

EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 24, 2012

The meeting of the East Windsor Township Council was called to order by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at 8:00 p.m. on January 24, 2012.

Municipal Clerk Cindy 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 4, 2012. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied.

Council Member Peter Yeager led the flag salute.

Present were: Mayor Janice S. Mironov, Deputy Mayor Perry Shapiro and Council Members Marc Lippman, Alan Rosenberg, Peter Yeager and John Zoller. Also present were Township Manager Alan M. Fisher, Township Attorney David E. Orron and Municipal Clerk Cindy A. Dye. Council Member Hector Duke was absent.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS:

Shalom Heritage Center 8th Annual Gala (January 29, 2012) Honoring Murray & Maya Abramson and Martin & Michelle Bieber

Royal Rangers "The Gold Medal of Achievement" – Phillip Collazo (January 29, 2012)

Scouting Anniversary Week, February 5-11, 2012

Mayor Mironov presented the proclamations at outside events.

INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None

PUBLIC FORUM: None

MINUTES:

December 27, 2011 (Closed Session)

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG that the minutes of December 27, 2011 (Closed Session) be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Mironov

Nays – None

Abstain - Zoller

There being four (4) ayes, no nays and one (1) abstention, the December 27, 2011 (Closed Session) minutes were approved.

Mayor Mironov requested that the following minutes be rescheduled: November 1, 2011, December 27, 2011, January 1, 2012 and January 10, 2012.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance No. 2012-1 An Ordinance Accepting the Donation of Three Parcels of Land from David Saltman Designated as Block 56, Lots 3, 7, and 8

The Township Clerk read by title Ordinance No. 2012-1.

Mayor Mironov stated that these are three adjacent parcels on Dutch Neck Road, just off Route 130. She noted this had been referenced at a prior meeting.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by YEAGER that Ordinance No. 2012-1 be adopted on introduction and authorize publication to set public hearing for February 7, 2012.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Ordinance No. 2012-1 was adopted on introduction and authorized for publication to set public hearing for February 7, 2012.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2012-17 Action on Bid for Lease of Farmland along Disbrow Hill Road (Block 21, Lot 4)

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-17.

Mayor Mironov stated that they had previously discussed the four leases and that Council had agreed to go out on bid for these properties. She stated that this property was 39 acres on Disbrow Hill Road. She noted the bid was for \$2,650.00.

It was MOVED by ROSENBERG and seconded by SHAPIRO that Resolution R2012-17 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-17 was adopted.

Resolution R2012-18 Action on Bid for Lease of Farmland along Conover Road (Block 46, Lot 11)

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-18.

Mayor Mironov stated this was 45 acres of the approximately 84 acres owned by the Township on Conover Road, and would be for \$7,209.00. She noted that these were the high bids.

It was MOVED by YEAGER and seconded by SHAPIRO that Resolution R2012-18 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-18 was adopted.

Resolution R2012-19 Action on Bid for Lease of Farmland along Old York Road (Block 29, Lot 6)

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-19.

Mayor Mironov stated that this was approximately 60 acres of the 100 acres owned by the Township along Old York Road, and would be for \$10,209.00.

Mr. Lippman stated these leases in general were a win-win situation for the Township and for the farmer, and that it was good to see there was still this much interest in farming for these lands and keeping traditions alive.

Mayor Mironov stated that it resulted in over \$20,000 a year in revenue on land that was already owned by the Township. It also helps maintain the property, keeps the soil healthy, and produces farm products and revenue for the farmers.

It was MOVED by SHAPIRO and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2012-19 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-19 was adopted.

Resolution R2012-20 Action on Bid for Lease of Farmland along One Mile Road (Block 5, Lot 11)

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-20.

Mayor Mironov stated this was 6 acres of the 17 acres owned by the Township along One Mile Road. She reiterated that these had all been reviewed in December before they were sent out for bid, and that they were all the high bids.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2012-20 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-20 was adopted.

Resolution R2012-21 Award of Contract to Schaefer Pyrotechnics for Independence Day
Fireworks

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-21.

Mayor Mironov stated that prior to the meeting she had asked Mr. Fisher to follow up with the Recreation Department on some outstanding questions regarding last year's event. She asked Mr. Fisher to confirm the recreation director has not been in the office.

Mr. Fisher agreed and stated he would address these issues as soon as he returned.

