

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Wright called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

SALUTE TO FLAG:

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

OPENING PRAYER:

The Acting Deputy 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, absent
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; Lisa L. Dority, Acting Deputy Clerk; CherylLynn Walters, Esquire; Ed McGlinchey, Supt. of Public Works/Zoning Officer; Chief Stimelski, WTPD; and Maria Babl, 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 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.

PURPOSE:

Mayor Wright stated the purpose of this meeting is to conduct a Special Meeting for the purpose of discussing and/or acting upon the Introduction of the 2014 Municipal Budget and any other items deemed necessary.

CLAIMS APPROVAL:

A List of Claims was submitted by Treasury for approval and individual vouchers are available for review.

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

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION:

1. ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR THE 2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

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

The motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

R-2014-153 Resolution - 2012 Audit Report Winslow Township

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

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

The motion carried.

R-2014-154 Resolution Authorizing Corrective Action Plan for the
2012 Annual Municipal Audit

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Wilson to approve the aforementioned Resolution.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

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

The motion carried.

R-2014-155 Resolution Amending Resolution R-2013-455 Canceling
2013 Budget Appropriations

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

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

The motion carried.

R-2014-156 Resolution Establishing Policy and Procedures as
Required by the Camden County MEL for Employment
Practices Risk Control Checklist for 2014-2015

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

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

The motion carried.

R-2014-157 Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of Winslow, County of Camden, New Jersey Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Up to \$330,000 of Special Emergency Notes of the Township of Winslow; Making Certain Covenants to Maintain the Exemption of the Interest on Said Notes from Federal Income Taxation; and Authorizing Such Further Actions and Making Such Determinations as May be Necessary or Appropriate to Effectuate the Issuance and Sale of the Notes

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

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

The motion carried.

2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:
PRESENTATION:

Overview of budget by Mr. Dringus.

Mr. Dringus stated the municipal budget is down almost \$1 million.

Appropriations

Mr. Dringus explained the Township saved money on trash collection and disposal. It has been a good year for tax collection, close to 97% collection rate. The Township collected all but \$91,000.00 in delinquent taxes. The Township cut about \$4 million in spending in the last 4-5 years, to which Mr. Dringus credited the Department Heads. Mr. Dringus further stated that debt services went down. The Township saved money

in the reserve for uncollected taxes. Mr. Dringus stated the Township saved money in pension bills, but we received bills for retroactive payments for settlement of contracts.

Revenues

Mr. Dringus stated the Township used more surplus this year in the amount of \$700,000.00. The Township eliminated the use of the utility surplus and inter-funds. The Township was able to put back over \$2 million dollars in surplus. The Township is still able to maintain \$1.7 million in surplus for next year. The tax increase equals \$23.76 per year for an average assessed home value of \$175,500.00.

Committeeman Flamini questioned the anticipated revenue payments for A.C. Moore which are down, to which Mr. Dringus explained.

A discussion took place.

Mr. Dringus added the tax office aggressively collected taxes. We are keeping our tax increase to a minimum and substantially increasing our fund balance.

A discussion took place.

1. 2014 Municipal Budget Introduction Resolution

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeeman Tomasello to introduce the 2014 Municipal Budget.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

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

The motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:
MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Tomasello and seconded by Committeewoman Leverett to open public participation. The motion carried.

ALL CITIZENS WILL BE ALLOWED TO 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 Wilson to close public participation. The motion carried.

COMMENTS BY OFFICIALS:

None.

CLOSING PRAYER:

The Acting Deputy Clerk provided the closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 pm. The motion carried.

PREPARED BY:

Lisa L. Dority, RMC
Acting Deputy Clerk
Township of Winslow

CONCURRENCE BY:

Deborah A. Iannaco, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Township of Winslow

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Total Meeting Time 0 Hours and 14 Minutes