
TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY

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- () b. (1) Confidential or excluded matters, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court.
 - () b. (2) A matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
 - () b. (3) Material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
 - (X) b. (4) A collective bargaining agreement including negotiations.
 - AFSCME 2275
 - () b. (5) Purchase, lease or acquisition of real property, setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if disclosed.
 - () b. (6) Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, if disclosure could impair such protection. Investigation of violations of the law.
 - (X) b. (7) Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than in subsection b. (4) herein or matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.
 - Contracts - MUA
 - (X) b. (8) Personnel matters.
 - DPW Interim Director
 - () b. (9) Deliberations after a public hearing that may result in penalties.
2. The time when the matter(s) discussed pursuant to Paragraph 1 hereof can be disclosed to the public is as soon as practicable after final resolution of the aforesaid matter(s).

Adopted: April 6, 2016

Moved: Erik Seconded: Dale
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, Dale, Signorino, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

The Governing Body went into executive session at 6:33 pm.
The Governing Body returned to the public meeting at 7:17 pm with all members present as before.

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Action Items - Finance Matters:

Mr. Casey addressed the governing body about the budget. He said that the auditor has prepared final documents to be used by the State of New Jersey based upon the budget that the council has reviewed. Mr. Casey noted that the action before the governing body tonight is two things. First, the auditor recommended that Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia provide an ordinance to increase the cap base. Mr. Casey explained that it does not change any of the expending plans that have been adopted in the draft ordinance. It reserved the right to determine exactly the appropriations for the town without putting an artificial cap on it. Secondly, if the council would decide to take up some of the suggestions that have been made in terms of additional items, those items might be outside of the cap. He explained that it would impose a restraint upon the governing body. By adopting the ordinance and changing the cap base, the budget does not change; the council would simply have the final decision. Mr. Casey stated that what you would have to do is introduce that ordinance first, have the council consider the budget, and then schedule the public hearing. He explained that it does not prevent the council from meeting and that meeting will probably be before the meeting in May to have further discussion on the budget. Mr. Casey said if the process isn't started, the process would be started in June or July and that is not recommended. He said that the auditor has basically put in place the documents needed to go forward with the budget to get the process started. The goal is to finalize the budget in the middle of May.

Mr. Casey asked if the governing body had any questions about the document that was prepared by the auditor. Mayor Bieri said that for the council and the public's edification, the budget hearing where the public has the right to speak is set for May 18th. Councilman Signorino said that he certainly does not support it the way the budget is right now, but he is willing to move forward towards the end goal. Mr. Casey said the document is what was discussed last week in the final format. He explained that this does not have to be adopted until after the public hearing which is scheduled for May. He noted that the discussion can continue after the public hearing for as long as it takes to make a final decision. Mayor Bieri said that previous councils did not necessarily follow this kind of schedule and the budget was not

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introduced until June or July. By the time the budget was actually adopted, it was August and three quarters of your money was spent already. She stated that it's just too late into the game. Mr. Casey said that the real issue in that scenario is the August tax bills. He explained that an estimated bill can be done, but that costs \$10,000 because the process has to be repeated twice. Mayor Bieri said that it saves on doing the second mailing and the costs associated with that in terms of postage, materials and staff. The council agreed. Mayor Bieri said that the goal would be to get this done properly and as soon as possible.

Mr. Casey explained that the budget being introduced tonight continues with the present tax rate as it is now. In addition, the budget being introduced increases the municipal purpose tax by about two and half cents. He stated that this year's budget is a smaller increase than has been adopted in the last three years. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that she and Mr. Casey have discussed, having the budget adopted on the May 18th, the same night as the public hearing. If there were meetings in between, amendments could be completed, the budget could be adopted on the same night as the public hearing. Mayor Bieri said that we will have to see how the council progresses with their meetings and what kind of decision making they can do. She agreed and stated that it would be the ideal goal. Councilman Signorino said that this is very refreshing to see where we have come from in the last six years and appreciates that we are moving with this.

Mayor Bieri asked the governing body if there are any more questions for Mr. Casey. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia asked the governing body if they would like to start the amendment process by meeting early at 5:30pm on the May workshop meeting. The council gave consensus. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that the governing body has items from the capital budget to discuss further tonight. Mr. Casey said that one of the other issues on the agenda tonight is a resolution to amend the temporary budget to \$155,000 in the capital improvement fund. He explained that it will allow the council to now proceed with the capital budget assuming that the governing body has reached a final agreement on the items in it. Councilman Signorino said as far as the capital budget, there are some items that he is opposed to. He asked if the council decided to change some of the items, would tonight be the appropriate time to do that. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that you would have to do it tonight. Mr. Casey said that you could do it if you had another meeting between now and then. He stated that we need at least a week between the final decision that you make and the bond attorney drafting the final document. He explained that you can have him start the document now with the understanding that before he pushes the send button, it may be amended. Councilman Signorino said there were four trucks that were proposed for DPW. He noted that he has been opposed to the idea only because those are four trucks that he has never heard about. He stated that he doesn't support buying all four of these very large, very expensive trucks and is amendable to replacing those two trucks with the excavator and maybe two mason dump trucks. That would satisfy the request from two different departments. Council President Dale said that we would not be looking to reduce the overall dollar amount, but to just redistribute the funding. Councilman Signorino said that he would certainly love to reduce the funding amount. He said that he has mentioned this before and has always been trying to reduce the debt. He stated that he would support that amount if we were to make those changes so it would be more efficient. Mr. Casey said that the goal amount is \$3 million and have designed a budget that is within that limit. He said that the point that is being raised now is a discussion that the council has had and is purely the majority rule. He explained that we have had the discussion relative to doing two trucks but then we have the issue with the BARC relating to the diesel upgrades. We found out that the upgrades are being done by the state and even if we did the upgrade, there would only be two to three years of life left. He stated that the council seemed to feel at that point in time to just replace them because they would not meet the new air quality standards and we wouldn't be able to delay replacing them. Mayor Bieri said that we talked about the cost of the retrofitting and it wouldn't increase the longevity of the trucks. She said that the question before us is about the four trucks. She explained that it is possible that they only need two of the large trucks and they can substitute smaller trucks that can get the job done. The big trucks are very expensive are more costly to operate and maintain. Mr. Casey noted that if you would like to pursue that line of discussion, we would have to bring DPW in and talk further with them relative to their alignment of trucks. Mr. Casey mentioned that he does not disagree because he had some difference with public works on that same issue relative to the 6 cubic yard vs dropping back to a 3 cubic yard supersized mason. He stated that we would really have to have public works come in because they do the plowing and know better what needs to be done. Councilman Signorino said he would be in support of that.

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Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that she has spoken with Ed Steines, the Interim Director. She said that her understanding of what a modified request looked like would be to have two of those trucks purchased this year and an excavator. He believes that the excavator is highly important. Ms. Battaglia explained that rather than proceeding with the capital budget, he would forestall any other requests this year and submit a capital budget next year that would address the other truck needs for the department. She said that it would leave some of the funds in there potentially to be used to offset the costs for a vehicle for community services. Mr. Casey said that the excavator trades equal to one of the large trucks. He said that it would give you \$192,000 and \$77,000 for community services. Mr. Casey also noted that the DPW had a request for another masonry dump that they had in for next year. The issue would be that we can put that money in the bond ordinance but we can't spend the money for anything else. If we don't spend it in the bond ordinance, we can cancel it back. Township Attorney Semrau said that it is his understanding as well. Mr. Casey said that you can do that, move in that direction knowing that you will be making a final decision on that at a later point in time. He said that a bond ordinance could be written in such a fashion to list all of the vehicles and then take an order of priority on how the council would like to do it. That way, if we can't get to it then we can't.

