

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG**

**COUNCIL AGENDA**

**JANUARY 9, 2014 - 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**

Nehls [ ] Black [ ] Franklin [ ] Joren [ ] 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. 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:  
December 12, 2013

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:  
Recreation Commission Minutes - November 13, 2013  
Board of Adjustment Minutes - October 3, December 19, 2013  
Police Activity Report - November, 2013  
Building Department Report - December, 2013

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #1 - Kathleen Davies 12/17/13 Letter of retirement from her position of Administrative Assistant to the Police Chief, after 35 years of service c: M & C, TEA, JC
- #2 - Catherine Hammel 12/16/13 Letter of resignation from her position as Assistant Tax Collector c: M & C, TEA, JC

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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.

- R1:01/09/14 Purchases Over \$2,000. - The Rodgers Group; Orchard Holdings, LLC, N. Plainfield Auto Rebuilders
- R2: Authorize Treasurer to Issue Tax Sale Redemption #13-01 - 11 Kappelman Drive
- R3: Authorize Treasurer to Issue Tax Sale Redemption #12-008 - 107 Johnston Drive
- R4: Authorize Clerk to Issue Raffle License - Sisters of Mercy of the Americas
- R5: Authorize Final Payment of Accumulated Benefits - Kathleen Davies
- R6: Authorize Final Payment of Accumulated Benefits - Catherine Hammel
- R7: Designation of Depositories (Revision)
- R8: 2013 Budget Transfers
- R9: Appointment to Traffic and Beautification Commission - Jeannette Kayel

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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.

Introduction of Ordinance OR:14/01 entitled: "AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DEED OF DEDICATION FOR A PORTION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 915 JOHNSTON DRIVE AND KNOWN ON THE TAX MAPS OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG AS BLOCK 69.06, LOTS 3.01 and 3.02 TO THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG" Public Hearing to be held on January 23, 2014.

R10:01/09/14 Introduction of OR:14/01 - Accepting a Deed of Dedication - 915 Johnston Drive

Introduction of Ordinance OR:14/02 entitled: "AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A SIGHT RIGHT EASEMENT AND A

CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 25 CENTURY LANE AND KNOWN ON THE TAX MAPS OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG AS BLOCK 43.09, LOT 13.01, FROM ELITE HOMEBUILDING, L.L.C. TO THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG” Public Hearing to be held on January 23, 2014.

R11: Introduction of OR:14/02 - Accept Sight Right Easement and Conservation Easement

Introduction of Ordinance OR:14/03 entitled: "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF PROPERTY INCORRECTLY DEDICATED TO THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG SHOWN AS BLOCK 52.01, LOTS 1.03 AND 1.04 ON THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG TAX MAP AND PROPERTY SHOWN AS BLOCK 64.02, LOT 14 ON THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD TAX MAP." Public Hearing to be held on January 23, 2014.

R12: Introduction of OR:14/03 - Authorize Vacation of Property

R13: Appointment to Board of Adjustment - James Clemens/ Alternate #2

R14: Waive Chapter 2-25 - Gray's Florist & Greenhouse

Discussion: Council Ad-Hoc Committee / Library Study

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**PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION**

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R15:01/09/14 Executive Session: Personnel-Municipal Attorney

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The next scheduled Council meeting will be held on January 23, 2014 at 7:30 P.M.