

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 20, 2018 - 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:

Gibbs [] Black [] Nehls [] Mobus [] Sopko [] Alberto []

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. Administration & Finance
2. Police
3. Public Works / Buildings and Grounds
4. Public Affairs:
 - 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:

August 16, 2018 – Regular Meeting

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:

Recreation Commission Minutes – August 1, 2018 Special Meeting
Library Advisory Board Minutes – May 2, 2018
Board of Adjustment Minutes – September 13, 2018
Historical Committee Minutes – June 20, 2018
Traffic & Beautification Minutes – September 10, 2018

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #29- Joe Nicastro, Jr. 8/23/18, Letter to Ed Bennett, informing of his intent to retire as a Plumbing Sub-Code Official, effective December 31, 2018 c: M & C, TEA
- #30- Township of Scotch Plains 9/4/18 Notice of Public Hearing to Consider the Adoption of a Master Plan Reexamination Report” c: M & C, TEA, Pl. Board
- #31- JCP&L 9/4/18 Notice of Filing and Public Hearings for Basic Generation Service Charges, as of June 1, 2019 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.

- R1:09/20/18 Purchases over \$2,000 – Predator Tree Service – (PW – Tree Removal)
– Communications Specialists – (PD – Annual Radio Maintenance)
- R2: Authorize Submission of Grant Application – NJDOT/2019 Various Roadway Improvements
- R3: Appointment of Member to Volunteer Fire Department – Chad Springer
- R4: Appointment of Member to Green Team – Joan Tak
- R5: Authorize Person to Person Transfer of Liquor License – Rick’s Liquor Shop, LLC to the Wine Cellar of Watchung
- R6: Authorize RideWise to Manage Resident Survey/ Park –n-Ride

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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.

R7:09/20/18 Capital Amendment / 2018 Budget

Introduction of Bond Ordinance OR:18/15 entitled "BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT 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 \$1,351,000 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." Public Hearing to be held on October 4, 2018.

R8: Introduction of Bond Ordinance OR:18/15 – Authorize Various Public Improvements

R9: Authorize Forest Health Evaluation – Raritan Valley Community College

R10: 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 scheduled to be held on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 7:30 P.M.