

EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Tuesday, July 12, 2011

The meeting of the East Windsor Township Council was called to order by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at 8:00 p.m. on July 12, 2011.

Municipal Clerk Cindy A. Dye certified that the meeting was noticed in the Annual Meeting Notice. Notice was sent to the Trenton Times, filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted in the East Windsor Township Municipal Building, all on January 7, 2011. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied.

Thomas Vetter led the flag salute.

Present were: Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Deputy Mayor Marc Lippman and Council Members Hector Duke, Alan Rosenberg, Perry Shapiro and Peter Yeager. Also present were William W. Spain, Acting Township Manager, Township Attorney David E. Orron and Municipal Clerk Cindy A. Dye. Council Member Marsha Weinstein was absent.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS:

Eagle Scout: Todd Alter of Boy Scout Troop 59 (July 27, 2011)

Mayor Mironov presented the proclamation at an outside event.

PUBLIC FORUM: None

INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None

MINUTES:

June 9, 2011

It was MOVED by ROSENBERG and seconded by YEAGER that the minutes of June 9, 2011, with revisions dated July 1, 2011, be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, the June 9, 2011, with revisions dated July 1, 2011, were approved.

Mayor Mironov requested that the June 28, 2011 minutes be held.

ORDINANCE - INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance No. 2011-15 An Ordinance of the Township of East Windsor, New Jersey, to Establish Salaries and Wages for the Communications Workers of America, Local 1032 Union for Fiscal Years 2010 – 2011

The Township Clerk read by title Ordinance No. 2011-15.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG to approve on introduction authorize publication to set public hearing for July 26, 2011.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, to approve Ordinance No. 2011-15 on introduction authorize publication to set public hearing for July 26, 2011.

Ordinance No. 2011-16 An Ordinance Amending Chapter II, Administrative Code, Subsection 3.13, Deputy Clerk, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East Windsor

Mayor Mironov requested that this ordinance be held until later in the meeting after closed session.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2011-146 Approval of Agreement with the Communication Workers of America Local 1032 Union for Fiscal Years 2010-2011

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2011-146.

Mayor Mironov stated that this is consistent with the other agreements the Township entered into.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by DUKE that Resolution R2011-146 be adopted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-146 was adopted.

Resolution R2011-147 Re-Appointment of Registrar of Vital Statistics

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2011-147.

Mayor Mironov requested that the specific term be added to the resolution, which would be July 23, 2011 through July 22, 2014.

It was MOVED by ROSENBERG and seconded by SHAPIRO that Resolution R2011-147 be adopted as corrected.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-147 was adopted as corrected.

Resolution R2011-148 Chapter 159 – Amending the 2011 Municipal Budget Providing an Item of Revenue and Appropriation for the 2011 Bulletproof Vest Partnership FY 2010 Grant

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2011-148.

It was MOVED by DUKE and seconded by YEAGER that Resolution R2011-148 be adopted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-148 was adopted.

Resolution R2011-149 Approval of Purchase of Ammunition for the East Windsor Police Department

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2011-149.

Mayor Mironov stated that a recommendation was received from the Chief of Police. She requested a correction in the resolution; the second whereas should indicate six vendors, not five.

It was MOVED by DUKE and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2011-149 be adopted as corrected.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

Mayor Mironov explained that we are making this purchase off of State contract. However, one of the practices that were put in place with staff several years ago is that staff also must solicit quotes, since it is not known if the State contract is the lowest price.

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-149 was adopted as corrected.

Resolution R2011-150 Award of Bid for the Provision and Installation of Replacement Stadium Type Seating at the East Windsor Municipal Court

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2011-150.

Mayor Mironov stated that Council has the staff recommendations and copies of the bids that were received.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2011-150 be adopted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-150 was adopted.

Resolution R2011-151 Action on Bids for Resurfacing and Associated Improvements to Twin Rivers Drive and Twin Rivers North

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2011-151.

Mayor Mironov stated that this was the remaining portion of Twin Rivers perimeter roads. This will pick up where we left off during the last project; around Twin Rivers Drive North and Jamestown Road and come down south to Evanston. We have received a \$250,000 State grant the Township applied for toward the project. This will be coordinated with the Twin Rivers Trust and School District. The Township received ten bids.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by SHAPIRO that Resolution R2011-151 be adopted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-151 was adopted.

Resolution R2011-152 Closed Session (Personnel – Deputy Municipal Clerk)

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2011-152.

Mayor Mironov indicated that she is requesting to amend Resolution R2011-152 and the closed session to add “Real Estate Acquisition”.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2011-152 be adopted with the changes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-152 was adopted with the changes.

APPLICATIONS: None

REPORTS BY COUNCIL AND STAFF:

Council Member Shapiro stated that the planning board met last night and the bulk of the meeting was the Americana Hospitality application.

Mayor Mironov stated that the Clean Communities met on June 30. They discussed some of the programs under the Sustainable Jersey program that would go towards the Township's certification. The committee will also be participating in National Night Out. They are also looking for a suggestion box contest idea for the Middle School students for September. They are also looking at September 24 for the Township-wide cleanup. They also presented to Corner Copia a certificate of appreciate for excellent efforts as a litter free business.

