

**Township of Washington  
Gloucester County  
Remote Council Meeting Agenda  
April 22, 2020  
7:00 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. NOTICES**

- A.** This electronic meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and all rules and procedures which govern a regular meeting shall govern this meeting as well. Our goal is to have this electronic meeting run smoothly, and as close to a normal meeting as possible.
- B.** By joining this meeting, you have agreed to allow your activity to become a part of the public record.
- C.** THE ZOOM PLATFORM WILL BE MUTED ONLY DURING PORTIONS OF THE MEETING WHERE THERE IS NO PUBLIC COMMENT. DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTIONS OF THE MEETING, PLEASE MUTE YOURSELF WHEN NOT SPEAKING SO AS TO GIVE OTHER PARTICIPANTS THEIR RIGHT TO BE HEARD AND TO KEEP A PROPER RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS.
- D.** Public meeting Agenda will be posted one day prior to the meeting on our website at [www.twp.washington.nj.us](http://www.twp.washington.nj.us).
- E.** IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK, YOU MUST FIRST STATE YOUR NAME AND ASK TO BE RECOGNIZED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PERRY. ONCE RECOGNIZED, YOU MAY MAKE YOUR COMMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC DECORUM PROTOCOLS.
- F.** ONLY ONE MEETING ATTENDEE OF MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC MAY SPEAK AT A TIME AND ONLY AFTER STATING YOUR NAME AND BEING RECOGNIZED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PERRY. REMEMBER, WHEN NOT SPEAKING, PLACE YOUR DEVICE ON MUTE SO YOU DO NOT INTERRUPT ANOTHER SPEAKER OR THE PUBLIC MEETING.
- G.** Please remember to speak clearly to limit background noise.
- H.** Please isolate yourself as much as possible to ensure there is no unnecessary background audio coming through your device.
- I.** If there is excessive audio coming through your device or if you fail to observe public decorum protocols, the host shall identify such and your device may be muted to ensure there are no disruptions to Mayor and Councils' ability to conduct official Township business.
- J.** Please be advised that the Governing Body reserves the right to disconnect any member of the public who does not observe proper rules of order.
- K.** Lastly, your patience and cooperation is greatly appreciated. This is a new platform for most in attendance. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**III. FLAG SALUTE**

**IV. ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Dougherty, Ms. Pasqualone, Mrs. Williams, Mr. Longfellow, Mr. Perry, Mayor Gattinelli, Mr. Platt, and Mr. Gonter

**V. BILL LIST**

A. Approval of the Bill List for April 22, 2020

**VI. MINUTES**

A. Approval of the Regular Minutes for April 8, 2020

**VII. ORDINANCES**

**A. 0004-2020 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR TAX ABATEMENT WITH RS FRIES MILL, LLC, 160 FRIES MILL ROAD, TURNERSVILLE, NJ FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 114, LOT 4**

*\* This Ordinance allows for a 5-year Tax Abatement for RS Fries Mill, LLC, 160 Fries Mill Road, Turnersville, NJ 08012, for the property known as Block 114, Lot 4*

**This Ordinance is up for Adoption**

**B. 0005-2020 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED EXPENSES IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR 2020**

*\*This Ordinance permits the Township of Washington to expend funds for various capital projects for 2020.*

**This Ordinance is for Introduction Only**

**VIII. 2020 BUDGET**

**A. BUDGET ADDRESS BY MAYOR JOANN GATTINELLI**

**B. R084-2020 RESOLUTION FOR SELF EXAMINATION OF BUDGET**

*\*Pursuant to State statute*

**C. R085-2020 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INTRODUCED 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY**

*\* This Resolution allows the budget to be ready by title prior to adoption in compliance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8*

**D. R086-2020 RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE THE 2020 TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

*\* The purpose of the Resolution is to hold a public hearing on the Introduced 2020 Municipal Budget for public comment.*

**IX. RESOLUTIONS**

The following Resolutions are by consent agenda and only require a vote for all listed. Each one must be read by title. If any member of the Council wishes to have one removed and heard separately, they need to indicate it prior to the reading of the titles.

**A. R087-2020 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO PROCESS THIRD QUARTER ESTIMATED TAX BILLS, DUE AUGUST 1, 2020**

**B. R088-2020 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS**

**C. R089-2020 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BY AND BETWEEN MADDEN & MADDEN, P.A. AND THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON**

**D. R090-2020 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FINAL FOR 2018 ROAD PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS-PHASE I-PROJECT #08-18-T-378**

**X. OLD BUSINESS**

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

**XII. REPORTS**

*The Municipal Building is currently closed to the public and operating with essential staff. In an effort to maintain continuity of government, Mayor Gattinelli has made available in the parking lot of the Municipal Building a drop box that residents may drop any payments or zoning and construction plans that need to be submitted while the building is closed to the public. This Dropbox will be checked daily by Municipal employees. We thank you for your cooperation during this emergency.*

**XIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Please follow the Public Decorum posted, which has also been attached to the Public Agenda, and limit your comments to 5 minutes. Once you have completed your comments or questions please take a seat. The Council President will then ask if any member of the governing body or their designee wishes to address your comments or questions asked by the person who just spoke.**

**XIV. ADJOURN**

❖ The next Council Meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.



## THE RULES OF CONDUCT AND DECORUM FOR COUNCIL MEETING

The Rules of Conduct and Decorum for public participation during Council meetings for addressing Township Council during public hearings on ordinances or resolutions which require public hearings or during the public portion of the Council meetings are as follows:

1. All members attending Township Council Meetings must treat each other the Mayor, Council and Township employees with respect.
2. Shouting out from the audience without being recognized to speak is strictly prohibited.
3. No person shall, at any time, engage in any personally offensive or abusive remarks to the Mayor, Council, Township employee or any other member of the public.
4. No person shall engage in any express or implied speech that involves any other person's race, color, religion, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin or ethnicity.
5. The President of Council or Presiding Officer may restrict, limit or prohibit any speech, remarks or questions that are repetitive or not germane to any matter not within the jurisdiction of Township Council.
6. Persons making public comment may not yield their time to another speaker and each individual is limited to speaking once during a particular public comment period for a period of time not to exceed five (5) minutes.
7. The Chief of Police or such other member of the Police Department as he may designate, shall be designated as the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Township Council meetings. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall carry out all orders and instructions given by the Presiding Officer of the Township Council meeting for the purpose of maintaining order and decorum at the Township Council meetings and enforcing these Rules.
8. The Township Solicitor shall be the Parliamentarian.
9. Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with these Rules and Roberts Rules of Order for items not covered in these regulations.
10. Members of the public who make comments or ask questions that are germane to an ordinance or resolution that is under consideration or during the general public portion of the Council meeting for matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Township Council shall be allowed to do so in an uninterrupted manner unless the member is not adhering to these Rules of Conduct and Decorum.
11. The Mayor, Members of Council, the Mayor and Township employees reserve the right to answer questions and respond to comments.
12. All questions and comments shall be through the Council President or Presiding Officer unless waived.