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The Workshop Meeting of the West Milford Township Council was called to order by Mayor Bettina Bieri.

Adequate Notice Statement

Mayor Bieri read the following statement:

Please note that in accordance with Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975 of New Jersey, adequate advance notice of this Workshop meeting was advertised in the Herald News in its issues of January 1, 2012 with an update of the change in time advertised April 1, 2012 copies were provided to the Suburban Trends, the Record, Star Ledger, and posted continuously on the bulletin board in the main corridor of the Town Hall and on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

Please also make note of all fire and emergency exits – located to the left, right, and rear of this room - for use in case of an emergency. Thank you.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Bieri led all in attendance in a salute to the flag.

Roll Call

Present: Councilmembers Ada Erik, Joseph Smolinski, Michael Ramaglia,
Edward Rosone, Luciano Signorino, Carlla Horton, Mayor Bettina Bieri.
Absent: None.
Also Present: Township Administrator Nancy Gage, Township Clerk Antoinette Battaglia,
Township Attorney Frederick Semrau.

Executive Session

~ Resolution No. 2012- 168 ~

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford on the 2nd day of May, 2012 that:

1. Prior to the conclusion of this Workshop Meeting, the Township Council shall meet in Executive Session, from which the public shall be excluded, to discuss matters as permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, sub-section (s):
 - () 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.
 - Labor Negotiations Update from Labor Counsel
 - () 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.
 - () b. (7) Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than in subsection b. (4) herein or matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.
 - () b. (8) Personnel matters.
 - () 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: May 2, 2012

Moved: Ramaglia Seconded: Signorino
Voted Aye: Erik, Smolinski, Ramaglia, Rosone, Signorino, Horton.
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

The Council went into executive session at 6:36 p.m.
The Council reconvened in public at 7:13 p.m. with all present as before.

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Agenda No. II

Reading of or Approval of Unapproved Minutes

Councilwoman Erik moved to adopt the January 7, 2012 Executive Session, January 18, 2012 Regular Meeting and February 1, 2012 Workshop Meeting Minutes as presented:

Moved: Erik Seconded: Signorino
Voted Aye: Erik, Smolinski, Ramaglia, Rosone, Signorino, Horton.
Voted Nay: Smolinski no on Executive Session only, yes on Regular and Workshop.
Motion carried.

Agenda No. III

Meetings

Mayor Bieri noted the future meeting schedule:

May 9, 2012 & May 16, 2012 Budget Meetings May 23, 2012 Regular Meeting
June 6, 2012 Workshop Meeting June 27, 2012 Regular Meeting

Agenda No. IV

Discussion Items

1)	Resolution: End State Diversion of Municipal Revenues - Councilman Ramaglia asked that this discussion be postponed. He asked for consensus to have Mr. Semrau review this matter and seek input from Assemblywoman DeCroce prior to Council discussion. Mr. Semrau stated that this issue is based on a technical formula and he will work to get an understanding.
2)	Resolution: Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System – Ms. Gage advised that there will be no cost, for the time being, for joining this cooperative. It can serve as a good source for price comparisons and complement the contract we currently have with Morris County Coop. The Council gave consensus to proceed.
3)	Resolution: Clinton Road – Ms. Gage stated that she is seeking consensus from Council to have professionals look at this to transfer and accept property in order to facilitate the construction of the bridge project in the safest manner and to reduce the curb at the site. She asked the Tax Assessor & Engineering department for opinions. Neither have a problem and the project is being funded by Passaic County. The Council gave consensus to proceed.

Agenda No. V

Presentations

Paul Ferriero, Township Engineer stated that there are some outstanding projects:

Streetscape – Mr. Ferriero advised that this project was conceptually designed by Dewberry. It has been ongoing for some time. Essentially they stopped the design phase because there are issues to be discussed about if this project can proceed.

Park Lane is the starting point. There are a number of issues associated with roads with shoulders, curbs and sidewalk along both sides, lighting and grass curbing. There are a host of issues along the route and he reviewed those issues with the Council.

The question, Mr. Ferriero said, is does Council want to proceed. The project, at best, will be lengthy & expensive with easements and grading. He would recommend focusing on the area between the Finn property and the traffic light rather than having to deal with the entire scope as envisioned in the preliminary design. This would create a limited streetscape to begin and the Shop Rite property will evolve over time. Shop Rite had one application before the planning board and will be coming back. Their application, like that with Walgreen’s can be discussed within the context of the overall streetscape plan. In response to Councilwoman Erik, Mr. Ferriero advised that everything would have to be ADA accessible. Councilwoman Erik asked about the Presbyterian Church and the graves. Mr. Ferriero noted that there are difficulties related to potential easements as well as grading problems. Councilman Smolinski asked about existing sidewalks and the breaks that occur. He asked why stop at Finn property noting that beyond the Presbyterian Church there is just the funeral home. It makes sense to just stop at the church. Mr. Ferriero stated that you could move it one lot further to Town Cycle. It would require minor grading. He did not address that in detail because we don’t control the property. During his planning board application the property owner was cooperative. Councilman Smolinski stated that Shop Rite plays a big part in this. Mr.

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Ferriero stated that they had a planning board approval that was not completed. Their attorney continuously says they are coming back to the planning board soon. He does not know what they are planning at this time. Mayor Bieri said that the planning board did have sidewalks along the Shop Rite property at last application. Discussion ensued about Passaic County and individual property owners. Mr. Ferriero advised that he has not done any approaches to the property owners as yet. There are problems there. There may be hardships for these people and a cost to the Township. The parking at many potentially affected businesses goes right up to the curb line and thus will be intimately affected by the proposed sidewalks.

Councilman Ramaglia stated the larger scale beyond church is prohibitive for many reasons. Tonight is not the time for full discussion. He sought for consensus for a special meeting with blue prints in front of everyone and extensive discussion. Councilwoman Horton stated that she needs a field trip. Mr. Ferriero stated that he can put together a power point presentation with photos and designs and Councilman Ramaglia stated that we don't want to alarm people. He has similar concerns about Marshall Hill Road. Mr. Ferriero suggested that he comes back with realistic solutions from the church to the light with cost estimates. Councilwoman Erik stated that during the day there is one facility that has residents on the street with strollers going to Shop Rite. Mr. Ferriero suggested that the solution to that may be a walkway on the other side of the road with clear crossing path. He believes that he has enough direction at this time to present something and stay away from land acquisition. The island is critical. Councilman Ramaglia asked him to look to see if there is a safer point for crossing further down the road. Discussion ensued about potential options and Mr. Ferriero stated that he does not want to be locked into one concept at this time. He will research options.

