EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Tuesday April 22, 2025 5:30 p.m.

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, April 22, 2025 at the East Windsor Municipal Building.

VERIFICATION:

Deputy Municipal Clerk Niven Raghib certified that the meeting was noticed on April 18, 2025 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 Joseph Miczak.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council Members Anthony Katawick, David Russell, Johnnie Whittington, John Zoller and Mayor Janice Mironov. Council Member Marc Lippman was absent. Also present were Township Attorney David Orron, Township Manager Joy Tozzi, Finance Director Scott Freuh, and Deputy Municipal Clerk Niven Raghib.

Mayor Mironov stated she believed it may be necessary to revise tonight's agenda with the addition of a Resolution waiving the Township's participation in the budget self-examination program. The Township has historically chosen to waive participation in the self-examination program and has sent the municipal budget to the Division of Local Government Services for review and approval.

It was MOVED by Russell, SECONDED by Katawick, to amend the meeting agenda with the addition of Resolution R2025-090, "Waiving Participation in the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services Budget Self Examination Program and Requesting Review of 2025 Municipal Budget by New Jersey Division of Local Government Services."

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays- None

There being five (5) ayes, and no (0) nays, the meeting agenda was amended with the addition of Resolution R2025-090.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS:

National Library Week (April 6-12, 2025)

Mayor Mironov and Council welcomed library representatives in recognition of National Library Week 2025. A proclamation was presented acknowledging the contributions of local libraries. Brief remarks were made, and donations were presented to support programming. Representatives from the libraries shared remarks, including updates on upcoming events.

National Volunteer Week (April 20 – 26, 2025)

Yom HaShoah – Holocaust Remembrance Day – (April 24, 2025)

Mayor Mironov noted that, letters and proclamations were sent to all Mercer County synagogues. The observance is taking place this week according to the Hebrew calendar.

INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

There were no interviews for boards and commissions.

PUBLIC FORUM:

No one spoke during the public forum.

MINUTES:

The minutes were rescheduled to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no Ordinances for Public Hearing.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:

There were no Ordinances for Introduction.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2025-090

Waiving Participation in the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services Budget Self Examination Program and Requesting Review of 2025 Municipal Budget by New Jersey Division of Local Government Services

RESOLUTION R2025-090 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b, the Local Finance Board has adopted rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of conducting the annual budget examination; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 through 5:30-7.5, the Township of East Windsor has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services and the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the Township of East Windsor meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2025 calendar year.

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.3(f) the governing body of any municipality that qualifies for local examination may by resolution choose to have its budget examined by the Director and not participate in the local examination process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the Township Council waives its rights to local examination of its budget and further requests that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services conduct the municipal budget examination for 2025.

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Whittington to approve Resolution R2025-090.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-090 was approved.

Resolution R2025-060 Adoption of the 2025 Municipal Budget

Mayor Mironov announced the budget would not be adopted at this meeting. The public hearing was opened. No comments were made. The public hearing and action were carried to the May 6 Council meeting.

Resolution R2025-061 Adoption of the 2025 Garbage District No. 1 Budget

Mayor Mironov announced the budget would not be adopted at this meeting. The public hearing was opened. No comments were made. The public hearing and action were carried to the May 6 Council meeting.

Resolution R2025-075 Chapter 159 – Amending the 2025 Municipal Operating Budget

Providing an Item of Revenue and Appropriation for FY2025 New Lorsey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program

Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program

Grant Award for Abbington Drive and Other Streets

As the budget was not adopted, action on the Resolution was carried to the next regular Council meeting scheduled for May 6.

Resolution R2025-076 Chapter 159 – Amending the 2025 Municipal Operating Budget

Providing an Item of Revenue and Appropriation for FY2024 New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program Grant Award for Dutch Neck Road and Dorchester Drive

As the budget was not adopted, action on the Resolution was carried to the next regular Council meeting scheduled for May 6.

Resolution R2025-077

Chapter 159 – Amending the 2025 Municipal Operating Budget Providing an Item of Revenue and Appropriation for 2024 Local Aid Infrastructure Program Grant Award for Dutch Neck Road and Dorchester Drive

As the budget was not adopted, action on the Resolution was carried to the next regular Council meeting scheduled for May 6.

Resolution R2025-078

Chapter 159 – Amending the 2025 Municipal Operating Budget Providing an Item of Revenue and Appropriation for 2025 Mercer at Play for All Grant for Senior Center Outdoor Pavilion

As the budget was not adopted, action on the Resolution was carried to the next regular Council meeting scheduled for May 6.

