 20 Grandview Avenue

Susan Brint – 2 Currey Lane

Sally Malanga – 57 Ridge Road

Rosary Morelli – Ralph Road

Mark Meyerowitz – 19 Howell Drive

Roz Moskowitz Bielski – Wedgewood Drive

Loren Svetvilas – 699 Prospect Avenue

Lee Saul – 47 Carteret Street

Frank Freschet – 12 Burnet Street

Stanley Saul – 47 Carteret Street

Anthony Puglisi – Public Information Officer, Essex County

There was no one else who wished to be heard and the public comment portion of the agenda was closed.

The Council responded at this time.

**\*Review of Consent Agenda**

**\*Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting-**Public Meeting December 5, 2017 were approved as submitted.

**\*Report of Township Officers-**None

**\*Reading of Petitions and Communications and Bids –** None

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

- a. 1-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Susan McCartney to Planning Board (Clerk)
- b. 2-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Michelle Casalino to the Local Assistance Board (Clerk)
- c. 3-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Victor Cirilo to the Eagle Rock Senior Citizens Housing Association (ERSCHA-Degnan House) (Clerk)
- d. 4-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Jerry Guarino to the West Orange Senior Citizens Housing Association (WOSCHA-John P. Renna House) (Clerk)

- e. 5-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Jerry Guarino to the Downtown West Orange Alliance (Clerk)
- f. 6-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Michelle Casalino to the West Orange Municipal Alliance Committee (Clerk)
- g. 7-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Susan McCartney to the West Orange Arts Council (Clerk)
- h. 8-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Joe Krakoviak to the Open Space and Recreation Committee (Clerk)
- i. 9-18 Resolution Appointing Council Member Michelle Casalino to the Public Relations Commission (Clerk)
- j. 10-18 Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)
- k. 11-18 Resolution Authorizing an Exemption from Real Estate Taxes for a Totally Disabled Veteran for Tax Year 2017 Pursuant to N.J.S. 54: 4-3.30 et seq. for Property Located at 40 Lawrence Avenue, West Orange, NJ (Block 42.02, Lot 38) (Tax Assessor)
- l. 12-18 Resolution Authorizing an Exemption from Real Estate Taxes for a Totally Disabled Veteran for Tax Year 2017 Pursuant to N.J.S. 54: 4-3.30 et seq. for Property Located at 21 Waldeck Court, West Orange, NJ (Block 152.22, Lot 1413, C0022) (Tax Assessor)
- m. 13-18 Resolution Approving Executive Session Concerning Pending Litigation Involving Affordable Housing.
- n. 14-18 Resolution Authorizing Application and Receipt of NJ DEP Site Remediation Program Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Funds to be Utilized for the Cost of the Remedial Investigation Workplan, Remedial Investigation, Remedial Action Workplan, and Underground Storage Tank Remedial Action at 18 Central Avenue, Block 9, Lot 36 and 4 Tompkins Street, Block 7, Lot 22 (Legal – Moon) **(Memorialized)**
- o. 15-18 Resolution Authorizing the Township to Apply for the 2018 New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund Sub-Grant (for CLG-Certified Local Grant) in an Amount of Not Less Than \$9,000. and Not More Than \$24,999. (Legal-Moon)  
16-18 Resolution Authorizing a Subordination of Mortgage for Property at 8 Glen Road, Block 59.01, Lot 8 (Legal-Moon)
- q. 18-18 Resolution Authorizing a Joint Services Agreement with the Borough of North Caldwell for Animal Shelter Services for the year 2017 (Legal-Moon)  
**The Borough of North Caldwell will pay the Township the sum of \$3,468.00 per annum to be prorated on a semi-annual basis of \$1,734.00 per period for the contract year 2018.**
- r. 19-18 Resolution Authorizing the Temporary Budget – 2018 (Gross)
- s. 20-18 Resolution Authorizing a Cash Management Plan for 2018 (Gross)
- t. 21-18 Emergency Temporary Appropriation Resolution for the Purpose of Funding Eminent Tax Appeals Prior to Adoption of 2018 Budget – N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 (Gross)

u. 22-18 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Discharge of Mortgage for 589 Eagle Rock Avenue Obtained as part of the Township's Housing Rehabilitation Program, wherein a Duplicate Mortgage Instrument was Inadvertently Filed Following the Filing of an Initial Mortgage Instrument (Legal-Moon)

v. 23-18 Resolution Authorizing the Township to Apply for and Accept a Grant from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to Fund the Community Stewardship Incentive Program – Reforestation & Tree Planting Grant in the Amount of \$30,000. (Legal-Moon)

w. 24-18 Resolution Authorizing an Abandoned Car Auction (DeSantis)

x. 25-18 Resolution Authorizing the Township to Proceed with an Excavation in the Sidewalk Area in Front of the Property Located at 665 Eagle Rock Avenue to Investigate an Anomaly That Showed Up in the Results of the Geophysical Test Performed by Matrix (Legal-Moon)

y. 26-18 Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Contract to Manal Baba, LSRP and T&M Associates, 11 Tindall Road, Middletown, N.J. 07748 to Provide LSRP and Professional Environmental Services for Fire House No. 4, 280 Pleasant Valley Way for a Fee NTE \$66,500.00. (Lepore)

z. 27-18 Resolution Amending Resolution 108-17 with Regard to Jewish Federation Plaza, 748-750 Northfield Avenue, due to Typographical Errors Including the Number of Affordable Units Which Should be 134 Instead of 135 and Tax Map Description Which Should be Lot 16, Instead of Lots 15, 18 and 19 (Legal-Trenk)

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

All members present voting "Aye."

#### **Resolution(s) Removed from the Consent Agenda**

##### **Resolution 17-18**

Resolution Designating the Essex Green and Executive Drive Area as an Area in Need of Redevelopment Consistent with the Planning Board Recommendations (Legal-Moon)

On motion made by Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Councilwoman McCartney, the above referenced resolution was approved.

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

##### **Resolution 28-18**

Public Hearing and Adoption of the 2018 Downtown West Orange Alliance Budget (Brill)

On motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the above referenced resolution was approved.

All members voting "Aye."

## **Ordinances on First Reading**

### **Ordinance 2535-18**

On motion made by Councilman Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 18, Sections 1.7, 1.8 and 1.9 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange (Local Enforcement of the Uniform Fire Code)** was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on January 23, 2018.

All members present voting "Aye."

### **Ordinance 2536-18**

On motion made by Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Council President McCartney, **Bond Ordinance Providing for the Green Acres Multi-Park Development Project in and by the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$143,575 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$136,575 Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof** was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on January 23, 2018.

Councilwoman Casalino, Councilman Cirilo, Councilman Guarino and Council President McCartney voting "Aye." Councilman Krakoviak abstained from the vote.

## **Pending Matters/New Matters/Council Discussion**

Councilman Krakoviak explained that he had sent an email regarding the position of Council President and asked that it be discussed at the January 23, 2018 meeting. Ken Kayser suggested revamping the Council rules. Council President Susan McCartney made a request to obtain the NJ DEP violation reports with regard to the Recycling Center and also inquired about the Garbage Contract for the Township and the Board of Education.

## **ABC Hearing-None**

At 11:23 p.m., the Council returned from an executive session to discuss a matter concerning Pending Litigation involving affordable housing. On motion made by Councilman Cirilo and seconded by Councilman Guarino, the meeting was adjourned.

All members voting "Aye."

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

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**Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C., Municipal Clerk**

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**Susan McCartney, Council President**

**Adopted: January 23, 2018**