

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

APRIL 7, 2016 - 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:

Joren [] Black [] Nehls [] Gibbs [] Mobus [] Sopko []

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Somerset County Department of Public Health and Safety – Credentialing Project / MOU
Chief William Stahl, Director; Bill Stephens, Mark Hudec

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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Public Hearing on Ordinance OR:16/03 - "ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK WHEN THE COLA IS EQUAL TO OR LESS THAN 2.5 PERCENT (N.J.S.A. 40a:4-45.14)"

R1:04/07/16 Adoption of Ordinance OR:16/03 – Cap Bank

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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:
March 12, 2016 Special Workshop Meeting
March 17, 2016 Regular and Executive Sessions

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:
Board of Health Minutes – January 20, 2016
Youth Services Commission Minutes – May 26, 2015, February 23, 2016
Recreation Commission Minutes – February 9, 2016
Building Department Report – March, 2016

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #11 - Warren Township Planning Board 3/21/16 Notice of Public Hearing on major sub-division application /10 single family residential lots adjacent to Old Church Road c: M & C, TEA, TH, Pl. Board
- #12 - Watchung Planning Board 4/6/16 Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the Master Plan entitled "Quarry Area Master Plan Amendment, April 2016 Borough of Watchung, Somerset County, New Jersey" c: M & C, TEA, TH

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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.

R2:04/07/16 Appointment to Fire Department / Junior Member – Kelly McKenna

R3: Purchases Over \$2,000. – Air Consulting Services (Air Quality Assess. / Borough Hall)
Treasurer – State of NJ (Annual Stormwater Discharge Permit)
Ditschman/Flemington Ford (PW Truck Ford F350)
Ditschman/Flemington Ford (PW Engine for Mason Dump)
Flemington Department Store (PW Apparel & Boots)

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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.

R4:04/07/16 Introduction of Proposed Bond Ordinance OR:16/04 – **"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, 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 \$708,400 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, 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"** Public Hearing to be held on April 21, 2016

R5: Ratification of Motion – Expansion of Contract – Acari Iovino Architects

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PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION
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R6: 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 meeting is to be held on Thursday, April 21, 2016, at 7:30 P.M.