Mr. Semrau stated that he asked for updates from Dewberry a number of times. He asked if Paul is satisfied that they fulfilled their obligations. Mr. Ferriero answered in the affirmative adding that they provided a conceptual plan. The next step is to whittle this down to a project we can deal with.

Marshall Hill Road – Community Development Block Grant

Mr. Ferriero stated that again there is nothing easy about this project. It is highly constrained by county demands. Because of that, he met with the county engineer at length and came up with a partial compromise. The plan shows pavement and sidewalk. There is a proposed pavement with a shoulder on each side. The County wants 3' lawn and then sidewalk. Under latest ADA standards you have to have 5' sidewalk or 4' with passing areas for wheelchairs. There are areas that cannot accommodate 5'. There are problems. Every time we cross a driveway there are issues with pitch and ADA standards. The county's design parameter includes pavement width center lined from the roadway. That creates a lot of work. There will be reconstruction at driveways. The little bridge is of considerable concern. The long-term plan is for the county to replace that bridge. When they do that there will be a walkway. There are a lot of trees and driveways that are on the edge of the road. We may have to grade from three feet to fifteen feet on some driveways. Councilman Ramaglia stated that he is concerned that residents will be stepping off their front porch onto sidewalk. Mr. Ferriero agreed adding that the issues repeat themselves continuously along the road. There is a lot of cost with construction and easements. Toward Lincoln Hill Village there are a number of trees to be removed. He reviewed some of the grading issues. Administrator Gage advised that in addition to the engineering, there are time constraints associated with the grant and while we have some grant money these engineering changes will result in costs significantly higher than the funding.

Councilman Smolinski noted that due to the restructuring we now have other options for the funding through CDBG. Another use may be more beneficial. Ms. Gage stated that the County has indicated that they are in favor of reallocating the funds and Mr. Ferriero needs some direction. Councilman Smolinski stated that the sidewalk is out of reach. It seemed like a nice idea but now seems unachievable. He stated he would rather see the funding used for upgrading unimproved roads in UGL or on 1st, 2nd & 3rd Avenues. Mr. Ferriero stated that he would recommend that rather than the sidewalk. Mayor Bieri asked the Administrator to find out how we seek reallocation of the funding to the other qualifying areas and she asked for consensus to direct Mr. Ferriero to provide other options for that funding. Ms. Gage stated that she is informally working with the county on the reallocation of the funds for other projects. They appear inclined to agree to reallocation. Councilman Ramaglia asked if the sidewalk concept is being dropped tonight and the unanimous consensus of the Council was to seek reallocation of the CDBG funds.

Governing Body Questions & Answers

Council President Signorino directed Paul to the email from FAC which outlined questions to which they are seeking answers. He asked for Council consensus to have Mr. Ferriero attend the next FAC meeting to answer those and other questions to provide the FAC with guidance. They are most concerned about

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the septic at Bubbling Springs. He asked Mr. Ferriero to be as in-depth as possible so that the FAC can bring these matters back to Council.

Agenda No. VI

Proclamations

None.

Agenda No. VII

Discussion Items

1)	<p>Policy: Police Patrol for Churches – Ms. Gage stated that there is a memo from Chief Chiosie in packets summarizing meetings he had with churches for whom we currently provide services. He asked what they would do if council changed policy and would charge for these services. The Chief was advised that the churches would not continue with traffic services if there was associated cost. The Chief included in his memo a summary of the cost to the town and he also commented on the necessity. He is seeking Council directive and opinion on this policy. One of the four churches has been charged for the services. The prior administrator sent a letter out in December advising of potential change in policy. Council President Signorino recommended that we continue to provide that service and discuss options on how to provide the service in the future. He suggested using volunteers or an “H” cop. He thinks these services should be provided to all four churches at no cost. In the end it is not just for the churches, it affects the entire town because it provides for public safety. Councilwoman Horton stated we have an obligation to provide for the safety of residents. Cannot discriminate. One church is being charged. She is disturbed that one church is considered less deserving noting that the policy should be equal. Ms. Gage stated that the comment about legitimacy was to address allegations to that effect but that is not the reason for the charge. There was no action taken on that premise. The one church is being charged because it was a condition of use by the planning board. The other churches were in existence before the need for planning board approvals. Mayor Bieri concurred and referenced a memo which explained that the cost is due to a planning board approval. Despite that this Council has expressed that all churches should be treated equally. Mr. Semrau stated this is about the need for police assistance with traffic control for an activity in the Township rather than an issue with churches. It is of no matter the event. One of the churches had an approval at the planning board with this as a condition. In order to apply this consistently the council may want to consider an ordinance that says if you are conducting an activity and it is the opinion the police that traffic control is warranted the entity is responsible for the cost. For example, if Derek Jeter came to one store every day it would likely cause a need for traffic control. There is no mechanism to demand payment now. The Council may want an ordinance to address this and that legislation can preclude non profit activities. He does not see this as a church issue. It is a concern if someone refuses to assume the cost. If the Council is saying from a policy standpoint you want to waive the cost for each of these four groups, consensus is sufficient. The problem arises if some other group comes forward and has this need. Councilwoman Horton stated there is a need for fairness, and equality and public safety. We have a Chief of Police who needs to make decisions about where to deploy the human resources to protect public safety. Mayor Bieri stated that Council can make a policy decision tonight about this stand alone issue. For the long term they can establish a policy for future occurrences. Councilman Ramaglia stated that the bigger picture would include the other events. The jet ski races were put off because they could not afford the fees associated with it. It is a fine line. There have been a lot of complaints about this issue. Council President Signorino asked for update on administrative fee issue. Ms. Gage stated that she has instructed police and finance to segregate costs to properly analyze administrative fees. We are in negotiations with the PBA and will address costs that are related to contractual matters. Councilman Ramaglia recalled that there was a thorough meeting with PBA representatives and they have to bring that back to their membership. It is part of the negotiating process. Councilman Rosone stated that the practice of providing traffic services to churches has been ongoing. It is not a very large cost per year. He would like to make the exception and include Living Word church for now and schedule policy & ordinance discussion for a future meeting. Council President made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Erik and carried by unanimous roll call vote to waive traffic control fees and provide those services to all four churches for now.</p>
2)	<p>Ordinance: Qualifications of Director of Public Safety – Code Amendment – Councilman Rosone stated that some corrections he suggested to did not get into the proposed ordinance. He reviewed those proposed changes. Councilwoman Erik stated that we are then legislating that the director is chief of police. Councilman</p>

