

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
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, present
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, present
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent (*excused*)
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, present
Edward Pleczynski, 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; Deborah A. Iannaco, Municipal Clerk; Steve Dringus, CMFO; Stuart A. Platt, Township Solicitor; Chief Smith, WTPD; Gary A. White, Township Engineer; George Hann, Municipal Utilities Engineer; Lou Bowman, Supt. of Municipal Utilities Engineer; 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, the Central Record, 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Committeeman Flamini announced Winslow Township proclaims mandatory restriction of the use of water for certain purposes. Even numbered addresses can water on even numbered days and odd numbered addresses can water on odd numbered days. Water usage is restricted to 5:00 am to 7:00 am and 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Outside water usage is prohibited on the 31st day of the month.
2. Committeeman Wilson announced Township residents that served in WWI, WWII and Vietnam can be honored by purchasing a name plate to be placed on a monument at the Winslow Township War Memorial, located at the Municipal Complex. The cost is \$70.00. The deadline to apply is July 31st. All new Veterans' plates will be displayed during the 2016 Veterans Day Services. For more information and an application contact the Clerk's Office at 609-567-0700 ext. 8002 or visit us at www.winslowtownship.com.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Minutes from the April 12, 2016 Workshop/Business Meeting of the Township of Winslow Governing Body were distributed and are now subject to approval.

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

PROCLAMATIONS:

None.

PRESENTATION:

None.

CLAIMS APPROVAL:

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

A Motion was made by Committeeman Pleczynski and seconded by Committeewoman Paretti to approve the aforementioned claims list. The motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

2016 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:
SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE:

O-2016-006 ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR THE
2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

Mr. Dringus explained the Ordinance which allows the Township to exceed the State's mandated budget cap which is 0%.

HEARING:

Mayor Wright opened the hearing to the public.

Jim Osborn, Riggs Avenue – He questioned where does the monies go at the end of the year, if not spent.

Mr. Dringus responded the money is banked for an additional two years. There is currently a balance of \$1.5 million. He further explained what happens to the balance after two years.

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

ADOPTION:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeeman Pleczynski to adopt the aforementioned Ordinance.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, no
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET:

Power point presentation of the 2016 Budget by the CMFO & Administrator.

Mr. Gallagher went over the 2016 budget. There are no reductions in services. Mr. Gallagher stated the Township is diligently addresses the Township's quality of life issues. This budget is only \$.0148 cent increase, which is only an approximate \$28.00 increase for an average home assessment of \$175,000.00. He stated the Township continues to increase economic development thereby increasing ratables. He further discussed the impact of State Aid funds and municipal tax rates compared to the previous years. State Aid has decreased, requiring the Township to utilize its surplus. Changes in personnel include 174 employees in 2012, and currently there are 162 full time and 8 part-time employees. The police department had an increase of 1 employee since 2012. The total appropriations since 2012 maintain the same. The Township will be receiving a reimbursement from FEMA for storm clean up. Mr. Gallagher went over the goals for 2016 and beyond. He also discussed the Township's green efforts, thereby lowering the utility bills.

Jim Osborn, Riggs Avenue – He requested an explanation of the ratables, to which Mr. Gallagher responded. Mr. Osborn also questioned why the Township is raising taxes, if the ratables are up. Mayor Wright explained.

R-2016-171 Resolution Authorizing the Reading of the Budget by
Title Only

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, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, yes
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

BUDGET HEARING:

Mayor Wright opened the budget hearing to the public.

Mr. Osborn continued with his comments. He discussed tax abatements for developers. He questioned why the developers are getting abatements. Mayor Wright explained commercial developers are offered abatements to do business in Winslow.

Mr. Osborn also questioned the relevance of State Aid. Mayor Wright believes the residents should know that State Aid funds for the Township were cut down.

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

R-2016-172 Resolution Adopting the Year 2016 Budget

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, no
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR TAX EXEMPTION/ABATEMENT WITH TAYLOR WOODS, LLC BUILDING NO. 15 BLOCK 2401, LOT 6.01

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, yes
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

2. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR TAX EXEMPTION/ABATEMENT WITH TAYLOR WOODS, LLC BUILDING NO. 16 BLOCK 2401, LOT 6.01

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, yes
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

O-2016-007 ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 264 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW ENTITLED "TOWING AND STORAGE OF VEHICLES" *(allows for credit card payments, and the owner of a towed vehicle upon request can have his vehicle towed to an alternate location, by a tow agency of their choice, if same does not conflict with any investigation by the Police Department)*

HEARING:

Mayor Wright opened the hearing to the public.

