

**Township of Washington
Council Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2016
7:00 P.M.
Washington Township Municipal Building**

Council President Sean Longfellow called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Room located at 523 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell, New Jersey. The flag salute followed. Mr. Longfellow delivered the Sunshine notice and the safety awareness, video, and cell phone notices.

Township Deputy Clerk Chrissy Ciallella took a roll call vote. Councilmembers Newman, Fazzio Longfellow Donato were present, and Ms. Martin was absent. Township Solicitor Mr. Alacqua, Business Administrator Mr. Smith was also in attendance. Mayor Wallace was absent.

Presentations: Mr. Newman presented the Washington Township 4th Grade Travel Boys Basketball team with Certificates for their hard work, accomplishments, dedication on and off the court on behalf of the residents of Washington Township. Mr. Newman presented the coaches with Certificate of achievements, followed with presenting each team member with certificates of achievements.

Approval of Bill List:

Ms. Donato motioned to approve the April 27, 2016 bill list. Mr. Fazzio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. Mr. Fazzio abstained from anything with Fazzio name.

Approval of minutes:

Mr. Newman moved the April 13, 2016 minutes, and April 13, 2016 closed session minutes. Mr. Fazzio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. Ms. Donato abstained due to being absent.

ORDINANCE 10-2016: AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMIT AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (public hearing)

Mr. Longfellow stated that this is a public hearing. Mr. Newman motion to open to the public. Ms. Donato seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. No public participation. Mr. Newman motioned to close public participation and Ms. Donato seconded which was unanimously approved.

Mr. Newman moved Ordinance 10-2016, Ms. Donato seconded the motion, and Mr. Newman. Ms. Donato and Mr. Longfellow voted yes. Mr. Fazzio voted no.

ORDINANCE 11-2016: AN ORDINANCE REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF PRIOR BONDS ISSUED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF-

Mr. Fazzio motioned to open to the public. Mr. Newman seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. No public participation. Mr. Fazzio moved to close public participation. Ms. Donato seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Mr. Newman motioned Ordinance 11-2016, Ms. Donato asked if Ordinance 11-2016 could be tabled. Mr. Fazzio seconded Ms. Donato's request for Ordinance 11-2016 to be tabled. Bob Smith asked why it should be table and Mr. Fazzio stated that he needed more information. Tom Hastings from Capehart and Schatchard, Township expert bond counsel, gave a broad overview and benefits to the township. A lengthy discussion occurred between Bob and council members. Mr. Longfellow asked if Mr. Fazzio or Ms. Donato wanted withdraw their motion to table. Mr. Fazzio stated he wanted to keep his motion to table and Ms. Donato withdrew her motion to table Ordinance 11-2016. Mr. Newman motioned

Ordinance 11-2016. Ms. Donato seconded the motion. Mr. Newman, Ms. Donato and Mr. Longfellow voted yes. Mr. Fazio abstained. Super majority was not met, Ordinance did not pass.

ORDINANCE 12-2016: 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, APPROPRIATING \$6,200,000, THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,890,000 IN GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BOND OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE THE SAME- (first reading)

Mr. Newman motioned Ordinance 12-2016. Ms. Donato seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

_RESOLUTION 66-2016: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE TOWNSHIP'S GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2016 TO CURRENTLY REFUND CERTAIN BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR DEBT SERVICE SAVINGS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE FORM, MATURITY DATES AND OTHER DETAILS OF SAID REFUNDING BONDS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF SAID REFUNDING BONDS AND OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO-

Mr. Longfellow pulled Resolution 66-2016 due to Ordinance 11-2016 not passing.

RESOLUTION 67-2016: REFUNDING TAX OVERPAYMENTS-

RESOLUTION 68-2016: RESOLUTION CANCELLING TAXS FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN-

RESOLUTION 69-2016: RESOLUTION RELEASING OF MAINTENANCE BOND FOR E & R PROPERTIES, LLC-

Ms. Donato moved Resolutions 67-thru 69. Mr. Newman seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 70-2016: RESOLUTION AMENDING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES SUPERVISORS AND COORDINATORS-

Mr. Newman moved Resolution 70-2016. Mr. Longfellow seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 71-2016: RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES THROUGH A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.4 ET SEQ. TO REMINGTON AND VERNICK-

Ms. Donato moved Resolution 71-2016. Mr. Newman seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Approvals:

Ms. Donato motioned to approve the Harbor Freight Large Gathering Event 6/10/2016-6/12/16 and Sanders Home Services-6/12/16-6/18/16. Mr. Newman seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by council.

Old Business:

None to report

New Business:

Ms. Donato stated received an email from a resident regarding the speed limit on Chapel heights Road, She wanted to know if there was speed study done, if not, could one be done, into order to reduce the speed down to 30mph. Fourth of July fireworks are on Sunday July 3rd, could she get someone to sing the national anthem. **Mr. Longfellow** stated that he was going to get in touch with council members over the next few days to put together a work session meetings to discuss the budget and to take notes. No other council members had reports.

Reports:

Mr. Newman stated that Opening Day was great, and thanked Public Works Department for cleaning up fields on a daily basis. **Mr. Fazio** reports the Old Stone House 8th Annual Car Show is this Saturday April 30, there will be a basket auction, a band and classic cars, he encourages everyone to come out for a good time, after the car show Buffalo Wild Wings in Sicklerville, is having a fundraiser, it will benefit the Historic Commission they will donate 10% of your bill, it helps pay for windows, doors, painting and rehabilitation of the site. **Ms. Donato** stated that the Economic Board will now be meeting the first Wednesday of every month @ 5:00 pm in the Flag room. The Veterans Memorial Day is on May 30th. Thursday, May 12th from Noon-5pm is Washington Township Public School blood drive for the American Red Cross at the Central Administration Building, call Christina Irvine to schedule your 15 minute appointment or visit redcrossblood.com. **Mr. Longfellow** Earth Day/Arbor Day celebrations, large amount of volunteers came out and planted flowers at the municipal building, planted 20-25 trees, wanted to say thank you to the Environmental Commission for putting this together. They had an all species parade for kids at preschool and a variety of events, more events taking place refer to our Township website for future dates. Sustainable Jersey Commission is moving forward with the mayor with various members in our community working towards becoming a certified community in sustainable Jersey they will be meeting again in May. The MUA water tower will be completed on May 5th. The memory of Val Orsimarsi will be honored having the MUA complex dedicated to him on May 17 @ 6:15pm during the normal MUA meeting.

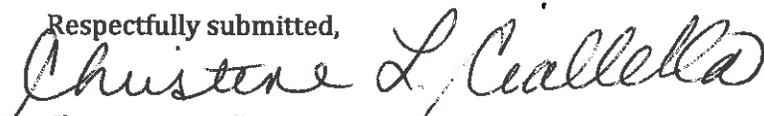
Public Participation:

Mr. Fazio motioned to open to the public. Ms. Donato seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the council. David Rimby- 47 East Holly Avenue, wanted an update on Heritage Valley Road project to see if the township engineer forwarded reports to council, Bob stated that he would make sure Annina follows up with everyone with updates. Joe Fernicola- 14 Goodwin Parkway, stated is it possible if have an overview on resolutions and budgets on the township website so the general public can have a better understanding as to what is going on for those who want to and come to meetings and speak intelligently. Ms. Donato motioned to close the public portion. Mr. Fazio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN

Mr. Newman motioned to adjourn. Mr. Fazio seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the council. The meeting adjourned at 7:56P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine L. Ciallella
Township Deputy Clerk