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Smolinski stated that the requirements now must be different than 1989. The intent is that the residents have a qualified, experienced person who knows the issues in this town. Anything less is not good. Councilwoman Erik asked why EMT training is preferred and Councilman Rosone answered it is a bonus if the person has that. Councilman Rosone stated that if the director is going to oversee the police he believes that 10 years experience in law enforcement is necessary. Councilwoman Horton does not believe that the only person who can be director is someone who is in law enforcement and Council President Signorino stated that this is more like department of defense. He likes that there are three areas with fire, emergency management and law. Councilwoman Horton stated that she likes to have broader flexibility that allows the Council to choose the best person for the job. Councilman Rosone disagreed thinking that the person in charge should have law enforcement experience because they will oversee the police department. Mr. Semrau stated that the process allows deference to the will of the Council but he would note for the record that from a legal perspective, there is a chief's powers act which gives the Chief of Police autonomy no matter who is director of public safety. That is important to note. Mayor Bieri agreed saying that the chief of police oversees the police department the director coordinates the divisions. Councilman Ramaglia stated that he agrees with Councilman Rosone's changes because the Council is looking to carve out a position down the road. It makes sense to want the person with the best experience. Mayor Bieri stated that the conversation started before we knew the current chief was retiring. Discussion ensued about the proposed changes and the benefits of having the chief of police serve as the Director of Public Safety. Councilman Smolinski stated that it has always been successful policy in West Milford to have Chief of Police for Director of Public Safety. He supports the Chief of Police in this position and added that we should also be looking at the salary ordinance. This Council must be careful, he said, because this could open up a \$135,000 position in our town according to our ordinance. The qualifications need to be at the highest level. We deserve the best. Mayor Bieri stated that the salary ordinance currently prohibits a second position because it would combine the positions. She believes that the qualifications should be broader. To insinuate that this is being done to create a position is inaccurate and Councilman Smolinski stated that he is not insinuating such a thing. Discussion ensued about the salary ordinance's link to this proposed ordinance. Mayor Bieri reviewed the process by which she promoted Gene Chiosie to Chief of Police and the reasons she did not nominate anyone for appointment to the position of Director of Public Safety. The Council gave consensus to incorporate Councilman Rosone's changes into the ordinance and proceed to introduction. Councilman Smolinski stated that the Mayor had previously supported the appointment of Chief to the position of Director and he asked why she is changing her position. Mayor Bieri replied that she has not changed her stance and she explained the reasons why, in her opinion she could not make the appointment until the code was amended. Councilman Smolinski asked Mayor Bieri if she intends to appoint the next chief of police the director of public safety. She stated that she has always had that intent and will continue to do so. She objected to his continuous insinuations that she has other intentions. She tried to do that last week but it was not her who stopped it. She needs Council consent.

Agenda No. VIII

Unfinished Business, Final Passage of Ordinances

Agenda No. IX

Public Comments

Mayor Bieri opened the meeting to the public after advising that there is a five-minute limit for each speaker.

Bob Nicholson, 20 Hyde Road, Stockholm stated that he is a large proponent of streetscape concept. The state has a new road design with complete streets and he would like that incorporated. He agreed with a lot of Mr. Ferriero's comments and he likes the starting point. The only thing that disturbs him about the fees for churches is that the Council is overriding a planning board condition. Some churches could readdress their parking situation. Sometimes people park elsewhere when there is parking available in the church lot. He would like to see an allocation for a projector and a screen in Council chambers for presentations.

Doris Aaronson, 19 Bearfort Road, West Milford stated that she would like the newspapers to report that the East Orange Veteran's Association will have a fully trained counselor who may be available to meet with veterans in West Milford. The first step is to have an organizing committee with the VA counselor, West Milford Veterans Assistant, Glenn Wenzel and herself. Additionally they would like to have some recently returned vets join the committee. She asked interested parties to contact her at her home

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number. She donates money every year to the West Milford first aid squad. She looked at their budget requests and was surprised at their requests and the amounts. The cost of a new ambulance has increased over \$30,000 since last year's purchase. The ambulance consists of two parts. Sometimes the first aid box is warranted for life and that could save money. Over \$10,000 is listed for childcare and she asked if this is necessary. There is also a request for \$500 per person for clothing & stipends for a total of \$35,000. Some of these members are high school students who are interns. They will be off to college and unavailable. She found much of the information confusing and did not see any quotes.

Petty Officer Griffith, US Navy, deployed in Hawaii now stated that he is an information systems technician, also on the auxiliary force. He learned that Council approved covert cameras in West Milford to be overseen by the Chief of Police. He is first concerned about privacy. It is a lot of money for two cameras to cover the watershed area. The same results could have been achieved with signs and a fence. Council adopted the resolution out of fear of terrorism. This will erode some public freedom. The cameras are covert so he questioned how they deter terrorists or anyone going to the watershed property. At naval bases they have large signs and fences to prevent people going to the bases. He questioned if people know that Council wants to erode their privacy rights. If the Chief of Police is in charge there must be people manning the cameras. They need a security plan. There are associated costs with wages. Security clearance jobs pay about \$60,000. As a military service member he is mad that the Council approved this to give up people's freedoms. He fights terrorists overseas to protect our freedom. Why is he doing that? He gives up his freedom to fight that fight. It is a tough life in the military. If he was voting for a Council person or whoever voted for this and he disclosed that he would vote to give up his freedoms for these cameras he would not vote for that person. It is a waste of money and a violation of our liberties. The task of protecting the watershed could have been done better. Fences and signs would have been better than the cost of his freedom or invasion of his privacy. He would like more answers about these cameras. He questioned who is manning these cameras, and the cost.

