

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

AUGUST 20, 2015 - 7:30 P.M.

MAYOR'S STATEMENT: Under the provisions of N.J.S.A.10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of annual notice to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, and Star Ledger, and posted at Borough Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG and a MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, SERVING HOME AND ABROAD.

ROLL CALL:

Nehls [] Black [] Franklin [] Joren [] Gibbs [] Beck-Clemens []

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. Administration & Finance
2. Police
3. Public Works / Buildings and Grounds
4. Public Affairs:
 - Open Space
 - Environmental
 - Recreation
 - Historical
 - Board of Health
5. Fire
6. Laws/Ordinances

REPORTS - OTHER:

7. Engineer
8. Police Chief
9. Fire Department
10. Rescue Squad
11. Emergency Management
12. Attorney
13. Clerk
14. Administrator

During the conduct of the meeting, unless a Public Hearing is held or the Regular Order of Business is waived, the audience does not participate. A Public Portion is held prior to action taken on Agenda items for agenda item discussion only, and another Public Portion is held at the end of the meeting for general discussion. Individuals commenting from the audience will be limited to three minutes per person, and will not be permitted to speak again until everyone has had an opportunity to speak. If a group is represented by an attorney, the attorney will be given five minutes to make the presentation for the group.

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PUBLIC PORTION / AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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NEW BUSINESS

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CONSENT AGENDA: Matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action.

Approval of the following Council minutes:
July 9, 2015

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:
Construction Department Report – July, 2015
Wildlife Management Advisory Committee Memo – August 17, 2015

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #17 - Borough of North Plainfield 7/14/15 Resolution encouraging the State to raise the tobacco purchasing age to 21 c: M & C, Bd. of Health
- #18- Township of Scotch Plains 7/14/15 Notice of Adoption of Zoning Ordinance #2015-7 Rezoning of property on Terrill Road by Terrill Middle School c: M & C, TEA, TH, EB
- #19- PSE&G 7/20/15 Notice of Filing and Public Hearing (5) Annual Margin Adjustment Charge; Universal Service Fund (USF); Green Programs Recovery Charge; Annual BGSS Commodity Charge/Residential Gas Customers Periodic Pricing Mechanism; and Weather Normalization Charge c: M & C, TEA, Post
- #20- JCP&L 7/22/15 Notice of Filing and Public Hearing – Universal Service Fund (USF) c: M & C, TEA, Post
- #21- NJ Transit Corporation 7/16/15 Notice of Filing and Public Hearing re: Request for Federal Financial Assistance c: M & C, TEA, Post
- #22- NJ American Water 8/3/15 Notice of Filing and Public Hearing re: Request to Implement a Tariff /Distribution System Improvement Charge c: M & C, TEA, Post

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CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS: The resolutions listed below were submitted to the Governing Body for review and will be adopted by one motion.

- R1:08/20/15 Purchases Over \$2,000.00 – PowerDMS (Accreditation Subscription Fee)
KCG, Inc. (Condensing Unit – PD)
Tilcon, New York, Inc. (Capital Road Improvements)
El Coronado (Fireman’s Convention / Rooms)
Pinto Brothers (Bulk Pick-up)
Winner Ford (2016 Interceptor SUV – PD)
Hoops Inc. (Mobus Field Basketball Ct. Improvements)
East Coast Emergency Lighting (Accessory Pkg. for SUV
Light Bars, etc. – PD)
Finne Building & Investment (Washington Rock Road
Wall Repair)
Integrity Facility Service Inc. (Janitorial Services)
Coded System LLC. (Codification of Ordinances)
- R2: Authorize Return of Duplicate 2nd Qtr. Tax Payment – 60 Bayberry Lane
- R3: Authorize Return of 2nd Qtr. Tax Overpayment – 25 Sherwood Drive
- R4: Authorize Payment of Tax Sale Certificate #13-07 Redemption – 502 Watchung Ave.
- R5: Authorize Return of Reduced Assessment Tax Overpayment – 105 Washington Rock
Road

- R6: Authorize Clerk to Issue Raffle Licenses – Sister of Mercy of New Jersey Rawhide Rescue, Inc.
- R7: Appointment to Environmental Commission – Rachel Funcheon
- R8: Appointment to Fire Department – Vickram Kissoon
- R9: Authorize Extension of Grace Period – 2015 3rd Quarter Taxes / August 24, 2015
- R10: Authorize Cancellation of Unexpended Capital Balance – Ordinance OR:13/23 Cedar & Lakeview Improvements
- R11: Authorize Execution of Revocable License Agreement – 84 Spencer Lane

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NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Items listed below will be individually addressed and acted upon accordingly. Council reserves the right to refer an item to Committee for further review and discussion.

Introduction of Ordinance OR:15/08 entitled: “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG CH. 5-12.76 ET SEQ., THEREOF, “PERSONNEL POLICY,” AND TO FIX AND DETERMINE MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SALARIES AND COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES.” Public Hearing to be held on September 3, 2015.

R12:08/20/15 Introduction of OR:15/08 – Salaries – Min/Max Employee Compensation

Introduction of Ordinance OR:15/09 entitled: “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SECTION 11-9, TITLED “RIGHTS-OF-WAY USE LICENSES”, IN CHAPTER XI, TITLED “GENERAL LICENSING”, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG AND CONSENTING TO LIGHTOWER’S USE OF THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY.” Public Hearing to be held on September 3, 2015.

R13: Introduction of OR:15/09 – Authorizing Use of Rights-Of-Way / Lighttower

R14: Payment of Bills

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PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION

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R15: Executive Session: Litigation – In the Matter of the Borough of Watchung for a Judgment of Compliance of its Third Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, Docket No. SOM-L-902-15

The Borough Council may take official action on those items discussed in executive session upon completion of the executive session.

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ADJOURNMENT

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The next scheduled Council will be held on Thursday, September 3, 2015 and begin at 7:30 P.M.