

**Township of Washington
Gloucester County
Council Meeting Minutes
OCTOBER 25, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

Council President Nick Fazio called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Room Located at 523 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell, New Jersey. Mr. Selb delivered the Sunshine Notice and the Safety Awareness video and cell phone notices. The Flag salute followed.

Township Deputy Clerk Chrissy Ciallella took a roll call vote. Councilmembers Donato, Longfellow, Perry and Fazio were present. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Township Solicitor Mr. Platt, Business Administrator Mr. Gonter and Mayor Gattinelli were present.

Mayoral Proclamation

Mayor Gattinelli presented "Employee of the Month" Proclamation to Colette Bachich, HR Director.

Approval of Bill List

Mr. Longfellow asked for a motion for the Bill list for October 25, 2017. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

Approval of Regular Minutes September 27, 2017

Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to approve the regular minutes for September 27, 2017. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. All voted yes. Mr. Fazio abstained. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

Approval of Regular Minutes October 11, 2017

Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to table regular minutes for October 11, 2017. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

ORDINANCES

029-2017 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 100 ARTICLE II OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ("OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND")

Mr. Fazio stated that Ordinance 029-2017 is up for adoption and asked for a motion to open to the public. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All in favor. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Leon Lakritz-Chairman Open Space Committee explained if Ordinance 029-2017 should be adopted they will be entitled to receive 50% of our expenses for Green Acres Open Space, and thanked Council for considering adopting this ordinance. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to close to the public. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. There was no discussion. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 029-2017. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. **Motion carries ordinance is adopted.**

031-2017 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 229 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ("TAXATION")

Mr. Fazio stated that Ordinance 031-2017 is up for adoption and asked for a motion to open to the public. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Perry seconded. All in favor. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. No one from the public wished to speak on Ordinance 031-2017. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to close to the public. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. There was no discussion. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 031-2017. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. **Motion carries ordinance is adopted.**

032-2017 ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 25-2017 OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP OF THE CHAPTER 26-VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Mr. Fazio stated that Ordinance 032-2017 is up for adoption and asked for a motion to open to the public. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All in favor. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. No one from the public wished to speak on Ordinance 032-2017. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to close to the public. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. There was no discussion. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 032-2017. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. **Motion carries ordinance is adopted.**

033-2017 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED AMUSEMENT DEVICES

Mr. Fazio stated that Ordinance 033-2017 is being introduced and Public Hearing and adoption will be on November 8, 2017 and asked for a motion. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

034-2017 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 40 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "BUSINESS LICENSING"

Mr. Fazio stated that Ordinance 034-2017 is being introduced and Public Hearing and adoption will be on November 8, 2017 and asked for a motion. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

RESOLUTIONS

Consent Agenda:

The following Resolutions are by consent agenda and required a vote for all listed. Each one was read by title.

R311-2017 RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING LIENS ON REAL PROPERTY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON.

R312-2017 RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR THE 2015 BULLET PROOF VEST GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,071.00

R313-2017 RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR THE 2017 BODY AMOUR GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,847.26

R314-2017 TAX OVERPAYMENTS FOR OCTOBER 25, 2017

R316-2017 RESOLUTION APPROVING TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE GRANT CONTRACT WITH NJDOT FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD

R317-2017 RESOLUTION CANCELING RESOLUTION 306-2017 AND AWARDING ANEW CONTRACT TO SHOWCASE GRAPHICS, LLC FOR CLAN COMMUNITY AND RECYCLING CALENDARS

R318-2017 RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THIRD PARTY PAYROLL TO PRIME POINT HRMS & PAYROLL

R319-2017 APPROVING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND WAIVING OF THE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR WASHINGTON SQUARE URBAN RENEWAL, LLC MONUMENTS PROJECT #08-18-P-428

R320-2017 APPROVING RELEASE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR KENNEDY HEALTH

FACILITIES, INC TA KENNEDY HEALTH CARE CENTER

R321-2017 APPROVING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND WAIVING OF THE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR WASHINGTON MAYFAIR MOTEL PROJECT #08-18-I-09