Kim Baker, 15 John Street, West Milford stated that she lives with her husband and children. They moved in November 2003 seeking quiet neighborhoods, good schools and outdoor activities. Their property values have been declining. Since 2011 she has been in touch with Township officials to have neighbors clean up their properties. She distributed log of calls and a description of complaints along with photos. They tried to sell their home because their neighborhood is not safe. Potential buyers never show up because once they see John Street, they leave. Her neighbor's son is loud and screams obscenities. She reviewed the photos and explained the depictions about 14 John Street. These conditions put their health and their kids safety at risk. He neighbor works on other people's cars. The Council gave consensus to extend time. Ms. Baker reviewed photos of 17 John Street and explained them. This is a neighborhood problem. She made a plea for the Council to help and she stated she wants ordinances and laws enforced.

Marilyn Lichtenberg, 37 Hudson Drive, West Milford stated that tomorrow is National Day of Prayer. She listed the events. She placed military flags at Memorial Park and on May 20th she and volunteers will be cleaning up the park. More volunteers are needed.

Michael Gerst, 17 Hillview Court, West Milford stated that he is a member of FAC but is speaking for himself tonight. He asked for a meeting with the Council as soon as possible to review information gathered over the past year. Time is of the essence. The library board has given timetables and the FAC needs to provide information and get direction from Council. They met with library board and they are ready to go. Without a meeting and direction FAC will not have time to put all the information together.

Mike Hensley, 240 Maple Road, West Milford stated that during a revaluation year there is normally a one third rule. He explained the rule. He asked if there is any hard data to show the percentages of this revaluation. He asked if there is a way to hold the revaluation company accountable to claims of inaccuracies. Could we stop payment to them? The burden of West Milford taxpayers is a real concern. When have taxes ever gone down? He has heard that the budget as of now is expected to increase \$100. That is not acceptable in light of the revaluation and he urged Council to make the tough choices and choose a path of a zero percent increase.

Tim Wagner, 835 Westbrook Road, West Milford stated that he is happy churches will not be charged police fees. The churches provide community services that equate to more than the cost. He asked if there will be another meeting with the PBA. The numbers, he said, cannot be that hard to find. He will be paying 10% this year for events at the airport which is 10% more than he paid past two years. This affects all events. Something must be done. This is not rocket science. We need to figure this out. There is no need, he said, to negotiate this with the PBA. There is nothing in their contract about events. You sometimes have to absorb these costs. He does not want to compromise safety. The Township should absorb the costs. The jet ski races is an event that is not coming here. We will not be having boat

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paces this year. His taxes went up with the reassessment. The tax assessor's office has been accommodating with helping him fill out the form. Sometimes as a council you have to inform the general public about the appeals process. This will affect everyone in town. Businesses were affected. Momento's taxes doubled. That will affect everyone. Small business owners are struggling. It will affect this town. It is troublesome. He asked the Council to get a new revaluation and hold the ASI payment.

Beverly Ollearo, 450 Lakeshore Drive, West Milford stated that she is concerned about the trashy look of town. Signs are knocked down and never replaced. She is disturbed greatly about people parking in handicapped parking spots and fire zones. People pull into the shopping centers and block the ramp access to the stores. She urged the Council to get a movie theatre.

There being no more comments from the public Councilman Ramaglia made a motion to close the public portion of meeting.

Moved: Ramaglia Seconded: Smolinski
Voted Aye: Erik, Smolinski, Ramaglia, Rosone, Signorino, Horton.
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Agenda No. X

Council Comments

Mayor Bieri stated that the Administrator will look into the issues at John Street with staff.

Councilman Ramaglia stated that the eyesores around town are ridiculous. Many have commented on that. As you enter West Milford from Vernon you are greeted by a junkyard right at the property line. The EDC gets a number of calls on this issue. We should not have to call the county continuously to have weeds cut. When there is a clean up effort the garbage should be picked up. Side streets are worse. He has faith in Administrator Gage to address these issues. This is not the community we want and it is not safe. He sympathizes with the residents who spoke. The EDC has constant task to clean up eyesores.

Councilman Smolinski agreed adding that when coming into town from Ringwood you have the paintball site. There are so many eyesores and he listed some. He stated that we need consistent and diligent enforcement to prevent these eyesores. It is unacceptable. He would be distraught if he lived around neighbors like that described earlier. He urged the residents to call the administrator. The photos are very telling. He thanked Petty Officer Griffith for his comments and his service. He has asked about the ratio and he would like to receive those numbers. He asked Administrator Gage if the final payment has been made to ASI. He stated that he does not know what is going on with the library. If we build we cannot expand the town hall and he looks forward to the FAC presentation. He has asked for several years for a simple drop down screen for presentations. It is not in the budget this year. He asked Administrator Gage to get a price.

Councilwoman Horton thanked the Bakers for coming and bringing the documentation. She went out with a camera on Sunday to photo complaints on Oak Ridge Road. She is astounded at the number of unsightly properties.

Council President Signorino asked Council to review FAC minutes. The committee feels very strongly about the need to approach the Council and the engineer about concerns. Some of this involves providing space for departments that may be provided for in the library board project. Time is of the essence and we need to do right by the taxpayers. There is a need to determine what is best for the Township as a whole. He asked for and received consensus for a special joint meeting with FAC, Paul Ferriero, the attorney and the administrator. Mayor Bieri asked what the goal of the meeting is and Council President Signorino stated the goal would be to discuss concerns, including mold or asbestos in town hall. Mayor Bieri stated that at last meeting, FAC agreed that the most effective means to solve issues is to proceed with joint venture with the library. Council President Signorino said the joint meeting would be for sharing information. There is a new building going up and the Council and FAC don't know anything. The FAC believes that the new library may not be the best course for the Township. Councilman Smolinski agreed that we all need to sit at the table to share information. He lamented that the only information the Council gets from library is from reading vague minutes. The Library Board is doing a great job but Council needs to have an understanding. He asked for greater representation from the library board. It is a very expensive issue. Council will be doing the bonding and should have a full understanding of the plans and vision. If this is not a joint venture there can be no other expansion of municipal property. Mayor Bieri stated that she is trying to ensure that the meeting will be productive. FAC has looked at options that could not come to fruition. Council President Signorino stated it was not asked that the library board be part of this meeting because it could become contentious. It would not be productive to have them there. Mr. Semrau empathized with the position Council President Signorino finds himself in. The library is paying

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for this building. The Township is helping facilitate it. For starters the Engineer for the library, who is also the Township Engineer should come before Council to explain what is going on. The governing body needs to be informed first. The process should be that the library provides updates first and then Council gives direction to the subcommittee. Council President Signorino stated that this is not about the library. It is about FAC concerns about municipal business. We need to move forward. The FAC, he said, is frustrated. This is town business. He instructed the Clerk to get information from Mr. Ferriero and then have prospective dates by the next meeting next week. Councilman Ramaglia stated that he wants a firm agenda.

