

EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
Tuesday, October 13, 2015
7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the East Windsor Township Council was called to order by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at 7:30 p.m. on October 13, 2015.

VERIFICATION:

Municipal Clerk Gretchen McCarthy certified that the meeting was noticed in the annual meeting notice on January 16, 2015 and that notices were sent to the Trenton Times, filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk and posted in the East Windsor Municipal Building. All requirements of the open public meeting act have been satisfied.

FLAG SALUTE:

Led by Fire Company No. 2 Chief Eric Coran

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council Members Hector Duke, Marc Lippman, Alan Rosenberg, Perry Shapiro, Peter Yeager, John Zoller and Mayor Janice Mironov. Also present were Township Attorney David E. Orron, Township Manager James P. Brady and Municipal Clerk Gretchen McCarthy

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS:

Fire Prevention Week - October 4-10, 2015

Mayor Mironov expressed thanks to the Fire Companies for the work they do and announced the theme for 2016 Fire Prevention Week as "Hear the Beep Where You Sleep".

Recognizing East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1
Firefighter of the Year Josh Matorin

Mayor Mironov presented a Proclamation to Josh Matorin

Recognizing East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 2
Firefighter of the Year Michael Crismali

Mayor Mironov presented a Proclamation to Michael Crismali

Domestic Violence Awareness Month - - October 2015

Mayor Mironov presented a Proclamation to Director of Womanspace, Pat Hart.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month - - October 2015

Mayor Mironov noted Breast Cancer Awareness Month

2015 East Windsor Regional School District Hightstown High School Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees
(October 9, 2015)

- 1985 Baseball team
- David Rosenblatt
- Gwen Atwell
- Jessica Haughton
- Kenny Ampona
- Kerry Radigan
- Tom Weidner

Mayor Mironov reported that she attended the Hall of Fame luncheon.

INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Interviewed were Sarah Heyburn who is interested in serving as a student member on the Economic Development Committee and Ian Jurkiewicz who is also interested in being a student member on the Economic Development Committee or the Municipal Alliance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sean O'Connor, 152 Hickory Corner Road Apt. 313, East Windsor, NJ spoke regarding Ordinance 2015-09 and Ordinance 2015-11.

MINUTES:

July 21, 2015

It was MOVED by Lippman and SECONDED by Zoller that the July 21, 2015 minutes be approved.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, the July 21, 2015 minutes were approved.

Mayor Mironov asked that the September 8, 2015 and September 29, 2015 minutes be rescheduled to the next meeting agenda.

ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance No. 2015-09 Bond Ordinance Providing for Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning Improvements for the Township of East Windsor, in the County of Mercer, New Jersey, Appropriating the Aggregate Amount Of \$380,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$361,000 Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof.

The Municipal Clerk read by title Ordinance No. 2015-09. Mayor Mironov stated this ordinance had been introduced at the September 29, 2015 Council Meeting.

Mayor Mironov then declared open the public hearing.

Public Comment:

Sean O'Connor, 152 Hickory Corner Road, Apt 313, East Windsor, NJ – spoke regarding a debt policy.

Mayor Mironov declared closed the public hearing.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2015-09
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR HEATING
VENTILATION AND AIR CONDITIONING IMPROVEMENTS
FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR, IN THE
COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE
AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$380,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE
ISSUANCE OF \$361,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE
PART OF THE COST THEREOF.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Township of East Windsor, in the County of Mercer, New Jersey (the "Township") as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$380,000, including the aggregate sum of \$19,000 as the several down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments have been made available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$361,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a.)Replacement and improvement of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning system for the East Windsor Municipal Building, the East Windsor Police and Municipal Court Building, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$380,000	\$361,000	15 years
 TOTAL	 <u>\$380,000</u>	 <u>\$361,000</u>	

All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations.

All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

The Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with

the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements that the Township may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the costs thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 15 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$361,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$50,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated costs indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.

Section 7. Any grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 8. The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue the bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 8 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy *ad*

valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

It was MOVED by Lippman and SECONDED by Yeager that Ordinance No. 2015-09 be adopted and authorized for publication as required by law.

Mayor Mironov stated that prior discussions have been had with respect to the projects that are incorporated in this ordinance, which are needed to fix and upgrade the Heating and Air Conditioning Units in the Municipal Building and the Police/Court building, in order to provide proper heating and cooling and to enhance energy efficiency. The question of how expenditures are determined and which expenditures are determined to be appropriate for capital bond ordinances have been done many times in the past. The Township debt is an extraordinarily low percentage of what is authorized which doesn't suggest that the debt should be at the authorized level. Mayor Mironov also remarked that the Township has historically kept a very low debt rate and it is used only for very important expenditures which qualify as capital projects.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Ordinance No. 2015-09 was adopted and authorized for publication as required by law.