Gulab Gidwani, 444 Chews Landing Rd – He is pleased to see the Ordinance amendments. He questioned the rates in the draft Ordinance compared to the adopted Ordinance amendments. He would like the basic towing charges lowered to the previous amount of \$90.00.

Mayor Wright explained the rate changes.

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

ADOPTION:

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeeman Pleczynski to adopt the aforementioned Ordinance.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, yes
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

O-2016-008 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 153 OF THE CODE OF WINSLOW CAPTIONED "GARBAGE, RUBBISH, AND REFUSE" (*allows for automated solid waste*)

HEARING:

Mayor Wright opened the hearing to the public

Clyde Bell, 16 Avella Avenue – He questioned the meaning of solid waste, to which Mr. Gallagher responded.

Hearing no further questions, Mayor Wright closed the hearing to the public.

ADOPTION:

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

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, no
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

O-2016-009 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR TAX
EXEMPTION/ABATEMENT WITH TAYLOR WOODS, LLC
BUILDING NO. 5 BLOCK 2401, LOT 6.01

HEARING:

Mayor Wright opened the hearing to the public.

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

ADOPTION:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeeman Watkins to adopt the aforementioned Ordinance.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, yes
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

O-2016-010 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR TAX EXEMPTION/ABATEMENT WITH TAYLOR WOODS, LLC BUILDING NO. 6 BLOCK 2401, LOT 6.01

HEARING:

Mayor Wright opened the hearing to the public.

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

ADOPTION:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeewoman Paretto to adopt the aforementioned Ordinance.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, yes
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

O-2016-011 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR TAX EXEMPTION/ABATEMENT WITH TAYLOR WOODS, LLC BUILDING NO. 7 BLOCK 2401, LOT 6.01

HEARING:

Mayor Wright opened the hearing to the public.

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

ADOPTION:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeeman Watkins to adopt the aforementioned Ordinance.

A roll call vote indicated the following:

Charles Flamini, Committeeman, yes
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, yes
Evelyn M. Leverett, Committeewoman, yes
George Lowery, Committeeman, absent
Paula Paretto, Committeewoman, yes
Edward J. Pleczynski, Committeeman, yes
Raymond J. Watkins, Jr., Committeeman, yes
John A. Wilson, Committeeman, yes
Barry M. Wright, Mayor, yes

The motion carried.

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION BY GIFT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY FROM SICKLERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY (*Township to acquire land owned by Sicklerville Vol. Fire Company*)

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeewoman Paretto to adjourn the aforementioned hearing until the May 24, 2016 meeting. The motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

R-2106-173 Resolution of the Township of Winslow, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey, Amending the Abandoned Property List (*Removing 659 Erial Road and 1 Milstone Court*)

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Flamini to approve Resolutions R-2016-173 thru R-2016-188 by block vote. The motion carried.

- R-2016-174** Resolution of Award of Contract – Supply and Delivery of Public Water System Chemicals
- R-2106-175** Resolution Providing Authorization for Leasing by Use of Contracts Established Between the New Jersey Division of Purchasing and Certain Providers of Goods and Services (*Copier for Administration*)
- R-2106-176** Resolution Providing Authorization for Leasing by Use of Contracts Established Between the New Jersey Division of Purchasing and Certain Providers of Goods and Services (*Copier for Clerk’s Office*)
- R-2016-177** Resolution Providing Authorization for Leasing by Use of Contracts Established Between the New Jersey Division of Purchasing and Certain Providers of Goods and Services (*Copier for Construction, P&Z and Treasury Offices*)
- R-2016-178** Resolution Providing Authorization for Leasing by Use of Contracts Established Between the New Jersey Division of Purchasing and Certain Providers of Goods and Services (*Copier for Municipal Utilities (the Tower), Assessing and DPW Offices*)
- R-2016-179** Resolution Providing for the Refund of Monies for Vacant and Abandoned Property Registration (*174 Pump Branch Road*)
- R-2016-180** Resolution Recommending Approval on New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection TWA Application and Winslow Township Master Water Permit for Cedar Brook Trails (Formerly Winslow Ridings)
- R-2016-181** Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Two (2) Dugouts to the Winslow Township Board of Education
- R-2016-182** Resolution Releasing the Maintenance Period for Winslow Dunkin’ Donuts

