

WORKSHOP/BUSINESS MEETING OF THE MAYOR & TOWNSHIP
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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Wright called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

SALUTE TO FLAG:

All present pledged their allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

OPENING PRAYER:

The Municipal Clerk provided the opening prayer.

ROLL CALL:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, present
Karen D. Gibison, Committeewoman, absent
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, present
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, present
George Lowery, Committeeman, present
Anthony J. Tomasello, Committeeman, present
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, present
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, present
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, present

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Joseph Gallagher, Township Administrator; Steve Dringus, CMFO; Deborah A. Iannaco, Municipal Clerk; Stuart A Platt, Township Solicitor; Gary A. White, Township Engineer; George Hann, Municipal Utilities Engineer; Lou Bowman, Water & Sewer Supt.; Chief Stimelski, WTPD; Ed McGlinchey, Supt. of Public Works/Zoning Officer; Vince Mammucari, Director of Parks; Jennifer Conway, Purchasing Agent; Richard Iannaco, W.T. Fire Commissioner; and Kim Lombardo, Recorder.

“OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW” ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mayor Wright announced this meeting is being conducted in full compliance of the “Open Public Meetings Law” and notices were sent to the Courier Post, Record Breeze, Philadelphia Inquirer and

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other news media. In addition, the notice was provided on the Official Bulletin Board. This meeting is being electronically recorded.

EMERGENCY EXITS:

Mayor Wright stated to please be aware in the event of an emergency, all persons in the courtroom should exit the courtroom quickly and orderly, using the two main doors in the courtroom and then locate the nearest exit to safety. In addition, all cell phones shall be turned off or placed on vibrate during the Township meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Committeeman Wilson announced the Camden County 2014 Collection Event: Household Hazardous Waste Collection on March 22, 2014 from 8:30 am – 3:00 pm at Cherry Hill Public Works Complex, 1 Perina Boulevard
2. Committeeman Wilson announced the 2014 Spring Leaf Collection Schedule is as follows:

Ward 1 – April 7 thru April 18

Ward 2 – April 21 thru May 2

Ward 3 – May 5 – May 16

Ward 4 – May 19 – May 30

Please have leaves on curbside loose at the beginning of your scheduled week. Leaves must be free from all other yard debris. Also, be sure vehicles are not parked too close to the leaves so they can be easily accessed.

3. Committeewoman Lawrence announced Winslow Township residents may now download the mobile application “GORequest” and access the FAQ section entitled “Winslow Connection” directly from our website at www.winslowtownship.com. This new tool allows residents to report, among many things...potholes, high grass, missed trash pick-up, etc.

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Minutes from the January 28, 2014 General Meeting of the Winslow Township Governing Body were distributed and are now subject to approval.

A Motion was made by Committeeman Lowery and seconded by Committeeman Tomasello to approve the aforementioned Minutes. All present voted in favor the Motion, except Committeeman Flamini who abstained. The motion carried.

PROCLAMATION:

None.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Video presentation by Winslow Township Upper Elementary School #6 by Principal Glenn Jackson and Mrs. Schreyer, the Computer Teacher.

Mr. Jackson thanked the Governing Body for inviting the school and allowing them to share their "Scene at 6" presentation. He introduced four students who gave a presentation regarding the activities at School #6.

Mr. Jackson then shared a videotape of student activities.

Mayor Wright talked about the wonderful kids and the good things going on at School #6.

The meeting paused to allow the students to exit the courtroom.

2. Mr. Pat Moran of the Middlesex Regional Education Services Commission discussed Energy Aggregation on behalf of Good Energy.

Mr. Moran explained that his company specializes in the aggregation of electricity and natural gas for municipalities and school districts. They have recently implemented residential aggregation. However, the Township must first

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pass an ordinance to aggregate electricity for the residents for the purpose of purchasing electricity in large quantities to lower the price. Mr. Moran stated the Township doesn't make any money, but the residents save between \$150-200 a year. He stated his company works with Good Energy to ensure the Township is protected, that the residents get the best possible deal and that Good Energy is following all procurement laws. Residents will still receive bills from their current utility company and budget billing will remain intact. The utility company will still handle power outages. Mr. Moran stated residents can "opt out" of the program anytime without penalty and as well "opt in" any time without penalty. Third party information will not be included in program. He assured that all residential account information will be used strictly for the benefit of the resident who participate and will not be shared.

Mayor Wright stated there are companies that promise savings that are not true. He questioned what guarantees do residents have, that the rates won't change.

Mr. Moran stated the rates won't change. The prices are fixed for the term of the contract.

Mayor Wright also questioned the term of the contract.

Mr. Moran stated the contract can be up to 2 years. However, it is determined by the difference between the bid price and the utility price.