Mayor Bieri asked the Administrator if she can get a memo from Mr. Steines outlining specifically what he feels would satisfy the needs of the department. She said particularly referring to the large trucks because we may be able to get some big trucks and some smaller trucks to handle different needs and different roads. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that she will get the memo. She explained that her concern is needing definitive direction tonight because we don't have a meeting scheduled between now and the April 20th meeting. She said the bond council would need to draft the ordinance I the council was to introduce in April. She noted that it is the councils only shot to introduce, and then go for adoption at the Workshop meeting in May so we can proceed with the capital purchases. Mayor Bieri asked if we can include all of those items knowing that we can't afford them all with the bond that we are doing and then just don't purchase them. Mr. Casey said that we can do it that way. Mayor Bieri said that you can write out the bond ordinance that it is all inclusive and then we only apply what we are willing to spend. Mr. Casey agreed.

Councilman Wagner said that with the recreation department, they have one mason dump and one F350. He asked if the F350 would be replaced as well. Mr. Casey said that the F350 will be put off until next year. He stated that we will put it in there bond ordinance for one or more masonry dumps. He explained that Mr. Steines could come back and say that he will trade one of the dumps so there is some flexibility there. Councilman Wagner said that the mason dump trucks in the recreation department are in bad shape. He explained that we have three mason dumps, one is out of service, the second one is inoperative, and the third one is rusted. There is a crew of four and they are down to one mason dump. In addition, the other mason truck acts as a pickup truck and the other one is in bad shape. Mayor Bieri said to make it all conclusive so the governing body can then analyze the department. Council President Dale said we are only covering the dollar amount. She asked how we distribute the dollar amount is the question. Mr. Casey said that we have all agreed on \$3 million. He said we also have to be definitive enough that the bond ordinance will say the type of equipment and will list the items. He stated that we can write that in the way to give you that flexibility. Mayor Bieri indicated that is what we are looking for.

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~ Ordinance 2016 - 007 ~

**FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016
ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW
JERSEY TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A
CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 0.0% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING INCREASE IN DEFERRED SCHOOL TAXES FOR LOCAL SCHOOL TAXES

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services requires that the Governing Body of any municipality which has Deferred School Taxes must authorize any increase in the deferral of any additional amounts, and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has decided that an increase in Deferred School Taxes is in the best interest of the Township at this time,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body that the following Deferred School Taxes be hereby increased for the year ended December 31, 2015 as follows:

	Deferred Local School Taxes
Amount Deferred 12/31/15	27,040,286.00
Amount Deferred 12/31/14	26,770,111.00
	270,175.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Governing Body that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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~ Resolution 2016 - 127 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE INTRODUCTION OF THE 2016 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AND THE 2016 SOLID WASTE BUDGET

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT			
SUMMARY OF CURRENT FUND SECTION OF APPROVED BUDGET			
			YEAR 2016
General Appropriations For: (Reference to item and sheet number should be omitted in advertised budget)			XXXXXXXXXX
1. Appropriations within "CAPS"			XXXXXXXXXX
(a) Municipal Purposes {(Item H-1, Sheet 19) (N.J.S. 40A:4-45.2)}			25,411,760.53
2. Appropriations excluded from "CAPS"			XXXXXXXXXX
(a) Municipal Purposes {(Items H-2, Sheet 28) (N.J.S. 40A:4-45.3 as amended)}			6,320,733.88
(b) Local District School Purposes in Municipal Budget (Item K, Sheet 29)			
Total General Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" (Item O, Sheet 29)			6,320,733.88
3. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item M, Sheet 29) - Based on Estimated 97.995% Percent of Tax Collections			2,075,000.00
4. Total General Appropriations (Item 9, Sheet 29)			33,807,494.41
5. Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Tax (Item 5, Sheet 11) (i.e., Surplus, Miscellaneous Revenues and Receipts from Delinquent Taxes)			10,166,314.41
6. Difference: Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget (as follows)			XXXXXXXXXX
(a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)			22,620,540.00
(b) Addition to Local District School Tax (Item 6(b), Sheet 11)			
(c) Minimum Library Tax (Item 6(c), Sheet 11)			1,020,640.00

SOLID WASTE COLLECTION DISTRICT RESOLUTION

Section 1.
 Municipal Budget of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic for the Fiscal year 2016
 Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2016;
 Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published in the Herald News
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~ Resolution 2016 – 128 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE 2016 TEMPORARY BUDGET TO BE AMENDED

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2016 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2016-024 for the initial temporary appropriations budget needs to be amended; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2016-121 will take effect April 1, 2016 of said temporary appropriations extended and limited to 34.25% of the total appropriation in the 2015 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service public assistance, and capital improvement funds in said 2015 budget, and

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WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford Council would like to introduce a capital ordinance and need to raise the 5% down payment for said Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford that the following temporary budget appropriation be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for their records:

APPROPRIATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	2015 BUDGET AS ADOPTED	2016 TEMPORARY BUDGET
Capital Improvement Fund	01-201-44-900-200	\$50,000.00	\$155,000.00

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Presentations

Township-owned Ballfields and Parks and Overview of BOE Fields - Ray Guarino, RAC Chairman

Mr. Guarino thanked the council for allowing the presentation. He explained that the power point is an overview of the Township owned and Board of Ed owned field and parks. He noted that pictures are included in the presentation as reference to the current conditions. Mr. Guarino stated that there are many people here who are lifelong residents of the town and we remember what the fields looked like many years ago compared to what the fields look like today. He stated that he would like to see some improvement in our fields and to have a good discussion about the equipment that is needed for the recreation department. He explained that we would like to make this a town where people are proud to call it home and create an inviting environment for kids and parents. In addition, he would like to talk about the new town maintenance program that is in place consisting of an annual list of items that need to be addressed.

Mr. Guarino gave an overview of current conditions of the township owned fields. He explained that there are currently renovations in progress at the Teen Center and the town is going through the plans to install an elevator as well. For the future, there are plans in place to recreate Farrell Field Complex in 2017 as well as Nosenzo Pond which will be completed with grant funding. Other improvements include the instillation of team benches at Bubbling Springs and to replacing the dugouts at Echo Lake. He said that the town is getting grant funding from Passaic County to help pay for extending fences at Bubbling Springs as well. Mr. Guarino stated it is great that the town is applying for these grants and would like to encourage some conversation from the council with the Board of Education to do the same for their fields.

Mr. Guarino addressed the council regarding the Board of Education fields. He said that there needs to be collaboration between the two groups. He explained that the town uses a lot of these fields and especially for the soccer program. Mr. Guarino gave an overview of current conditions of the Board of Education owned fields. He noted that we need to think about the future and all of the problems can be corrected. For many years the town has just let things go and its time where we need to decide what we want to do. Mr. Guarino gave an overview about the recreation equipment. He said that one of the mason dump trucks is twenty one year old and he has been told that the plan is to replace the trucks every 10 years. There is also another mason dump truck that needs a hydraulic lift therefore the dump does not work. He suggested spending some money to replace it if possible so it can be utilized. The third truck that was mentioned earlier was the F350 that is rusted. He said that we can't utilize the F350 for dumping clay and bringing material to the fields. Mr. Guarino noted that there are efficiencies that we can gain by having the right equipment. He explained that the recreation department has a list of things that they need to do for the town maintenance plan. He stated that there are over 20 fields, parks and playgrounds that the recreation department is responsible for and that is a lot to cover. Additionally, Mr. Guarino suggested the governing body talk to the experts like Mr. Roetman with respect to these fields. He expressed that he is a wealth of knowledge and a great resource in the department. Mr. Guarino expressed that his request is for a council to schedule meetings on a regular basis with the Board of education to benefit and strengthen and town.

Mayor Bieri suggested starting with Mr. Roetman to start coming up with a plan. Once there is a plan put together then we would need to schedule meetings between the two entities because we would have to approve funding. Councilman Signorino said at the last meeting that we had, this was one of the main topics discussed. They were very open to it and we examined some of the issues that we had with certain fields. He stated that they have done a great job compiling all of the different fields and the issues. He explained that he has reached out to the Board of Education and should be hearing back from our clerk to

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set up another meeting for the subcommittee with the council. Councilman Signorino noted as far as commitment, he is willing to put in the time. He said that if he can help in any way, he certainly will. Mr. Guarino said that he appreciates the dialogue.

