

**MINUTES OF THE WARREN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 12, 2013**

REGULAR MEETING

The Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, convened in Public Session on Thursday, December 12, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2nd floor Conference Room, 46 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, New Jersey.

Mayor Sordillo read the following notice:

“In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 7, 2013 and December 6, 2013 by sending written notices to the Echoes Sentinel and Courier News, posting on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and filing with the Township Clerk”.

On call of the roll, the following Committee members were present:

Mr. Lazo
Mr. Marion
Mr. DiNardo
Mrs. Garafola
Mayor Sordillo

Also Present: Mark M. Krane, Township Administrator
Patricia A. DiRocco, Township Clerk
William Willard, Acting Township Attorney
Lisa Fittapaldi, Special Counsel

Mr. Lazo introduced and read Resolution No. 2013-258.1, seconded by Mr. Marion and carried by unanimous voice vote.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L.1975 Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

Personnel - Interviews for position of Lieutenant in the Police Department
Contract Negotiations – Somerset County Park Plan; Hillcrest Road Sewer Project
Special Assessment

Property Acquisition – Block 78, Lot 36 and Block 78, Lot 12

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WHEREAS, when and if the matters discussed become public record, this will be made known to the public at that time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, that the public is excluded from this Meeting;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that formal action may be taken upon reconvening to Public Session.

The meeting convened in Executive Session at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened to Public Session at 7:00 p.m in the Municipal Complex, Susie B. Boyce Meeting Room, 44 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, N.J.

Mayor Sordillo led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tami Crader, Warren School Superintendent, gave an update on School security.

A Certificate of Recognition was presented to Sal Cangialosi honoring him for the Special Olympics Award.

On motion of Mr. Lazo, second of Mrs. Garafola, the Regular minutes of November 13, 2013 were approved. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Mayor Sordillo opened the Comments on Agenda Items portion of the meeting.

Mr. Lakatos, Horseshoe Road, asked the cost of a contract for updating Township tax maps. Attorney Willard informed him the cost would be \$1,450.

The Comments on Agenda Items portion of the meeting was closed.

Mrs. Garafola introduced and read Resolution No. 2013-259 for the payment of bills, seconded by Mr. DiNardo. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2013-259 is appended to the official minutes.

Resolution No. 2013-275, listed in the following Consent Agenda, was requested to be voted upon separately by Mr. Marion.

On motion of Mr. Marion, second of Mrs. Garafola, the following Consent Agenda Resolutions were approved, carried by unanimous roll call vote:

- 2013-260 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE WARREN TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT - V. ABBATE AND J. ZUPKO
- 2013-261 REFUNDING TAXES FOR TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN IN THE SUM OF \$1,609.39
- 2013-262 EXTENSION OF CONTRACT – ROCK SALT THROUGH SOMERSET COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT
- 2013-263 AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO KENNON SURVEYING SERVICES, INC. FOR REVIEW AND UPDATING TOWNSHIP TAX MAPS
- 2013-264 RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND MT. BETHEL CORPORATE CENTER NORTH AND ACCEPTANCE OF TECHNOLOGY DRIVE NORTH AS A MUNICIPAL ROADWAY
- 2013-265 RELEASE OF SEASONAL PERFORMANCE BOND JARED ESTATES, LLC
- 2013-266 AWARD OF CONTRACT WELDON ASPHALT A DIVISION OF WELDON MATERAILS FOR ROAD MATERIALS
- 2013-267 ESTABLISHING JANUARY 1, 2014 AS A HOLIDAY
- 2013-268 APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED FROM NEW JERSEY DEP - OFFICE OF RECYCLING IN THE SUM OF \$15,539.17
- 2013-269 APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO THE WARREN TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE SUM OF \$4,400
- 2013-270 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT FOR OVERFLOW PARKING DURING THE YULETIDE BONFIRE WINTER FESTIVAL
- 2013-271 AUTHORIZING PUBLIC AUCTION OF TOWNSHIP VEHICLES
- 2013-272 AUTHORIZING WATCHUNG HILLS MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FISCAL GRANT EXTENSION JANUARY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2014
- 2013-273 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A REFERENCE DESK FROM WARREN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY TO SUMMIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

- 2013-274 SUPPORTING JANUARY 11, 2014 AS HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS DAY
- 2013-276 AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$48,000
- 2013-277 AUTHORIZING PURCHASING AGENT TO PURCHASE ROAD MATERIALS THROUGH THE SOMERSET COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM AND MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING

Resolutions 2013-260 through 2013-277 are appended to the official minutes.

On motion of Mrs. Garafola, second of Mr. DiNardo, Resolution No. 2013-275 entitled “AWARD OF CONTRACT – MARMIC ASSOCIATES – COMPUTER MAINTENANCE” was introduced and adopted. The roll call was as follows:

Lazo	Aye
Marion	Abstain
DiNardo	Aye
Garafola	Aye
Sordillo	Aye

Resolution No. 2013-275 is appended to the official minutes.

On motion of Mr. DiNardo, second of Mrs. Garafola, Resolution No. 2013-278 entitled “APPOINTING RONALD ROSELLI TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT, GRADE 2 IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND APPROVING THE SERGEANT’S PROMOTION LIST” was introduced and adopted. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2013-278 is appended to the official minutes.

On motion of Mr. DiNardo, second of Mr. Lazo, Resolution No. 2013-279 entitled “APPOINTING PAUL DZIEDZIC TO THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT, GRADE 2 IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND APPROVING THE LIEUTENANT’S PROMOTION LIST” was introduced and adopted. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2013-279 is appended to the official minutes.

Mayor Sordillo stated that he will be nominating Mr. DiNardo as Mayor at the Reorganization meeting. Mrs. Garafola stated that she will be nominating Mr. Marion as Deputy Mayor.

Mr. DiNardo stated that the appointments for 2014 were discussed with all governing body members. Re-appointees were notified. He stated that the Township is very fortunate to have such great volunteers.

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Mr. DiNardo spoke of the planned Municipal Annex. This is still being reviewed and considered. There were meetings with the Architect. The goal is to keep the cost down. This will be further discussed in 2014.

Mayor Sordillo opened the Privilege of the Floor portion of the meeting.

Susie Boyce, Springdale Lane, spoke of the King George Inn property that may be sold soon. She appealed to the governing body to consider having the Township preserve the property as it has so much history and is an integral part of Warren.

Mr. Fitzgerald, resident, asked the governing body to also preserve this property.

Mayor Sordillo informed them that the Township had approached the County about Purchasing this property and they had no interest.

The Privilege of the Floor portion of the meeting was closed as no one else wished to speak.

Ms. Fittapaldi, Special Counsel, arrived at 7:43 p.m.

Mr. Lazo introduced and read Resolution No. 2013-280, seconded by Mr. Marion and carried by unanimous voice vote.

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WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

Contract Negotiations – CWA Union Negotiations

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The meeting convened in Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.

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The meeting reconvened to Public Session at 8:00 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Lazo, second of Mr. DiNardo, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. DiRocco, RMC
Township Clerk