

**Township of Washington
Gloucester County
Council Meeting Minutes
August 22, 2018
7:00 P.M.**

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

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

MAYORAL PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Gattinelli presented Rich Gardner with Employee of the Month for August.

Mayor Gattinelli presented resident Patrick Finn with Hometown Hero Proclamation for saving a family from a burning house.

PRESENTATION

Chief Pat Gurcsik gave brief synopsis on Abandoned Vehicle initiative that addresses abandoned cars parked on streets and on private property. To date the Police Department has addressed 25 abandoned vehicles in town. He encouraged the residents to report abandoned vehicles.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to approve the August 22, 2018 bill list. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. There was no discussion. All voted yes. Mr. Fazio abstained from anything Fazio. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to approve the Minutes for July 25, 2018. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. There was no discussion. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE MINUTES

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to approve the June 27, 2018 Executive Meeting Minutes. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. There was no discussion. All voted yes. Ms. Donato abstained. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

ORDINANCES

O014-2018 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AMENDMENT FOR THE WASHINGTON SQUARE REDEVELOPMENT ZONE

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to open to the public on Ordinance O014-2018. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. No-one from the public wished to speak. Mr. Perry asked for a motion to close to the public on Ordinance O014-2018. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Mr. Perry asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance O014-2018. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. There was no discussion. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Ordinance passed.

O016-2018 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 260 ARTICLE II OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING"

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to open to the public on Ordinance O016-2018. Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Fazio

seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. **Ralph Campana**- 2 Peartree Place-asked a question that did not pertain to this Ordinance. Mr. Perry asked Ralph to bring that up during public participation. Mr. Perry asked for a motion to close to the public on Ordinance O016-2018. Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Perry asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance O016-2018. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Ordinance passed.

O017-2018 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 40 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "BUSINESS LICENSING"

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to introduce O017-2018. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

O018-2018 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 80, ARTICLE I OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "FEES"

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to introduce O018-2018. Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Perry commented that public hearing and adoption will be on September 12, 2018.

O019-2018 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19, ARTICLE I OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "DOGS AND CATS"

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to introduce O019-2018. Ms. Donato motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Perry commented that public hearing and adoption will be on September 12, 2018.

O020-2018 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 172 OF THW WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "PEDDLING AND SOLICITING"

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to introduce O020-2018. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. Mr. Longfellow commented that this is establishing a Do Not Knock registry for anyone in the Township. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Perry commented that public hearing and adoption will be on September 12, 2018.

O021-2018- ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 260 ARTICLE VIII OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "TRAFFIC AND PARKING CONTROL ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY"

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to introduce O021-2018. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Perry commented that public hearing and adoption will be on September 12, 2018.

O022-2018 ORDINANCE REAPPROPRIATING FUNDS WITHIN BOND ORDINANCE

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to introduce O022-2018. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Perry commented that public hearing and adoption will be on September 12, 2018.

O023-2018 ORDINANCE EXCHANGING PORTIONS OF RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF SEWELL-COUNTY HOUSE ROAD A/K/A SALINA ROAD (CR 748) AND MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD (CR 749) BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to introduce O023-2018. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent. Mr. Perry commented that public hearing and adoption will be on September 12, 2018.

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to take from the table Resolution R197-2018. Mr. Fazzio motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. There was no discussion. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

The following Resolutions are by consent agenda and only require a vote for all listed. Mr. Longfellow asked that R193-2018 be removed from the consent agenda.

R193-2018 RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE PATRICK GURCSIK

R197-2018 APPROVING A REDUCTION IN THE PERFORMANCE BOND FOR KABIN, LLC PROJECT#08-18-P-362.I

R198-2018 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR THE 2014 ROAD PROGRAM

R199-2018 CERTIFICATION 2017 ANNUAL AUDIT

R200-2018 RELEASING MAINTENANCE BOND FOR KENNEDY UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER LOADING DOCK

R201-2018 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE BARCLAY CEDARBROOK

R202-2018 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR BELLS LAKE ROAD REPAIRS PROJECT#0818T344

R203-2018 RESOLUTION CANCELLING TAXES FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, BLOCK 80 LOT 8.01 C1806, 22 NEVILLE COURT

R204-2018 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY RATIFYING THE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CONCESSION STAND AT WASHINGTON LAKE PARK

R205-2018 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER STATE OF NEW JERSEY RENEWING THE LEASE BETWEEN BIRCHES REALTY LP AND THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR PROPERTY CONTIGUOUS TO THE MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS

