

**EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
Monday, November 9, 2020
4:30 p.m.
MINUTES**

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CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the East Windsor Township Council was called to order by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at 4:30 p.m. on Monday November 9, 2020.

VERIFICATION:

Municipal Clerk Kelly Lettera certified that the meeting was noticed on November 4, 2020, notices were sent to the Trenton Times, filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk and posted in the East Windsor Municipal Building. All requirements of the open public meeting act have been satisfied.

FLAG SALUTE:

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council Members Denise Daniels, Marc Lippman, Alan Rosenberg, Perry Shapiro, Peter Yeager, John Zoller and Mayor Janice Mironov. Also present were Township Attorney David Orron, Township Manager James Brady and Municipal Clerk Kelly Lettera.

PUBLIC FORUM:

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTION WHERE APPROPRIATE:

1. Local Government Emergency Fund Grant Application with Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, for grant funding through an allocation of the State of New Jersey's CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund

Resolution R2020-179 Approval of Filing of Local Government Emergency Fund Grant Application with New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services

**RESOLUTION R2020-179
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, as the public health emergency associated with the COVID-19 pandemic continues, the most significant negative financial impacts faced by county and municipal governments throughout New Jersey result from extreme economic contraction, deficits in tax and fee revenues, and extraordinary increases in public safety and health and human services expenditures; and

WHEREAS, severe fiscal stress limits the ability of counties and municipalities to maintain essential services and take the steps necessary to fight COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, without substantial federal assistance, residential taxpayers would absorb the primary impact of meeting these extraordinary needs and closing any associated operating deficits; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, has been deemed the lead agency for the distribution of the Local Government Emergency Fund ("LGEF") provided through an allocation of the State of New Jersey's CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF); and

WHEREAS, counties and municipalities excluded from the federal government's direct CRF allocation plan, as well as those counties and municipalities that are currently the most impacted by COVID-19 in comparison to their available resources, are eligible for LGEF funds pursuant to a maximum distribution determined by formula; and

WHEREAS, a total of \$60 million is currently being made available by the State of New Jersey to counties and towns, of which up to \$567,200 has been allocated to East Windsor Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file the Local Government Emergency Fund grant application with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, for grant funding in the amount of \$567,200.

2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the grant agreement, and any and all documents necessary for the implementation of the grant and receipt of the funding, on behalf of East Windsor Township.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the East Windsor Township Council at a meeting held on November 9, 2020.

Mayor Mironov stated the Township was notified by the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services of the availability of funding for East Windsor Township in the amount of \$567,200 for reimbursement of eligible expenses associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. She stated a memo was provided from the Township Manager, dated October 30, 2020, with program details and descriptions as well as a draft application. She stated the deadline to submit the application is November 10, 2020 which is why the Special Meeting was required. Mayor Mironov stated the Township has experienced significant negative financial impacts as result of deficiencies in revenues, and extraordinary increases in public safety and health and human service expenditures due to the pandemic. She stated eligible expenses must be incurred between March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020 and will only include items which are documented and certified under the CARES Act. Mayor and Council agreed to submit the application for the CARES Act in the amount of \$567,200.00.

It was MOVED by Yeager, SECONDED by Lippman to approve Resolution R2020-179.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Daniels, Lippman, Rosenberg, Shapiro, Yeager, Zoller, Mironov
Nays – None

There being seven (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution R2020-179 was approved.

MATTERS BY PUBLIC:

No one from the public spoke.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business Mayor Mironov declared the meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Kelly Lettera
Municipal Clerk

Janice S. Mironov
Mayor