

EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

5:30 p.m.

via ZOOM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the East Windsor Township Council was called to order by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2021.

VERIFICATION:

Municipal Clerk Kelly Lettera certified that the meeting was noticed on January 11, 2021 in the annual meeting notice. On February 19, 2021, 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: Led by Council Member Alan Rosenberg.

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.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS:

Black History Month – February 2021

Remarks By: Assemblywoman Verlina Reynolds-Jackson

Mayor Janice Mironov proclaimed February as Black History Month to recognize and celebrate the many valuable contributions of Black Americans to the history and culture of our Nation, our State and our Township, which enrich us all and strengthen our community. Assemblywoman Verlina Reynolds-Jackson spoke about the importance and significance of Black History Month, noting that February was chosen as Black History Month because Frederick Douglass, Abraham Lincoln, and George Washington celebrated birthdays during the month. She stated that Black History Month was created to teach African-American youth in elementary and secondary schools about their true history. It was officially recognized in 1976 by Gerald Ford, and by every President thereafter, who called on the public to seize the opportunity to honor too often neglected accomplishments of African-Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history. Assemblywoman Reynolds-Jackson acknowledged the accomplishments of many specific leaders, noting that she is tremendously thankful for all who came before her and opened up so many doors.

INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Raph Copeland was interviewed and is interested in volunteering for the Municipal Utilities Authority.

Kartik Keertikar was interviewed and is interested in volunteering for the Health Advisory Board or Economic development Committee.

Barbara Gilbert was interviewed and is interested in volunteering for the Commission on Aging.

Ankur Patel was interviewed and is interested in volunteering for the Planning Board or the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

PUBLIC FORUM:

MINUTES:

December 17, 2019
March 10, 2020
March 24, 2020
June 2, 2020
June 16, 2020
August 4, 2020
August 18, 2020
September 1, 2020
September 22, 2020
October 6, 2020
November 9, 2020 Special Meeting
November 10, 2020
November 24, 2020
December 8, 2020
December 22, 2020
January 5, 2021 (Reorg)
January 12, 2021
January 26, 2021
February 9, 2021

The minutes of December 17, 2019, November 9, 2020 and March 10, 2020 were held pending revisions. All remaining minutes were rescheduled to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance 2020-11

An Ordinance Accepting Donation of Real Property
Located off of Old York Road and Designated as Block 42,
Lot 13 on the East Windsor Township Tax Map

Ordinance 2020-11 was carried till the March 9 Council meeting. Mayor Mironov questioned what the implications are of the second lien. She also questioned if by assuming the property would the Township be at a loss or gain. The Township Manager stated he will look into those questions and provide Mayor and Council with an update.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance 2021-01 An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter V, "General Police Regulations," Section 5-9, "Use of Recreation Areas and Park Facilities," to Add Section 5-9.4, "Smoking Prohibited in Recreation Areas and Park Facilities," of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East Windsor

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01
TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR
MERCER COUNTY
NEW JERSEY**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER V,
"GENERAL POLICE REGULATIONS," SECTION 5-9, "USE OF RECREATION
AREAS AND PARK FACILITIES," TO ADD SECTION 5-9.4, "SMOKING
PROHIBITED IN RECREATION AREAS AND PARK FACILITIES," OF THE
REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that Chapter V, "General Police Regulations," Section, 5-9, "Use of Recreation Areas and Park Facilities," of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East Windsor is amended and supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter V, "General Police Regulations," Section 5-9, "Use of Recreation Areas and Park Facilities," is amended and supplemented by the addition of new Section 5-9.4, "Smoking Prohibited in Recreation Areas and Park Facilities," as follows:

5-9.4.1 Definitions. As used in this Section:

a. *Recreation Areas and Park Facilities* shall include any Township lands and facilities owned by or operated by the Township upon which the public is invited or upon which the public is permitted and where individuals gather for recreational activities

b. *Smoking* shall mean the burning of, inhaling from, exhaling the smoke from, or the possession of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other matter or substance which contains tobacco or any other matter that can be smoked, or inhaling or exhaling of smoke or vapor from an electronic smoking device.