Mayor Bieri stated that there are a couple of things that she would like to mention. Based on the presentation, she very much appreciated what the Recreation Advisory Committee has done. She noted that Tim Roetman is not only an incredible resource but knows what needs to be done and is creating efficiencies. We are in the beginning stages of addressing all of these items because we finally have someone in place that knows how to address it. She said that when it comes to the governing body, they have really taken the lead in better priorities and Council President Dale in particular has been a really big advocate of looking forward and long range planning. She said that it's the strategic of both financial and implementation planning that has not been done in the past but the governing body is doing it. In addition, not to say that our fields don't need work, but most of the worse fields were actually the BOE fields. Mayor Bieri said Mr. Guarino mentioned the renovations in the Teen Center. She explained that she personally wrote and presented those grants for the playground at Nosenzo Pond and the Farrell field stage one. She explained that the council has agreed that we will wait a year or two and do the whole thing and get more funding. She stated that this kind of long range planning didn't exist in the past. In addition, the township asked the residents to approve an amendment to the open space funds so now we are able to use it for not only acquisitions but for recreation. This governing body, with the majority of approval, has agreed to focus some of those funds on recreation so we are all heading in the right direction.

Mayor Bieri mentioned the plan for new roofs for the Board of Education in the amount of around \$8 million dollars. She noted that the language in the ordinance was rather loosely written as for new roof replacement and other facility improvements and the bids came lower than the bonded amount. Mayor Bieri stated that since there is extra money available, they should be used for those fields. She said that since the town is into recreation, the idea of them improving the fields should be promoted to them. Councilman Wager said that he would like to commend Mr. Guarino because he did a tremendous job. He stated that as the recreation advisory liaison, it's been a pleasure since day one being a part of this committee. He said that he would like to emphasize continued dialog between this council and the Board of Education and would like to encourage the council to set up more meetings and timelines. He explained that we have made huge strides this year and it has shown. We are very fortunate to have Tim Roetman as the director because he has done a fantastic job and outlined a lot of the fixes for this year and next year. He would like the liaisons to have a discussion with the directors and everyone who can help make those decisions moving forward.

Beautification & Recycling – T-Shirt Presentation

Bill Weaver addressed the Council about the Beautification Day on April 23rd. He explained that he is the Chairman of the Beautification and Recycling Committee and handed out t-shirts to the council. He thanked the West Milford Elks Club for cooking and supplying the food for the third year in a row. They also do a lot of fundraising for the town and have dinners on Friday nights for the residents. In addition, they also have breakfast on the second Sunday of every month. Mr. Weaver also thanked his committee for the work that they do. He explained that they work six months out of the year for this event as well as the ALF event. Additionally, the subcommittee goes around and to clean the litter in town.

Mr. Weaver stated that he likes to do things that promote kids and get them involved. This year they came up with the idea to do a coloring book and use the artwork for the kids that did not get picked. Fifteen pictures from the middle school were chosen for the coloring book and will be passed out at the Beautification Day. Mr. Weaver listed the names of the kids who were picked for the coloring book. He encouraged people to come out and volunteer for the April 23rd Beautification Day and thanked everyone who has helped out with the township. Councilwoman Lichtenberg added that if you cannot attend, you can pick up the trash the weekend before or the weekend after to still help and get involved. Mayor Bieri said if you want volunteer you can register in advance, you can call the recycling department. She noted that they supply all of the material that you would need and you can enjoy the after party with some food. Mr. Weaver said there are awards presented for the most unique, most valuable, and oldest garbage. He said that it amazing how many the businesses in the town help out with this committee and this weekend and he is proud to be the chairman.

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Proclamations

None

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the idea about number two listed. The removal would be coming from the committee or commission itself, asking the council for consideration to remove one of their members. It gives the ability of these boards, committees and commissions to operate more productively and more efficiently. He noted that having something in place that outlines the procedure is a wise venture. Council President Dale said she agrees with Councilman Hensley and indicated that if we have the ability to appoint, we should all have the discretion to remove. She explained that the policy outlines a nice way of going about it and there is a formal process. The process would be to get the feedback to the council, have it go to a vote, and if the majority decides that a person should not be serving in that capacity. Councilman Wagner stated that number one is for a council member to submit the written request not that committee. He said that he would be very uncomfortable being in that position because you might not like that person and you decide that you want that person removed. He said that this has not been done in the past and it should not be done in the future. Council President Dale said that number two covers your concerns. Councilman Signorino explained you are allowing the committee to decide who is going to stay as opposed to the council and that's not the way it is. Councilman Hensley explained that you are having the committee make a recommendation for council consideration.

Township Attorney Semrau said that from a legal perspective, there are some things to consider. It's one thing to have a standard about the absentees, because that's very clear and defined and it's consistent with other areas of law. He said that the law is generally silent when it comes to appointments for volunteers. Township Attorney Semrau noted that we would have to refine it a little more. If we had issues with performance, we would have to have very specific standards and they would have to be made aware when appointed. Everyone would have a right when they are appointed, just like they would if they were an employee. He stated that if you take that right away, they have a right to have a fair determination. Township Attorney Semrau said if you want to go in this direction, this is a good starting point but there would be a way to go to make sure it is very defined and the opportunity for everyone to be heard in the process.

Councilman Wagner said if it is not broken, why fix it. Council President Dale said that we have had issues in the past. Councilwoman Erik stated that she would like to speak about number one and two on the list. Number one says that if the person seeking appointment shall not nominate or second his or her own nomination. Councilwoman Erik stated that you are taking away a council member's vote. In regard to number two, the person seeking appointment shall abstain from voting on said appointment. She noted that again, you are taking away the right of the council person to vote. Councilwoman Erik added that she completely agrees with number three. The council should not consider an elected official for appointment to a board, commission, or committee unless there are no citizen leadership forms on file with the clerk. Number four, if any elected person is serving as a citizen member, on a board committee, or commission, at the time that this policy is adopted, that council person should serve until the expiration of their current term unless he or she wishes to resign. She stated that if it's not broke, let's not fix it. Mayor Bieri said that the issue was that an elected official shouldn't serve in the capacity of a citizen if there are citizens available. She said that she sees Councilwoman Erik's point, is it fair to take away a vote that they get to otherwise have. They have the right to vote on every issue, but not this and still leaving the majority of the council. Mayor Bieri said what might solve these issues is just number having three and four on the list. Nobody from the governing body should be on there unless there are no citizen members and if you are currently serving, you can't get booted off. She said that she doesn't know if it's necessary to remove their vote because if the majority supports that, and there are no citizen members, then it would stay vacant. Councilman Signorino said that the vacancy isn't indefinite. There have been plenty of times where there has been a vacancy and then someone with interest comes up and they are qualified and they apply. But now we are talking about having a council person taking a citizen's spot so it defeats the purpose of having the citizen committee. Councilman Signorino explained that he would favor leaving it open so if someone qualified will volunteer. Councilman Wagner said if a citizen is going to come forward and the position is filled with a council member, that council member should step down. Councilman Signorino said that if you leave that opportunity, you are removing a council person. It seems like there are grey areas or areas of abuse. He said that he would certainly like to have the vacancy and then have a citizen come forward, knowing that there is a vacancy instead of eliminating it. Councilman Hensley said that he is in favor of keeping numbers one and two because it would show good faith by that council person.

Mayor Bieri said that the first issue is, are you willing to have council person serve at all

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in these positions if there is a vacancy. At that point, would we leave a vacancy, or fill it with a council member. Councilman Wagner said that he would be in favor if there was a vacancy for three months. He said it gives time for public notice. Council President Dale said that the citizen leadership forms can be put in at any time and are kept on file for a year's period. If someone is interested, and there is not a vacancy at the time, it is kept on file. Councilman Hensley said that he doesn't believe that a council member should serve as a citizen member. He said but perhaps, if a commission or committee requested that a council person fill the vacancy. He explained that there have been quorum issues in the past, so a council member can volunteer to temporarily fill that space. Mayor Bieri said that you are suggesting that an elected official could serve in a citizen spot, provided that the committee or commission was putting in that request. A discussion ensued about the timeline of appointing vacant positions. Mayor Bieri said that we are trying to get to some sort of consensus that we can vote on, and it will either be approved or not approved. And even if a policy were established, or a consensus for a policy to be established tonight, the policy would go into effect because then we are going to need the attorney to write it up, so no one will be effected tonight. Mayor Bieri said that the last idea was if there is a vacancy, and there are no citizen leadership forms on file, and the committee or commission request the council person to fill the position, would you be agreeable.

