

**Township of Washington  
Gloucester County  
Council Meeting Minutes  
March 9, 2016  
7:00 P.M.**

Council President Sean Longfellow called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. in the Council Room located at 523 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell, New Jersey. Mr. Longfellow delivered the Sunshine notice and the safety awareness notices. The flag salute followed.

Township Clerk Jill McCrea took a roll call vote. Councilmembers Fazio, Donato, and Longfellow were present. Business Administrator Smith and Township Attorney Joe Alacqua were also present. Mrs. Martin was absent.

**Presentations:**

Mayor Wallace presented proclamations to the Police Explorers and Shoprite Manager Nick Dielmo for the success the Explorer food drive. She also recognized the Washington Township Ambulance Association for sixty years of service. Russell Price was recognized as a founding member.

**Approval of Bill List:**

Mr. Fazio motioned to approve the bill list of March 9, 2016. Ms. Donato seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved, with the exception of Mr. Fazio, who abstained on Fazio bills.

**Approval of minutes:**

Ms. Donato motioned to approve the minutes of February 24, 2016. Mr. Fazio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

**ORDINANCES:**

6 – 2016: ORDINANCE PROHIBITING HIRING OF FAMILY MEMBERS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS AND PROHIBITING TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES FROM WORKING UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION FOR FAMILY MEMBERS; AMENDED 2-24-16

Mr. Longfellow said Ordinance 6 – 2016 will be considered at the next meeting when all members of Council are present.

9 – 2016: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 10 - 2015 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY WHICH GOVERNS THE MAINTENANCE OF VACANT AND DEFAULTED MORTGAGE PROPERTIES AND ESTABLISHED REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS AND A REGISTRATION FEE FOR OWNERS

Mr. Newman motioned to open the public hearing for Ordinance 9 - 2016. Mr. Fazio seconded the motion. Mr. Fazio motioned to close the public hearing. Ms. Donato seconded the motion. Mr. Newman moved Ordinance 9 – 2016. Mr. Fazio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

R47: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

R48: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR LAWN SERVICES

Mr. Newman moved Resolutions 47 & 48 – 2016. Mr. Fazio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

R49: RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 1 – 2016 ESTABLISHING MEETING DATES, AND OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Ms. Donato moved Resolution 49 – 2016. Mr. Longfellow seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL:**

All members of council voted in favor to approve the Large Gathering Permit for St. Charles Borromeo Church, May 18 through October 5, 2016.

**OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:**

Council had no new or old business to discuss.

**REPORTS:**

- Mr. Newman announced the 2016 Baseball & Softball season had begun and Mothers Matter will be holding an open house on March 12, 2016.
- Mr. Longfellow reported the Environmental Commission was finalizing its Earth Day plans.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. Newman motioned to open the meeting for public participation. Mr. Fazzio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. Mr. Newman motioned to close the public portion. Mr. Fazzio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Ms. Donato motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fazzio, which was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Jill S. McCrea