Mayor Mironov stated the Township received 3 quotes for this bid. She noted it was for the Independence Day celebration.

Mr. Rosenberg stated that the company had done a good job in the past.

Mayor Mironov noted that the Council had previously discussed this event, at which time they set aside Tuesday, July 3 for the event, with a rain date of Saturday, July 7. She noted that the action was subject to the resolution of the outstanding issues. She stated that the event was paid for through the trust fund, which is funded by monies raised privately from businesses and not by budget or property taxes.

It was MOVED by ROSENBERG and seconded by ZOLLER that Resolution R2012-21 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-21 was adopted.

Resolution R2012-22 Approval of License Agreement with Westfield Road
Condominium Association for Winchester Drive Parking License
Agreement

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-22.

Mayor Mironov stated Resolution R2012-22 would be held as there were some outstanding questions.

Resolution R2012-23 Approving Red Light Photo Systems Agreement Addendum for Route 130 and Dutch Neck Road with the New Jersey Department of Transportation

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-23.

Mayor Mironov stated this action was required by the NJDOT in conjunction with the permit that had been issued.

It was MOVED by YEAGER and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2012-23 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-23 was adopted.

Resolution R2012-24 Closed Session (Acquisition of Real Property; Matter Under Attorney-Client Privilege)

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-24.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by SHAPIRO that Resolution R2012-24 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-24 was adopted.

Resolution R2012-25 Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Township Labor Relations Attorney

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-25.

Mayor Mironov stated that with the passing of the Township's labor attorney, it was agreed the Township would solicit proposals. A committee was formed, consisting of Deputy Mayor Shapiro, Mr. Fisher, and herself, which reviewed the proposals and met with 6 of the applicants. A memo was distributed from the committee with a recommendation.

Mr. Shapiro stated that while all the applicants were professionals, this applicant was outstanding. He noted the applicant was obviously very knowledgeable and very easy to talk to, and very open to the concerns of the Township. He stated the decision to recommend this applicant was unanimous.

Mayor Mironov noted that they had also done extensive background checks, and the feedback for this applicant was all positive. Mr. Lippman stated he was impressed with the applicant's familiarity with the Township and the surrounding areas.

It was MOVED by SHAPIRO and seconded by YEAGER that Resolution R2012-25 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-25 was adopted.

Resolution R2012-26 Adoption of Revisions to Length of Service Award Program Plan Document

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-26.

Mayor Mironov stated that this matter just recently came to her attention and it is a small amendment to the agreement. She stated the Council had a memo from her and from Police Chief Spain. She stated they had discussed this matter and that they recommended that the amendment be adopted.

Mr. Lippman stated that the LOSAP plan continued to attract volunteers and to be a benefit to the community.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2012-26 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-26 was adopted.

APPLICATIONS: None

REPORTS BY COUNCIL AND STAFF:

Mayor Mironov stated she had attended a Mercer County municipal alliance recognition dinner, along with other members of the Township alliance. She noted the Township was given an award for outstanding volunteerism. She stated she had also attended the Martin Luther King, Jr. event sponsored by the Windsor-Hightstown Area Ministerium held at Mount Olivet Church, and the Eagle Code of Honor ceremony for Anthony Sosa of Boy Scout Troop 59. She commended the commitment and work of the Scouts. She stated she attended the State of the State address.

Mr. Zoller stated the Environmental Commission had met on January 18 for their annual reorganization meeting. Ron Balint was unanimously reelected as chairperson. They also welcomed 2 new members and 2 new student liaisons. Discussions focused on the community forestry management plan, Sustainable New Jersey Initiative, and Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions planning grants for municipalities.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

APPOINTMENTS:

Alternate Municipal Prosecutors

Mayor Mironov stated that it was now required that these be done formally. She noted that the prosecutor was appointed at the reorganization meeting. She recommended appointing Al Vuocolo, Robert Yostembski, William McGovern, Craig Hubert, as well as the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office as alternates when the prosecutor is not available.

It was MOVED by YEAGER and seconded by ROSENBERG that the appointments be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, the appointments for Alternate Municipal Prosecutors was adopted.

