

EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the East Windsor Township Council was called to order by Mayor Janice S. Mironov at 5:36 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at the East Windsor Municipal Building.

VERIFICATION:

Municipal Clerk Quigley certified that the meeting was noticed on May 2, 2025, and 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 Chief Hart.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council Members Anthony Katawick, Marc Lippman, David Russell, Johnnie Whittington, John Zoller and Mayor Janice S. Mironov. Also present were Township Attorney Orron, Township Manager Joy Tozzi and Municipal Clerk Allison Quigley.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

Administration of Oath of Office to newly appointed Council Member Joseph Miczak, effective April 29, 2025. The oath was administered by Mayor Mironov. Mr. Miczak formally took his seat as a Council Member on the dais.

National Gun Violence Awareness Day (June 6, 2025)

Mayor Mironov and Council were joined by members of the Mercer County Moms Demand Action. Mayor Mironov issued a Mayoral Proclamation recognizing June 6th as “National Gun Violence Awareness Day,” to raise awareness about the impacts of gun violence and to encourage responsible gun ownership and use.

The Mayoral Proclamation issued by Mayor Mironov states, “Americans are 26 times more likely to die by gun homicide than people in higher-income nations. The Township renews our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the wrong hands and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep all of our citizens and children safer.”

Mayor Mironov further stated, “Gun violence is a tragic reality nationwide, with more than 120 Americans killed each day. ‘National Gun Violence Awareness Day’, is an opportunity to focus together to honor and remember all victims and survivors of gun violence and to recommit

ourselves to doing all that we can to reduce the impacts of senseless gun violence in our community and in our nation.” Mayor Mironov added, “regardless of anyone’s views, there are many things we all can agree on and do, such as responsibly using gun locks when storing weapons.”

Community Action Month (May 2025)

Older Americans Month (May 2025)

INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Shoreya Pendagoakar, 10th Grade Student, was interviewed and expressed interest in the Economic Development Committee and Recreation Commission

PUBLIC FORUM:

No one spoke during the public forum.

MINUTES:

October 8, 2024

Minutes held pending revisions for next regularly scheduled meeting

October 22, 2024

It was MOVED by Lippman, SECONDED by Russell to approve the October 22, 2024, minutes with revisions.

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

Nays- None

There being seven (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, the October 22, 2024, minutes were approved with revisions.

ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no Ordinances for Public Hearing

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:

There were no Ordinances for Introduction

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2025-060 Adoption of the 2025 Municipal Budget

[NOTE: The East Windsor 2025 Municipal Budget is located on the Township website and due to the size of the document is not included in the minutes.]

Mayor Mironov declared the continued Public Hearing open on Resolution R2025-060. With no comments from the public, the Mayor Mironov declared the public hearing closed.

It was MOVED by Lippman, SECONDED by Katawick to adopt Resolution R2025-060 and authorize publication as required by law.

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

Nays – None

There being seven (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-060 was adopted and publication authorized as required by law.

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

[NOTE: The East Windsor 2025 Garbage District No. 1 Budget is located on the Township website and due to the size of the document is not included in the minutes.]

Mayor Mironov declared the continued Public Hearing open on Resolution R2025-061. With no comments from the public, the Mayor Mironov declared the public hearing closed.

Mayor Mironov reported that no amendments were made to this budget

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Whittington to adopt Resolution R2025-061 and authorize publication as required by law.

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

Nays – None

There being seven (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution R2025-061 was adopted and publication authorized as required by law.

Resolution R2025-075 Chapter 159 – Amending the 2025 Municipal Operating Budget
Providing an Item of Revenue and Appropriation for FY2025 New
Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program
Grant Award for Abbington Drive and Other Streets

RESOLUTION R2025-075
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township Director of Finance has advised that the funds have been received by the Township as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the following:

1. The insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$490,932.00 which item is now available as revenue for 2025 NJDOT FY2025 Municipal Aid Program for Abbington Drive and Other Streets.
2. A like sum of \$490,932.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption 2025 NJDOT FY2025 Municipal Aid Program for Abbington Drive and Other Streets.

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Katawick to approve Resolution R2025-075 with revisions.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-075 was approved with revisions.

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

RESOLUTION R2025-076
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township Director of Finance has advised that the funds have been received by the Township as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the following:

1. The insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$382,968.00 which item is now available as revenue for FY2024 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program for Dutch Neck Road and Dorchester Drive.

A like sum of \$382,968.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption FY2024 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program for Dutch Neck Road and Dorchester Drive

It was MOVED by Russell, SECONDED by Zoller to approve Resolution R2025-076 with revisions.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-076 was approved with revisions.

