

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

AGENDA

APRIL 25, 2013 - 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 and also a MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE VICTIMS AND FAMILIES OF THE MASSACHUSETTS BOMBING TRAGEDY

ROLL CALL

Joren [] Black [] Franklin [] Nehls [] Gibbs []
Beck-Clemens []

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. Attorney
12. Clerk
13. 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 at the end of the meeting. 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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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Public Hearing on Assessment Bond Ordinance OR:13/04 entitled: **“ASSESSMENT BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE (INCLUDING ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING) FOR SANITARY SEWER EXTENSIONS TO PORTIONS OF JOHNSTON DRIVE AND VALLEY 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 \$1,173,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, 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.”**

Planning Board Letter dated April 9, 2013 and Resolution PB-13-R6, supporting the Borough’s 2011 through 2013 Proposed Capital Projects

R1:04/25/13 Adoption of Assessment Bond Ordinance OR:13/04 - Sanitary Sewer Extension Project
a portion of
Johnston Drive and Valley Drive

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NEW BUSINESS

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:
April 11, 2013

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:
Police Activity Report - February, 2013
Historical Committee Minutes - March 13, 2013
Finance Department Revenue Report - January, 2013
Planning Board Minutes - November 20, 2012, January 15, February 19, 2013

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

#30 - Township of Warren 4/8/13 Notice of ordinance introduction and public hearing OR:13-04, amending Land Use Procedure by removing the prerequisite of Bd. of Health and Sewerage Authority approvals for Planning Board and Bd. of Adjustment applications c: M & C, TEA,

DS, 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: Urging the State Legislature to Require Fire Districts, School Districts, and County Governments to Share in the Burden of Property Assessment Appeal Refunds
- R3: Accept Tree Replacement Plan and Surety Bond - 80 Century Lane
- R4: Authorize Return of 1st Qtr. Tax Overpayment - 114 Edgemont Road
- R5: Authorize Tax Sale Redemption - Certificate #222010 / 524 Ridge Road
- R6: Purchases Over \$2,000. - Mark Tinder Appraisals, CM Engineers, LLC
- R7: Authorize Clerk to Advertise for Bids - Mulching, Grinding, and Possible Removal of Tree Branches, Limbs, Logs, Stumps from Ness Property / Superstorm Sandy
- R8: Authorize Return of Unused Construction Department Fee - 35 Acorn Road
- R9: Authorize Temporary Waiver of Sewer Connection Fee - Watchung Associates

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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.

R10: Payment of Bills

PUBLIC PORTION

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ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled Council meeting will be held on May 9, 2013 at 7:30 P.M.