Councilman Signorino said that he would like to make a motion to not allow council members to take on citizen member positions, under any circumstances. Councilman Wagner seconded the motion. Township Attorney Semrau said that from a legal perspective, even if you vote yes or no, at any point in time if there is a vacancy, you can suspend the policy. You are not forever bound by the policy.

Mayor Bieri said that the vote is that no council members can serve in citizen vacancies on committees, commissions, and boards.

Moved: Signorino Seconded: Wagner
Voted Aye: Wagner, Signorino
Voted Nay: Erik, Hensley, Dale, Lichtenberg
Motion defeated.

Mayor Bieri said that the motion was defeated so the majority of the council feels that there are circumstances that a council member should be in the citizen positions. Councilman Hensley said that he would like to reiterate his point. In the unlikely situation that a council person would be sought out or that vacancy, it would have to come from the committee or commission to request a council person. He expressed that he would like to maintain numbers one through four. Mayor Bieri said Councilman Hensley made a request to add another condition that would require a committee, commission or board to make the request. Councilman Hensley agreed. He also said that maybe we should not have number one and two on there so they could nominate themselves because it's strictly coming from the board, committee, or commission. Mayor Bieri said so now eliminate one and two but make it upon recommendation from the committee, commission or board as well as making the term no longer than one year. Councilman Wagner said that a council person has more responsibility than to serve as a citizen member. He said that we are supposed to be the leaders of the town and the liaison to those committees. Mayor Bieri said it is a good idea for the recommendation to come from the board, committee, or commission because if they are making that request, and they might not be getting that citizen leadership form. There are three steps that way and four requirements to be met.

Councilman Hensley made a motion to vote what was just discussed. Mayor Bieri summarized that there are four requirements in order for a council member to serve in a citizen position on a committee, commission, or a board. 1. There are no citizen leadership forms on file for that committee, commission or board. 2. There is to be a recommendation from the committee, commission or board to fill the vacancy by the governing body member. 3. There is to be a term limit maximum of one year (expiring 12/31 of that year). 4. It will require the majority of the governing body for approval. The council clarified that this just applies to the town council. Councilwoman Dale made a second.

Moved: Hensley Seconded: Dale
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Dale, Lichtenberg

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James Ronayne, 28 Ormond Road, Hewitt put together some suggestions that go over our confidence, exposure, and costs that were based on some of the budget information that was talked about today. He provided a handout to the council. Mr. Ronayne said that the gypsy moth issue is extremely important and the council should continue to fight this issue. He explained how the gypsy moths effect the environment and trees. He stated that we should continue to do this every year and need to keep up and fight these animals.

Mr. Ronayne went through his handout and addressed the council about trucks that were talked about in the budget. He said that the recreation department had a truck in bad shape. In addition, they are requesting a new truck that is so powerful that it is costing \$70,000 and then another \$30,000 to retrofit it for plowing. He said that is total of \$100,000. He suggested purchasing a less costly vehicle and put a proposed truck in his handout for the council's consideration. He explained that the truck is a Ford F250 heavy duty and it only costs \$36,000. For \$5,000, you can have a trailer with its own dump to pull it behind so it can be used between the recreation department and DPW. Mr. Ronayne said that this truck and trailer would be saving money and with other add-ons like a plow and spreader, it would be under \$40,000. He said that it will provide the services that we need and keep the budget lower so we don't have to raise taxes for our community.

Mr. Ronayne said that the next thing that was talked about was summer help. He stated that it's the greatest thing to build confidence in the community with hiring within the community. He suggested hiring within West Milford but sourcing out the human resources part of it because they could help with finding the right personnel and they would be responsible for the workers compensation and unemployment. He noted that it will take the burden off of us. Mr. Ronayne mentioned that West Milford was number 43 in the State of New Jersey for the safest town. He said that it is a major accomplishment because there are 565 municipalities in the state. He noted that the reason he is bringing it up is because there was a conversation at the last meeting regarding patrolmen turning off their vehicles. He explained that turning off the vehicle is the worst thing you can do and gave a list of concerns and hazards. Lastly, he addressed the council regarding the AA+ rating. He said that keeping that is important for many reasons. He stated that he is proud to live in this town and it is great for the community to have a high rating.

Bob Nicholson, 20 Hyde Rd, Stockholm stated that he wanted to talk about an opening in the EDC for alternate number two. Regarding the topic of taking members off, someone has mentioned about the legalities of the situation. He said you might have a member with health issues and removing him could not be in the best interest of the township or could be a discrimination suit. It's something that should be considered before opening up the position. He feels it's not a good idea. As far as the recreation department, he likes the idea but and we need money for the fields. Mr. Nicholson said that the only thing that he didn't hear is how much it would cost. If it is the \$2 million that was mentioned, that is 7% of our capital budget. He explained that maybe that's not the number but that is an unacceptable number. He suggested that recreation use fundraising like the ambulance corp. He said that he does not disagree that they are in disrepair, but he doesn't agree that the tax payers should be funding all of these repairs. We should try other ways and all the ways possible to get it done.

Tom Lennon, 47 Goldfinch Lane said Ms. Buchtman spoke on behalf of some people on the road but is not speaking on his behalf. He stated that he is 100% in favor of the town fixing our road. He explained that it is a safe place to live but not to walk or ride a bicycle. Mr. Lennon said that the town got sued and paid \$75,000 because a gentleman fell on a bicycle ride. In addition, he said to ask Ms. Buchtman why she has her own privately paved parking spot on Goldfinch Lane if the road is fine. He explained that he can't get out of his driveway sometimes because the rain water cuts off some of his driveway. Mr. Lennon stated that he is speaking for the five people that want the road paved. At the last meeting, we were promised that we were going to get a post card vote. He said that we need a fair and impartial vote for that road. He noted that he does believe that Goldfinch Lane is a safety hazard and disaster.

William Anthony, 56 Goldfinch Lane stated that he is in favor of not paving the Goldfinch Lane. He said that he is in favor of what most of what Ms. Buchtman said and it would be a major financial burden for him. Mr. Anthony said that he agrees with Mr. Lennon and would like to see some sort of formal, official vote go out. Hopefully that will influence the town in the way that the majority of residents would like to go.

Jim Foody 2 Kushaqua Trail North, Hewitt noted that he would like to address a couple of things. First, the Mayor mentioned an extra \$2 million dollars that the Board of Education has. He explained that the roof project was a little over \$5.9 million and that's the amount that will be bonded for. He noted that we have not bonded yet so there is no \$2 million dollars left over. In addition, there was structural analysis done of solar panels on the school buildings. He stated that the only building that can be done is the high school because the elementary schools didn't have the structural ability to carry the extra weight. Mr. Foody said that the Board of Education had agreed for him to come up and ask the council about the

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possibility of both the board and the town council using a part of the Wallisch property to put up solar panels in the back. He said it would be an opportunity to offset some electrical cost and to help lower taxes. He explained that we have the highest taxes in the nation and Passaic County is number one on that list. Mr. Foody stated that he has walked the fields prior to the presentation. The fields are not as unsafe as someone has claimed but they are definitely unkempt. He said that we have to have that discussion between the groups and work together. He hopes that will happen in the future.

Pete McGuinness, 120 Lincoln Ave said he wanted to talk about a few issues. He noted that he is running this year for council. He stated that he supports the Recreational Advisory Committee and pushes for cooperation between the council and the Board of Education. He explained that he personally knows the conditions of a number of fields in this town because he has coached and is currently coaching numerous teams. Mr. McGuinness said that we need to work on maintaining the fields and not waiting until they are in disrepair and unplayable. The recreation department and the parks workers are doing a great job with a new maintenance but need the support from the council. In addition, he would like to come out publically and discuss having a debate with the council candidates for this June election. He explained that it's important for the public to know the level of knowledge and experience that each. He stated that he would like to formally request a debate with himself, Councilman Signorino and the other two running mates in a public location.

