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**TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY**

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Mayor Bettina Bieri called the Special Meeting of the West Milford Township Council to order.

**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 Special meeting was published in the Herald News on June 21, 2015; copies were provided to the Record, Star Ledger, Suburban Trends 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, Michael Hensley, Vivienne Erk, Michele Dale, Marilyn Lichtenberg, Mayor Bettina Bieri.  
Absent: Luciano Signorino  
Also Present: Township Administrator Kenneth Gabbert, Township Clerk Antoinette Battaglia

Agenda No. II

**Purpose**

Executive Session  
Municipal & Solid Waste Budget  
Capital Ordinance

Agenda No. III

**Executive Session**

~ Resolution No. 2015 – 222 ~

**MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2015 that:

1. Prior to the conclusion of this **Special Meeting**, the Governing Body 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.
  - ( ) b. (4) A collective bargaining agreement including negotiations.
  - ( ) 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.
    - Litigation – Mulhern v. Township of West Milford
  - ( ) 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).

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

The Governing Body went into Executive session at 6:34 pm.  
The Governing Body returned to the public meeting at 7:00 p.m. with all present as before.

Agenda No. IV

**Unfinished Business, Final Passage of Ordinances**

Agenda No. IV 1

**~ Ordinance 2015 - 008 ~**

**BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$3,557,200, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,201,200 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey. For the said several improvements or purposes stated in said Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriations made for said improvements or purposes, said sums being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and amounting in the aggregate to \$3,557,200 including the aggregate sum of \$161,000 as the several down payments for said improvements or purposes required by law and more particularly described in said Section 3 and now available therefor by virtue of provision in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Township for down payment or for capital improvement purposes and including also, in the case of the improvement or purpose described in paragraph (c) of said Section 3, the sum of \$195,000 received or expected to be received by the Township from the New Jersey Department of Transportation, as a grant-in-aid of financing said improvement or purpose.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes and to meet the part of said \$3,557,200 appropriations not provided for by application hereunder of said down payments and grant, negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$3,201,200 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in a principal amount not exceeding \$3,201,200 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, the appropriation made for and estimated cost of each such purpose, and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each such purpose, are respectively as follows:

IMPROVEMENT OR PURPOSE	APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATED COST	ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF BONDS & NOTES
(a) Acquisition by purchase of new and additional vehicular equipment, including one (1) utility vehicle for use by the Buildings Department of the Township, one (1) utility vehicle for use by the Fire Department of the Township, one (1) backhoe, one (1) street sweeper, three (3) dump trucks with plows, one (1) tractor, and one (1) utility vehicle for use by	\$1,166,900	\$1,111,000

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the Department of Public Works of the Township, together with all equipment, attachments and accessories necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved		
(b) Improvement of various streets and locations in and by the Township by the construction or reconstruction therein of roadway pavements at least equal in useful life or durability to a roadway pavement of Class B construction (as used or referred to in Section 40A:2-22 of said Local Bond Law), including without limitation, Clinton Road, Cahill Cross Road, Aspen Lane, Davenport Road, Wayside Road, Bayonne Drive, Carteret Street, Green Terrace Way, Morris Avenue, Mercer Place, Wallisch Avenue and Melrose Avenue, together with all sidewalks, curbing, structures, appurtenances, milling, drainage improvements, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	1,031,000	981,900
(c) Improvement of Clinton Road in and by the Township by the construction or reconstruction therein of roadway pavements at least equal in useful life or durability to a roadway pavement of Class B construction (as used or referred to in Section 40A:2-22 of said Local Bond Law), together with all sidewalks, curbing, structures, appurtenances, milling, drainage improvements, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved, the \$360,700 appropriation hereby made therefor being inclusive of the amount of \$195,000 received or expected to be received by the Township from the New Jersey Department of Transportation as a grant-in-aid of financing said improvement	360,700	157,500
(d) Improvement of various streets as part of the Township's road assessment program, by the construction or reconstruction therein of roadway pavements at least equal in useful life or durability to a roadway pavement of Class B construction (as used or referred to in Section 40A:2-22 of said Local Bond Law), together with all sidewalks, curbing, structures, appurtenances, milling, drainage improvements, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	200,000	190,400
(e) Improvement of municipally-owned properties and facilities in and by the Township, including the Bubbling Spring Dam by the rehabilitation thereof, and the removal of underground storage tanks at the Municipal Building and the Township Museum, together with for all the aforesaid all structures, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	123,600	117,700
(f) Acquisition by purchase of new and additional equipment for use by the Fire Departments of the Township and an asphalt recycler for use by the Department of Public Works of the Township, together with all, attachments and accessories necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and	108,200	103,000

