

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

APRIL 6, 2017 - 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 PRESENTATIONS:

Girl Scout Silver Awards: Lauren Ng, Rachel Krouk, Kaelin Churchill

Friends of the Watchung Library: April is Membership Drive Month

Introduction: Watchung Living Magazine / Ben Stecky

Discussion: Geese Population / Vera Stein

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 Proposed Ordinance OR:17/06 – “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)”

R1:04/06/17 Adoption of OR:17/06 – Cap Bank Ordinance

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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 9, 2017 – Executive Session
March 16, 2017 – Regular Session

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:

Historical Committee Minutes – February 5, 2017
Historical Committee Strategic Plan – 2017
Environmental Commission Minutes – February 27, 2017
Building Department Report – March, 2017

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #16- Township of Berkeley Heights 3/15/17 Notice of Adoption of 2 Land Use Ordinances; 8-2017, Adopting a Redevelopment Plan and 9-2017, Revising Density Regulations
C: M & C, TEA, Pl. Board
- #17- Township of Warren 3/17/17 Notice of Introduction and Date of Public Hearing on April 19, 2017 on Ordinance 17-04 re: Amendment to Zoning Map; and Notice of Amended and Restated 2016 Master Plan Re-examination Report, adopted on March 27, 2017 c: M & C, TEA, Pl. Board
- #18- Township of Green Brook 3/20/17 Notice of Public Hearing on April 10, 2017 / Adoption of 2017 Master Plan Re-examination c: M & C, TEA, Pl. Bd
- #19 - Borough of North Plainfield 3/22/17 Notice of Introduction and Date of Public Hearing on April 10, 2017 on Ordinance #17-01 re: Amendment to Land Development Code / Overlay Zone c: M & C, TEA, Pl. Bd.
- #20 - Borough of North Plainfield 3/24/17 Resolution Declaring the Borough of North Plainfield as A Stigma Free Zone” c: M & C, TEA

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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.

R2:04/06/17 Purchases Over \$2,000. - Scott's Green Landscaping (Roads – Storm Assistance)
Orchard Holdings, LLC (Road Improve / Brookdale & Stirling Crosswalk Lights)
Storr Tractor Co. (Roads – Toro Mower)
Edmunds & Associates, Inc. (Tax – Billing Software & Training)
Electronic Measurement Lab Inc. (Road Repair & Sewer – Tripod & Safety Harness)

R3: Authorize Return of Duplicate Tax Payment – 99 Tuttle Road

R4: Authorize Treasurer to Issue Tax Sale Certificate Redemption – 10 Johanna Lane

R5: Authorize Treasurer to Issue Tax Sale Certificate Redemption – 323 Stirling Road

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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.

None

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PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION

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R6:04/06/17 Executive Session: Contract Negotiations - Washington Drive Detention Basin

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

The next meeting of the Mayor and Council is the scheduled meeting to be held on Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 7:30 P.M.