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

**RESOLUTION R2025-077
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township Director of Finance has advised that the funds have been received by the Township as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the following:

1. The insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$1,000,000.00 which item is now available as revenue for 2024 Local Aid Infrastructure Program for Dutch Neck Road and Dorchester Drive.

A like sum of \$1,000,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption 2024 Local Aid Infrastructure Program for Dutch Neck Road and Dorchester Drive.

It was MOVED by Whittington, SECONDED by Lippman to approve Resolution R2025-077 with revisions.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-077 was approved with revisions.

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

**RESOLUTION R2025-078
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township Director of Finance has advised that the funds have been received by the Township as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the following:

1. The insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$50,000.00 which item is now available as revenue for 2025 Mercer County at Play for All Grant.
2. A like sum of \$50,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption 2025 Mercer County at Play for All Grant.

It was MOVED by Katawick, SECONDED by Russell to approve Resolution R2025-078.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-078 was approved.

Resolution R2025-091 Approval of Agreement with Windsor Meadows Homeowners Association for Reimbursement for Private Community Services for 2024

RESOLUTION R2025-091

**EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor and the Windsor Meadows Condominium Association wish to enter into an Agreement for private community services for the year 2024 in the amount of \$1,821.19 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-23.2 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined sufficient funds are available in the Current Fund Account No. 5-01-26-325-802-253 entitled “Condo Services”, in the amount of \$1,821.19, based upon the adoption of the 2025 budget, as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer’s Certification No. B2025-019.

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

1. The attached Agreement with Windsor Meadows Condominium Association for the year 2024 in the amount of \$1,821.19 is hereby approved.
2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Agreement.

It was MOVED by Lippman, SECONDED by Zoller to approve Resolution R2025-091.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-091 was approved.

Resolution R2025-092 Approving Shared Services Agreement between Township of East Windsor and County of Mercer for Contribution to Public Transportation Services and Coordination of Transportation Services for the Use of FTA 5310 Vehicle

**RESOLUTION R2025-092
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Township of East Windsor and the County of Mercer are desirous of providing public transportation services for their citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Township of East Windsor and the County of Mercer have agreed to provide matching local shares for bus services.

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq. authorizes local units of this State to enter into a contract with local units of this State for the joint provision of any service which either party is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

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 “Shared Services Agreement for Contribution Toward Bus Services and Coordination of Transportation Services for the Use of FTA Section 5310 Vehicle”, Agreement between the Township of East Windsor and the County of Mercer, for the term July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, is approved.
2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Agreement.

It was MOVED by Russell, SECONDED by Whittington to approve Resolution R2025-092.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-092 was approved.

Resolution R2025-093 Approving Shared Services Agreement between Township of East Windsor and Borough of Hightstown for Contribution of Matching Local Share for Bus Services

**RESOLUTION R2025-093
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Township of East Windsor and the Borough of Hightstown are desirous of providing public transportation services for their citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Township of East Windsor and the Borough of Hightstown have agreed to provide matching local shares for bus services.

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq. authorizes any municipality to enter into a contract with any other municipality for the joint provision of any service which either party is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

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 “Shared Services Agreement for Contribution of the Matching Local Share for Bus Services”, between the Township of East Windsor and the Borough of Hightstown, for the term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, is approved.
2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Agreement.

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Lippman to approve Resolution R2025-093.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-093 was approved.

Resolution R2025-094 Authorizing Purchase of Firefighter Turnout Equipment with 2023 American Rescue Plan Firefighters Grant Fund Balance for East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1

**RESOLUTION R2025-094
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, there is a need to purchase turnout gear for the East Windsor Volunteer Fire Company No. 1; and

WHEREAS, one written quote was obtained for the purchase of two helmets and four helmet straps from Municipal Emergency Services through Honeywell State Contract #17-FLEET-00810, which is valid through June 14, 2025; 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, two quotes were obtained and the lowest cost proposal for the purchase of firefighter gloves was submitted by Witmer Public Safety Group; 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 recommendation on this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase is \$3,133.80 and funds are available in Grant Account No. G-02-40-733-100-004 entitled “2022 ARP Fire Fighter Grant - FC #1 ”, as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer’s Certification No. G2025-002.

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 Township Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition under State Contract No. 17-FLEET-00810 to Municipal Emergency Services, 7150 Airport Highway, Pennsauken, NJ 08109, for the purchase of two helmets and four helmet straps for a total amount not to exceed \$914.78, in accordance with the attached quote.
2. The Township Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition to Witmer Public Safety Group, 101 Independence Way, Coatesville, PA 19320, for the purchase of twenty-three sets of firefighter rescue gloves for a total amount not to exceed \$2,219.02, in accordance with the attached quote.