A discussion took place regarding electrical price rates and contract terms.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW COUNTY OF CAMDEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO ESTABLISH A

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GOVERNMENT-PRIVATE ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICE AND SUPPLY SERVICE FOR RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS PURSUANT TO THE GOVERNMENT ENERGY AGGREGATION ACT OF 2003 (P.L.2003, c.24, N.J.S.A. 48:3-92 et. seq.)

A Motion was made by Committeeman Wilson and seconded by Committeeman Lowery to introduce the aforementioned Ordinance.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Committeeman Flamini, recused himself

Committeewoman Gibison, absent

Committeewoman Lawrence, yes

Committeewoman Leverett, yes

Committeeman Lowery, yes

Committeeman Tomasello, yes

Committeeman Watkins, yes

Committeeman Wilson, yes

Mayor Wright, yes

The motion carried.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

None.

DEFEATED WINSLOW TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT 2014 BUDGET-DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

Mr. Gallagher explained the Township is required by law to review the defeated fire district budget. He, along with Mr. Dringus, met with the Fire Department last week to review their budget. No reduction in Fire Department services was foremost. The bond payment, which was included in the budget, was removed, thereby reducing taxes. Secondly, \$20,000.00 was also removed from the budget. The budget was reduced by a total of \$150,000.00. He makes the recommendation to approve the foregoing resolution.

HEARING ON THE BUDGET:

Mayor Wright opened the hearing to the public.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Wright closed the hearing to the public.

R-2014-109 Resolution Authorizing the Reduction of 2014 Fire District Tax Levy in the Amount of \$130,000.00; the Reduction of the Amount of Fund Balance Anticipated as Revenue in the Amount of \$20,000.00; and the Reduction of 2014 Budget Appropriations in the Amount of \$150,000.00

A Motion was made by Committeeman Lowery and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Committeeman Flamini, yes
Committeewoman Gibison, absent
Committeewoman Lawrence, yes
Committeewoman Leverett, yes
Committeeman Lowery, yes
Committeeman Tomasello, yes
Committeeman Watkins, yes
Committeeman Wilson, yes
Mayor Wright, yes

The motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

R-2014-110 Resolution Providing Authorization for Purchasing by Use of Contracts Established Between the New Jersey Division of Purchasing and Certain Provides of Good and Services

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A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

R-2014-111 Resolution Providing for Refund of Developers Escrow for E458 Heritage Building Group Meeting House Circle

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

R-2014-112 Resolution Providing for Closing of Developers Escrows Account for E458 Heritage Building Group Meeting House Circle

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

R-2014-113 Resolution Authorizing Cancellation of Tax Levy and Refund of Overpayment

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

R-2014-114 Resolution Authorizing Community Development Block Grant Funding – Year 36

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

R-2014-115 Resolution Rejecting Bids – 2014 Route & Emergency Repairs Municipal Utilities

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

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R-2014-116 Resolution Awarding Contract – Supply and Delivery of Public Water Chemicals

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

R-2014-117 Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application through Camden County Open Space Trust Fund Recreation Facility Enhancement Program for the Patrolman Daniel Calabrese Memorial Park - \$25,000.00

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

R-2014-118 Resolution Providing for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 – *Rogers Robinson v. Winslow Township* (DCR Matter)

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

TABLED ITEMS-UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

REPORTS OF DIRECTORS AND LIAISONS:

Community Services: (Director Watkins):

No report.

Public Works: (Director Wilson):

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1. Public Buildings and Grounds Application – Classical Conversations Home School Test Services on May 22 and 23; June 5 and 6 and June 26 and 27 at the Star Building
2. Public Buildings and Grounds Application – BK Productions on May 3, 2014 from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Center
3. Public Buildings and Grounds Application –Winslow Township Environmental Commission - *Green Day* on April 12, 2014 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm in the Municipal Building

A Motion was made by Committeeman Wilson and seconded by Committeeman Tomasello to approve the aforementioned public buildings and grounds application nos. 1-3. The motion carried.

Parks, Recreation and Community Events: **(Director Watkins/Deputy Director Tomasello)**

Committeeman Watkins reported the Township is seeking a \$25,000.00 grant from Camden County Open Space for a walking/jogging path and exercise equipment at Calabrese Park. He also reported the Township will be receiving bids for the resurfacing of basketball courts at Peter Volpa Park, along with new backboards, bleachers and line stripping.

Department of Municipal Utilities: **(Director Flamini)**

Committeeman Flamini deferred to the engineer's report.

Administration: **(Director Lawrence)**

Committeewoman Lawrence deferred to Mr. Gallagher.

EDC

Mr. Gallagher reported that efforts are going well. He has been meeting with the various businesses regarding the new economic

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development assistance program. He is looking forward to working with businesses who will have opportunity to hire employees.

CDBG

Mr. Gallagher reported the Township will continue improvements to the Senior Center as well as the Municipal Building. The Township is applying for handicap accessible doors at the Municipal Building.

CCMUA

Mr. Gallagher stated he will be meeting with CCMUA tomorrow. The Township is continuing upgrades. The regional sewer system is progressing.

