

EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

April 2, 2013

The meeting of the East Windsor Township Council was called to order by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at 7:41 p.m. on April 2, 2013.

Acting Municipal Clerk Kathie Senior 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, on January 14, 2013. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied.

Phyllis Anker led the flag salute.

Present were: Mayor Janice S. Mironov and Council Members Hector Duke, Marc Lippman, Alan Rosenberg, Peter Yeager and John Zoller. Also present were Township Manager James P. Brady, Township Attorney David E. Orron and Acting Municipal Clerk Kathie Senior.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS:

Alcohol Awareness Month - - April 2013: Recognizing East Windsor Regional School District Hightstown High School After Prom Committee

Mayor Mironov presented the proclamation to members of the After Prom Committee.

National Library Week April 14-20, 2013

Mayor Mironov presented the proclamation to Phyllis Anker, East Windsor's County Library Commission Member; Nancy Demme, Twin Rivers Library branch; Sharon Galbraith Ryer, Hickory Corner Library branch.

Yom Hashoah Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust – April 8, 2013 (April 7, 2013)

Mayor Mironov presented the proclamation at an outside event.

Autism Awareness Month, April 2013

Mayor Mironov presented the proclamation at an outside event.

PUBLIC FORUM: NONE

INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: NONE

MINUTES:

January 22, 2013

Mayor Mironov stated that the January 22, 2013 minutes will be rescheduled.

February 5, 2013

Mayor Mironov stated that the February 5, 2013 minutes will be rescheduled.

February 19, 2013

Mayor Mironov stated that the February 19, 2013 minutes will be rescheduled.

February 26, 2013 Special Meeting – Budget Session

Mayor Mironov stated that the February 26, 2013 Special Meeting – Budget Session minutes will be rescheduled.

March 5, 2013 Special Meeting – Budget Session

Mayor Mironov stated that the March 5, 2013 Special Meeting – Budget Session minutes will be rescheduled.

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March 19, 2013 Closed Session

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ZOLLER that the March 19, 2013 (Closed Session) minutes be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Yeager, Zoller, Mironov

Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, the March 19, 2013 (Closed Session) minutes were approved.

March 19, 2013

Mayor Mironov stated that the March 19, 2013 minutes will be rescheduled.

ORDINANCE - PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance No. 2013-03 An Ordinance to Authorize Exceeding the
Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits to Establish
a Cap Bank for the Future

The Acting Clerk read by title Ordinance No. 2013-03.

Mayor Mironov indicated that this Ordinance was introduced on March 19, 2013 and set the public hearing for tonight, April 2, 2013. Mayor Mironov declared the public hearing open Ordinance 2013-03.

Sean O'Connor, 152 Hickory Corner Road, Apartment 313, stated he couldn't hear the actual Ordinance proposal. Mayor Mironov read the Ordinance again and explained what this Ordinance does. Under the current regulations in the State of New Jersey there is an appropriations and an expenditure cap; and it used to be that if you did not spend up to that Cap it was automatically banked. They have changed the regulation to now require that there be the action to actually bank it. East Windsor's budget is very below the appropriations limits. That is what the Ordinance is, it does not do anything else and it does not spend anything.

Mayor Mironov closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2013-03.

It was MOVED by ROSENBERG and seconded by DUKE to adopt Ordinance No. 2013-03 and authorize publication by law.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, Ordinance No. 2013-03 was adopted and authorize publication by law. .

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2013-34 Approval of Developers Agreement with Verde Group, LLC

The Acting Clerk read by title Resolution R2013-34.

Mayor Mironov stated that this was carried from a prior meeting, in order to check on their status. Mayor Mironov asked if they are current on their accounts and other necessary requirements. Mr. Brady indicated that they are.

It was MOVED by YEAGER and seconded by DUKE that Resolution R2013-34 be approved.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, Resolution R2013-34 was approved.

Resolution R2013-50 Authorizing Additional 2013 Temporary Budget Appropriations

The Acting Clerk read by title Resolution R2013-50.

Mayor Mironov stated that this is necessary pending the formal approval and adoption of our budget, which has already been introduced and is sitting in Trenton so we can continue to make our payroll.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2013-50 be approved.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, Resolution R2013-42 was approved.

Resolution R2013-51 Approval of Agreement with Westfield Road Homeowners Association for Reimbursement for Private Community Services for 2012

The Acting Clerk read by title Resolution R2013-51.