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hereby approved		
(g) Acquisition by purchase of new and additional firefighting equipment for the preservation of life and property in the Township, consisting of one (1) tanker truck, together with all equipment, attachments and accessories necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	515,300	490,700
(h) Improvement of storm water drainage systems along Upper Greenwood Lake in and by the Township so as to control sediment flow, together with all landscaping, structures, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	51,500	49,000
Totals	\$3,557,200	\$3,201,200

Except as otherwise stated in paragraph (c) above with respect to the said grant-in-aid of financing the purpose described in said paragraph, the excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the said down payment and grant for said purpose.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

- (a) The said purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and each is a property or improvement which the Township may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (b) The average period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the respective amounts of the said obligations authorized for the several purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 9.06 years.
- (c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in said Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$3,201,200, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.
- (d) Amounts not exceeding \$150,000 in the aggregate for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs and other items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Local Bond Law may be included as part of the costs of said improvements and are included in the foregoing estimate thereof.

Section 5. The funds from time to time received by the Township on account of the \$195,000 grant referred to in Section 1 of this bond ordinance shall be used for financing the improvements or purposes described in paragraph (c) of Section 3 of this bond ordinance by application thereof either to direct payment of the costs of said improvements or purposes, or to payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Township authorized therefor by this bond ordinance. Any such funds so received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the costs of said improvements or purposes shall, be held and applied by the Township as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Township authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 6. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive

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evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. §40A:2-8. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body of the Township at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 7. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 8. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond Law.

Introduced: June 17, 2015  
Adopted: June 30, 2015  
Effective Date: July 20, 2015

This Ordinance was introduced on June 17, 2015 and the Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Herald News on June 21, 2015. The Governing Body will open the meeting to the public to speak to this ordinance only.

Doris Aaronson, 19 Bearfort Road, West Milford asked what the interest would be on these bonds. Mr. Ferraioli said he does not know at this time, currently they are paying 3%.

There being no one else wishing to be heard, Councilwoman Erik made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Lichtenberg and carried by unanimous voice vote to close the public comment period.

Motion to adopt ordinance.

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

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Administrator Gabbert made a PowerPoint presentation outlining key components of the budget, highlighting the impact on tax increases, the capital expenditures, the increased costs that are out of Council's control and giving an overview of revenues. Mayor Bieri and the Council thanked him for the presentation noting that it was very well laid out. Mayor Bieri asked Administrator Gabbert to analyze the revenue decreases and he agreed to do so.

Agenda No. IV 2

~ Resolution 2015 - 223 ~

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO ADOPT THE 2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the local municipal budget for the year 2015 was approved on March 18, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and

**WHEREAS**, it is desired to amend said approved budget; and

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**WHEREAS**, certain items of appropriation in the budget have been amended by a percentage greater than 10%; and

**WHEREAS**, amendments that increase or decrease any item of appropriation by more than ten percent (10%) require a public hearing and adoption by a majority of the full membership; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Township of West Milford, Passaic County, that the following amendments to the introduced budget of 2015 be made:

	( Erik				
	( Hensley	(	ABSTAIN	( None	
	( Erk	(		(	
RECORDED VOTE	AYES ( Dale	NAYS ( None		(	
	( Lichtenberg	(		(	
	(	(	ABSENT	( Signorino	