5-9.4.2 *Smoking Prohibited in Public Places.* Smoking shall be prohibited in all recreation areas and park facilities which have been designated with no-smoking signs. Areas

designated as smoke-free recreation areas and park facilities shall include: Anker Park, Bear Brook Pathway, Disbrow Hill Fields, Disbrow Hill Trail, Dreyfus Park, East Windsor Police Athletic League Complex, Etra Lake Park, Etra Lake Pathway, Rocky Brook Pathway, Turnpike Park, Turnpike Park Pathway, Veterans Park, Westfield Road Park, Wiltshire Park, Woods Road Community Park, and all other Township lands and facilities.

5-9.4.3 Signage Required. No-smoking signs or the international no-smoking symbol (consisting of a pictorial representation of a burning cigarette enclosed in a circle with a diagonal line through its cross section) shall be clearly, sufficiently and conspicuously posted at the entrance to every public place where smoking is prohibited by this article. The signs shall be clearly visible to the public and shall contain letters or a symbol which contrast in color with the sign, indicating that smoking is prohibited therein. The sign shall also indicate that violators are subject to a fine.

5-9.4.4 Enforcement. The Township Manager, police officer, health officer or other public employee engaged in the execution or enforcement of this Section, or any other citizen, may enforce and sign a complaint against any individual for violation of the provisions of this Section.

5-9.4.5 Violations and Penalties. For a violation of the provisions of this Section, the penalty upon conviction shall be a fine of up to \$100 for the first offense, up to \$250 for the second offense, and up to \$500 for each subsequent offense.

5-9.4.6 Construal of Provisions. No provision in this Section shall be construed or interpreted to allow smoking where it is otherwise restricted by other laws.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after final passage and publication according to law.

Mayor Mironov requested to revise the formatting in the Ordinance.

[NOTE: The changes requested are reflected in the above Ordinance.]

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Lippman to approve Ordinance 2021-01, with the revisions, on introduction, authorize publication as required by law and set a public hearing for March 9, 2021.

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

There being seven (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Ordinance 2021-01 was approved with revisions on introduction, authorize publication as required by law and set a public hearing for March 9, 2021.

Ordinance 2021-02

An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter XX,
“Zoning” Section 20-4.0200, “Classes of Uses,” of the
Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East
Windsor

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-02
TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR
MERCER COUNTY
NEW JERSEY**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XX,
"ZONING," SECTION 20-4.0000 "GENERAL PROVISIONS," SUBSECTION
20-4.0200, "CLASSES OF USES," TO AMEND AND CLARIFY PARAGRAPH
20-4.0201 "PERMITTED USES," OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE
OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, East Windsor Township (“Township”), pursuant to the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East Windsor, Chapter XX, “Zoning”, Section 20-4.000 “General Provisions,” Subsection 20-4.0200, “Classes of Uses,” Paragraph 20-4.0201, “Permitted Uses”, has outlined appropriate uses within zoning districts of the Township; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Paragraph 20-4.0201, the Township has determined that any use of land, buildings and/or structures which are not specifically designated as a use for a zoning district are therefore prohibited, including, but not limited to smoke and vape shops; and

WHEREAS, recent increased interest in zoning districts throughout the Township to initiate commercial uses related to smoke and vape shops has precipitated the need to clarify the longstanding prohibition of this use in any zoning district within the Township; and

WHEREAS, this amendment to the Township Ordinances is to expressly and specifically reaffirm that smoking shops and vaping shops have always been intended by the Township as prohibited, and continue to be so, in all zoning districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR, in the County of Mercer and the State of New Jersey, that Chapter XX, “Zoning”, Section 20-4.000 “General Provisions,” Subsection 20-4.0200, “Classes of Uses,” Paragraph 20-4.0201, “Permitted Uses”, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East Windsor is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1. Paragraph 20-4.0201(b), under "Permitted Uses", is amended and supplemented as follows:

- b. Conversely, any uses of land, buildings and/or structures which are not specifically designated as a "principal use" or as an "accessory use" or as a "conditional use" for a subject zoning district are prohibited including but not limited to smoking shops and vaping shops. Notwithstanding any other section of this Chapter to the contrary, ~~for~~ the following are exceptions:
- 1) The use of land and/or buildings by the Township of East Windsor is permitted in all zoning districts;
 - 2) Fire and rescue facilities authorized by the Township of East Windsor are permitted in all zoning districts; and
 - 3) In accordance with N.J.A.C. 40:55D-66.1 of the Municipal Land Use Law, community residences for the developmentally disabled, community shelters for victims of domestic violence, community residences for the terminally ill and community residences for persons with head injuries shall be permitted uses in the "R-A," "R-E," "R-M," "R-1," "R-2," "R-3," "S-L" and "PUD" residential zoning districts within East Windsor Township, in accordance with the applicable requirements of the subject zoning district for non-clustered single-family detached dwelling units, and in accordance with the definitions of these uses at N.J.A.C. 40:55D-66.2 of the Municipal Land Use Law.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after final passage and publication according to law.