There being no more comments from the public, Councilwoman Erik moved to close the public portion of the meeting.

Moved: Erik Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Unanimous voice vote.
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Agenda No. IX

Council Comments

Councilman Signorino said that since he has been on the council, he has wanted to have the subcommittee between the Board of Education and the council. He explained that we have not always had a good rapport between the two boards and it's refreshing to have that opportunity to speak with them. Communication is very important. Councilman Signorino noted that he spoke with a member from the subcommittee to relay to the business administrator at the school district to set up a meeting to our clerk so we can discuss the issues that came up tonight.

Councilman Wagner stated that in response to Mr. Foody, we need more dialogue and more meetings. He said that he hopes that the Board of Education reaches out to the council liaisons to move forward.

Councilwoman Erik noted that the dump trailer is an awesome idea. She stated that she owns the truck that he is referring to and it can tow anything.

Councilman Hensley said to echo what Councilwoman Erik's said, it definitely would accomplish what the township needs at a fraction of the cost. He thanked Mr. Ronayne for the recommendation.

Mayor Bieri stated that she would like to thank Mr. Foody for the correction. She explained that the last thing that she would want to do is send out misinformation. In regard to the other comments, she asked if we can direct the administration to look into those ideas like the dump trailer and the outsourcing. Overall, the council's goal in regard to the capital budget is to get as much of the equipment in the most cost efficient manner. If there are other options other than the requests that were made by the department heads that could satisfy those needs, it would make sense to explore them.

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Discussion Items

3.	Discussion: Road Assessment Program Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia addressed the council about the road assessment program. She stated that they did meet with the residents as indicated in the memo. The turnout was rather low and there were 12 people in attendance, which did
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	<p>not reflect 12 households. She stated at the end of the meeting, both Brian Townsend and Erik Miller agreed that the feeling it is about 50/50. She explained that they did not commit to the residents that it would be a voluntary assessment or that they would send out a post card. In addition, difference between voluntary assessments opposed to mandatory assessments was revisited and discussed.</p> <p>Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said we are seeking direction from the governing body with regard to how to proceed. She noted that the residents in attendance did like the idea of it being a voluntary assessment or even that the governing body would garner what the sentiment from the community. Mayor Bieri said that from her perspective, assuming the council doesn't want to go to a mandatory assessment, it's important to get actual feedback and to provide firm information. She explained that there is a lot of misinformation out there about the effects of doing the road and the cost and that way they are making an educated decision and not based on hearsay and rumor. It would be hard to put all of that information in a post card. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia explained that we don't have hard, factual information to provide. We only have estimates on what the assessment will provide and what the cost will be. She said that we can send out a letter perhaps that would outline what was presented at the meeting. Mayor Bieri said that she understands about the estimates, but there were some issues that were raised by the residents from an engineering point of view that they were inaccurate. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said you can't really address those things in the letter going out because that is individual residents' sentiment. She stated that the residents had concerns that the road would not fit, but our engineering department has gone out and they strongly believe that it would not be an issue. Mr. Miller said that he can work with the residents if they are losing a parking spot, we can come up with an alternate solution. She said that it would begin when we go out there and begin the work process.</p> <p>Councilwoman Erik said that Beaver Dam was mentioned. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that there is an easement from the dam that goes under the road. Our preliminary assessment stated that it would not affect the installation of the road. Councilwoman Erik said there were questions from residents regarding the dam leaking and what would happen in a bad rain storm. Ms. Battaglia said that the DEP owns the dam and Mr. Miller has done his preliminary surveys and he does not deem it to be a concern. Mayor Bieri said that there is also a concern on increased runoff. She doesn't see that it will be increased because the grit and salt is already going into the lake currently. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that some of the residents believe that the wash off is not going into the lake. They believe from their own personal experience watching it, it is being washed into their lawns and front yards. When the storm drains go in and are installed properly, and they are to the standard that the township demands, it does limit the runoff into the lake. The way it is constructed, it does stop the salt and grit from getting into the lake. Some of the residents contest that perception and believe otherwise. Councilman Signorino said that maybe the issue is that we cannot keep up with cleaning those catch basins. Ms. Battaglia said that because it is a dirt road, there are no catch basins and we would be installing them. Councilman Signorino said that if they were put in, they would certainly work then. Mayor Bieri asked for direction from the council and if they are in favor of doing the road assessment for Goldfinch Lane. She said If so, does the council want it to be voluntary or mandatory and if it's voluntary, do you want to send out any type of notification. Councilman Wagner stated that we definitely need to survey the residents and get more input. Councilman Signorino said that he would be in favor of it being voluntary. Councilman Hensley noted that he likes the idea of trying to include the factual information from our perspective because it could alleviate some fears that they might have. Councilman Wagner explained that safety is number one and if we do find that it is a safety issue then we should make it mandatory. Mayor Bieri asked if the council agreed on starting a survey of the residents and providing the residents with some basic information. Consensus by all.</p>
4.	<p>Discussion: Tax Bills Insert Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said last year the governing body had an insert in the tax bills. She explained that we may be better off postponing this discussion and waiting for the Board of Education and the county to come in with their budgets to determine whether we would want to do a two year analysis or to limit it to this year. She noted that she will put the discussion on the agenda for the May workshop meeting.</p>
5.	<p>Discussion: Energy Star Program Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that the Environmental Commission is asking for consideration to get the silver certification from Sustainable Jersey. They are</p>

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	proposing to survey the utilities on all municipal buildings and noted that they would require some assistance from staff. They are looking for consensus to proceed in this manner. The council gave consensus.
6.	Ordinance: Prohibit Smoking at Entrances and Exits of Public and Commercial Buildings Mayor Bieri said that this issue was raised by some cub scouts. She asked if the council had the opportunity to read that draft. Councilwoman Erik said that it is a very good idea but not in practice. She gave an example of a problem at one of the town hall entrances. Councilman Signorino said while the intention is very good, it's not necessary. He said that there are many regulations now that limit smokers. In addition, he is not in favor of regulating private property or commercial buildings. He stated that business owners can decide for themselves and it is fine the way it is. Councilman Wagner said that he is not for more regulations, especially on our businesses. He said that we are supposed to be business friendly and it would be something difficult to police. Mayor Bieri said that she would like the idea in theory but she agrees that there are already a lot of restrictions on smokers. In particular, this would hurt the establishments like restaurants and bars and would impact a lot of our industry and town. Mayor Bieri stated that she does appreciate the boy scouts and their suggestion and but doesn't think that it would be fair for our businesses.

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Action Items – Other Matters

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REJECTING ALL PROPOSALS FOR THE WEST MILFORD NO NET LOSS REFORESTATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford solicited Proposals on March 4, 2016 for the West Milford Township No Net Loss Reforestation Project; and

WHEREAS, in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) the Township received five (5) proposals for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Township received an objection to the RFP due to the fact that the RFP did not contain a methodology for evaluating the proposals as required under N.J.S. A. 40A:11-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has determined the proposals must be rejected pursuant to the terms of the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the Township will reissue an RFP for this project which RFP will include a methodology for evaluation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that all the proposals received for the West Milford Township No Net Loss Reforestation Project are hereby rejected for non-compliance with N.J.S.A. § 40A:11-4.5; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate Township officials shall re-advertise and solicit proposals for the No Net Loss Reforestation Project.