East Windsor Municipal Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse

Mayor Mironov stated these appointments included the resident that had been interviewed in late 2011. She stated as mayor, she is a standing member of the alliance, and Council Member Yeager was designated as the Council representative. She stated she was appointing the following members: Mayor Janice Mironov, Council Member Peter Yeager, Alberto Billini, Detective Joseph Gorski, Bershane Grimsley, Robin Harris, Robert Held, Luz N. Horta, Keith Jackson, Eugene Lambert, Evelyn McCleod, Sharon Menchaca, Kay L. Morales, Alicia Ribeca, Jessica Nitti, Maria Melora, Wayne Varga, Al Werner and Brenda Werner.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Listed for approval were the current 2012 bill list dated January 13, the current 2011 bill list dated January 13, and the capital bill list dated January 13, as well as other miscellaneous and trust account bill lists.

Mr. Zoller thanked Mr. Fisher for answering his questions regarding the previous bill list and noted he now had a better understanding.

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

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

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

MATTERS BY COUNCIL:

Mayor Mironov reminded everyone that the Holiday Food Drive was on-going in the Township and expressed appreciation for those who donated and promoted the drive. She reminded everyone that they needed to provide their schedules for February and March so budget hearings could be scheduled. Mayor Mironov stated the Township had received a Sustainable Land Use Planning grant program application from ANJEC. This was distributed to the Environmental Commission for comment. She noted the deadline was March 30. She stated the Environmental Commission had send out a letter to the Community Forestry Program with the Program accomplishment report for 2011. Mayor Mironov stated there was a report from the Tax Collector for the period ending December 31, 2011. Mayor Mironov stated Council had a copy of the letter from her office to the NJDOT, following up on July 2011 discussion about a right turning light at the intersection of Route 130 South and Hickory Corner Road. She noted they were still awaiting an answer. She noted that they had received some feedback on the Sustainable Jersey application and that she had left material with Mr. Fisher. She asked Mr. Fisher review this material and follow up by the February 8 deadline.

MATTERS BY PUBLIC: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTION WHERE APPROPRIATE:

1. Police/Court Solar Project
Resolution R2012-16 Action on Solar Project at the East Windsor Police/Court Building

Mayor Mironov stated that there were still some outstanding issues with this project, and that the Township had obtained a 30-day extension of time, extending to the end of February. She stated the discussion and Resolution R2012-16 would be held.

2. FY2012 Recreational Trails Program Application
Resolution R2012-27 Approval of Application to New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the National Recreational Trails Grant Program

Mayor Mironov stated this had been discussed at the December 27, 2011 meeting, at which time some direction was provided to Mr. Fisher and staff regarding ideas for potential applications.

She noted that the applications were due February 15. She stated that Council had in their folders a correct resolution and narratives for the 2 pathways they had discussed in December. She noted that they had previously asked 1) how the Turnpike Park pathway application could be improved; and 2) if there was alternative funding for the Disbrow Hill pathway. She stated that

there was a memo in Council packets from Mr. Fisher responding to these questions, and that more detail available that night concerning the Turnpike Park proposal. She noted it was the same pathway proposal that was discussed in December; however, there was a more in-depth narrative that highlighted some of the criteria that the state tends to focus on. She stated that an important criterion was linkages; the NJDEP looked more favorably on pathways that link with other pathways and recreational facilities. The narrative provided focused on this in more detail. She was not sure the Disbrow Hill pathway was feasible for this program at this time.

Mr. Lippman stated that he liked what was being called Phase 3 of the Turnpike Park pathway, and how it intersected and connected with the current pathway. He stated he felt it would help people appreciate and use the park more.

Mr. Rosenberg agreed. He stated that the linkage was described as a combination of wetlands and open space, which provided for a scenic walk.

Mr. Shapiro stated that he liked that this pathway would have more than one use. He noted it had many of the key points the NJDEP looked for, and stated he would like to go ahead with the Turnpike Path pathway.

Mayor Mironov stated that proposal would connect Turnpike Park with Woods Road Community Park, as well as the pathway at the Woods Road Community Park. The path would go through lands that the Township had acquired as open space, and provide a pleasant, passive recreational use of those properties. She noted that the Township had one connecting path that had been constructed using a prior grant, which connecting Turnpike Park and Woods Road Community Park in a different area. She noted this existing pathway was very attractive. She stated that during the previous discussion, they had primarily focused on the Turnpike Path proposal as the proposal they wished to move forward with. She asked if there was anyone who wished to move forward with the Disbrow Hill proposal.

There was no one who wished to move forward with the Disbrow Hill proposal.