Mr. Zoller noted that the Chief’s memo referenced funding information not reflected in the resolution. Approval was recommended with the amendment.

It was MOVED by Katawick, SECONDED by Whittington to approve Resolution R2025-094 with corrections.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-094 was approved with corrections.

Resolution R2025-095 Authorizing Removal of Trees at Westfield Park by Jireh
Landscaping & Tree Service

**RESOLUTION R2025-095
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2025, by Resolution R2025-072, Mayor and Council awarded a contract to ATT Sports, Inc./Halecon, Inc. for resurfacing the tennis courts at Westfield Park; and

WHEREAS, nine trees border the existing tennis courts are in poor health and must be removed as part of this project; and

WHEREAS, three written quotes were obtained for this work; and

WHEREAS, the most cost-effective and responsive proposal was submitted by Jireh Landscaping & Tree Service; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the Assistant Township Manager's recommendation on this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Township applied for and was awarded a state grant in the amount of \$1.3 million for recreation and park improvements; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase is \$4,500 and funds are available in Capital Account No. C-04-55-980-928-505, entitled Ordinance 2023-11 "Improvements to Parks & Recreation," as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer's Certification No. C2025-018.

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 to Jireh Landscaping & Tree Service, 61 Thoreau Drive, Plainsboro Township, NJ 08536, for the for the removal of trees at Westfield Park in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.00, in accordance with the attached quote.

It was MOVED by Zoller, SECONDED by Katawick to approve Resolution R2025-095.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-095 was approved.

Resolution R2025-096 Amending Resolution R2025-072, "Action on Resurfacing of Westfield Park Tennis Courts"

**RESOLUTION R2025-096
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2025, by Resolution R2025-072, Mayor and Council awarded a contract to ATT Sports, Inc./Halecon, Inc. for resurfacing the tennis courts at Westfield Park; and

WHEREAS, Resolution R2025-072 needs to be amended, as the contractor has submitted a revised quote for the project with an amended scope of work through E.S.C.N.J. Contract No. 24/25-01 of the New Jersey State Approved Co-op No. 65MCESCCPS, from \$264,340 to \$257,140, resulting in a price reduction of \$7,500; and

WHEREAS, East Windsor Township is a member of the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (E.S.C.N.J.) Cooperative Pricing System and, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10, the Township can purchase materials which have been bid for by the lead agency on the Township's behalf; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the Assistant Township Manager's recommendation on this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Township applied for and was awarded a state grant in the amount of \$1.3 million for recreation and park improvements; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase is \$257,140 and funds are available in Capital Account No. C-04-55-980-928-505, entitled Ordinance 2023-11 "Improvements to Parks & Recreation," as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer's Certification No. C2025-017.

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. Resolution R2025-072 is hereby amended to reduce the quote from \$264,340 to \$257,140, resulting in a price reduction of \$7,500, for the resurfacing and repair of two tennis courts at Westfield Park, submitted by ATT Sports, Inc./Halecon, Inc., through E.S.C.N.J. Contract No. 24/25-01 of the New Jersey State Approved Co-op No. 65MCESCCPS, for a total amount not to exceed \$257,140, in accordance with the attached quote.
2. The Manager and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward a purchase requisition to ATT Sports, Inc./Halecon, Inc., 115B Cross Keys Road, Berlin, NJ 08009 for the for the resurfacing and repair of the two tennis courts at Westfield Park, in an amount not to exceed \$257,140, in accordance with the attached quote.

Mayor Mironov noted that color choices would be finalized soon and welcomed any input from Council members. General preferences for certain colors were discussed, and a consensus was reached to move forward with the selected options.

It was MOVED by Lippman, SECONDED by Russell to approve Resolution R2025-096 with revisions.

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

There being seven (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-096 was approved with revisions.

Resolution R2025-097 Approval of Township Emergency Operation Plan

RESOLUTION R2025-097
EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP
MERCER COUNTY

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey requires each municipality to have a certified Emergency Operating Plan (EOP) in order to maintain its eligibility for Federal Assistance in the event of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the "Basic Plan" is part of the Township Emergency Operating Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Operating Plan is due for recertification during the month of June 2025.

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 Basic Plan within the Emergency Operations Plan, of the Township of East Windsor, Office of Emergency Management, is hereby approved.
2. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Emergency Operations Plan for East Windsor Township.

It was MOVED by Katawick, SECONDED by Whittington to approve Resolution R2025-097.

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

There being seven (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Resolution 2025-097 was approved.

