

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG**

**COUNCIL AGENDA**

**MAY 18, 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.**

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Somerset Street Tree Planting – Traffic and Beautification Commission

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**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:

May 4, 2017 - Regular Session

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:

Building Department Report – April, 2017  
Library Advisory Board Minutes – January 4, 2017  
Police Activity Report – April, 2017  
Tax Collector’s Report – April, 2017  
Recreation Commission Minutes – April 5, 2017  
Bd. of Adjustment Minutes – March 9, 2017  
Planning Board Minutes – February 21, March 21, 2017

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #23- Township of Berkeley Heights 5/4/17 Notice of Public Hearing on May 17, 2017 of Master Plan Re-examination Report, including Proposed rezoning of the Connell Company Property c: M & C, TEA, Pl. Bd. (copy available in Clerk’s Office or at Berkeley Height’s website [www.berkeleyheightstwpnj.gov](http://www.berkeleyheightstwpnj.gov))
- #24- Township of Montgomery 5/8/17 Resolution in Support of Assembly Bill A-4532 / Exempting Personal Information from Open Public Records Act (OPRA) c: M & C, TEA
- #25- PSE&G 5/8/17 (2) Notices of Petition and Public Hearing for Electric and Gas Bas Adjustments Pursuant to the Energy Strong Program, and the Societal Benefits Charge C: M & C, TEA
- #26- Township of Berkeley Heights 5/16/17 Notice of Adoption of Two (2) Land Use Ordinances, and notice of Public Hearing of Two (2) Land Use Ordinances on May 23, 2017 c: M & C, TEA, Pl. Bd.

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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.

- R1:05/18/17 Purchases Over \$2,000. – Winner Ford (PD – 2017 SUV)
  - NJ Fire Equipment Co. (FD – Cylinders/ Air Packs)
  - Pacific Lawn Sprinklers (B&G – Sprinklers for Islands)
  - Fun Services (Rec – Amusements for Picnic)
  - P & R Concrete (B&G – Refurbish Rock Wall @ Borough Hall)
  - Galbraith Landscape Const. (Tree Fund / Spratford Park Plantings)
  - Pinto Brothers (Ness Cap. / Dumpster)
- R2: Waive Chapter 2-25.10 of the Code – Purchases Over \$2,000. / Sparta Discount Tire
- R3: Authorize Treasurer to Remit Payment – Tax Sale Certificate #14-04 / 50 Dug Way
- R4: Authorize Treasurer to Issue Duplicate Tax Payment Refund / 55 Jared Court

- R5: Authorize Tax Sale Redemption – Certificate #16-16 / 1353 Johnston Drive
- R6: Urging Legislators to Support Action to Re-Authorize the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)
- R7: Appointment of Substitute Tax Counsel for Appeal – 600 Mountain Boulevard / Emil Philibosian
- R8: Authorize Professional Services Appointment Special Hearing Officer / Allan C. Roth, Esq.
- R9: Authorize Clerk to Advertise for Bids / Washington Drive Improvements
- R10: Appointment to Volunteer Fire Department / John Schaefer
- R11: Authorize Payment of Accumulated Benefits / Jessica Johanson
- R12: Appointment of Part-Time Clerk - Assessor/Tax Office – Adrianna McKenna
- R13: Urging Legislators to Support Assembly Bill A-4532 – Exempting Personal Information from Open Public Records Act (OPRA)

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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.

- R14: Waive Chapter 2-25.10 of the Code – Gray’s Florist & Greenhouse
- R15: Payment of Bills

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**PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of the Mayor and Council is the scheduled meeting to be held on Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 7:30 P.M.