Adopted: April 6, 2016

Mayor Bieri made a motion to move all resolutions 2016-129 through 2016-139

Moved: Erik Seconded: Dale
 Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, Dale, Signorino, Lichtenberg
 Voted Nay: None.
 Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A COMPETITIVE BIDDING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO SALMON BROS., INC. FOR THE 2015 SEDIMENT CONTROL RETROFIT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford advertised for the receipt of sealed competitive bids to be received on March 24, 2016 at 10:00 am for sediment control retrofits to address two Township stormdrain outfall pipes that discharge into Upper Greenwood Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford received four (4) sealed bids on March 24, 2016 in accordance with the advertised date for acceptance of bids for this project; and

WHEREAS, said four (4) bids have been duly reviewed and analyzed by the West Milford Township Engineering Division; and

WHEREAS, the bid received from the low bidder Salmon Bros., Inc., has been found to be in proper form and in compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.5 and the specifications as written; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the encumbrance for these services shall come from accounts numbered 04-215-55-823-025 and 04-215-55-818-004; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township Council hereby awards a contract to Salmon Bros., Inc., PO Box 67 Netcong, NJ 07857 for the 2015 Sediment Control Retrofit Program project subject to the review and approval of the Township Attorney in an amount not to exceed \$73,772.00.
2. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with Salmon Bros., Inc. in accordance with its bid for said sediment control retrofits for Upper Greenwood Lake.
3. The Township's Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same.
4. This resolution and contract shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

Adopted: April 6, 2016

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PATERSON FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASE SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford provides health services for its residents through a locally funded and operated Health Department; and

WHEREAS, state regulations require that local Health Department provide certain communicable disease treatment and prevention services; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council wishes to approve the 2016 interlocal services contract with the City of Paterson to provide tuberculosis communicable disease prevention and treatment services since the provision of these required services through the joint service arrangement is a cost effective means of providing the required services; and

WHEREAS, the cost of these services is \$100 per year and is provided for in the Township 2016 budget for health services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that the Interlocal Service Agreement with the City of Paterson for health care services is hereby approved and the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the Township.

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF PBA AND SOA AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford did negotiate terms of agreements with the West Milford PBA Local 162 and the West Milford SOA; and

WHEREAS, the terms of agreement were outlined in Memoranda of Agreements (MOAs) ratified by the Township Council by virtue of Resolution 2015-161 adopted on May 6, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the MOAs were subsequently signed by all officers and parties thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to have all the terms of the agreement, including those in the MOAs delineated in one document; and

WHEREAS, the MOAs extend the terms of the agreements to December 31, 2018, and provide for health benefits and salary increases.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute agreements with the West Milford PBA Local 162 and the West Milford SOA in accordance with the provisions contained in the agreements that expired on 12/31/2015 and incorporating the terms of the MOAs that were ratified on May 6, 2015 thereby incorporating all terms into agreements that expire on 12/31/2018.

Adopted: April 6, 2016

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~ Resolution 2016-133 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE WEST MILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE LOAN OF A SCHOOL BUS FROM THE BOE TO THE TOWNSHIP FOR USE IN THE BUBBLING SPRINGS DAY CAMP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford is desirous of using one (1) fifty-four (54) passenger school bus (hereinafter referred to as the "School Bus") that is owned by the West Milford Board of Education to use in connection with the Township's Bubbling Springs Day Camp Program in West Milford, NJ; and

WHEREAS, the West Milford Board of Education agrees to loan the School Bus to the Township from June 27, 2016 to August 19, 2016 in accordance with a Memorandum of Agreement filed in the Office of the Township Clerk; for 39 days at a rate of \$10.00 per day for a total of \$390.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford and the West Milford Board of Education have successfully engaged in this loan program for a number of years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute a memorandum of agreement for the loan of one school bus from the Board of Education to the Township of West Milford for use for the Township's Bubbling Springs Day Camp Program from June 27, 2016 to August 19, 2016

Adopted: April 6, 2016

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~ Resolution 2016 – 134 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE WEST MILFORD FAMILY PUMP TRACK TO OPERATE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE TOWNSHIP'S DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES & RECREATION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford that the West Milford Family Pump Track, a volunteer organization shall operate the Pump Track at Farrell Field under the auspices of the Township's Department of Community Services & Recreation.

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~ Resolution 2016 – 135 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ESTABLISHING A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION KNOWN AS THE SHADE TREE COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the West Milford Environmental Commission (EC) recommends the establishment of a Shade Tree Commission as required by the Township of West Milford Community Forestry Management Plan (CCMP) 2014-2018; and

WHEREAS, the West Milford CFMP received approval from the New Jersey Shade Tree Federation in accordance with requirements of the No Net Loss Reforestation Grant that was awarded to the Township in 2013/2014; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission as an organization under the Environmental Commission (EC) shall be comprised of Environmental Commission representatives selected by the EC, volunteers whose number and appointments shall be determined by the EC, and a staff member from the Township's DPW; and

WHEREAS, Shannon Hart of the NJDEP-Forest Services has advised that the Township of West Milford meets all the criteria under the act and has "Approved Status" for 2015; and

WHEREAS, the continuing need for the Shade Tree Commission shall be reviewed by the Township Council at its Re-organization Meeting and the commission shall cease to exist at that time unless re-established by Council resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford hereby establishes a Shade Tree Commission a subcommittee under the West Milford Environmental Commission for the purposes outlined above.

Adopted: April 6, 2016

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~ Resolution 2016-136 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ASSIGNING THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR TO THE POSITION OF ACTING TREASURER/CFO

WHEREAS, Section 15-42(A)(2) of the Township Code provides "Each warrant-check shall bear the signature of the Mayor or Council President and the Treasurer or Acting Treasurer"; and

WHEREAS, effective March 29, 2016 the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer position for the Township has become vacant and the Township is searching for a successor to fill such vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Township must continue to administer the day-to-day operations of the municipality which includes the expenditure and disbursement of funds and the designation of an acting CFO/Treasurer to execute budget documents and other financial papers for the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township has sufficient safeguards to continue to process such expenditure of funds by requiring that in the absence of the Chief Financial Officer, the Township Administrator serving in the capacity of Acting CFO/Treasurer shall authorize and execute payment of funds and such other documents that are necessary for the continued function of the finance department; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney and the Township Auditor are of the opinion that there are sufficient internal controls in place for the Township to continue to function and authorize the expenditure and disbursement of funds in the interim until such time that a permanent appointment is made to the Chief Financial Officer position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey that the Township Administrator is hereby designated to serve as the acting CFO/Treasurer to oversee the finance department and execute all required documents on behalf of the municipality.

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This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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~ Resolution 2016 – 137 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENTS

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records overpayment as shown below and the Collector of Taxes recommends the refund of such overpayment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue checks refunding such overpayment as shown below:

REASONS:

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| 1. Incorrect Payment | 2. Duplicate Payment |
| 3. Senior Citizen/Veteran Deduction | 4. Homestead Rebate |
| 5. Tax Appeal | 6. 100% Disabled Veteran |
| 7. Tax Court Appeal | |

Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Year	Reason
7304-6	Refund Department CoreLogic R.E. Tax Service PO Box 961250 Fort Worth, TX 76161-9858	\$1,493.00	2016	2
7801-18.02	JP Morgan Chase & Company 1111 Polaris Parkway Floor 1N Columbus, Ohio 43240	\$2,376.46	2016	2
13002-11	Stewart Title Company Att. Tenika Jones 500 N. Broadway, 9 th Floor St. Louis, MO 63102	\$7,193.13	2016	2
13701-5	Nationstar Mortgage LLC 8950 Cypress Waters Blvd Coppell, Texas 75019	\$2,173.00	2016	2
TOTAL		\$13,235.59		

Adopted: April 6, 2016

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~ Resolution 2016 – 138 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF RECREATION FEES

BE IT RESOLVED that the following recreational fees upon the report of the Director of Community Services and Recreation be refunded:

Bob Ross Painting April 3, 2016		
Lauren	\$50.00	Susan Frey 72 Rolling Ridge Road West Milford, NJ 07480

Adopted: April 6, 2016

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~ Resolution 2016 – 139 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO CORRECT AN ERROR ON RESOLUTION 2016-067 TO AUTHORIZE THE CANCELLATION OF LIEN REDEMPTION CHECK AND RE-ISSUE A CORRECTED LIEN REDEMPTION CHECK

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WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes has determined that Resolution 2016-087 adopted on January 20, 2016 authorizing the refund of other lines had one incorrect amount posted to the resolution; and

WHEREAS the Collector of Taxes has reported receiving the amount shown below for the redemption of the respective lien and recommends the following corrections by resolution

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes recommends the cancellation of this lien redemption check due to the reason listed below.

REASON: 1. WRONG AMOUNT

Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Year	Reason
02314-007	MTAG Services Cust for ATCF II NJ, LLC	\$12,609.56	2016	1
TOTAL		\$12,609.56		

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the incorrect check amount above be cancelled.