R206-2018 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY DECLARING THAT THE REDEVELOPMENT STUDY AREA IDENTIFIED AS BLACK HORSE PIKE (NJ ROUTE 42) AND WHITMAN DRIVE, BLOCK 196.02, LOTS 3.01, 3.02, 3.03, 3.04, 3.05, 3.06, 3.07, 4, 4.01, 4.02, 5, 5.01, 5.02, 6, 7 ARE AREAS IN NEED OF NON-CONDEMNATION REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW (N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ)

R207-2018 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ESCROW AGREEMENT WITH JPC REAL ESTATE LLC - REDEVELOPER ("JPC")

R208-2018 RESOLUTION APPROVING LARGE GATHERING APPLICATION FOR SOUTH JERSEY PONTIAC CLUB CAR SHOW

R209-2018 RESOLUTION APPROVING LARGE GATHERING APPLICATION FOR GPS, INC

R210-2018 RESOLUTION AWARDED A COPIER AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO HERITAGE BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC.

R211-2018 RESOLUTION RELEASING BOND #K08022070 FOR HCR MANOR CARE HEALTH SERVICES PROJECT # 08-18-Z-044

R212-2018 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF A TAX FORECLOSURE LIST AND THE COMMENCEMENT OF TAX FORECLOSURES IN REM

R213-2018 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A HUMAN RESOURCES CONSULTANT

R214-2018 RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR BARCLAY AND CEDAR BROOK STORM SYSTEM REPAIRS, PHASE II TO BOOTH MECHANICAL, INC.

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to approve consent agenda for Resolutions R197-2018 to R214-2018. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. There was no discussion. All voted yes. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to approve **R193-2018 RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE PATRICK GURCSIK**. Mr. Longfellow stated that he will be recusing himself due to his brother being a police officer for Washington Township. Mr. Fazio motioned. Ms. Donato seconded. There was no discussion. Mr. Fazio voted yes and thanked Chief Gurcsik for his service. Ms. Donato voted yes. Mr. Perry voted yes and thanked Chief Gurcsik for his service. Mr. Longfellow recused. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilmembers had nothing to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilmembers had nothing to report at this time.

REPORTS

Ms. Donato- had nothing to report at this time. **Mr. Fazio**-had nothing to report at this time. **Mr. Longfellow**- Commented that the kids are back to school next week and to take caution when driving. **Ms. Pasqualone**-was absent. **Mr. Perry**- Thanked the Police for National Night Out. Please take note of our speed signs. **Mayor Gattinelli**- Gave an update on various road projects within the Township, paving Football complex on East Holly Ave, baseball project is underway on Hurffville-Grenloch Rd and is working closely on a 2 year project with DOT on the Black Horse Pike.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to open Public Participation. Mr. Fazio motioned. Mr. Longfellow seconded. All in favor.

Rich Bennett-11 Eclipse- Concerned about the parking lot on Regulus Drive from the hospital project. Chief commented that it is being addressed. Asked questions, regarding Watson's Turkey Farm, who owns the land, who owns the building and why we are spending money on demolition of the building. Mr. Longfellow responded it

has been determined to be a public safety hazard and needs to be demolished. Mr. Platt responded that Irval Realty owns the building.

Joe Fericola-Goodwin Parkway- Also questioned Watson's Turkey in regards to air quality testing. What happens to the current owner, are they responsible for the costs involved with demolition? Commented that the agenda needs to be posted a week in advance for the public to review. Required to demolition everything above the service, any unforeseen condition will be handled at that time. Mr. Platt stated that the Township will not own this building, this is a public safety hazard and needs to be demoed and a lien will be posted against the property. Mr. Selb apologized the public for the agenda being posted late on the website.

Ralph Campana-2 Pear tree Place-Thanked the Police Chief for the abandoned vehicle initiative. Also questioned the demolition of Watson's Turkey Farm. Commented that Ordinance O020-2018 for Peddling and Soliciting is a great idea for the Township. Annina Hogan-Township Engineer commented that any environmental issues will be dealt with if problems arise.

Mr. Perry asked for a motion to close Public Participation. Mr. Longfellow motioned. Mr. Fazio seconded. All in favor. Ms. Pasqualone was absent.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Nancy Mozzachio-Economic Development Consultant- reports that the Shop Washington Township Program is growing and has just signed the 7th new business. Inserts were placed in your tax bills that reflected all the merchants and advertising of the program and has been a huge success with the residents. The Mayor, Business Administrator and myself will be attending an important conference "Commercial Real Estate Investors" in Philadelphia to promote the Township to talk about our redevelopment zones and available properties that we have. Township website has been updated for Economic Development. Will continue to work on vacancies in the Town and Popup shops to bring new business into the Township. Anniversary program will begin for existing businesses.

ADJOURN

The next Council meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2018 at 7:00p.m. Mr. Longfellow motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fazio seconded. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:52p.m.