Resolution R2025-079

Approving Grant Application to Mercer County for Grant Funding for East Windsor Municipal Alliance for Prevention of Substance Abuse for July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

RESOLUTION R2025-079 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Substance Use Disorder established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, East Windsor Township Council recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society among persons of all ages, and therefore has established a Municipal Alliance Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Township of East Windsor desires to receive a grant from the County of Mercer for the East Windsor Municipal Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse; and

WHEREAS, East Windsor Township has been approved for a Municipal Alliance Grant for the July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 grant term; and

WHEREAS, funding has been made available to East Windsor Municipal Alliance in the amount of \$28,424.00 for the period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, contingent upon meeting the 25% Cash Match amount of \$7,106.00 and the 75% In-Kind Match amount of \$21,318.00, which is a grant requirement for the funding.

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

- 1. The attached grant application for grant funding for the East Windsor Municipal Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse is approved.
- 2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and file a grant application on behalf of East Windsor Township to Mercer County for the East Windsor Municipal Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse, in the amount of \$28,424.00, for the grant term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

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

A typographical error in the amount of the grant award was noted in the fifth paragraph.

It was MOVED by Russell, SECONDED by Whittington to approve Resolution R2025-079 with changes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-079 with changes was approved.

Resolution R2025-080

Supporting Senate Bill S-1535, "An Act Concerning the Taxation of Certain Business Personal Property"

RESOLUTION R2025-080 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 1535 AND THE RIGHTFUL ASSESSMENT AND TAXES ON BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY, SPECIFICALLY CONCERNING PROPERTY OWNED BY LOCAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE COMPANIES

WHEREAS, for many years, local exchange telephone companies were appropriately assessed and paid property tax to municipalities on the basis of the business personal property owned by these companies, which property was located in the respective municipalities, in order to provide equity to local governments in return for the right to conduct business with the general public, and to rightfully contribute to the property tax base in accordance with the value of the companies' business personal property; and

WHEREAS, a recent Appellate Court decision ("Appellate Court Decision") in the matter of <u>Verizon New Jersey, Inc. v. Borough of Hopewell,</u> No. A-2909-18, 2023 WL 3987890, at *1 (N.J. Super. Ct. App. Div. June 14, 2023) affirmed two prior Tax Court decisions, which, taken together, contradict the spirit of a 1997 law governing the taxation of the business personal property owned by local exchange telephone companies ("1997 Law"); and

WHEREAS, the 1997 Law was intended to permanently make part of a municipality's property tax base the business personal property of all incumbent local exchange companies that were then subject to that tax and were a telecommunications carrier then meeting the definition of providing dial tone and access to 51 percent of a local telephone exchange ("51% Benchmark"); and

WHEREAS, the reality and changing landscape of the telecommunications industry will result in fewer and fewer local telephone exchange companies meeting the 51% Benchmark; and

WHEREAS, in light of the Appellate Court Decision, it appears that local telephone exchange companies which do not meet the 51% Benchmark will now be completely and totally exempt for all of the business personal property that would otherwise be taxable under the law to local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Senator Shirley K. Turner of Mercer and Hunterdon Counties, and Senator Brian Stack of Hudson County, co-sponsored Senate Bill 1586 to address the inequity of local telephone exchange companies only remitting business personal property tax if these companies meet a 51% of customer test every year; and

WHEREAS, this business personal property is expressly not exempt from taxation in accordance with the law and yet these telecommunications companies which have less than 51% of the market share will become exempt for all of the business personal property that would otherwise be taxable under the law to local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation eliminates the 51% threshold so that telecommunications companies are assessed and remit their fair share of taxation for their business personal property, notwithstanding the market share that the companies control in any particular community; and

WHEREAS, this legislation eliminates the right for telecommunications companies to utilize and own otherwise taxable business personal property without paying taxes solely because they did not obtain a 51% market share of an entire community; and

WHEREAS, this inequitable and unreasonable standard, taxing an entity only if they own 51% of the market share, should be eliminated, and local exchange telephone companies should be assessed and remit taxes in accordance with the law and, rightfully, for the access to the local communities and taxpayers of the State of New Jersey.

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

- 1. The Mayor and Council hereby endorse Senate Bill 1535, sponsored by Senator Shirley K. Turner and Senator Brian Stack, in support of equitable taxation of business personal property of local exchange telephone companies.
- 2. Senate Bill 1535 is hereby endorsed so that telecommunications companies remit their fair share of taxes in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey and for the benefit of access to the members of the public and taxpayers of the state of New Jersey.
- 3. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the State Senate and Assembly Legislators in the 14th, 15th and 16th Districts.