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes recommends the re issue of this lien redemption amount due to reason listed below.

REASON: 2. CORRECT AMOUNT

Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Year	Reason
02314-007	MTAG Services Cust for ATCF II NJ, LLC	\$12,089.05	2016	2
TOTAL		\$12,089.05		

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the correct check amount above be issued.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of West Milford that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized and directed to pay the indicated amount to the holder of the lien certificate as hereinafter shown.

Adopted: April 6, 2016

Agenda No. XI

Approval of Expenditures

~ Resolution No. 2016 – 140 ~

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, the Township Treasurer has submitted to the members of the Township Council a report listing individual disbursement checks prepared by his office in payment of amounts due by the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Treasurer's report of checks prepared by him be approved and issued as follows:

Acct #	Account Name	Amount
1	Current Account	\$444,600.38
3	Reserve Account	43,995.28
2	Grants	2,274.20
6	Refunds	25,374.64
1	General Ledger	0.00
26	Refuse	50,274.95
4	Capital	291,443.63
19	Animal Control	805.80
19	Heritage Trust	53.48
19	Open Space Trust	0.00
19	Trust	31,241.96
19	COAH	31,387.50

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16	Development Escrow	5,010.00
19	Tax Sale Trust	0.00
21	Assessment Trust	18,454.05
	Special Reserve	0.00
Total		944,915.87
Less Refund Resolution		-25,374.64
		919,541.23
Other Payments		
NJDEP		1,720.00
P/R		509,373.39
PERS/PFRS		2,206,251.00
DCRP		691.78
The Depository Trust Co.		1,166,862.50
Total Expenditures		\$4,804,439.90

Adopted: April 6, 2016

Moved: Erik Seconded: Dale
 Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, Dale, Signorino, Lichtenberg
 Voted Nay: None.
 Motion carried.

Agenda No. XII

Reports of Mayor, Administrator, Council Members, Attorney and Clerk

Councilman Hensley said the EDC held a special meeting recently and they made a recommendation for the removal of one of our alternate members. He said that he needs a council vote and is making a motion to approve their recommendation. Mayor Bieri said that it is on the agenda for later.

Councilman Wagner hoped that everyone enjoyed their Easter. The fireworks committee met on March 21st with the Police Department, Tim Roetman, and George Lang to discuss security, traffic, and parking. It went very well. He noted that the projected expenses for the fireworks have gone down a bit. Originally, it was at \$32,435. He said that a large part of those expenses was a \$6,200 for a concert, DJ's and inflatables. He stated that he made a recommendation to outsource the inflatables to a nonprofit and the committee approved it. We went down just in those expenses from \$6,200 to \$1,000 in that category alone. He explained that expenses have already been reduced from \$32,435 to \$26,495 so almost \$6,000 less than originally projected. He stated that the total sponsor income to date is \$11,450 and we are still waiting on \$5,000 from Lakeland Bank. We are looking to update the budget to reflect those changes for the next meeting and will forward that information to the governing body.

Councilman Wagner said that he would like to thank the DPW and Emergency Services for doing an excellent job on getting all of the roads clear from the fallen trees on Sundays wind storm. On Friday, he attended the Apshawa Firehouse Annual Spring Comedy Show. He said the show was great. In addition, the HEAT will be having a circus in town on June 12th in the A&P parking lot.

Council President Dale said that she would like to start with some updates on CASA. She wanted to remind everyone that on May 1st is the Walkout on Drugs. It's being sponsored at the Elks at the Recreation Center will be held at 10am and the walk at 11am. On May 7th, West Milford is having a Health Fair at Hillcrest. She said that she attended the Chiefs meeting as the fire liaison and was given this information. Hero's with Heart Challenge Family Day will be held on Saturday June 11th. The Police Department will be participating in that function. We are having the Save a Life, Prevent an Opiate Overdose Program free training and education on Tuesday April 19th and Wednesday May 18th at the Hillcrest Community Center. It's limited to 20 participants per class. She listed the upcoming events for Fire Company #2. Council President Dale said that Councilman Wagner already mentioned the comedy night at the fire house. She said that she has been going there for years and it was an excellent time. She is looking forward to attending more of their events. Mayor Bieri said that she also attended the comedy night and has for a long time. She said that this was one of their better ones and they are always good.

Council President Dale noted that there was something that she wanted to bring up. It was brought up at the previous meeting and has become an intense topic at council meetings several times since the

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beginning of the year. She said that the Vozza Agency serves as our health consultant, while we utilize another agency by the name of PIA that serves as our risk manager. Despite the Insurance Committee's recommendation to maintain the status quo, Councilman Signorino has said over and over that he doesn't agree with the recommendation. Councilman Signorino has brought this information to his attention and has repeatedly recommended on occasion that the township hire one insurance consultant for both the health and liability. Council President Dale said she took it upon herself to do her homework researched both PIA and the Vozza Agency and believes that a change is in order. She explained that she went back to the proposal submitted by both PIA and Vozza Agency and prepared a comparison chart. She stated that she would like to recommend that the township be better served if the Vozza Agency handled our health as well as our liability insurance needs. She handed out the comparison chart to the council and went through the chart category by category.

Councilman Wagner said that he would like to table this to verify the information provided. Councilman Signorino stated that the one question that he has never had satisfied, was how do we have a fair competition and compete for the best prices when the incentive isn't there. The important thing is if we are trying to save the town money and try to get the best bang for our buck. He said that he wants to make the best decision based on us having a fair and open process and having competition. Council President Dale explained if we can't get the competitive analysis that Councilman Signorino is looking for, we have to go on what we have. She said as far as cost, the premiums are exactly the same. He said that the question at the meeting is if we can make it a little more competitive so we can see how and where we are saving the money. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia stated that the RFQ process is the competitive process allowed under the local public contracts law for the services provided under the Vozza Agency and PIA. She said that the township sought competitive proposals at the end of 2015, which were reviewed by the insurance committee and the recommendations were made. In terms of the fund, the risk manager and the health consultant go out and do an analysis on the various options and bring it back. She explained that the last time the analysis was done on the health side was 2014 and liability side was done in 2007. Councilman Signorino noted that they do not provide the same services so it's not apples to apples. He said that he would hope that there are other avenues that we could go down to make this a better process. He said that he is not satisfied that we are saving as much money as we can.

Mayor Bieri said that as far as the MEL, it's her understanding that it doesn't matter what broker you use, you are going to get the same quotes. Then it's up to who you are going to work with that is going to effectuate savings in terms of higher deductible or higher copay. Councilman Signorino asked why we only have two vendors as well. Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that we got 6 responses but at the meeting negated 4 of the responses because the fees were too high. Councilman Signorino mentioned about the HIF and JIF fund. He asked how many funds there are and is there opportunity to go to other funds then what is mentioned here. Township Attorney Semrau said that he works for the MEL and Morris JIF, and the Health Insurance Fund. He gave some information about the process and the different services for the coverage. He said that the coverage would be the same on the chart for both agencies, at this point in time. He said that both PIA and Vozza could find the best coverage and it is a level playing field. One doesn't have an advantage over the other. Councilman Signorino said that he understands that there is not a reputation of exclusivity, but that does not satisfy his question to begin with. Mayor Bieri said from a historical perspective, prior to joining the MEL, the township was self-insured and had higher loss claims than we had assessments. By joining the MEL, which was Vozza's recommendation, we saved \$800,000 because we are in a pool of communities. Township Attorney Semrau said that the MEL and the Morris County JIF are both very successful funds. He gave more information about the Township and the MEL. Councilman Signorino disagreed and said that it is still not allowing him the opportunity to see where we can save more money for the township.

Councilwoman Dale made a motion to have the attorney notify PIA that the township is providing 90 day notice to terminate their contract as risk manager. Councilwoman Lichtenberg seconded the motion.

Moved: Dale Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Dale, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: Wagner, Signorino
Motion carried.

Councilwoman Dale made a motion to execute an agreement with the Vozza Agency as township risk manager. Councilwoman Lichtenberg seconded the motion.