Mayor Mironov requested to revise the formatting in the Ordinance.

[NOTE: The changes requested are reflected in the above Ordinance.]

It was MOVED by Yeager, SECONDED by Daniels to approve with revisions Ordinance 2021-02 on introduction, authorize publication as required by law and set a public hearing for March 9, 2021.

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

There being seven (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Ordinance 2021-02 was approved with revisions on introduction, authorize publication as required by law and set a public hearing for March 9, 2021.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2021-019 Approval of Public Health Shared Service Partnership Agreement with Mercer County for Public Health Preparedness and Response to Bioterrorism, Outbreaks of Infectious Disease, and other Public Health Threats and Emergencies

Resolution R2021-019 was held till the next regularly scheduled meeting pending clarifications.

Resolution R2021-029 Authorizing Discharge of Tax Lien for Property Located off of Old York Road and Designated as Block 42, Lot 13 on East Windsor Township Tax Map

Resolution R2021-029 was held till the next regularly scheduled meeting pending clarifications.

Resolution R2021-038 Authorizing Purchase of Rock Salt from Riverside Construction Material Inc. under Mercer County Cooperative Contract for Public Works Department

**RESOLUTION R2021-038
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, there is a need to purchase untreated rock salt; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11, the Township can cooperatively purchase materials which have been bid by the County Government under a County Cooperative Pricing System; and

WHEREAS, Mercer County went out to bid for purchase of untreated rock salt, and on December 19, 2020 awarded contract CK09-MERCER-2019-28, for a two year term from January 24, 2020 to January 23, 2022, to the lowest responsible bidder at \$50.93 per ton for Mercer County and Mercer County Cooperative Pricing System, to Riverside Construction Material Inc., 355 Newbold Road, Fairless Hills, Pa. 19073; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the Director of Public Work's recommendations on this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase is \$50,930.00 and funds are available in the 2021 Municipal Operating Temporary Budget Account No. 1-01-26-290-401-223 entitled "DPW Rock Salt/Snow & Ice Removal", pending adoption of the 2021 Municipal Operating Budget, as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer's Certification No. B2021-006.

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 Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition to Riverside Construction Material In, 355 Newbold Road, Fairless Hills, Pa. 19073, under the Mercer County Cooperative Contract Purchasing System CK09-MERCER-2019-28 for rock salt at \$50.93 per ton, for 1,000 tons of rock salt, in a total amount not to exceed \$50,930.00.

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 February 23, 2021.

Mayor Mironov requested that the Resolution include the term in paragraph three.

[NOTE: The changes requested are reflected in the above Resolution.]

It was MOVED by Lippman, SECONDED by Rosenberg to approve Resolution R2021-038 with the revision.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2021-038 was approved with the revision.

Resolution R2021-039 Authorizing Purchase of Police Vehicles from Winner Ford of Cherry Hill, NJ for the Police Department

**RESOLUTION R2021-039
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, there is a need to purchase five new replacement Police Interceptor Utility vehicles and equipment to perform vehicle conversions for the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, three written quotes were obtained for the vehicles and equipment to convert the vehicles; and

WHEREAS, public bids are not required when the purchase is under a State Contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 of the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsive quote for the purchase and delivery of five new replacement Police Interceptor Utility vehicles was submitted by Winner Ford through State Contract No. 20-Fleet-01189, which is valid through June 17, 2022, in the amount of \$156,645.00; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsive quote for the purchase, up-fitting and conversion of the five new Interceptor Utility vehicles was submitted by East Coast Emergency Lighting through State Contract No. T-0106, which is valid through May 14, 2023, in the amount of \$51,081.90; and

WHEREAS, Watchguard is the sole provider for the cables/brackets to use on the existing Watchguard 4RE recording system in the five new Police Interceptor Utility vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$2,850.00; and

WHEREAS, R&R Radar, Inc. is the sole provider for the cables/brackets for the existing Stalker DSR radar units in the five new Police Interceptor Utility vehicles, in an amount not to exceed \$2,430.00; and

WHEREAS, since these are the sole providers and the purchases are under \$17,500, public bids are not required as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 requiring public advertising and bidding for contracts for a sum exceeding the aggregate amount as calculated periodically by the Governor, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 which amount is \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the recommendation made by the Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase is \$213,006.90 and funds are available in Account No. C-04-55-980-924-920 entitled Ordinance 2020-01, entitled "Police SUV Vehicles Acq.", as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer's Certification No. C2021-006.