Resolution R2025-XXX Authorizing Purchase of LED Pedestrian Crossing Signs from National Highway Products

Mayor Mironov stated that Council should consider whether to proceed with installation now or wait for possible grant funding. Council agreed to revisit the matter once additional information is available. It was noted that related items were included in a recent grant application, and staff will follow up on the anticipated award timeline.

APPLICATIONS:

There were no applications.

REPORTS BY COUNCIL AND STAFF

Council Member Zoller noted that the Environmental Commission held an Arbor Day event at PAL Field on Saturday, distributing 100 redwood seedlings to attendees and field users. Four volunteers participated. Seedlings are often planted as school projects, though follow-up on planting locations is not tracked.

Council Member Russell advised that the Economic Development Board met last Thursday to discuss the upcoming State of the Township Address and other projects. Map updates are pending due to a paper delay but are expected to be completed and mailed out this week.

Council Member Katawick noted that the Commission on Aging meeting is postponed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

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

APPOINTMENTS:

There were no appointments.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Mayor Mironov stated a 2024 Current Bill list, 2025 Current Bill list, a Capital Bill List and other miscellaneous bill lists, and trust accounts were provided.

Mr. Zoller referenced the current 2024 information page and questioned a charge of \$715.

Mr. Frueh, the Finance director, stated it's a minor variance between the state report and internal records, related to family leave and unemployment taxes.

Mr. Zoller noted on the current 2025 page 5 under the alarm system for Volunteer Fire Company No.2, two identical entries were identified with different billing dates- March and April. The vendor listed was Jersey Auto Supply. Clarifications was requested to determine if this was a duplicate charge asked Township Manager to follow up.

Mr. Zoller asked that all future recreation bills include a clear breakdown of charges.

It was MOVED by Russell, SECONDED by Whittington to approve the various Bills lists with the requested clarifications.

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

Nays – None

There being seven (7) ayes and no (0) nays, the various Bills lists were approved with the requested clarifications.

MATTERS BY COUNCIL:

Mayor Mironov stated the May 20 meeting was cancelled due to scheduling conflicts and has been rescheduled for May 27, with full participation expected.

Council reviewed the bills list memo received from Mr. Buckingham; no questions raised.

Mayor Mironov requested clarification on the tax refund process and related listings.

Mayor Mironov stated a memo was received regarding the Wilshire Bridge payment and stormwater mapping payment.

Mayor Mironov stated Tax Collector's Annual Report for 2025 was received.

Mayor Mironov reported that a thank-you letter was received from Hickory Corner Library, expressing appreciation for the Township's donation supporting programming for youth and adults. A second thank- you letter was received from the HHS After Prom Committee for a recent donation.

Mayor Mironov stated that a report was received from Chief Hart regarding the Operation Medicine Cabinet event, during which an additional 42 pounds of medication were collected. This allowed for a total of 302 pounds to be safely disposed of.

Mayor Mironov announced that the Township has received Tree City USA designation.

Mayor Mironov inquired whether all financial disclosure statements had been submitted. The Clerk confirmed full compliance.

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTION WHERE APPROPRIATE:

1. Cannabis Municipal Zoning

Ordinance 2025-06

An Ordinance to Create a New Subchapter 5-25 "Cannabis Regulation" Under Chapter 5, "General Police Regulations", of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of East Windsor, to Restrict the Operation of Cannabis Businesses Within the Township's Geographical Boundaries to Certain Designated Areas and Zones

Mayor Mironov stated that a single retail license is proposed along Route 130 between Hickory Corner Road and Route 133. Neighboring municipalities have reported no issues with similar operations. Based on comparable towns, suggest a moderate financial benefit. The Township will issue an RFP with defined license restrictions. It was emphasized that this is not a final vote, but rather a step to allow further investigation and public discussion. A public comment session will be included. Mr. Lippman and Mr. Katawick expressed support and emphasized prioritizing the initiative. Mr. Russell was in favor of moving forward. Mr. Zoller and Mr. Whittington were not in support, citing moral concerns.

Motion to approve on introduction, authorize publication as required by law, refer to the Planning Board for review, and set public hearing for June 10, 2025.

It was MOVED by Katawick, SECONDED by Whittington to approve Ordinance 2025-06 on introduction, authorize publication as required by law, and set public hearing for June 10, 2025.

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

There being six (7) ayes, and no (0) nays, Ordinance 2025-06 was approved on introduction publication authorized as required by law, and public hearing set for June 10, 2025.

MATTERS BY PUBLIC:

No one from the public spoke.

ADJOURNMENT:

Next Meeting: May 27, 2025

Allison Quigley
Municipal Clerk

Janice S. Mironov
Mayor