Council President Signorino thanked Mike Hensley for his comments. He intends to try to work for a zero percent although it may not be feasible. He asked if Brian Townsend can come to a meeting and explain the revaluation process and how the rate was determined. Mr. Semrau noted that Brian Townsend is the assessor and sets the values. He cannot get into specifics but can review the overall process. Councilwoman Horton also wants him to address the 1/3 theory. Mr. Semrau stated that he has been advised that about 500 appeals were filed. That is the process and it is all about fairness in the value. The revaluation does not set the tax rate, it sets the value for each property. Council President Signorino thanked Petty Officer Griffith for his comments. He agrees with him and appreciates his service. He would like to see a movie theatre in town. He said that he hopes issues with property maintenance will be addressed.

Councilwoman Erik thanked Ms. Aaronson for her work on VA issues.

Mr. Semrau advised the Director of CS&R received an application for the boat races. It was sent to various departments. He called the DEP and the Administration met with officials. The applicant decided not to proceed. Those services were provided at no cost. That should not be overlooked. The governing body adopted a resolution to endorse that event. Maybe it is not financially feasible. In some communities such applicants do not get that kind of support.

Mayor Bieri encouraged the John Street residents to follow up with Township officials. Appeals may benefit one person but the tax burden will be spread equally across the community. She favors the joint meeting with Council and FAC and wants it to be productive. There has been a lot of frustration on many sides. Everyone is equally frustrated. FAC has been looking into many projects that are simply not possible. She asked why we would ask the engineer to spend one moment on the pole barn issue. There has been misinformation about the ability to expand town hall. Without the redevelopment area no expansion would be allowed. The Highlands Act is causing impediments, not the library. The permitting process for the library took years. The library wants to work with the Township to provide options. Asbestos and mold issues are moot. ADA issues are consistently broached and we have legal opinions which are continually ignored. Lets move forward with viable options. The dog bone is a concept that was suggested for a shared space/municipal complex. It would build a new town hall with a connection through a breezeway. A new municipal complex would require a lot of money. If that is going to be considered she recommends a referendum question and taxpayer input. FAC has been in existence for a few years. The Library Board has been working for twelve years to build a new library. Council President Signorino stated that he agrees that ADA compliance needs to be addressed. If we are compliant, we should clarify that. The mold issues is a concern to him because employees repeatedly say they have these concerns. We need to put these issues to rest. It would appear that mold in past has been remedied. The purpose of the meeting is to get everyone in the know. He said that the Mayor told him personally that the town hall cannot be expanded if library is built. That may be a cause for concern in the future. He wants to make sure that he relays accurate information. Any building should go up for referendum. It is a lot of money. Ms. Gage stated that if we have mold and asbestos issues she has an obligation to speak with health and construction officials. She will take care of that. We have no choice but to address that. Mayor Bieri clarified that it is the library building that cannot be expanded, moved or changed.

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~ Resolution No. 2012- 137 ~

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF GENE CHIOSIE AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §15-11 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE

WITHDRAWN BY MAYOR BIERI

Mayor Bieri stated that in light of the impending retirement of Chief Chiosie, she would like to withdraw this nomination.

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Mayor Bieri asked to move Resolutions 2012-163, 2012-164, 2012-165, 2012-166 as one.

Moved: Ramaglia Seconded: Rosone
Voted Aye: Erik, Smolinski, Ramaglia, Rosone, Signorino, Horton.
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

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~ Resolution No. 2012- 163 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY REQUESTING THAT THE WEST MILFORD MUA COMMUNICATE REGULARLY WITH THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AND PROVIDE MINUTES OF MEETINGS TO THE TOWNSHIP CLERK

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford did create by ordinance adopted on February 4, 1964 a Municipal Utilities Authority (MUA); and

WHEREAS, the MUA is an autonomous agency charged with overseeing the sewer & water facilities under its charge; and

WHEREAS, within the Township of West Milford all boards, committees and commissions provide the Township Council with minutes of their meetings and updates as requested by the Township Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford as follows:

1. The West Milford Municipal Utilities Authority (MUA) be and is hereby being asked to file with the Municipal Clerk copies of all minutes of meetings upon approval of such minutes by the MUA Board for distribution to the Township Council.
2. The West Milford MUA be and is hereby being asked to provide copies of meeting minutes already approved but not filed with the Township Clerk to the Office of the Township Clerk.
3. The West Milford MUA be and is hereby being asked to provide quarterly updates to the Township Council by virtue of memoranda to keep the Governing Body apprised of the status of DEP violations, the status of fines and penalties imposed, the status of and measures being taken on an ongoing basis to address maintenance issues at MUA facilities, the status of the MUA's relationship with the DEP, updates on any capital improvement projects being undertaken by the MUA, and any other matters that the MUA Board may consider to be of interest or importance to the elected officials in the Township.
4. The MUA is asked to provide such memoranda on a regular schedule with proposed submittal dates of May 30, August 30, November 30 and February 28.
5. The Township Council may request from time to time that the MUA make a presentation to the Township Council in a public forum for the benefit of users and residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED in anticipation of full cooperation from the West Milford MUA with this request, the Township Council wishes to convey its appreciation for these communications.

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~ Resolution No. 2012- 164 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE FILING AND ACCEPTANCE OF AN APPLICATION TO NEW JERSEY TRANSIT CORPORATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD FOR AN INTER-CITY GRANT UNDER THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ACT

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to make grants for a mass transportation program of projects in other than urbanized areas under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the grant for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the Township of West Milford, including the provision of the local share of the project costs in the program; and

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WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1965, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under the Federal Transit Act, as amended, the Recipient give an assurance that it will comply with Title VI and EEO requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Recipient is required to adhere to the requirements as specified in the U.S. Department of Transportation's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) regulation set forth in 49 C.F.R. Part 23, Subpart D.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford as follows:

1. That the Director of Community Services and Recreation is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the Township of West Milford with the U.S. Department of Transportation to aid in the financing of administration, capital and/or operating assistance projects pursuant to Section 5311 of the Federal Transit act, as amended.
2. That the Director of Community Services and Recreation is authorized to execute and file with such applications and assurance or any other document required by the U.S. Department of Transportation effectuating the purposes of Title VI and EEO requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
3. That the Director of Community Services and Recreation is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative minority business policies pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Part 23, Subpart D.
4. That the Director of Community Services and Recreation is authorized to furnish such additional information as the U.S. Department of Transportation may require in connection with the application.
5. That the Township Administrator is authorized to execute grant agreements on behalf of the Township of West Milford Transportation for aid in the financing of the administration, capital and/or operating assistance.
6. That the Township of West Milford wishes to apply for the Federal Transit Act Inter-City Grant being administered by the New Jersey Transit Corporation in the amount of \$64,259.00 for which the Township of West Milford hereby authorizes the amount of \$32,129.50 be obligated as the local share required under the provisions of the grant application.
7. That any of the following:
Township Administrator
Chief Financial Officer
Director of Community Services and Recreation
are hereby authorized to sign compliance reports as may be required from time to time during the course of this grant agreement.