Mayor Mironov stated that Resolution R2012-27 would authorize the filing of the application to the NJDEP for the National Recreational Trails Grant Program for the Turnpike Park pathway (Phase 3) proposal.

It was MOVED by ROSENBERG and seconded by YEAGER that Resolution R2012-27 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-26 was adopted.

Mayor Mironov stated Mr. Fisher would work with Public Works to complete the application.

3. Kelly Bill Agreements for 2011

Mayor Mironov stated that Council had materials from the Director of Public Works. She noted that they always tried to do this early in the year, and that this was reimbursement for the prior year. She stated that Council had a sample format that was consistent with what was used in the past.

Mr. Zoller stated he is not familiar with the process. He stated that on page 2, there was an amount under the section for lighting at Windsor Mill, but that on the first page the amount was not listed for Windsor Mill.

Mr. Fisher stated that it was not added in.

Mayor Mironov stated that the numbers would not necessarily be the same, and that they then did not have that number. She noted all the numbers were very similar if not identical with the exception of the one noted. She asked if Mr. Fisher had the total number.

Mr. Fisher stated he felt confident it was the same as last year.

Mayor Mironov asked if there were any other questions about the numbers or format. Council authorizes them to go out; they are then returned for approval. However, it was helpful to review it prior to sending them out. She noted that there was no vote necessary but rather the materials were distributed to allow Council to review them. If there is a consensus, the materials are then sent out to the communities for review. The agreements are then rescheduled for action when each is sent back.

Council agreed to move forward.

4. Green Acres 2012 Program Funding Application

Mayor Mironov noted this was the spring program, and that Green Acres sometimes had a second funding opportunity later in the year. The deadline for applications is February 15. She stated that Council had a memo with possible ideas. She stated that as East Windsor is a qualified open space community, the Township does not have to submit a full-length application. Rather, requests to the NJDEP can be made by way of a letter and a short form. She stated that funding requests were predicated on a likely acquisition. Once the money is awarded, the Township then can change that, should something else become a higher priority or a better choice, provided the money is used for properties in the Township's approved open space and recreation plan. She stated this plan was reviewed and adopted and then filed with and approved by the NJDEP Green Acres program. She noted that they are not committed but that it gave Council an idea as to possible properties to acquire.

Mayor and Council discussed their options.

Mayor Mironov stated that, in terms of practicality and attractiveness, her preferences leaned towards Parcels 3 and 4. She noted that they wanted to maximize their funding request and that normally, they applied for a single property. Parcels 3 and 4 could be combined, as they are adjacent to one another, and the Township could then deem them a single acquisition. This would enhance the Township's numbers significantly. She stated the Township still could pursue any of the options. Once the application is submitted, if the Township is able to move forward quicker on one property, then they could use the money towards that. Aside from the properties being attractive and in the open space plan, the numbers work out well. She noted that this review was for the purposes of the application. She stated that they would again partner with East Windsor Green Space, which would be meeting in the coming weeks. She stated that in the past, they had submitted dual applications that compliment each other and enhance the possibility of approval. She reiterated that they could pursue any of the properties but that for the purposes of the application, she would lean towards Parcels 3 and 4. She noted that Parcel 1 was a smaller property; thus, the Township would be limited in what it could ask for.

Mr. Shapiro stated that he felt they were all good ideas and could be persuaded by such reasons. Thus, he was willing to support Parcels 3 and 4.

Mr. Yeager stated he had originally preferred Parcel 1 but had realized the Township would benefit more from Parcels 3 and 4, for the reasons referenced.

Mayor Mironov stated that if there was a consensus to build an application around Parcels 3 and 4, they could also look at some of the other properties, particularly Parcel 1, to see if they could move forward with already-awarded grant money.

Council agreed.

Mayor Mironov stated a letter and a funding plan would be put together for the Etra Road properties. She asked Mr. Fisher to look into the other properties to see if anything had been previously submitted. She noted that they had discussed the first parcel but the pricing was unfavorable, but that they would revisit it. She stated that steps had been taking regarding the second parcel and that they should consider if they wanted to continue with that property. She clarified that the application would be for the Etra Road properties. She stated that for some of the more recent funds that the Township had been awarded, they may only be used for the purposes as provided for by state taxpayers as voted on in bond issues. These funds are made available by Green Acres solely for open space-related purposes, such as acquiring open space. The money cannot be used to supplement budgets or other purposes. She stated that the money would be awarded to a municipality, so the Township should do its best to maximize any opportunities for the East Windsor community.