Mayor Mironov indicated that this is all part of the Kelly Bill and we did review all these numbers back in January as well as during our budget process. There is a signed agreement back which needs our approval.

It was MOVED by ZOLLER and seconded by ROSENBERG that Resolution R2013-51 be approved.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, Resolution R2013-51 was approved.

Resolution R2013-52 Approval of Replacement of 911 Workstations with KML Technology, Inc. for the East Windsor Police Department

The Acting Clerk read by title Resolution R2013-52.

Mayor Mironov stated the Council has information and a recommendation from the Police Chief. This equipment was damaged earlier in the year and this is being funded through the insurance proceeds from the Middlesex County Joint Insurance Fund.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by DUKE that Resolution R2013-52 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Duke, Lippman, Rosenberg, Yeager, Zoller, Mironov

Nays – None

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, Resolution R2013-52 was approved.

Resolution R2013-53 Authorizing Purchase of Software Maintenance Updates for the East Windsor Finance Department with Edmunds Associates, Inc.

The Acting Clerk read by title Resolution R2013-53.

Mayor Mironov stated that Council has information and recommendation from the Finance Director. This was included in the budget and it is necessary software system for the Finance Department.

It was MOVED by DUKE and seconded by ZOLLER that Resolution R2013-53 be approved.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, Resolution R2013-53 was approved.

Resolution R2013-54 Action on Request for Release of Performance Guarantee for City Auto Center, MGKR Enterprises, LLC c/o Deep Singh

The Acting Clerk read by title Resolution R2013-54.

Mayor Mironov stated that Council has a recommendation from the Township Engineer recommending release dated February 6, 2013.

It was MOVED by ROSENBERG and seconded by YEAGER that Resolution R2013-54 be approved.

Mayor Mironov noted that Council has a certification from the Finance Director indicating all fees and charges owed by the Developer have been fully satisfied.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, Resolution R2013-54 was approved.

Resolution R2013-55 Action on Request for Release of Performance Guarantee
for Wyncrest at East Windsor, Wyncrest Commons, L.P.

The Acting Clerk read by title Resolution R2013-55.

It was MOVED by LIPPMAN and seconded by DUKE that Resolution R2013-55 be approved.

Mayor Mironov stated that Council has a recommendation from the Township Engineer recommending release dated March 18, 2013, which is attached to and incorporated into the resolution. That report recommends denial of the request for release. There is work still to be done.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, Resolution R2013-55 was approved.

APPLICATIONS:

New Jersey Fireman's Association Membership Application for Angel D. Torres

It was MOVED by DUKE and seconded by YEAGER that the New Jersey Fireman's Association Membership Application for Angel D. Torres be approved.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, the New Jersey Fireman's Association Membership Application for Angel D. Torres was approved.

REPORTS BY COUNCIL AND STAFF:

Mr. Rosenberg stated that Clean Communities committee met on March 28, we have 3 new members, Jack Donnelly, John Putrino and Pat Franks. The 2013 Adopt-A-Spot letters went out and phone call follow-ups will take place. Mr. Rosenberg further noted that Recycling Day for the spring will be April 20 at The Home Depot, there will also be a Recycling Day in the fall. The Watershed Association Stream Clean-Up will be Saturday April 13 from 9-11 a.m. at Etra Lake Park.

Mayor Mironov stated that our Elementary School Recycling Poster contest is on-going and the judges will be laboring over that. We will be making the presentations for that contest at meeting April 16.

Mr. Rosenberg stated that later that evening East Windsor Commission on Aging met. The main topic of conversation was to better utilize resources we may have at the Senior Center to put together a call list for seniors in East Windsor.

Mr. Zoller stated that the Environmental Commission met on March 20. Topics were the Community Forestry Management Plan. There is an Arbor Day seedling give away scheduled for May 4 at the Pal Field. The Stonybrook Mill Watershed Clean-up date was discussed for April 13. Mr. Zoller also noted that there was Green Team discussion and finished the meeting with discussion about the ANJEC workshop that was held March 23 at the Duke Farms. This was a workshop for Fundamentals on Corrective Environmental Commissions which 6 members of the commission attended and he is confident that they took away good ideas for improving the commission's performance here in the Township.