Mayor Mironov noted updates to the Resolution, including correcting the bill number from a previous version (S-1586) to S-1535, and editorial updates to sponsor names and distribution language.

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Russell to approve Resolution R2025-080 with changes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-080 with changes was approved.

Resolution R2025-081

Approving Certification to Comply with Requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:26A-11 for the Filing of 2024 Recycling Tonnage Grant Application and Expenditure Report

RESOLUTION R2025-081 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which a tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to Implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of East Windsor Township to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling requirements; and

WHEREAS, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the certification to comply with requirements in N.J.A.C. 7:26A-11 is properly completed and timely filed.

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. East Windsor Township hereby endorses the submission of the 2024 recycling tonnage grant certification to comply with the requirements in N.J.A.C. 7:26A-11 and New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates certified Recycling Coordinator, Heather Light to ensure that the requirements are properly filed.
- 2. The monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.
- 3. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Certification.

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Katawick to approve Resolution R2025-081.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-080 was approved.

Mayor Mironov noted the April 30 deadline for submission and requested follow-up discussion regarding the contents of the report.

Resolution R2025-082 Authorizing Repair of HVAC System for Police/Court Building by McCloskey Mechanical Contractors, Inc.

RESOLUTION R2025-082 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, there is a need to repair the HVAC in the Police/Court building; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2024, by Resolution R2024-152, the Township entered into an agreement for maintenance services of the HVAC system in the Police/Court building with McCloskey Mechanical Contractors, Inc., for a term of December 3, 2024 through February 28, 2025; and

WHEREAS, since the purchase is 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 Chief of Police's recommendations on this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase is \$9,758.38 and funds are available in Capital Account No. C-04-55-980-927-400 as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer's Certification No. C2025-015.

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:

 The Township Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition to McCloskey Mechanical Contractors, Inc., 445 Lower Landing Road, Blackwood, NJ 08012, for repair of the HVAC system for the Police/Court building, for a total amount not to exceed \$9,758.38, in accordance with the attached quote.

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

Mayor Mironov raised concern regarding contract accuracy, missing account details, and incomplete scope also questioned why a full quote wasn't obtained.

Manager Tozzi noted that the proposed work represents the minimum needed to get the system operational and address ongoing noise complaint.

It was MOVED by Katawick, SECONDED by Russell to approve Resolution R2025-082 with changes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-082 with changes was approved.

Resolution R2025-083 Authorizing Purchase and Installation of Replacement Standalone Air Conditioning Unit for East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1

Mayor Mironov noted several minor edits, including clarification of the contract reference, correction of terminology, and inclusion of the proper account name.

It was MOVED by Russell, SECONDED by Zoller to approve Resolution R2025-083 with changes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-083 with changes was approved.

Resolution R2025-084 Authorizing Purchase of Uniforms from Professional Servicewear for the Department of Public Works

RESOLUTION R2025-084 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, there is a need to purchase uniforms for the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited from three vendors and three price quotes were received to provide uniforms for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the lowest cost proposal was submitted by Professional Servicewear, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, since the purchase is 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 Director of Public Work's recommendation on this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available in Current and Garbage Fund Accounts in the following 2025 line item appropriation accounts, pending adoption of the 2025 Municipal budget and the 2025 Garbage District No. 1 budget: 0-01-26-290-401-204 Roads \$1,500; 0-01-26-315-403-204 Mechanics \$1,000; 0-01-26-300-405-204 Administration \$500; 0-01-26-310-409-204 Police B&G \$1,000; 0-01-28-375-412-204 Parks \$1,000, and 0-30-26-305-150-204 Sanitation \$5,000, for a total not to exceed \$10,000, as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer's Certification No. B2025-018.

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 Professional Servicewear, Inc., 3800 Quakerbridge Road, Hamilton, NJ 08619, for the purchase of uniforms for the Public Works Department, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000, all in accordance with the attached quote.

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Katawick to approve Resolution R2025-084

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-084 was approved.