5. Green Acres and Open Space Funds Accounts

Mayor Mironov stated she had some questions on these accounts and had spoken with Mr. Fisher. She asked that the accounts be reviewed and a report provided to the Council so that all grants and funds could be identified and accounted for.

6. Municipal Tow Ordinance

Ordinance No. 2012-2

An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter V – General Police Regulations, Section 5-16 Towing and Storage of Vehicles, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East Windsor

Mayor Mironov stated that the Council had a memo from Police Chief Spain. Chief Spain and the police department reviewed the municipal tow ordinance, as well as those of other municipalities. The memo made some suggestions to update the Township ordinance to be more in line with the ordinances in the area.

Mr. Lippman stated that he liked the numbers Chief Spain came up with. He stated that the Township was still below average on basic towing, but that this was not a bad thing as it gave people a break. The rest of the numbers seemed approximate.

The Township Clerk read by title Ordinance 2012-2.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG that Ordinance No. 2012-2 be adopted on introduction and authorize publication to set public hearing for February 7, 2012.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Ordinance No. 2012-2 was adopted on introduction and authorized for publication to set public hearing for February 7, 2012.

7. 2012 Concert & Family Night in the Park Events

Mayor Mironov noted this had been discussed at the January 10 meeting, at which time there were some comments given by Council members. Supplemental information had been provided, including additional band ideas.

Mayor and Council discussed their preferences.

Mayor Mironov noted that it seemed the Frankie Valli tribute was popular and asked if there was anyone who did not like that. There not being any, she stated this would be recommended. She stated there was some division for the second concert. She stated she personally would prefer

Neil and the Diamonds, but that she would go with what everyone agreed on. She noted there was not a lot of support for the BeeGees, which was also expensive. She stated the Beatlemania seemed popular.

Mayor Mironov stated it appeared Council supported Beatlemania for the second show. She noted that the staff was still looking into possibilities for the other nights.

8. East Windsor Township Trust Fund and Housing Programs

Mayor Mironov stated this was still a work in process and so would be carried to the next meeting. She noted some material was distributed to explain why this was being studied.

9. State Diversion of Energy Tax Receipts

Resolution R2012-28

Calling on the Governor and Legislature for
Restoration of the Energy Tax Receipts

The Township Clerk read by title Resolution R2012-28.

Mayor Mironov stated that Council had an updated resolution in their packets, as well as some additional information.

Mr. Yeager stated that this had been discussed in the past but that there were still not many people who knew about it or truly understood it. He stated that the resolution would continue to push the issue and draw attention to an issue that does not get enough attention and causes municipalities and residents stress.

Mr. Shapiro stated that this was a topic that angered him. He stated it was money that belongs to the municipalities. He stated it was not aid in any sense of the word but rather money that belonged to the townships, but that some people tried to make it seem like a gift from the state. He noted that the same people at the state level that took the townships' money then wondered why townships could not live within their means. He stated that he strongly supported the resolution.

Mr. Lippman stated that it was almost a million dollars each year that the municipalities were denied. He stated it was like bomb being dropped. He stated that he felt townships should keep putting the pressure on and that he would support a resolution every month if it would bring some attention to the issue.

Mr. Shapiro stated municipalities should get together and pressure those in power.

Mr. Rosenberg stated he supported these comments. He stated these actions hurt municipalities in many different ways, especially as it was so arbitrary and mean-spirited.

Mayor Mironov stated that in discussions of the 2% cap, she had told officials that if she could use other peoples' money for the Township's budget, and not pay the Township's bills (i.e., pensions), then she could reduce property taxes immediately. She stated she had also listed it because it would continue to be a top priority in 2012 for the League of Municipalities. She stated it was obviously a state-wide concern and that the state had over the years diverted money that belong to the municipalities in dramatic ways, leaving municipalities with large, unexpected gaps in their revenues. She noted that these gaps snowball from year to year, affecting the surplus and other issues. She stated action needed to be taken to get the state to restore the money to townships that can then use it to enact property tax relief measures.

It was MOVED by YEAGER and seconded by SHAPIRO that Resolution R2012-28 be adopted.

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

There being six (6) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2012-28 was adopted.

There being no further business Mayor Mironov adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Cindy A. Dye
Municipal Clerk

Janice S. Mironov
Mayor