

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

APRIL 21, 2016 - 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 []

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

PUBLIC HEARING ON 201 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

R1A:04/21/16 Determining Budget to be Read by Title

R1B: Adoption of 2016 Municipal Budget

R2: Public Hearing on Bond Ordinance OR:16/04 – **“BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, 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 \$708,400 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, 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”**

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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 7, 2016 Regular and Executive Sessions

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:
Police Activity – March, 2016
Planning Board Minutes – January 19, February 23, 2016
Board of Adjustment Minutes – February 25, March 10, 2016
Historical Committee Minutes – January 13, February 10, March 9, 2016

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

#13 - NJ Transit 4/11/16 Notice of Public Meeting to present preliminary Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goals and other procurement contracts for FY 2017, 2018 & 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.

R3:04/21/16 Authorizing Payment to Municipal Group and Authorizing the Borough to Join a Local Municipal Group / Declaratory Judgment Action - Affordable Housing

R4: Appointment to Committees – Library Advisory Board / Annette von Brandis
Green Team / Sandra Hopkins

R5: Authorize Appointment of Fire Sub-Code Official – Bill Donnerstag

R6: Authorize the Borough to Join Municipal Pipeline Group and enter into a Retainer for Legal Services, and Joint Defense Agreement / John M. Scagnelli, Esq.

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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.

R7:04/21/16 Waive Chapter 2-25.10 of the Code – Gray’s Florist and Greenhouse

R8: Payment of Bills

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PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION

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ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled Council meeting is to be held on Thursday, May 5, 2016, at 7:30 P.M.