<b>CURRENT FUND BUDGET</b>		<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
<b>ANTICIPATED REVENUES</b>			
1.	Surplus Anticipated	2,600,000.00	2,500,000.00
	<b>TOTAL SURPLUS ANTICIPATED</b>	<b>2,600,000.00</b>	<b>2,500,000.00</b>
3.	Miscellaneous Revenues - Section A: Local Revenues		
	Interest and Costs on Taxes	280,000.00	300,001.93
	<b>Total Section A: Local Revenues</b>	<b>1,251,000.00</b>	<b>1,271,001.93</b>
3.	Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services – Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations		
	Body Armor Grant	0.00	4,211.46
	<b>Total Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues</b>	<b>610,240.80</b>	<b>614,452.26</b>
3.	Miscellaneous Revenues - Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Other Special Items		
	Reserve for Sale of Property	0.00	400,000.00
	<b>Total Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Other Special Items</b>	<b>497,173.58</b>	<b>897,173.58</b>
	<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>	<b>5,871,350.06</b>	<b>6,295,563.45</b>
		<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
5.	<b>SUBTOTAL GENERAL REVENUES (Items 1, 2, 3 and 4)</b>	<b>9,671,350.06</b>	<b>9,995,563.45</b>
6.	Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:		
	(A) Local Tax for Municipal Purpose Including Res. for Uncollected Taxes	22,740,012.01	22,240,000.00
	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES FOR SUPPORT OF MUNICIPAL BUDGET</b>	<b>23,707,983.01</b>	<b>23,207,971.00</b>
7.	<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES (Items 5 and 6)</b>	<b>33,379,333.07</b>	<b>33,203,534.45</b>
<b>APPROPRIATIONS</b>		<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
8.	(A) Operations Within "CAPS"		
	Office of Township Manager		
	Salaries and Wages	389,805.00	392,805.00
	Division of General Services		
	Other Expenses	159,500.00	167,550.00
	Board of Adjustment		
	Other Expenses	25,750.00	29,250.00
	Division of Patrol		
	Salaries and Wages	4,382,995.00	4,418,995.00
	Other Expenses	155,825.00	153,025.00

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Purchase of Police Vehicles	190,000.00	152,000.00
Division of Administration		
Salaries and Wages	409,405.00	531,695.20
First Aid Organization		
Contributions	119,875.00	125,375.00
Municipal Prosecutor		
Salaries and Wages	23,515.00	26,135.00
Division of Streets and Roads		
Salaries and Wages	1,708,535.00	1,655,235.00
Other Expenses	455,900.00	555,900.00
Division of Public Property		
Salaries and Wages	99,760.00	101,760.00
Division of Snow Removal		
Salaries and Wages	300,000.00	350,000.00
Division of Health		
Salaries and Wages	228,665.00	193,665.00
Department of Recreation		
Other Expenses	16,500.00	61,000.00
Senior Services		
Other Expenses	15,625.00	21,625.00
Insurance:		
Group Insurance	3,325,890.00	3,260,890.00
Unclassified:		
Celebration of Public Events		
Other Expenses	10,000.00	20,500.00
	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
Reserve for Salary Adjustment	368,511.73	137,141.45
Other Insurance		
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONS (Item 8(A) Within "CAPS")</b>	<b>22,528,255.42</b>	<b>22,496,745.34</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONS INCLUDING CONTINGENT WITHIN "CAPS"</b>	<b>22,528,255.42</b>	<b>22,496,745.34</b>
Detail:		
Salaries and Wages	13,022,434.12	12,918,674.04
Other Expenses (Including Contingent)	9,505,821.30	9,616,071.10
<b>(H-1) TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES WITHIN "CAPS"</b>	<b>25,268,682.42</b>	<b>25,237,172.34</b>
8.(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"		
Reserve for Tax appeal Judgments	400,000.00	100,000.00
Emergency Services Volunteer LOSAP	180,000.00	130,000.00
Total Other Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	1,547,971.00	1,197,971.00
Inter local Municipal Service Agreements		
Township of Bloomfield		
Division of Health		
Other Expenses	85,306.00	87,806.00
Total Inter local Municipal Service Agreements	136,526.68	139,026.68
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues		
Passaic County Cultural Heritage - Local Share	2,000.00	1,000.00
Body Armor Grant	0.00	4,211.46
Total Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues	680,440.80	683,652.26
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONS - EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"</b>	<b>2,364,938.48</b>	<b>2,020,649.94</b>
Detail:		
Other Expenses	2,313,717.80	1,969,429.26
8.(C) Capital Improvements - Excluded from "CAPS"		
Capital Improvement Fund	175,000.00	100,000.00
Various Capital Improvements	0.00	400,000.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"</b>	<b>175,000.00</b>	<b>500,000.00</b>