Resolution R2025-085 Establishing and Adopting East Windsor Township 4th Round Affordable Housing Fair Share Number

RESOLUTION R2025-085 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs released its report entitled "Affordable Housing Obligations for 2025-2035 (Fourth Round)" on October 18, 2024, in which it determined the Township's Present Need obligation to be 166 units and its Fourth Round Prospective Need obligation to be 368 units;

WHEREAS, by Resolution R2025-029, adopted on January 28, 2025, the Township Council authorized the Township's participation in the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program ("the Program") in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et seq, and the timeframes set forth in Directive #14-24; and

WHEREAS, the Township and Fair Share Housing Center ("FSHC") engaged in the mediation process provided by the Program and conferred and reached an accord reducing the Township's Fourth Round Prospective Need obligations from 368 units to 338 units; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Township that the mediation agreement with FSHC be approved;

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 attached Mediation Agreement between the Township and FSHC In the Matter of the Application of the Township of East Windsor before the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program, Docket No. MER-L-236-25, is hereby approved.
- 2. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized to execute the attached Mediation Agreement and is directed to submit a certified copy of this Resolution to the Program and to FSHC.

It was MOVED by Russell, SECONDED by Whittington to approve Resolution R2025-085

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-084 was approved.

APPLICATIONS:

There were no applications.

REPORTS BY COUNCIL AND STAFF

Mr. Zoller reported that the Environmental Commission met on April 16, 2025, with seven members present. Topics included preparations for the May 2 Arbor Day, the April 26 stream cleanup event at Etra Lake Park, upcoming Green Team coordination, e-news contributions, and review of development plans for 353 Princeton Hightstown Road.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Mironov stated she would review correspondence during Matters by Council.

APPOINTMENTS:

Council Vacancy Appointment

A vacancy on the Township Council was announced effective March 31, 2025. In accordance with statutory procedures, the East Windsor Democratic Committee submitted three names for Council's consideration.

It was MOVED by Katawick, SECOND by Zoller to appoint Joseph Miczak to fill the Council vacancy, effective April 29, 2025.

ROLL CALL: Ayes- Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays- None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Joseph Miczak was nominated and appointed to fill the Council vacancy, effective April 29, 2025.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Mayor Mironov stated a 2025 Current Bill list and other miscellaneous bill lists and trust accounts were provided.

Mr. Zoller noted that several entries under "Positive Promotions" on Page 9 of the Current 2025 Bill list were missing item descriptions, Mayor Mironov directed that the item be pulled pending further clarification.

On Page 13, Mayor Mironov raised questions regarding a reimbursement for a Zoom license previously paid personally and reimbursed through prior year accounts payable, as well as a tax refund issued to a credit union, believed to involve a property with a mortgage. The Tax Collector will provide further clarification.

Additional inquiries were made about several unfamiliar bills on Pages 1 and 2 due to recent dates; select items were flagged for further review. A charge to the Recreation account was confirmed as the annual fee for the Community Pass system.

It was MOVED by Russell, SECONDED by Katawick to approve the various Bills lists excluding any items identified for further clarification or follow-up.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, to approve the various Bills lists excluding any items identified for further clarification or follow-up.

MATTERS BY COUNCIL:

Mayor Mironov stated the following correspondence was received: a memo dated April 11, 2025, was received from the Assistant Manager addressing questions from the March 25th bill list; an update was shared from Public Works regarding the reinstated Plastic Film Recycling Program; Letters were received from Mercer County confirming the completion of resurfacing work on Main Street and Old Cranbury Road. Additional milling is scheduled to begin on April 28, 2025, at another location, with accommodations made for weekend activities.; Receipt of the Tax Collector's report for the period ending March 31, 2025; a memo from the Chief of Police regarding a recent grant-funded turnout gear project for Volunteer Fire Co. No. 1., and a letter from a Homeowners Association regarding local bus shelters was received; follow-up communication was requested regarding the status of outreach to the property trust.

Mayor Mironov announced the stream cleanup and Operation Medicine Cabinet are scheduled for the upcoming weekend. The Senior Center's Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon is scheduled for Monday, April 28, 2025. The Mayor's State of the Township Address is scheduled for Thursday, June 5, 2025. Child Passenger Safety Seat Inspection events are scheduled by the Police Department. Outreach continues for the Small Cities Rehabilitation Program; promotional materials have been widely distributed. The SDL (Spatial Data Logic) platform implementation is nearly complete in the Construction Office, pending public rollout and training completion. The Dorchester Road Improvement Project is scheduled to begin following a pre-construction meeting on April 22. Installation of new equipment at Woods Road Community Park is underway. The Mayor requested care be taken to protect the lawn surface during this process.