Ordinance No. 2015-10 An Ordinance of the Township of East Windsor, New Jersey, to Establish Salaries and Wages for the Teamsters local 676 Union for Fiscal Years 2012-2016

The Municipal Clerk read by title Ordinance No. 2015-10. Mayor Mironov stated this ordinance had been introduced at the September 29, 2015 Council Meeting.

Mayor Mironov then declared open the public hearing. As no members of the public wished to be heard, Mayor Mironov declared closed the public hearing.

**ORDINANCE 2015 – 10
TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR
COUNTY OF MERCER**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
EAST WINDSOR, NEW JERSEY, TO
ESTABLISH SALARIES AND WAGES FOR
THE TEAMSTERS LOCAL 676 UNION FOR
YEARS 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 AND 2016

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that employees of the Township in the Teamsters Local 676 Union shall be paid the following salaries and wages for fiscal years 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 until a successor Ordinance is adopted.

SECTION 1. SCHEDULE OF SALARIES

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
YEAR 2012		
Clerk Typist	\$ 28,377	\$ 38,210
Police Radio Officer	\$ 43,057	\$ 57,970
YEAR 2013		
Clerk Typist	\$ 28,803	\$ 38,783
Police Radio Officer	\$ 43,703	\$ 58,840
YEAR 2014		
Clerk Typist	\$ 29,307	\$ 39,462
Police Radio Officer	\$ 44,468	\$ 59,870
YEAR 2015		
Clerk Typist	\$ 30,192	\$ 40,654
Police Radio Officer	\$ 45,811	\$ 61,678
YEAR 2016		
Clerk Typist	\$ 30,569	\$ 41,162
Police Radio Officer	\$ 46,384	\$ 62,449

SECTION 2. LONGEVITY

<u>Months of Service</u>		<u>LONGEVITY PAY</u>
<u>Begin</u>	<u>Complete</u>	YEAR 2012- 2016
60	108	\$ 874.52
109	168	\$1,560.70
169	228	\$2,292.35
229	Over	\$2,885.78

Employees hired on or after July 6, 2015 shall not be eligible for or receive longevity payments.

SECTION 3. GENERAL

1. The Clerk Typist position will be paid under the thirty-five (35) hour workweek.
2. The Radio Officer position will be paid under the forty (40) hour workweek.

SECTION 4.

Except as otherwise provided in the collective bargaining agreement, rates of compensation provided herein are retroactive to their respective year on January 1, 2012.

SECTION 6.

All Ordinances and Resolutions inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7.

This Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after final passage and publication according to law and shall remain in effect until amended or suspended.

It was MOVED by Zoller and SECONDED by Rosenberg that Ordinance No. 2015-10 be adopted and authorized for publication as required by law.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Ordinance No. 2015-10 was adopted and authorized for publication as required by law.

Ordinance No. 2015-11 An Ordinance Adopting A Redevelopment Plan For 329 And 359 Wyckoff Mills Road (Block 13, Lots 1.01 And 1.02).

The Municipal Clerk read by title Ordinance No. 2015-11. Mayor Mironov stated this ordinance would adopt the redevelopment plan for 329 and 359 Wyckoff Mills Road which is a property reviewed by the Council in July, at which time a decision was reached to request a review by the Planning Board for the purpose of designating the two properties as an area in need of redevelopment. This was done in collaboration with the property owners. Council also requested that a plan be prepared which was in fact prepared under the oversight of the Planning Board and Township Planner and other East Windsor professionals. The plan was reviewed and recommended by the Planning Board to the Township Council for adoption. The Ordinance was introduced for consideration on September 29, 2015 and is up for Public Hearing and possible action by Council. Mayor Mironov requested Township Planner Richard

Preiss to review the basic components of the prepared plan. Richard Preiss gave presentation regarding the redevelopment plan for the 50 acre property which would supersede the current zoning which is Research Office Zoning. The plan would allow for a warehouse storage building of over 600,000 square feet as well as parking, driveways, landscaping, etc. A concept plan was prepared and is included in the redevelopment plan. Should the ordinance be adopted, the developer will still need to appear before the Planning Board for subdivision and site plan approval. Should a major deviations from the plan be sought by the developer, it will be necessary for them to seek amendment to the redevelopment plan.

Mayor Mironov then declared open the public hearing.

Public Comment:

Sean O'Connor, 152 Hickory Corner Road, Apt 313, East Windsor, NJ – spoke regarding the redevelopment plan.