Mayor Mironov stated that the Economic Development Committee met on July 7. They reviewed material in conjunction with the reprint of the Township map that the Council agreed to. They are also looking to do an event with the Princeton Regional Chamber in the fall.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

APPOINTMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Listed for approval were Current 2011 bill list dated July 7, 2011, Current 2010 bill list dated July 7, 2011 and a Capital bill list dated July 7, 2011, as well as other miscellaneous and trust account bill lists.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by DUKE that the bills be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes –Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, the bills were approved.

MATTERS BY COUNCIL:

Mayor Mironov stated that the newest draft of the pie chart has been distributed. Please provide comments by the end of the week. She requested that Ms. Dye provide to the Council Members the 2 maps that were prepared for Thomas Vetter's Eagle Scout project. One was already approved; however, she would like to share both with the Council. A letter was received from the After Prom Committee thanking the Township for the 2011 contribution, none of which is from tax dollars. Mayor Mironov announced that the 12 year old girls PAL team just won sectionals. They won the district title and moved on. She indicated that there is an Advisory from the New Jersey State League of Municipalities regarding S-2795/A-3835, Inspection of Multiple Dwellings. She asked the Manager and staff to ensure that there is an evaluation as to what financial impacts the bill might have. Mayor Mironov stated that the Township was approved for a \$5,000 grant from Target to go towards National Night Out.

Mayor Mironov stated that there is a potential change in the September meetings. She will visit the possibility of changing the dates to September 6 and September 20.

MATTERS BY PUBLIC: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTION WHERE APPROPRIATE:

1. Addition of Right Turn Lane on Route 33 onto Hickory Corner Road Westbound

Mayor Mironov stated that this subject was discussed at a prior meeting. At that time the Council had authorized the Mayor to send a letter to the NJDOT, which was done by letter of May 19, 2011. This matter was brought to the Council's attention by a few citizens who offered it as an idea to improve and facilitate the flow of traffic in that area. The NJDOT responded to the letter.

The letter is basically saying that the NJDOT is willing to look at the Township's request about taking the shoulder area and restriping it so that people can make a right turn. But because it is a shoulder and because it is a traffic signal, the pavement may not be adequate to accommodate the volume of cars. The signal may have some wires that interfere with striping and having the cars use the lane. The NJDOT indicated that they will go ahead and look at this request. If they should get to the point of proceeding and other work is involved aside from striping, they asked the Township to pay twenty-five percent of those costs. Mayor Mironov stated that the Township could send a letter to proceed to review the request and should we get to that point where additional work would be required, the NJDOT would advise what the actual costs would be. Thereafter, the Township would decide if they wish to proceed. This was agreed by the NJDOT.

Mayor Mironov indicated that she would write a letter requesting the NJDOT to proceed to review the request and should we get to that point where additional work would be required, the NJDOT would advise what the actual costs would be. Thereafter, the Township would decide if they wish to proceed.

2. 2011 Business Awards Program

Mayor Mironov stated that Council has received a draft of the program. She asked Council if they wish to proceed with the 2011 program or if there any changes the Council would like to propose.

It was the consensus of the Township Council that this is a great program and to proceed with the 2011 program.

3. Municipal Capital Projects

A. Municipal Roadway Projects

Mayor Mironov stated that there are some recommendations from the Township Manager. The Manager and staff are continuing to review capital projects. There are some things that should be moved on earlier. The primary area is to invest money into the roadway account, as well as some other projects that were appropriate to put forward at this time.

The suggestions from Public Works are to do work on Meadow and Elm. In the future, other surrounding municipal roadways could be considered.

Hankins Road is one that was previously being held because we are looking for a larger project. However, the engineering and State involvement is taking longer than anticipated. In light of that, the suggestion is to move forward and do some improvements work on Hankins Road. If the larger project were to move forward in the future, most of Hankins Road would not be affected. Most of the work would be done on the intersection. Mayor Mironov spoke with officials in Robbinsville and they have expressed interest and willingness to partner with the Township, as it is a joint road (down the center line).

Mayor Mironov stated that there are no final decisions being made this evening.

The primary purpose of the ordinance is to invest money in the roadway account and to include other items that are suggested to move forward at this time.

- B. Ordinance No. 2011-17** Bond Ordinance Providing For Various Capital Improvements Of The Township Of East Windsor, In The County Of Mercer, New Jersey, Appropriating The Aggregate Amount Of \$1,308,100 Therefor And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,242,695 Bonds Or Notes Of The Township To Finance Part Of The Cost Thereof.

The Township Clerk read by title Ordinance No. 2011-17.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG to approve on introduction, authorize publication to set public hearing for July 26, 2011.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, to approve on introduction Ordinance No. 2011-17, authorize publication to set public hearing for July 26, 2011.

Mayor Mironov stated that there is a closed session. She is not going to close the open session. The Mayor and Council will return into open session. At this time Mayor Mironov and Council Members went into closed session.

Mayor Mironov and Council members came back into open session.

Ordinance No. 2011-16 An Ordinance Amending Chapter II, Administrative Code, Subsection 3.13, Deputy Clerk, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East Windsor

The Township Clerk read by title Ordinance No. 2011-16.

It was MOVED by ROSENBERG and seconded by LIPPMAN to adopt Ordinance No. 2011-16, to approve on introduction authorize publication to set public hearing for July 26, 2011.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov
Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, to approve Ordinance No. 2011-16 on introduction authorize publication to set public hearing for July 26, 2011.

There being no further business Mayor Mironov adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Cindy A. Dye
Municipal Clerk

Janice S. Mironov
Mayor