R322-2017 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 IN A CONTRACT FOR FY2016 CDBG GRANT LANTERN LANE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT #08-18-T3-55

Mr. Fazzio made a motion for a consent agenda to move Resolutions R311-2017 to R322-2017. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Fazzio seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilmembers had nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Fazzio reported the rebranding of Kennedy Hospital to Jefferson Health, merger has been complete and physical changes are still go through now. Mr. Fazzio brought up the November 21st meeting, if they are going to cancel or hold, it was decided to cancel the November 21st meeting. Mr. Fazzio asked for a motion to cancel meeting on November 21st meeting. Mr. Fazzio stated that the only meeting in November will held on November 8th. Mr. Fazzio motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Jim D'Auria reported the 2017 Best Practices report to State, 25 questions this year and we were able to answer 22 affirmatively, the three questions we are working towards getting to that point. He reports that Washington Township will receive 100% of State Aide for 2018.

REPORTS

Mr. Longfellow reports- Environmental Commission Community Clean- up day that was on October 16th was a great turnout and thank everyone. Also, the Environmental Commission received the NJ Achievement award for 2017. **Mr. Perry** reports-Grand opening for Edge fitness, was this past weekend, they are Connecticut based company and Washington Township was the first location in NJ and wanted to wish them well. **Ms. Donato** reports - Food Truck Festival on October 21th was a huge success. Mother's Matters 5K run on October 21st was a success. On Saturday, October 28 Operation Drug take back day, residents can drop of unused/expired medication to the WTPD, 1 McClure Drive, Sewell, NJ for correct disposal between the hours of 10 am and 2 pm. Saturday, October 28th is Trunk or Treat between 4 pm and 6 pm in Washington Lake Park. Veterans Day Ceremony is November 11, at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Park. Trick or Treating hours on Halloween are from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. WTPD is partnering with the PBA 318 and sponsored by PJ Whelihan's, they are participating in the Nationwide Movember Movement for men's health, beginning November 1st. The police department will be growing beards and mustaches to raise awareness and they are donating \$25 for a men's health charity anyone wishing to donate can mail or drop a check to the Police Chief's office.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Fazzio asked for a motion to open public portion. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All in favor. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. **David Wilson-19** Goodwin Parkway- Asked if the proposed resolution could be posted on the website prior to the council meeting also video recording of the meeting could be posted on the website for people that can't come to the meetings. He also asked about a lawsuit to a former employee awarding a \$175,000 settlement. Council responded to David that proposed resolutions and ordinances will be posted on our website prior to the meeting with the following disclaimer that it was subject to change. Mr. Platt stated that if he wanted a copy of the settlement, he could get it in the Clerk's office. **Bruce Fazier-resident Heritage Valley**, questioned who is going to be responsible for maintaining the property to the entrance to Heritage Valley, they the association has been taking care of for 40 years. What is going to be done to the property, who owns the ground? Can Council get involved? Council stated that they would be willing to work with them regarding this issue. Mr. Platt stated that this could be a legal claim between the two property owners. **David Rimby-47** East Holly Avenue-feels that the format of public participation should be changed from monologue to dialogue. Mr. Fazzio asked for a motion to close public portion. Mr. Perry motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. All in favor. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

Mr. Longfellow made a motion if possible we put all proposed resolutions and ordinances prior to the Council meeting up on the Township Website approve Resolution R324-2017. Ms. Donato seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Fazio announced that executive session would last approximately 30 minutes for litigation Plute vs. WT and Economic Development Consultant and Council may take action after. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to enter into executive session. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. All in favor. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to return from executive session. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. All in favor. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to approve Resolution-R315-2017 **REJECTING ALL PROPOSALS FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT AND AUTHORIZE THE QPA TO RE-ISSUE THE RFP FOR THE POSITION.** Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

ADJOURN

Mr. Fazio asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Perry motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All in favor. The next Council Meeting is scheduled for November 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.