

Conference Meeting – June 25, 2019

The Township Council of the Township of West Orange met in the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 66 Main Street, West Orange, New Jersey at 6:32 p.m., Karen 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 September 26, 2018 and published in the West Orange Chronicle on October 4, 2018.

Roll Call: Councilwoman Casalino, Councilman Krakoviak, Councilwoman Matute-Brown, Councilwoman McCartney and Council President Guarino.

Mr. Sayers gave an update on Redevelopment. The Council gave their liaison announcements.

Councilwoman Matute-Brown stated that she reached out to Police Chief Abbott with regard to the modifications that have been made to the immigration directive with respect to the NJ Attorney General directive on Immigration Enforcement. The in-house Immigration Enforcement directive has been modified with new policies on T-Visa's and U-Visa's consistent with the directive and training has been completed by the Police department.

Joe Fagan, Public Information Officer presented information with regard to Downtown Thursdays. Anthony Puglisi, Public Information Officer representing Joe DiVincenzo, gave an update as to happenings in Essex County and the County's summer paving program. He also spoke of plans to alter the layout of Hole #1 at the Francis Byrne Golf Course located on Pleasant Valley Way to prevent golf balls hit from reaching the homes located nearby.

Public Meeting – June 25, 2019

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Public Comment

Rosary Morelli – Ralph Road

Clare Silvestri – 20 Grandview Avenue

Susan McAbee – 2 Mountain Way

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

***Review of Consent Agenda**

***Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting-** Public Meeting June 12, 2019

***Report of Township Officers – None**

***Reading of Petitions and Communications and Bids –** W.O. Planning Board Resolution 19-04, Planning Board Recommendation-West Orange Library Redevelopment Plan, Block 68, Lot 1, 46 Mount Pleasant Avenue

***Bills**

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

- a. **162-19** Resolution Authorizing the Township to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Clara Mass Medical Center, a Subsidiary of RWJ Barnabas to Create and Implement a Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program as Required to Finalize and Receive a \$100,000 Grant Awarded by the Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs (Legal-Moon)
- b. **165-19** Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session to Discuss Contract Negotiations-Update - Police contract negotiations including viability of changing health insurance coverage.
- c. **166-19** Resolution Awarding a Contract to Mobility Coach, 413 Melrose Way, Monroe Township, NJ 08831, for Licensed Motor Vehicle Drivers for Midtown Direct Shuttle Bus Program in the amount of \$328,680.00 for a 12 Month Period Beginning July 1, 2019 and Ending June 30, 2020 at a Monthly rate of \$27,390.00. The Rate for Any Additional Services is \$34.19 Per Hour (Lepore)
- d. **167-19** Resolution Authorizing the Township to Issue a Fireworks Permit to the Essex County Country Club for its Fourth of July Celebration (Legal-Moon)
This resolution permits the Essex County Country Club to display fireworks on July 4, 2019 with a rain date of July 6, 2019.
- e. **168-19** Resolution Recommending an Award of Contract to Cifelli & Sons Construction, Inc., 4 Coppola Street, Nutley, New Jersey 07110 for the Reconstruction of Lessing Road in the Amount of \$430,753.00 Contingent Upon the Approval of the Contractor by the New Jersey Department of Transportation (Lepore)
- f. **169-19** Resolution to Approve the Submission of a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the NJ Department of Transportation for the 2020 Municipal Aid Application for the Arverne Road, Crestmont Road and Westover Road Improvement Project (Legal/Millennium Strategies)
- g. **170-19** Resolution authorizing the Township to Retain Matrix to Prepare a Remedial Investigation and Remedial Action Work Plan for the Property at 18 Central Avenue Utilizing a Grand Award from the HDSRF Grant Issued by the Department of Environmental Protection and the Economic Development Authority (Legal-Moon)
- h. **171-19** Resolution Authorizing the Township to Enter into an Agreement with Cavanaugh & Keenan, LLC to be Retained as a Law Enforcement Consultant – Policing Background Utilizing Funds Awarded by a Grant from the Department of Justice (Legal-Moon)
- i. **172-19** Resolution Authorizing the Township to Enter into an Agreement with Cavanaugh & Keenan, LLC to be Retained as a Law Enforcement Consultant – Behavioral Health Specialist Utilizing Funds Awarded by a Grant from the Department of Justice (Legal-Moon)
- j. **173-19** Resolution Awarding a Professional Services Contract to Crew Engineers, Inc., 1250 Route 23 North, Butler, New Jersey 07405 for the Design, Specifications and Bid Documents for the Improvement of Old Indian Road between St. Cloud Avenue and North Edgewood Avenue in an Amount NTE \$20,600. with Funds from the 2019 Capital Budget (Lepore)
- k. **174-19** Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Snow Removal and Snow Hauling Contract with American Asphalt and Milling Services, 96 Midland Avenue, Kearny, NJ for the 2019/20 Season for the Valley Section and the Heights Section of the Township (Lepore)
- l. **175-19** Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Snow Removal and Snow Hauling Contract with Downes Tree Service, 65 Royal Avenue, Hawthorne, NJ for the 2019/20 Season for the Suburban/Robertson Tracts and the Seaman/Woodland Areas of the Township (Lepore)