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**SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS**

<b>6. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:</b>	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Within "CAPS"	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a&b) Operations Including Contingent	30001-00	22,496,745.34
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal	30004-00	2,740,427.00
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	
Excluded from "CAPS"	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	60023-00	2,020,649.94
(c) Capital Improvements	60002-00	500,000.00
(d) Municipal Debt Service	60003-00	3,101,712.17
(e) Deferred Charges - Municipal	60024-00	319,000.00
(f) Judgements	37-480	
(n) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S.A. 40A:48-17.1 & 17.3)	29-405	
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	
(k) For Local District School Purposes	60008-00	
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Include Other Reserves if any)	50-899	2,025,000.00
<b>7. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-13)</b>	60010-00	
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>30000-00</b>	<b>33,203,534.45</b>

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the 30th day of June 2015. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2015 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

Certified by me this 30th day of June 2015, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.

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Motion to adopt resolution.

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

Agenda No. IV 4

**~ RESOLUTION NO. 2015 – 225 ~**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE 2015 SOLID WASTE BUDGET**

**SECTION 2 - UPON ADOPTION FOR YEAR 2015**  
 (Only to be included in the Budget as Finally Adopted)

**RESOLUTION**

Be it Resolved by the \_\_\_\_\_ GOVERNING BODY \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ TOWNSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ of WEST MILFORD, County of PASSAIC, that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

(a) \$ 1,791,289.24 (item 2 below) for amount to be raised by taxation for Solid Waste Collection District. Abstained { None

RECORDED VOTE (insert last name) Ayes { Erik, Hensley, Erk, Dale, Lichtenberg Nays { None Absent { Signorino

**SUMMARY OF REVENUES and APPROPRIATIONS**

<b>1. General Revenues</b>		
Surplus Anticipated		40,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated		140,000.00
<b>2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION DISTRICT</b>		<b>1,791,289.24</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>		<b>1,971,289.24</b>
<b>3. General Appropriations</b>		
Operations		1,971,289.24
Deferred Charges		
Statutory Expenditures		
Judgement		
Deficit in Operations in Prior Years		
Surplus (General Budget)		
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>		<b>1,971,289.24</b>

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Certified by me this 30th day of June 2015, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.

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**TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY**

Minutes of: Township Council Special Meeting  
Date of Meeting: June 30, 2015  
Time of Meeting: 6:30 P.M.  
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Agenda No. V

**Public Comments**

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

Doris Aaronson, 19 Bearfort Road, West Milford said the biggest portion of taxes is from the schools. She attends some BOE meetings. Their school population has decreased but their taxes keep increasing. She asked Council to consider the possibility of the Township Administrator and Auditor taking a close look at the details of the school budget and seek for ways to decrease that budget. The Council could adopt a resolution requesting that the school cut their budget. The Council always seeks to reduce costs but no such effort comes from the school. Residents pay the lion's share of taxes so she would like the town to have staff look at that budget.

There being no one else wishing to be heard, Councilwoman Erik moved to close the public portion of the meeting.

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

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Councilwoman Erik said she has looked at the BOE budget for years but cannot figure it out. They have money in surplus but claim they do not have funds to buy books.

Mayor Bieri said that she does not know if the Township has the authority to take such action with the BOE budget as noted.

Councilwomen Dale and Lichtenberg said they would support having the BOE elections returned to April where the public could vote on the school budget. The Township cannot do that until 2017.

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**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Township Council adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

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

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Approved: September 16, 2015

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MAYOR BETTINA BIERI  
PRESIDING OFFICER

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TOWNSHIP CLERK