

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

NOVEMBER 5, 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:

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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

Adoption of Assessment Bond Ordinance OR:15/10 entitled **“BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF GRANITE BLOCK CURBING AT KNOLLWOOD DRIVE (ENTIRE LENGTH) AND AT DEER RUN (PROPERTIES AT THE INTERSECTIONS WITH KNOLLWOOD DRIVE) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, A LOCAL IMPROVEMENT, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$170,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.”**

R1: Adoption of Assessment Bond Ordinance OR:15/10 – Knollwood Drive Curb Improvements

Adoption of Bond Ordinance OR:15/11 entitled **“BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES AND A NEW FIRE TRUCK (PARTIAL FUNDING), INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$512,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.”**

R2: Adoption of Bond Ordinance OR:15/11 – Police, Fire, Public Works Equipment, and Various Road Improvements

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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:
October 15, 2015, Regular and Executive Sessions

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:
Police Activity Reports – June, July, August, September 2015
Board of Adjustment Minutes – September 10, 2015

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #34- Township of Berkeley Heights 10/16/15 Notice of Final Adoption of Land Use Ordinance #13-2015, Prohibiting Unregulated Pipelines c: M & C, TEA
- #35- Lynn Franklin 10/29/15 Letter of Resignation as a Member of the Board of Health, effective December 31, 2015 c: M & C, TEA, Bd. of Health
- #36- Scott Mersereau 11/2/15 Letter of Resignation as an Alternate Member of the Recreation Commission c: M & C, TEA
- #37- Watchung Planning Board 10/13/15 Resolution No. 10 – Confirming that Block 5701, Lot 6.01 (portion of Borough owned land on East Drive) is an Area in Need of Redevelopment and Recommending its Designation c: M & C, TEA, AC, MS

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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.

- R3:11/05/15 Authorize Vendor Fee Refunds – Farmer’s Market Cancellation / State of Emergency
- R4: Purchases Over \$2,000. – OSI Technology (PD / Telephone Maintenance)
CSM (PD / Vehicle Computer Equipment)
P&R Concrete Corp. (Sidewalk Repair at PD)
Atlantic Tactical (Police Supplies / Firearms, etc.)
- R5: Authorize Appointments to Fire Department – Anthony Rendinelli, Matthew Mittleman
- R6: Authorizing Submission of Grant Application – NJ DOT #MA-2016/Washington Drive
- R7: Urging the Department of Environmental Protection to Update the Statewide Water Supply Plan as Required

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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.

- R8: Authorize Revocable License Agreement – Block 4304, Lot 17 / 23 Blue Wolf Trail
- R9: Designating Block 5701, Lot 6.01 (Portion of East Drive owned by the Borough of Watchung) as an Area in Need of Non-condemnation Redevelopment

Introduction of Ordinance OR:15/12 entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER XI, TITLED “GENERAL LICENSING”, TO CREATE A NEW SECTION 11-9, TITLED “PRECIOUS METALS AND OTHER SECONDHAND GOODS” OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG”** Public hearing to be held on November 23, 2015.

- R10: Introduction of OR:15/12 – Amend Code to Implement Requirements for the Sale Re-sale of Precious Metals and other Second-hand Goods

Introduction of Ordinance OR:15/13 entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER X, TITLED “ANIMAL CONTROL”, ARTICLE I, TITLED “DOGS”, TO ADD A NEW SECTION 10-19, TITLED “TETHERING OF DOGS”, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG.”** Public hearing to be held on November 23, 2015.

- R11: Introduction of Ordinance OR:15/13- Amend Code, add Section to Address the Tethering of Dogs

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PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION

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- R12: Executive Session: 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 Monday, November 23, 2015 and begin at 7:30 P.M.