Mayor Mironov declared closed the public hearing.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2015-11
TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR
COUNTY OF MERCER**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 329 AND 359
WYCKOFF MILLS ROAD (BLOCK 13, LOTS 1.01 AND 1.02).**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (“Redevelopment Law”), on July 7, 2015, the Township Council adopted Resolution R2015-118 designating 329 and 359 Wyckoff Mills Road, Block 13, Lots 1.01 and 1.02, (“Redevelopment Area”) as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, a redevelopment plan for the Redevelopment Area, entitled Redevelopment Plan for 329 and 359 Wyckoff Mills Road in the Township of East Windsor, New Jersey, dated September 18, 2015 (“Redevelopment Plan”), was prepared by the Township’s professional planning consultant, Phillips Preiss Grygiel, LLC; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution R2015-118 adopted on July 7, 2015, the Township Council directed the East Windsor Township Planning Board to cause a redevelopment plan to be prepared for the Redevelopment Area and to present same to the Township Council pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7F; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Plan has been prepared by the East Windsor Township Planning Board and its planning consultant in accordance with that directive; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 2015-13 adopted by the East Windsor Township Planning Board on September 28, 2015, the East Windsor Township Planning Board recommends the adoption of the Redevelopment Plan for the Redevelopment Area and finds that the Redevelopment Plan meets the criteria outlined in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP, MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Redevelopment Plan for 329-359 Wyckoff Mills Road, in the Township of East Windsor, New Jersey, prepared by Phillips Preiss Grygiel, LLC, dated September 18, 2015, incorporated herein by reference, as if set forth and length, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk meets the criteria, guidelines and conditions set forth at N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7, and is otherwise in conformance with the provisions of the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (“Redevelopment Plan”).
2. The Redevelopment Plan is consistent with the East Windsor Township Master Plan or is designed to effectuate the Master Plan.
3. The Redevelopment Plan shall supersede all prior zoning for the Redevelopment Area.
4. The zoning district map is hereby amended to identify the area in which the zoning has been superseded by the Redevelopment Plan. A copy of the amended zoning district map is attached hereto.
5. The Redevelopment Plan is hereby adopted.
6. If any section or provision of the Redevelopment Plan or this Ordinance shall be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any other part thereof.
7. All ordinances or parts of ordinances heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

8. This Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after final passage and publication according to law.



8.

Mayor Mironov asked for comment from Council on the redevelopment plan. Council Member Zoller expressed endorsement of the plan due to the condition of the property. Council Member Yeager stated that this property is very visible and thanked all for their work on the plan. Council Member Lippman stated that he unfortunately saw this property deteriorate over the years and expressed excitement in the redevelopment project and seeing the property useful again. Council Member Rosenberg stated that he is very optimistic about the plan. Council Member Shapiro spoke regarding the property being visible from the Turnpike and the importance of moving forward with the plan. Mayor Mironov stated that this matter has become a project over the last year and a half. When ownership was taken of the property last year, the opportunity arose to work with the property owner and potential users of the property to craft and discuss a possible plan whereby the property could move forward in a transformational manner. The property has long been zoned commercial and the buildings and facilities on the property, while unoccupied, have deteriorated, dilapidated, obsolete and not appropriate for the location of other new business opportunities. Cooperatively with the Developer, the property can now be transformed with a brand new building for warehouse distribution and assorted and related uses. Over the coming months, the actual plan will be filed with the Planning Board and it is anticipated that the application procedure will move forward relatively rapidly in the coming months. The Planning Board will review the application and have an opportunity to come to decisions on approvals with respect to the project. This provides a tremendous opportunity to East Windsor for a new, modern, attractive, and useable site. With any business development this will generate tax dollars and provide jobs for our community while providing a much better neighbor for the surrounding properties and the community in general.

It was **MOVED** by Lippman and **SECONDED** by Duke that Ordinance No. 2015-11 be adopted and authorized for publication as required by law.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Ordinance No. 2015-11 was adopted and authorized for publication as required by law.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION: None

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2015-173 Approval of Grant Agreement with New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the 2015 Green Communities Grant

Mayor Mironov stated that Council has a letter in their folders from the Department of Environmental Protection which is a grant award letter, advising that East Windsor has been awarded \$3,000.00 toward the development of a Community Forestry Management Plan. This is the grant agreement that would implement the project.

RESOLUTION R2015-173

**EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has a competitive grant program to municipalities within its jurisdiction designated as the 2015 Green Communities Grant; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has approved a \$3,000.00 grant to East Windsor Township under the 2015 Green Communities Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the 2015 Green Communities Grant for the development of a Community Forestry Management Plan.
2. The Township agrees to perform services described in the grant application and comply with the conditions of the grant agreement.

3. The Township is required to provide a \$3,000 match, which will be provided in in-kind services.

It was **MOVED** by Yeager and **SECONDED** by Shapiro to approve Resolution R2015-173.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2015-173 was adopted and authorized for publication as required by law.