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTION WHERE APPROPRIATE:

1. Summer Concert Series and Events

Council reviewed the tentative schedule for summer events and concerts. Mayor Mironov expressed concern with gaps in the proposed calendar and offered the following revised schedule for consideration:

- July 5: Independence Day Celebration
- July 13: Landsharks (in place of Earth, Wind & Fire Tribute)
- July 20 or 27: Family Night (to be finalized based on budget constraints)
- August 3: Beatlemania
- August 17: Wooden Ships

Consensus was reached on the revised schedule and performer selections. Council agreed to move forward with booking the proposed dates.

2. New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety FY2026 Grant Program

Mayor Mironov indicated Resolution R2025-086, Resolution R2025-087 and Resolution R2025-088 would be voted on as a block.

Resolution R2025-086

Approval of Filing of Grant Application for Child Passenger Safety Seat Program with New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety FY2026 Grant Program

RESOLUTION R2025-086 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety is soliciting grant applications under the FY26 grant program; and

WHEREAS, East Windsor Township desires to submit a grant application for funding for Child Passenger Safety Seat inspection and installation events.

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

1. The Mayor and Chief of Police are hereby authorized and directed to submit an electronic application on behalf of East Windsor Township to the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety under the FY26 grant program for funding for Child Passenger Safety Seat inspection and installation events.

Resolution R2025-087

Approval of Filing of Grant Application for Autism & Law Enforcement Interaction Training with New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety FY2026 Grant Program

RESOLUTION R2025-087 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety is soliciting grant applications under the FY26 grant program; and

WHEREAS, East Windsor Township desires to submit a grant application for funding for Autism & Law Enforcement Interaction training events.

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

1. The Mayor and Chief of Police are hereby authorized and directed to submit an electronic application on behalf of East Windsor Township to the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety under the FY26 grant program for funding for Autism & Law Enforcement Interaction training events.

Resolution R2025-088

Approval of Filing of Grant Application for Pedestrian Safety Enforcement and Education with New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety FY2026 Grant Program

RESOLUTION R2025-088 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety is soliciting grant applications under the FY26 grant program; and

WHEREAS, East Windsor Township desires to submit a grant application for funding for pedestrian safety education and enforcement mobilization, as well as the purchase and installation of improved traffic signs for twelve school crosswalks.

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

1. The Mayor and Chief of Police are hereby authorized and directed to submit an electronic application on behalf of East Windsor Township to the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety under the FY26 grant program for pedestrian safety education and enforcement mobilization, as well as the purchase and installation of improved traffic signs for twelve school crosswalks.

It was MOVED by Katawick, SECONDED by Russell to approve Resolution R2025-086, Resolution R2025-087 and Resolution R2025-088.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolutions R2025-086, R2025-087 and R2025-088 were approved.

3. New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety Pedestrian Safety Enforcement and Education Fund Grant Program

Resolution R2025-089

Approval of Filing of Grant Application for Pedestrian Safety Enhancements with New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety Pedestrian Safety Enforcement and Education Fund Grant Program

RESOLUTION R2025-089 EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety is soliciting grant applications under the FY26 State Pedestrian Safety Enforcement and Education Fund; and

WHEREAS, East Windsor Township desires to submit a grant application for funding for pedestrian safety enforcement and education, as well as the purchase and installation of high-visibility pedestrian signage at twelve existing school zone crosswalks.

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

1. The Mayor and Chief of Police are hereby authorized and directed to submit an electronic application on behalf of East Windsor Township to the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety under the FY26 State Pedestrian Safety Enforcement and Education Fund for pedestrian safety enforcement and education, as well as the purchase and installation of high-visibility pedestrian signage at twelve existing school zone crosswalks.

It was MOVED by Whittington, SECONDED by Katawick to approve Resolution R2025-089.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Katawick, Russell, Whittington, Zoller, Mironov Nays – None

There being five (5) ayes and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-089 was approved.

MATTERS BY PUBLIC:

Anna Lustenberg, Old Stone Mill Drive, inquired about the absence of minutes on recent agendas. Township Manager noted that a consultant is actively working on completing them and apologized for the delay.

Peter Stern raised concerns about commercial vehicles being parked on a residential front lawn and requested enforcement assistance, also the deteriorating condition of a pedestrian bridge on Dorchester Drive and the poor road conditions on the west end of Dutch Neck Road. Mayor Mironov acknowledged the comments and advised the resident to coordinate further with Township staff after the meeting.

No additional public comments were offered.

ADJOURNMENT:	
Next Meeting: May 6, 2025	
Allison Quigley	Janice S. Mironov
Municipal Clerk	Mayor