Mayor Mironov stated that March is American Red Cross Month, and part of that there is a program Mayor's for Meals regarding the Meals on Wheels program. She traditionally tries to participate in that. She spends some time at the American Red Cross facility on Alexander Road in West Windsor as well as in the participation of the delivery of meals. This is a terrific program and not enough people know about it. It's a tremendous available resource for people who are homebound and seniors. It is also a way for people who want to volunteer to get involved in a program, generally people do it twice a week. It's a great way to volunteer and a very gratifying means of local service.

Mr. Yeager stated that he would like to thank the Hightstown High School Red Cross Club for their participation at the Easter Egg hunt. It was a cold day but they had a really good turn out and the volunteers there really made it a great day.

Mayor Mironov stated early this evening we participated in the Womenspace advocated event called SAAM, it's Sexual Assault Awareness Month in April. We had a ceremony over at the Police building with participants of Womenspace, our Domestic Violence Victim Response Team, our Police Department and members. There is a tree that sits close to the road that we have lit with teal lights to cause focus on the issue throughout the month. It is an important issue for all communities to encourage public awareness and the existing of resources and volunteers to assist. Mayor Mironov would like to particularly thank Alison Daks, the coordinator from Womenspace, her family is also local, she grew up in East Windsor. We are particularly pleased to have joined them for the event.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Mironov indicated she will do correspondence under matters.

APPOINTMENTS: NONE

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Mayor Mironov has a few questions. On the vouchers, the voucher listed doesn't indicate what it is for, thinks it is for the vehicle. She will not pull it but in the future it should be identified. Mayor Mironov would like clarification on what the first item is on the current 2013 bill list, the interfund grant. Mayor would like to get a copy of the invoice on page 3, under the Planning Board Licensed Professional, not going to pull it, but would like to know what the work is for. Also on page 11, pull the first two items, the first is other contract services and the second is memberships, for further information regarding how those amounts and policies are determined.

Mr. Zoller stated that if we have a policy on bottled water, there is something on page 6. Mayor Mironov asked to get some clarification about how we are going about that new phased policy we discussed during our budget.

It was MOVED by DUKE and seconded by ZOLLER that the bills be approved with the items pulled and questions.

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

There being six (6) ayes, no (0) nays and no (0) abstentions, the bills were approved with the items pulled and questions.

MATTERS BY COUNCIL:

Mayor Mironov stated that she combined here correspondence and matters. Mayor Mironov stated that Council has a memo from the Finance Director, March 25, regarding bill list questions from March 19. East Windsor also has some partial road closures Oak Creek Road; for a connection with PSE&G. Mayor Mironov stated that Mr. Rosenberg mentioned a couple of these, but on April 13 9-11 a.m. we have Stream Clean-up at Etra Lake Park that we are partnering with the Watershed Association. As a reminder, on Thursday, April 4 here at the Municipal Building from 3-7 p.m. we have passport service day that we are co-hosting with the Mercer County Clerk's Office so that people can come here to get passports rather than have to go to Trenton. This is a great opportunities for families with minor children because both parents need to be there, it is a more complex process.

Mayor Mironov also reminded Council that the Township was awarded a \$200,000 grant from the Department of Community Affairs under the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant for Housing Rehabilitation. We have a program administrator and we are encouraging people who feel that they might be qualified and have an interest in that program. It is a great way for people in need that have important work to do on their homes that are code and safety related to be able to apply for funds under that program.

MATTERS BY PUBLIC:

Sean O'Connor of 152 Hickory Corner Road introduced himself and stated that he is running for General Assembly in the 14th District. He talked about state debt being 71 billion dollars, 17 trillion dollars in debt federally and he feels that the municipalities can do a lot to fix this. If the debt isn't addressed then property taxes will increase.

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTION WHERE APPROPRIATE:

1. East Windsor Summer Concert/Movie Nights Proposals

Mayor Mironov stated that Council has information from the Manager with respect to proposed summer program. Mayor Mironov had some thoughts on scheduling for the future. Mr. Rosenberg stated the two choices are two very good choices and people enjoy this music from the past. Mayor Mironov would like to continue to use some young local bands and give them an opportunity. Mayor Mironov stated that Independence Day is on July 3.

Consensus from Council members for the Summer Concert/movie Night proposals.

There being no further business Mayor Mironov adjourned the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

Kathie Senior
Acting Municipal Clerk

Janice S. Mironov
Mayor