

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE, HELD AT THE WANTAGE TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 888 STATE ROUTE 23, WANTAGE, NJ, HELD AT 9:00 A.M. ON DECEMBER 29, 2016

Mayor Bassani called the meeting to order, and requested that the Clerk call the roll. Upon roll call, the following members of the governing body were present: Mayor Ronald Bassani, Committeeman Jon Morris, and Committeeman William Gaechter. Also present: Administrator/Acting Clerk Debra Millikin.

Mayor Bassani stated, "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231. It has been properly noticed and certified by the Clerk."

Mayor Bassani invited all those in attendance to join in the Salute of the Flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Bassani requested that the governing body review the Consent Agenda.

RESOLUTIONS (Approval for the following actions):

1. A Motion is in order to approve the TRANSFER RESOLUTION FOR THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 29, 2016, TOTALING \$28,317.00
2. A Motion is in order to AUTHORIZE THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES FOR BLOCK 148, LOT 25 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$791.50
3. A Motion is in order to AUTHORIZE THE REFUND OF \$250.00 to Block 23, Lot 4.01, \$250.00 to Block 97, Lot 5, \$250.00 to Block 150, Lot 9.06, \$783.28 to Block 17, Lot 4.04Q, \$2,560.35 to Block 2, Lot 4.03, \$1,592.63 to Block 22, Lot 10.03, \$1,571.94 to Block 79, Lot 6, \$2,759.00 to Block 130, Lot 6.09, \$2,449.97 to Block 132, Lot 3.09, and \$695.96 to Block 92, Lot 8,
4. A Motion is in order to APPROVE BILL FOR THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 29, 2016.

Mayor Bassani questioned why only one transfer resolution. Mrs. Millikin indicated this was the only resolution received by the Chief Financial Officer. There will be a Temporary Budget Resolution on your re-organization agenda for January 5th.

Mayor Bassani requested a Motion to approve the Consent Ageda.

Motion by Mr. Morris. Second by Mr. Gaechter

Ayes: Gaechter, Morris, Bassani Nays: None Absent: None Abstain:
None

REPORTS

Administrator Report – Mrs. Millikin advised she would like to establish a date for the budget meeting looking at the week of January 16th specifically January 18th and 19th. Both those dates are bad for Mayor Bassani. Mrs. Millikin was concerned about the Planning Board Reorganization meeting. All committee members could do January 17th at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Gaechter questioned when the reorganization meeting would be. Mrs. Millikin advised January 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. followed by the regular meeting agenda. Reminder Municipal Offices are closed on January 2nd for observation of New Year's Day. Mayor Bassani questioned if the Municipal Offices would close early on December 30th. Mayor Bassani said we should let the employees out at 3:30 p.m. on the 30th.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – Mayor Bassani requested a Motion to approval the minutes from the December 8, 2016 meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Gaechter. Second by Mr. Morris

Ayes: Gaetcher, Morris, Bassani Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

Mrs. Millikin advised Mr. Vander Groef will be the new chief effective January 1, 2017. Mayor Bassani questioned if the agreement with Sussex was executed. Mrs. Millikin stated a meeting was held on Tuesday, December 27th and the agreement has had minor amendments made and been executed by both the Wantage Fire Department and Sussex Fire Department Inc.

Mayor Bassani asked for a Motion to close the meeting.

Motion by Mr. Morris. Second by Mr. Gaechter

Ayes: Gaetcher, Morris, Bassani Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Respectfully Submitted

Debra Millikin, Acting Municipal Clerk