Moved: Dale Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Dale, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: Wagner, Signorino
Motion carried.

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Councilman Signorino hoped that everyone had a Happy Easter. As far as the fireworks, he asked if a decision was made if the event will be free or if there will be a charge. He stated that he would like an update on that and on how it works. Councilman Wagner said prior to him being on the subcommittee, they decided to charge for the event. Councilman Signorino explained that at the time he wasn't sure that the committee was aware of the new sponsors or the monies that were available. He would like for there to be no fees and would like to see us get enough sponsors. Councilman Wagner said that we are working the numbers down and will have a better feel for it next month. He is working on a new budget and waiting for a check from Lakeland Bank as well as other checks to come in. Councilwoman Dale said that the reason they were charging, is to reserve funds for the following years. She explained that it's their eventual goal to have a free event and there is nothing that says that they can't change their mind if the funds are there and the funds are set aside for the next year already. Councilman Wagner noted that it is going to be very hard to fund this on just the sponsor money and reducing expenses. Mayor Bieri stated that when you have final numbers, maybe you can revisit that point. The goal for everybody would be to not charge for the event, but we do need to make sure that we cover those costs. Councilman Signorino said that he would be more than willing to donate to the event.

Councilman Signorino stated that he would also like mention the museum. We have volunteers that work very hard and talk about the town and the history. The museum is open 1pm - 4pm every Saturday. He noted that there has been a lot of improvement to the museum like new paint, the old ceiling being preserved, and a new garden. He said but most of all, the history of the town is being collected. The tennis tournament is coming up and we are looking for sponsors. He said that it is a great cause for preserving the history of this town.

Councilwoman Lichtenberg said that we can use more volunteer members on the Heritage Committee and there are four or five vacancies. She said that she attended the 7th and 8th grade semiformal dance sponsored by CASA at the Elks. She said that there were many people on a waiting list due to the building occupancy requirements and next year, we are hoping to accommodate all of the students. Councilwoman Lichtenberg noted the last day to deliver items for the PRIDE Rummage Sale is April 10th. She stated that the PRIDE Rummage sale is April 22nd and 23rd at Hillcrest. April 21st there is a Health Habits for a Healthier You sponsored by the Highlands Family Success Center at Camp Hope. On April 21st here at Town Hall, there is a Lyme disease panel and physician speaking about Lyme disease. On April 25th, there will be a Safe Kids Day with bike helmet safety and sizing as well as a car seat safety program sponsored by West Milford and St. Joseph's Medical Center. On another note, Councilwoman Lichtenberg said that she is highly impressed with our Administrator. She does a superb job and updates us on everything on a daily basis. She also goes beyond and looks into NJ Legislation that will affect the township. She stated that she would like to thank Ms. Battaglia on her wonderful service.

Councilwoman Erik noted that St. Joseph's Medical Center in Paterson has initiated a program of no opioids for pain killers and they are the first in the nation to do it. 11 other hospitals throughout the nation now have signed on to watch that program. She said that it is now out in the open that opioid addiction starts with pain medication. Councilman Hensley said that he heard about that as well and he is glad that was brought up.

Mayor Bieri stated that she has a few announcements to make. First is a warning to our residents that Clinton Road will be closed due to road work from April 11th to May 9th for the removal of the existing bridge and the building of the new bridge. If people are tuning in late, the council made the decision tonight of the 2015 Volunteer of the Year Award and that would be Theodore Hajek. In addition, the recipient of the Mary B. Haase Lifetime Volunteer Award is Mr. Edwin Rodda. Congratulations to both of them. Mayor Bieri said that the volunteer meeting when we recognize them and all volunteer organizations will be April 20th. She encourages all volunteer organizations to please sign up through the clerk's office. In addition, thanks to the hard work of our engineering staff, we did receive an NJ DOT grant again for the Ridge Road Project in the amount of \$248,000. Thank you for that application.

Mayor Bieri explained that as Councilwoman Lichtenberg mentioned, the Administrator sent us some information on NJ legislation that has been introduced. She asked if the council had a chance to look at this and are interested in putting this on the agenda or if they are supporting any of it. She stated that we can put this on for a discussion item but it would be nice to show our senator support. The first one is for any communities that are at least 99% in the highlands like West Milford and it talks about exemption of 50% of the sales tax for purchases made. She explained our sales tax would be 3.5% except for certain excluded items like cigarettes and alcohol. The next piece of legislation was to permit municipalities, not just Board of Education, to construct turf fields despite the highlands act. The last item talks about watershed legislation. Mayor Bieri stated that if the council is agreeable, it should be discussed to see if we are in support of it and then maybe pass a resolution showing our support.

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Mayor Bieri said that she would like, based on conversation in executive session, to make a Mayors appointment of Ed Steins to the position of Director of DPW, with advice and consent of council, effective immediately.

Moved: Wagner Seconded: Dale
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, Dale, Signorino, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Township Administrator/Clerk Battaglia said that she only has one thing to mention from her Administrators report. The Greenwood Lake Bi-State Commission has asked for a letter to be signed showing town approval their draw down and there is no objection.

Councilwoman Lichtenberg noted that the Township Council vs Board of Ed softball game is June 11th at 3:30pm. She said that the uniforms this year are going to be our beautification day shirts.

Township Attorney Semrau stated that the township has been part of the affordable housing obligation. The Supreme Court says that if you want protection and to be able to zone for properties on the local level, you have to comply and seek court approval as opposed to the old COAH. He explained that the township is scheduled to be before Judge Brogan this Friday, but the Special Master cannot make it so it has been rescheduled to May 6th. In addition, Township Attorney Semrau explained that we will continue to be active with respect to the Newark tax appeals. He asked if the topic can be listed for executive session for each meeting going forward so he can give a brief update.

Agenda No. XIII

Appointments and Resignations

~ Resolution 2016 -141 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ACCEPTING RESIGNATIONS TENDERED

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford that they do hereby accept the following resignation tendered to the Township:

Name	Position	Date Tendered
Lori Novak-Carafello	Municipal Alliance Committee (CASA) Citizen Member Term expires 12/31/16	March 16, 2016

Adopted: April 06, 2016

Moved: Signorino Seconded: Dale
Voted Aye: Unanimous voice vote.
Voted Nay: None.
Abstained: None
Motion carried.

~ Resolution 2016 - 142 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO CREATE A VACANCY ON THE TOWNSHIP'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford that they do hereby vacate the position held by Mr. Gary Steele on the Economic Development Commission in accordance with the EDC's March 28, 2016 recommendation.

Name	Position	Date Memo Tendered
Gary Steele	Alternate Citizen Member #2	March 28, 2016

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Economic Development Commission
Term expires 12/31/16

Adopted: April 6, 2016

Councilman Hensley stated that the commissioner in question has come to two meetings in two years. He explained that the commission has had concerns of not being able to reach a quorum. Councilman Hensley noted that the commission came up with the idea of moving that into effect and recommending that the council create a vacancy. Township Attorney Semrau clarified that this vacancy is being created just due to the lack of attendance. He asked if there was any excuse given or request to be excused given. Councilman Hensley said no.

Moved: Signorino Seconded: Dale
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, Dale, Signorino, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Councilman Hensley stated that we have a qualified person on file to fill the position. Councilman Hensley made a nomination for James Ronayne to fill the vacancy, seconded by Councilwoman Erik.

James Ronayne

Moved: Hensley Seconded: Erik
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, Dale, Signorino, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Councilwoman Lichtenberg nominated Marilyn Schultz for the CASA Committee. Councilwoman Erik stated that because there is a citizen in that position already, she would like to withdraw her position.

Moved: Lichtenberg Seconded: Signorino
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, Dale, Signorino, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Township Council adjourned the meeting at 10:54 p.m.

Moved: Erik Seconded: Signorino
Voted Aye: Unanimous voice vote
Voted Nay: None
Motion carried.

Approved: September 7, 2016

Respectfully submitted:

Nichole Hanrahan Clerk Typist

MAYOR BETTINA BIERI, PRESIDING OFFICER

ANTOINETTE BATTAGLIA, TOWNSHIP CLERK