Green Efforts

Mr. Gallagher stated green efforts are going well. The Green Team has been working diligently on the upcoming *Green Fair*.

Quality of Life

Mr. Gallagher stated DPW is getting new equipment to do grass cutting in-house.

Tax Assessing: **(Director Leverett)**

1. Committeewoman Leverett reported the deadline for filing an appeal is April 1, 2014. Petition of Appeal forms are available upon request in the Tax Assessor's Office.

Senior Citizens: **(Director Leverett)**

No report.

Public Safety: **(Director Mayor Wright)**

Mayor Wright reported the crime rate has decreased. He commended the police department for a great job. The Governing Body members received a police report which included statistical information.

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Revenue and Finance: **(Director Lowery)**

Committeeman Lowery reported Messrs. Gallagher and Dringus are working on the budget for introduction.

Library Functions: **(Director Gibson)**

Mayor Wright encouraged residents to take advantage of the services at the library on Cooper Folly Road.

Liaison to Division of Health: **(Comm. Lawrence)**

No report.

Liaison to Municipal Drug Alliance: **(Comm. Watkins)**

No report.

Liaison to Celebrations Committee: **(Comm. Lowery)**

Committeeman Lowery reported the following events:

1. Easter Hunt on April 5 at 10:00 at Calabrese Memorial Park. Rain date is April 12.
2. Rodeo will be held on May 10 at 7:00 pm and May 11 at 2:00 pm at Miller's Farm
3. Memorial Day Service will be held on May 26 at 10:00 at the War Memorial
4. Monster Truck Event will be held on June 14 at 7:00 pm and June 15 at 1:00 pm at Miller's Farm
5. Bikini Barrel Race will be held on July 12 to benefit the Susan G. Komen Cancer Foundation at Miller's Farm
6. There will also be a Wine & beer Festival in August at Miller's Farm.

Mayor Wright thanked the Miller's for their support and help raise proceeds for the Township.

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Engineers Report:

1. Engineer's report dated March 2014 – Churchill Engineers

CCU Project

Mr. White reported the Applicant obtained 4 TCOs and is now seeking 8 TCOs for the second set of buildings. They are doing infrastructure work now that the weather is better.

Cross Keys Landing

Mr. White reported the 11,000 sq. ft. building is complete. One business is open (Nail Salon). There will be a Mexican restaurant, a Hair Cuttery, cleaners and pizzeria in the building. Wendy's and Panera Bread are under construction.

Summer Lea Project – Kali Road

Mr. White reported there are 2-3 dwellings a month being constructed.

Taylor Woods

Mr. White reported the Developer has finally broken ground and did clearing on Route 73 off Cooper Folly Road. The project consists of 264 apartment units with a clubhouse, swimming pool and tennis courts.

CarMax Auto Superstores

Mr. White reported the Applicant broke ground this morning and starting clearing the area on Cross Keys Road and the Atlantic City Expressway. The project should be completed in 6-9 months.

2. Engineer's report dated March 11, 2014 – R&V Engineers

Chews Landing Tank Painting

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Mr. Hann reported liquidated damages have been assessed and held in escrow until contractor requests final payment.

Interim Sewer Capacity ACO

Mr. Hann reported his office continues to report to the NJDEP in compliance with the ACO

NJ Infrastructure Trust/NJDEP SCADA System

Mr. Hann reported the NJDEIT plan specifications have been submitted to SED, NJDEP and NJDEIT as required prior to March 3, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS:

1. OMID Motors, Inc.
710 South White Horse Pike Suite 4
Hammonton, NJ 08037

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeeman Lowery to approve the aforementioned business license application. The motion carried.

CLOTHING BINS

1. NJ Aid for Animals
25 Edgewood Road
Sicklerville, NJ 08081

3 Locations: Mongan's Oil, 438 Williamstown Road
Municipal Building, 125 S. Route 73
Cedarbrook Plaza, 24 N. Route 73

A Motion was made by Committeeman Watkins and seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence to approve the

aforementioned clothing bin applications. The motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Tomasello and seconded by Committeeman Wilson to open public participation.

ALL CITIZENS WILL BE ALLOWED FIVE MINUTES TO BE HEARD.

No one spoke.

HEARING NO COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – A MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Tomasello and seconded by Committeeman Watkins to close public participation. The motion carried.

COMMENTS BY OFFICIALS:

None.

CLOSING PRAYER:

The Municipal Clerk provided the closing prayer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Governing Body held a closed session at 7:51 pm.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

The Governing Body returned to public session at 8:05 pm.

R-2014-119 Resolution Authorizing Township Solicitor to Represent the Interest of Winslow Township in Pending Litigation

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeeman Lowery to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

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ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeeman Watkins to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm. The motion carried.

PREPARED BY:

Deborah A. Iannaco, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Township of Winslow

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Total Meeting Time 0 Hours and 36 Minutes