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

1. The Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition under State Contract No. 20-Fleet-01189, to Chas S Winner, Inc. dba Winner Ford of Cherry Hill, NJ, 250 Haddonfield-Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034, for the purchase and delivery of five new replacement Police Interceptor Utility vehicles, in an amount not to exceed \$156,645.00, as set forth in the attached quote.
2. The Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition under State Contract No. T-0106, to East Coast Emergency Lighting, Inc., 200 Meco Drive, Millstone, NJ 08535, for the purchase, up-fitting and conversion of the five new replacement Police Interceptor Utility vehicles, in an amount not to exceed \$51,081.90, as set forth in the attached quote.
3. The Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition to Watchguard, 415 East Exchange Parkway, Allen, TX, 75002, for the purchase of the cables/brackets for the existing Watchguard 4RE recording system for the five new replacement Police Interceptor Utility vehicles, in an amount not to exceed \$2,850.00.
4. The Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition to R&R Radar, Inc.,

762 White Horse Pike, Atco, NJ 08004, for the purchase of the cables/brackets for the existing Stalker DSR radar unit for the five new replacement Police Interceptor Utility vehicles, in an amount not to exceed \$2,430.00.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the East Windsor Township Council at a meeting held on February 23, 2021.

Mayor Mironov requested that the Resolution reflect the sole provider statute in paragraph three.

[NOTE: The changes requested are reflected in the above Resolution.]

It was MOVED by Shapiro, SECONDED by Rosenberg to approve Resolution R2021-039 with the revision.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2021-039 was approved with the revision.

Resolution R2021-040 Authorizing Transfer of Ownership of Oven/Stove from
East Windsor Police Athletic League to East Windsor
Volunteer Fire Company #1

RESOLUTION R2021-040
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company #1 (EWWFC#1) is in need of a new oven/stove for use in the Fire Company #1 kitchen; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Police Athletic League (NJPAL) purchased a Garland Sunfire Series X-60 Commercial Stove/oven with funding from a United States Department of Justice (DOJ) grant for use at an equestrian ranch operated by NJPAL; and

WHEREAS, due to the equestrian ranch closing, the oven was never utilized and in 2010 the unopened new stove/oven was given to the local East Windsor Police Athletic League (EWPAL) to expand their kitchen; and

WHEREAS, EWPAL since decided to not expand the kitchen and they no longer have use or interest in the stove/oven; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) provided EWPAL permission to transfer ownership of the stove/oven to East Windsor Township; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of East Windsor Township to accept ownership of the Garland Sunfire Series X-60 Commercial stove/oven for use by EWVFC#1.

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 and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to accept ownership of the Garland Sunfire Series X-60 Commercial stove/oven and deliver to EWVFC#1 for use.

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 February 23, 2021.

Mayor Mironov requested a few minor formatting revisions in the Resolution.

[NOTE: The changes requested are reflected in the above Resolution.]

It was MOVED by Lippman, SECONDED by Rosenberg to approve Resolution R2021-040 with the revisions.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2021-040 was approved with the revisions.

APPLICATIONS:

Raffle License RL: 2021-001 American Legion Post 148 – January 1, 2021 through
December 31, 2021 at 895 Route 130, East Windsor –
Instant Raffles

It was MOVED by Rosenberg, SECONDED by Shapiro to approve Raffle License RL: 2021-001.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Raffle License RL: 2021-001 was approved.

REPORTS BY COUNCIL AND STAFF:

Council Member Zoller stated he needs staff assistance with scheduling the Arbor Day seedling giveaway at the PAL fields. Mayor Mironov stated that staff will look into dates and get back to him. He also requested additional volunteers for the Environmental Commission. Mayor Mironov stated the Township Stream Clean-up date will be on

Saturday April 24, 2021 from 9am to 11 am at Etra Lake Park. She also requested that the Recreation Commission chairperson provide the goals and projects for 2021.

CORRESPONDENCE:

APPOINTMENTS:

2021 Local Emergency Management Planning Committee

Mayor Mironov provided a list to Council appointing the 2021 Local Emergency Management Planning Committee. She further requested staff to create a calendar reminder for the second January meeting in 2022 for the future appointment.