- R-2016-183** Resolution of Award of Contract for Lehigh Manor Drive Sanitary Sewer Repair – Mathis Construction Company, Inc.
- R-2016-184** Resolution of Award of Contract for Concrete Sidewalks, Driveways and Curb & Gutters – Gambale Concrete, LLC
- R-2016-185** Resolution Amending Resolution R-2016-133 and Supporting “No Passing Zone” On NJ Route 143 In Winslow Township, Camden County As Recommended By The New Jersey Department Of Transportation
- R-2016-186** Resolution Authorizing Imposition Of A Lien On Block 11102, Lot 119 2 Lamont Ct., For Site Board-Up
- R-2016-187** Resolution Authorizing Submission of an Application for a Loan from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for the Demolition and Disposal of Unsafe Buildings within the Township of Winslow, County of Camden
- R-2016-188** 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 - No. (7) Litigation Matters – *Affordable Housing Litigation “In the matter of the Township of Winslow, Docket Number L-2535-15”, AND “ClearSpring Loan Service, Inc., et al v. Estate of El Ray Bertrand, et al, Superior Court of New Jersey, Docket No. C-109-14”.*

TABLED ITEMS-UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Public Buildings and Grounds Application – Cub Scout Pack 132 on May 6th and May 9th from 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm at the Senior Citizens Center

2. Public Buildings and Grounds Application – Historical Society of Winslow Township on March 11, 2017 from 8:00 am – 6:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Center
3. Public Buildings and Grounds Application – Ladies of Distinction Red Hat Society on September 24, 2016 from 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Center
4. Public Buildings and Grounds Application – Leadership and Shepherds Retreat of South Jersey on the dates listed from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Center
5. Public Buildings and Grounds Application – Green Grove Baptist Church on June 25, 2016 from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Center
6. Public Buildings and Grounds Application – Christ Care Unit MBC on April 30, 2016 from 5:00 pm – 11:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Center

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeewoman Paretto to approve the aforementioned public buildings and grounds application nos. 1-6. The motion carried.

BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS:

1. Active Hammer Home Improvement
121 DeSilvio Drive
Sicklerville, NJ 08081
2. Briole's Pizza
416 Sicklerville Road
Suite B3
Sicklerville, NJ 08081
3. Precision Auto Crafters, Inc.
425 North Grove Street
Berlin, NJ 08009

4. Phoenix Wok
100 Cross Keys Road
Suite 2
Berlin, NJ 08009

A Motion was made by Committeeman Wilson and seconded by Committeeman Watkins to approve the aforementioned business license application nos. 1-4. The motion carried.

CLOTHING/DONATION BIN APPLICATIONS:

None.

PAWNBROKER AND DEALERS IN SECONDHAND GOODS:

None.

TAXICAB OWNER/DRIVER'S LICENSE:

None.

TAXICAB DRIVERS:

None.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENT(S)

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

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

ALL CITIZENS WILL BE ALLOWED FIVE MINUTES TO BE HEARD.

Jim Osborne, 536 Riggs Avenue – He indicated we may have skipped over the claims list. He believes the budget is important and believes the important information should be televised.

Clyde Bell – 16 Avella Lane – He thanked the Township officials who attended Tuesday's night meeting at the Star Building.

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

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Paretti and seconded by Committeeman Pleczynski to close public participation. The motion carried.

COMMENTS BY OFFICIALS:

Mayor Wright directed Mr. Gallagher to make the budget presentation at a televised meeting next year.

Mayor Wright added the Township encourages the residents to attend the public meetings.

Committeewoman Paretti suggested an announcement be added to the agenda to inform residents of a second meeting held monthly.

CLOSING PRAYER:

The Municipal Clerk provided the opening prayer.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Leverett and seconded by Committeewoman Paretti to hold a closed session at 7:42 pm. The motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

A Motion was made by Committeewoman Paretti and seconded by Committeeman Pleczynski to return to open session. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion was made by Committeeman Flamini and seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm. The motion carried.

TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW
GENERAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR & TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

APRIL 26, 2016

PREPARED BY:

Deborah A. Iannaco, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Township of Winslow

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Total Meeting Time 1 Hour and 26 Minutes