Adopted: May 2, 2012

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~ Resolution No. 2012- 165 ~

RESOLUTION F THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING IN REM FORECLOSURE OF THE TAX SALE CERTIFICATES SHOWN ON THE ATTACHED TAX FORECLOSURE LIST

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:5-104.29 et seq., the Tax Collector has certified to the Township Council for the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic, a municipality of the State of New Jersey, is the holder of certain Tax Sale Certificates covering the lands and premises situated in the Township of West Milford for the amounts, including subsequent liens as shown on the Tax Foreclosure List, Schedules 1 through 25 hereto annexed and made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Members of the Township Council of the Township of West Milford as follows:

1. That it is hereby determined to foreclose, *In Rem*, those tax sale certificates appearing on the attached Tax Foreclosure List.
2. That the tax collector or its designee is hereby authorized and directed to foreclose the tax sale certificates appearing on the attached tax foreclosure list by summary proceedings provided by statute.
3. That the Township Clerk shall certify a true and accurate copy of this resolution to be made a part of such action instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the aforesaid tax sale certificates.

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4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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~ Resolution No. 2012- 166 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE 2012 TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2012 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided, and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2012-020 for the initial temporary appropriations budget needs to be amended, and

WHEREAS, said temporary appropriations are extended and now limited to 32.35% of the total appropriation in the 2012 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, public assistance, and capital improvement fund in said 2011 budget,

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

APPROPRIATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	2011 BUDGET AS ADOPTED	2012 TEMPORARY BUDGET	YTD SPENT
Administrator S&W	01-20-100-100	\$312,613	\$121,000	
Administrator O.E.	01-20-100-200	\$83,950	\$50,000	
TOTAL		\$396,563	\$171,000	
Personnel S&W	01-20-105-100	\$0	\$ -	
Personnel O.E.	01-20-105-200	\$0	\$ -	
TOTAL		\$0	\$0	
Township Mayor & Council S&W	01-20-110-101	\$34,000	\$14,569	
Township Mayor & Council O.E.	01-20-110-200	\$850	\$1,200	
TOTAL		\$34,850	\$15,769	
Information Technology S&W	01-20-140-100	\$80,431	\$34,500	
Information Technology O.E.	01-20-140-200	\$65,725	\$28,163	
TOTAL		\$146,156	\$62,663	
Legal O.E.	01-20-155-200	\$209,000	\$209,000	
General Services S&W	01-20-161-100	\$30,000	\$15,000	
General Services O.E.	01-20-161-200	\$74,000	\$36,000	
TOTAL		\$104,000	\$51,000	
Insurance, Other	01-23-210-200	\$822,260	\$430,000	1st installment due Feb.
Insurance, Other, Less Library Charge Back	01-23-210-200		\$ -	
Insurance, Group	01-23-220-506	\$3,483,216	\$1,600,000	
Insurance, Group - Less Library Chargebacks	01-23-220-506		\$ -	
TOTAL		\$4,305,476	\$2,030,000	
Heritage O.E.	01-20-173-200	\$0	\$ -	
Clerk S&W	01-20-120-100	\$238,433	\$105,000	
Clerk O.E.	01-20-120-200	\$23,530	\$5,000	
TOTAL		\$261,963	\$110,000	
Elections S&W	01-20-146-101	\$1,200	\$500	Seasonal
Elections O.E.	01-20-146-101	\$16,400	\$2,000	Seasonal
TOTAL		\$17,600	\$2,500	
Treasurer S&W	01-20-130-100	\$159,281	\$78,252	
Treasurer O.E.	01-20-130-200	\$4,670	\$2,001	

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Treasurer O.E. - Less Interlocal agreement	01-20-130-200		\$ -	
TOTAL		\$163,951	\$80,253	
Annual Audit	01-20-135-200	\$40,000	\$20,000	
Annual Audit Additional Services	01-20-135-201	\$10,000	\$20,000	
TOTAL		\$50,000	\$40,000	
Tax Collector S&W	01-20-145-100	\$152,881	\$73,000	
Tax Collector O.E	01-20-145-200	\$13,990	\$5,995	
TOTAL		\$166,871	\$78,995	
Tax Assessor S&W	01-20-150-200	\$270,912	\$121,000	
Tax Assessor O.E.	01-20-150-200	\$5,200	\$5,000	
TOTAL		\$276,112	\$126,000	
PLANNING BOARD O.E.	01-21-180-200	\$36,900	\$30,000	
Planning, Comprehensive S&W	01-21-181-100	\$174,026	\$48,000	
Planning, Comprehensive O.E.	01-21-181-200	\$23,300	\$12,500	
TOTAL		\$197,326	\$60,500	
ZONING ADMINISTRATION S&W	01-21-185-100	\$74,333	\$31,852	
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT O.E.	01-21-186-200	\$30,400	\$28,500	
Historic Preservation S&W	01-20-175-101	\$1,600	\$200	
Historic Preservation O.E.	01-20-175-200	\$800	\$343	
TOTAL		\$2,400	\$543	
Autumn Lights Festival	01-20-171-200	\$3,000	\$ -	Seasonal
Building S&W	01-22-195-100	\$365,644	\$140,000	
Building O.E.	01-22-195-200	\$6,530	\$2,798	
TOTAL		\$372,174	\$142,798	
Environmental Commission S&W	01-22-196-101	\$1,600	\$686	
Environmental Commission O.E.	01-22-196-200	\$880	\$377	
TOTAL		\$2,480	\$1,063	
Police Patrol S&W	01-25-240-100	\$4,326,724	\$1,800,000	
Police Patrol O.E.	01-25-240-200	\$94,193	\$40,362	
Police Patrol-Purchase of Police Vehicles	01-25-240-201	\$50,000	\$ -	Deferred to later in year
Police Detective S&W	01-25-241-100	\$515,828	\$221,032	
Police Administration S&W	01-25-242-100	\$484,521	\$200,000	
Police Communication S&W	01-25-243-100	\$245,826	\$110,000	
Police Comm. O.E.	01-25-243-200	\$8,000	\$3,428	
Police Specials S&W	01-25-244-100	\$33,000	\$14,141	
Police Specials O.E.	01-25-244-200	\$8,000	\$4,088	
TOTAL		\$5,766,092	\$2,393,050	
Emergency Management S&W	01-25-252-100	\$5,000	\$500	
Emergency Management O.E.	01-25-252-200	\$26,500	\$11,355	
TOTAL		\$31,500	\$11,855	
First Aid - WMFAS Contributions	01-25-260-200	\$60,650	\$25,989	
First Aid - UGL 1st Aid Squad Contributions	01-25-261-200	\$40,500	\$17,354	
TOTAL		\$101,150	\$43,343	
Aid To Vol. Fire Co.	01-25-255-200	\$90,000	\$38,565	
Fire Prevention Bureau S&W	01-25-265-100	\$177,610	\$76,106	
Fire Prevention Bureau O.E.	01-25-265-200	\$15,830	\$6,783	
Fire Co. Admin. S&W	01-25-266-100	\$9,089	\$3,500	
Fire Co. Admin. O.E.	01-25-266-200	\$255,150	\$109,332	