- m. **176-19** Resolution Authorizing the Township to Utilize Competitive Contracting In lieu of Public Bidding to Award a Contract for Recreational and Social Services Pursuant to the Requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law (Legal-Moon)

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

All members present voting “Aye.”

***Resolution(s) removed from the Consent Agenda:**

Resolution 163-19

- n. **163-19** Resolution Providing for the Combination of Certain Issues of General Improvement Bonds of the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, New Jersey into a Single Issue of Bonds Aggregating \$7,621,000 in Principal Amount (Gross)

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

All members present voting “Aye.”

Resolution 164-19

- o. **164-19** Resolution Determining the Form and Other Details of \$7,621,000 General Improvement Bonds of the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, New Jersey and Providing for their Sale (Gross)

On motion made by Councilwoman Matute-Brown and seconded by Council President Guarino, the above referenced resolution was approved.

All members present voting “Aye.”

Ordinance(s) on Second and Final Reading

Ordinance 2576-19

On motion made by Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Council President Guarino, **An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 2, Section 59 of the General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange Entitled “Board of the Oskar Schindler Performing Arts Center** of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange 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.

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

On motion made by Council President Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the above-mentioned ordinance was approved on second and final reading.

Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Matute-Brown, Councilwoman McCartney and Council President Guarino voting “Aye.” Councilman Krakoviak abstained.

Ordinances on First Reading

Ordinance 2577-19

On motion made by Councilwoman McCartney and seconded by Council President Guarino, **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Section 47.6 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange (Studies and Recommendations)** was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on July 16, 2019.

All members present voting "Aye".

Ordinance 2579-19

On motion made by Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Council President Guarino, **An Ordinance Authorizing the Offer by Private Sale of the Property at Block 175.08, Lot 11 on the Township of West Orange Tax Map to the Adjacent Property Owners Pursuant to Local Lands and Building Law** was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on July 16, 2019.

All members present voting "Aye".

Ordinance 2580-19

On motion made by Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Councilwoman McCartney, **Ordinance of the Township of West Orange, In the County of Essex, State of New Jersey Adopting a Redevelopment Plan Relating to the West Orange Library Redevelopment Area** was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on July 16, 2019.

All members present voting "Aye".

At 9:00 p.m., on motion made by Councilwoman Matute-Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the Council voted to have Susan Gruel, Heyer, Gruel & Associates, PA attend the next Council meeting to discuss and answer questions with regard to the above referenced ordinance.

Councilwoman Casalino, Councilman Krakoviak, Councilwoman Matute-Brown, and Council President Guarino voting "Aye." Councilwoman McCartney voting "No."

Pending Matters/New Matters/Council Discussion

The Council decided to have a workshop on July 9, 2019 to further discuss the 2019 Municipal Budget. Councilwoman Casalino asked that information be provided with regard to the jitney service.

At 9:14 p.m. on motion made by Councilwoman Matute-Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the Council adjourned their public meeting resumed as the ABC Board.

All members present voting "Aye".

ABC Hearing

- a. **626-19** Hearing on Renewal for Plenary Retail Consumption, Distribution and Club Licenses for the 2019-2020 License Term (Clerk)

On motion made by Council President Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman McCartney, the above-referenced resolution was approved. All members present voting "Aye".

- b. **627-19** Hearing on Renewal for 2019-2020 License Term-**La Dolce Vita Bar & Restaurante (formerly t/a Las Palmeras)** 0722-33-045-005 (Special Conditions)

On motion made by Councilman Krakoviak and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the above-referenced resolution was approved. All members present voting "Aye".

c. **628-19** Hearing on Renewal for 2019-2020 License Term-**Harrison Avenue Tavern, Inc. t/a Harrison Avenue Tavern** 0722-33-058-006 (Special Conditions)

On motion made by Council President Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman McCartney, the above-referenced resolution was approved. All members present voting "Aye".

At the close of the ABC Hearing, at 9:16 p.m. the Council met in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the Contract Negotiations regarding the Police Department and viability of changing health insurance provisions.

At 9:21 p.m., on motion made by Council President Guarino and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the meeting was adjourned.

All members present 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

Jerry Guarino, Council President

Adopted: July 16, 2019