Mayor Mironov appointed Stephen Lach as an Auxiliary Member of the Economic Development Committee. She also appointed Karen Goldman as an Auxiliary Member of the Commission on Aging and Ethan Martin as a student member of the Economic Development Committee. Mayor Mironov requested that the Clerk's Office provide an updated list of all volunteer applications that have not yet been appointed at this point.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Mayor Mironov stated a 2021 Current Bill list, 2020 Current Bill list, a Capital Bill List and other miscellaneous bill lists and trust accounts were provided.

It was MOVED by Lippman, SECONDED by Rosenberg to approve the Bill Lists.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, the various presented Bill Lists were approved with the holds and clarifications.

MATTERS BY COUNCIL:

Mayor Mironov reported that the Gun Lock Safety Program will be held the month of March. Mayor Mironov also requested that the Clerk's Office distribute to Mayor and Council the Comcast Cable Municipal Consent hearing 45 day public notice. She also requested a full agenda from staff on what will be discussed at the hearing and a list of details with all items of concern including financials and materials that the Township should be seeking from the provider. Mayor Mironov again reiterated the goals and projects for 2021 are still needed from the Recreation Commission chairperson. She also requested the process, status and update on the Shoppes of East Windsor project. Mayor Mironov requested from the Township Attorney an update and status on the Magnolia Ridge project. Council Member Zoller requested that staff look into signage for Engine Braking for Route 133 and Route 571.

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTION WHERE APPROPRIATE:

1. Abandoned Foreclosed Property Program Administration

Mayor Mironov requested that staff get together and provide information and for the item to be added to the upcoming agenda.

2. Sustainable Jersey, Green Purchasing Policy Program

Resolution R2021-041 Approval of Environmental Green Purchasing Policy
for East Windsor Township

**RESOLUTION 2021-041
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING GREEN PURCHASING

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor recognizes the need to strive to enhance standards of environmental stewardship and the environmental characteristics of our municipal operations; and

WHEREAS, the “Greening” of public purchasing is a tangible and practical step which local government can take by instituting more sustainable practices and improve environmental performance; and

WHEREAS, on August 7, 2018, by Resolution R2018-139, the Township Council incorporated “Green Purchasing” where feasible and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, purchasing “Green” or environmentally preferable products sends a clear signal to the market that there is a preference for green, clean and safe products, resulting in the availability of an increasing number of environmentally preferable alternative products in the marketplace, which then also likely will become more available to our residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township of East Windsor, in furthering the use of Green products, will use as the definition and purpose of Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP) or “Green Purchasing,” the purchase of goods and services that minimizes environmental impacts. It includes the purchase of products with post consumer recycled content, that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products that serve the same purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council does hereby request that Township staff to continue to include environmental considerations in purchasing decisions by using the following criteria to encourage purchase of Green products, as available and practicable:

- distance of transport/ localness of production
- quality and performance standards of the product
- packaging or distribution method of the product
- price and performance of the product
- the raw materials, including energy and water and post consumer recyclable content, used in the manufacture of the product; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council continues to set forth the goals and objectives of the Green Purchasing Program as follows:

1. to establish the Township's clear commitment to conducting its functions in an environmentally responsible manner
2. to improve the Township's environmental performance and make it more sustainable
3. to raise awareness of environmental issues among the staff

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor does support and encourage the purchasing of Green and Environmental Performance Products as a meaningful, long-term objective that has value both for the employees and for the community.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the East Windsor Township Council at a meeting held on February 23, 2021.

Mayor Mironov requested to correct the title on the agenda to include project at the end.

It was MOVED by Yeager, SECONDED by Zoller to approve Resolution R2021-041.

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

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2021-041 was approved.

4. 2021 Municipal Budget Review

Mayor Mironov stated due to the Covid situation and the huge gap in revenues, some expenditures were frozen in 2020 but overall the Township is in very good condition. She stated the revenues continue to be down and they are looking to review budgets quickly. She asked Council Members for dates of availability for the budget meetings and Council agreed that March 2 and March 4, 2021 at 4 p.m. are good times to hold the

meetings. She further requested that the Municipal Clerk provide her with the budget notice as soon as possible, so it can be published in a timely manner.

MATTERS BY PUBLIC: No one from the public spoke.

ADJOURNMENT:

Next Meeting: March 9, 2021

Allison Quigley
Municipal Clerk

Janice S. Mironov
Mayor