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LOSAP	01-25-267-200	\$90,000	\$38,565	Deferred to later in year
TOTAL		\$637,679	\$272,851	
Engineering S&W	01-20-165-100	\$277,592	\$120,600	
Engineering O.E.	01-20-165-200	\$40,400	\$36,000	
TOTAL		\$317,992	\$156,600	
DPW Streets & Roads S&W	01-26-290-100	\$1,598,185	\$650,000	
DPW Streets & Roads O.E.	01-26-290-200	\$408,900	\$175,214	
DPW Buildings & Grounds S&W	01-26-291-100	\$91,072	\$39,024	
DPW Buildings & Grounds O.E.	01-26-291-200	\$37,600	\$16,112	
DPW Snow Removal S&W	01-26-294-100	\$235,000	\$43,500	Seasonal need 100%
DPW Snow Removal O.E.	01-26-294-200	\$1,161,385	\$72,060	Seasonal need 100%
DPW Vehicle Maintenance S&W	01-26-315-100	\$258,155	\$110,619	
DPW Vehicle Maintenance O.E.	01-26-315-200	\$278,500	\$119,337	
TOTAL		\$4,068,797	\$1,225,866	
Public Health S&W	01-27-330-100	\$306,373	\$81,000	
Public Health O.E.	01-27-330-200	\$47,738	\$20,456	
Vital Statistics S&W	01-27-331-100	\$9,000	\$3,857	
Vital Statistics O.E.	01-27-331-200	\$18,640	\$7,987	
Housing Standard Bureau O.E.	01-27-332-441	\$25,000	\$3,000	
Environmental Health S&W	01-27-335-100	\$193,156	\$82,767	
Environmental Health O.E.	01-27-335-200	\$69,150	\$35,000	
Animal Control S&W	01-27-340-100	\$85,000	\$33,000	
Animal Control O.E.	01-27-340-450	\$0	\$ -	
TOTAL		\$754,057	\$267,067	
Recreation Programs S&W	01-28-370-100	\$410,500	\$165,000	
Recreation Programs O.E.	01-28-370-200	\$132,000	\$56,562	
Recreation-Bubbling Springs S&W	01-28-371-100	\$167,000	\$5,000	Seasonal later in year
Recreation. -Bubbling Springs O.E.	01-28-371-200	\$50,000	\$21,425	Seasonal later in year
Recreation-Admin. S&W	01-28-372-100	\$175,323	\$77,600	
Recreation-Admin. O.E.	01-28-372-200	\$14,400	\$6,170	
Recreation-Hillcrest S&W	01-28-374-100	\$117,471	\$56,500	
Recreation-Hillcrest O.E.	01-28-374-200	\$20,350	\$9,000	
Recreation-Parks Maintenance S&W	01-28-375-100	\$256,212	\$109,787	
Recreation-Parks Maintenance O.E.	01-28-375-200	\$117,350	\$80,000	
Senior Citizen Services S&W	01-28-376-100	\$88,838	\$36,000	
Senior Citizen Services O.E.	01-28-376-200	\$12,125	\$6,000	
TOTAL		\$1,561,569	\$629,044	
Veteran's Bureau S&W	01-20-172-100	\$1,500	\$643	
Veteran's Bureau O.E.	01-20-172-200	\$0	\$ -	
TOTAL		\$1,500		
Public Assistance S&W	01-27-345-100		\$ -	
Public Assistance O.E.	01-27-345-200		\$ -	
TOTAL			\$ -	
Celebration of Public Events O.E.	01-30-420-200	\$6,500	\$2,785	Seasonal later in year
Mass Transportation	01-30-431-200	\$85,000	\$20,000	
Library S&W	01-29-390-100	\$536,245	\$220,000	
Library O.E.	01-29-390-200	\$611,482	\$300,000	