APPLICATIONS: None

REPORTS BY COUNCIL AND STAFF:

Mayor Mironov reported on an October 1 Economic Development Committee meeting where the joint program with the Princeton Chamber of Commerce was discussed as well as other pending projects before the committee.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

APPOINTMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Mayor Mironov specified the bill lists presented for payment dated October 8, 2015
It was **MOVED** by Duke, **SECONDED** by Rosenberg to approve the Bill Lists presented.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays the presented Bill Lists were approved.

MATTERS BY COUNCIL: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTION WHERE APPROPRIATE:

1. Mercer County Agricultural Development Board FY 2017 Farmland Preservation County Planning Incentive Grant Program

Mayor spoke receipt of a Mercer County Agricultural Board letter regarding fiscal year 2017 Farmland Preservation County Planning Incentive Grant Program. This transmittal is received annually from the county, providing their current maps as to targeted farmland properties in East Windsor. The maps show

the properties that have already been preserved in East Windsor and other parts of the county. This provides, to the Township, an opportunity to offer comments with respect to the targeted farmland properties. Staff has been requested to review and provide comment or observations on the plan. The questions are whether the Township has an issue with the planned properties or whether there are any additional properties the Township would like the County to consider. Council Member Zoller commented that the list provided appears appropriate. Council Member Rosenberg expressed support of the program. Mayor Mironov stated that Block 35, Lots 4 and 4.01 had been requested to be included on the list in the past and if fine with Council the Mayor would like to make a call to the County to see if there has been any movement on that matter. Consensus of Council for Mayor Mironov to inquire about inclusion of Block 35, Lots 4 and 4.01 on the list of targeted properties.

It was MOVED by Rosenberg, SECONDED by Zoller to support the properties included for target by Mercer County for Farmland Preservation.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays support was given for the properties included for target by Mercer County for Farmland Preservation.

2. NJ Division of Local Government Services CY 2015 Best Practices Checklist – Review

Mayor Mironov stated that this practice was started by Local Government Services in the last several years, whereby the Township is asked to complete and submit a best practices questionnaire. The questionnaire needs to be signed by the Finance Director and reviewed by the Manager. It is also required that it be reviewed publicly by Council. No formal vote is necessary to be taken.

3. New Jersey Turnpike Widening Project: East Windsor Issues

Mayor Mironov stated that this is a follow-up on prior Council discussions held regarding issues East Windsor has with unfinished items from the New Jersey Turnpike widening project that have remained unfinished for a much longer period of time than is appropriate. Mayor Mironov indicated that contractors under the Turnpike Authority were in town the previous week performing seeding along the major thoroughfares. No progress has been noted on signs and many other issues, such as on Etra Road and Old York Road. The large number of issues included in the Township's letter to the Turnpike Authority have not been addressed. Mayor Mironov stated that it was requested that regular updates and a calendar be provided to the Township but have not been received, so another call will be placed to the Turnpike Authority. Meadow Lakes has had issues with the Turnpike Authority and Mayor Mironov checked with their director earlier in the day and was informed that their concerns also have not be satisfactorily addressed. The entrance to Meadow Lakes has been dramatically altered. Their sign can no longer be seen and the road striping seems to be improperly painted. Mayor Mironov stated that she will elevate Meadow Lake's concerns especially in light of the disruptions and construction experienced by them. The area where the Turnpike maintenance yard is located remains a mess so a plan to clean that area up is needed. In regard to the seeding, it is good that it is being done, but the Township need assurances as to what recourse the Township will have should the seeding not take. It is fair to say that a number of issues are outstanding. Mayor Mironov stated that the Township needs a rapid timeline for the Turnpike to address these issues and if not received, this matter will need to be elevated further. Council Member Lippman agreed with Mayor Mironov's remarks and reiterated that the Turnpike needs to

understand that they are far from being completed with this project. Council Member Shapiro remarked on the difference to the Meadow Lakes entrance. Council Member Zoller spoke regarding the area of Meadow Lakes. Council Members Rosenberg and Yeager also spoke regarding the area of Meadow Lakes. Mayor Mironov stated that the Meadow Lakes concerns are valid ones that can and should be addressed and will follow up further with the Turnpike Authority.

MATTERS BY PUBLIC:

John Brooks, 888 Old York Road, East Windsor, NJ commented on EMS services.

Jonathan Wassef, 175 Canterbruy Court, East Windsor, NJ commented on EMS services and dispatch.

Michael Foley, 6 Barrington Drive, West Windsor, NJ commented on EMS services and response times.

Paul Hummel, 677 North Main Street, East Windsor, NJ commented on the redevelopment site.

Sean O'Connor, 152 Hickory Corner Road, East Windsor, NJ commented on dispatch and EMS services.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:27 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 @ 7:30 p.m.

Gretchen McCarthy
Municipal Clerk

Janice S. Mironov
Mayor