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TOTAL		\$1,147,727	\$520,000	
Municipal Court S&W	01-43-490-100	\$286,157	\$122,618	
Municipal Court O.E.	01-43-490-200	\$13,100	\$5,613	
Municipal Court Prosecutor S&W	01-43-491-101	\$26,000	\$11,141	
Municipal Court Public Defender Fees	01-43-495-450	\$0	\$ -	
TOTAL		\$325,257	\$139,373	
Utilities-Electricity	01-31-430-200	\$160,200	\$68,646	
Utilities-Street Lights	01-31-435-200	\$49,000	\$30,000	
Utilities-Telephone	01-31-440-200	\$120,000	\$70,000	
Utilities-Natural Gas	01-31-446-200	\$117,500	\$50,349	
Utilities-Fuel	01-31-460-200	\$410,000	\$240,000	
TOTAL		\$856,700	\$458,994	
MISCELLANEOUS AND STATUTORY EXPENDITURES				
PERS	01-36-471-532	\$749,756	\$877,884.00	Deferred to 2nd Quarter
PERS - Less Library Chargebacks	01-36-471-532		\$ -	Deferred to 2nd Quarter
Social Security	01-36-472-533	\$617,293	\$162,000	
Less Library Charge backs - Social Security	01-36-472-533		\$ -	
PFRS	01-36-473-534	\$1,301,632	\$1,242,649.00	Deferred to 2nd Quarter
TOTAL		\$2,668,681	\$2,282,533	
Salaries & Wages Adjustment Account	01-37-480-501	\$0		No Budget needed for 10
Compensated Absences	01-38-485-110	\$100,000		Deferred to later in year
DEFERRED CHARGES AND RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES				
Judgments	01-37-480-503	\$0		No Deficit/No budget
Deficit in 2004 Assessment Bonds	01-46-886-000	\$17,169		No budget
Over Expenditure of Appropriations	01-46-887-531	\$48,200		Deferred to later in year
Reserve for Tax Appeals	01-46-886-667	\$20,000		Deferred to later in year
	01-46-887-528			Deferred to later in year
Def Charges - Ord 92-14 Impr to Mun Prop	01-46-875-528	\$39,000		Deferred to later in year
	01-46-877-000			No Budget
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	01-50-899-200	\$1,890,000		Exempt
TOTAL		\$2,014,369	\$ -	
GRANTS	G-02-41	\$100,691	\$43,146	
SUBTOTAL		\$27,396,816	\$11,738,943.34	42.85%
Capital Improvements Fund	01-44-900-200	\$0	\$ -	Exempt
Cap Improvements Fund Down Payments	01-44-900-200		\$ -	Exempt
Cap. Improv. Fund-Fire Emer Equip.	01-44-939-290	\$0		
TOTAL		\$0	\$ -	
Debt Service Total	01-45-000-000	\$2,434,218	\$1,044,097.25	Exempt
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		\$29,831,034	\$12,783,041	
Solid Waste S&W	26-55-500-100	\$136,000	\$58,276	
Solid Waste O.E. All Other	26-55-500-200	\$93,250	\$39,958	
Contractual Services	26-55-500-202	\$1,085,750	\$465,244	
Disposal Fees	26-55-500-203	\$750,000	\$321,375	
Grants - Recycling County of Passaic	26-41-753-336	\$0	\$ -	Exempt

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Prior Year's Bills	26-55-900-900	\$0	\$	-No budget
Commercial Pick Up	26-55-500-201	\$0	\$	-No budget
TOTAL		\$2,065,000	\$884,853	42.85%

Adopted: April 4, 2012

Approval of Expenditures

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~ Resolution No. 2012- 167 ~

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.	\$493,855.25
2	Reserve Account.	8,681.51
3	Animal Control Trust	440.00
6	Capital.	7,373.61
7	Grants.	2,204.39
8	Refuse.	155,354.65
9	Refunds.	40.00
12	General Ledger.	4,928,217.74
16	Heritage Trust.	0.00
14	Open Space Trust	25.00
17	Trust	1,285.00
18	Development Escrow.	
19	COAH	450.00
20	Special Reserve	0.00
Total		\$5,597,927.15
\$Less Refund Resolution		-40.00
Actual Bill List		\$5,597,887.15
Other Payments - Check. # 48972 Treasurer, State of New Jersey		500.00
Total Expenditures		\$5,598,387.15

Adopted: May 2, 2012

Moved: Erik Seconded: Ramaglia
 Voted Aye: Erik, Smolinski, Ramaglia, Rosone, Signorino, Horton.
 Voted Nay: None.
 Abstain: Horton abstain 48653 only.
 Motion carried.

Agenda No. XIII

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

Councilman Rosone thanked Chief Chiosie for his for years of service and protecting residents. It is not easy job and a lot of sacrifices were likely made throughout his career.

Council President Signorino echoed those comments.

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Councilwoman Horton also echoed those comments. She said that the members of the Senior Advisory Committee sends him best wishes in retirement.

Councilwoman Erik invited Council President Signorino to attend a recycling committee meeting.

Mayor Bieri said that she was saddened to receive Chief Chiosie's retirement notice but is grateful to have the opportunity to work with him. She thanked him for postponing his retirement and for turning the department around. He positively influenced morale and added focus to the department. He has done a phenomenal job. She said that she respects his decision and appreciates the more than two months notice he has given. Because of his leadership, the transition will be smooth. She wishes him well and happiness in his retirement and she looks forward to working with the new chief. She gave kudos to the new MUA commissioners. In the one meeting she attended the members had comments, solutions, and questions. They are willing to learn and listen. She received a letter from Bloomingdale thanking West Milford for the response to an issue they had on April 13th. She quoted from the letter. Our PRIDE program will be receiving a very nice distinction in Passaic County and she asked Administrator Gage to schedule them for an awards presentation. They have been selected for a "salute to champions to persons with disabilities award." She advised that she, the Director of CS&R and her assistant went the Passaic County Open Space Committee seeking reallocation of funding and they were very well received. The DEP is urging residents to conserve water due to low precipitation. Councilman Smolinski stated that about two years ago Councilman Ramaglia was instrumental in saving PRIDE program. We almost lost that program.

Administrator Gage stated that she has distributed the anti-idling legislation recommended by the Environmental Commission to departments. She will schedule discussion for the June workshop. The Council had inquired and discussed the Bi-State Commissions application for grant funding to purchase a cabin. She has learned that they did apply. We have implemented a procedure for gauging the fuel tanks before and after deliveries. Keith Hanson is keeping the records. We have received two more quotes and awaiting a third on the fuel security system. She will be looking to introduce an ordinance to approve the La Rue Road project and she may be able to use old capital and will be putting forward a fully funded ordinance to allow us to proceed and not lose the grant funding.

Agenda No. XIV

Appointments and Resignations

None.

Agenda No. XV

Executive Session

None.

Agenda No. XVI

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Township Council adjourned the meeting at 10:50 p.m.

Moved: Erik Seconded: Rosone
Voted Aye: Erik, Smolinski, Ramaglia, Rosone, Signorino, Horton.
Voted Nay: None.
Motion carried.

Approved: August 1, 2012

MAYOR BETTINA BIERI
PRESIDING OFFICER

ANTOINETTE BATTAGLIA
TOWNSHIP CLERK