

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mayor Metzner called the meeting to order at 7:41 pm.

**SALUTE TO FLAG:**

All present pledged their allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

**OPENING PRAYER:**

The Municipal Clerk provided the opening prayer.

**ROLL CALL:**

Karen D. Gibison, Committeewoman, present  
Anthony J. Tomasello, Committeeman, present  
Karl Wm. Auwarter, III, Committeeman, present  
Nick LoSasso, Committeeman, late arrival  
Marie D. Lawrence, Committeewoman, present  
Anthony R. Mitchell, Committeeman, present  
Charles Flamini, Committeeman, present  
John Wilson, Committeeman, present  
Sue Ann Metzner, Mayor, present

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Joseph Gallagher, Township Administrator; Deborah A. Puchakjian, Municipal Clerk; David C. Patterson, Township Solicitor; Tom Miller, Township Engineer; Brett Ingram, Municipal Utilities Engineer; Chief Bello, WTPD; Herbert Leary, Construction Official; Charles Stevenson, Supt. of Municipal Utilities; Ed McGlinchey, Supt. of Public Works/Zoning Officer; Vincent Mammucari, Supt. of Parks; Dr. Swirsky, Supt., WTBOE; Thomas D'Ambola, Business Administrator, WTBOE; Valerie Rabb, Public Information Officer, WTBOE; and Kim Lombardo, Recorder.

**“OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW” ANNOUNCEMENT:**

Mayor Metzner announced this meeting is being conducted in full compliance of the “Open Public Meetings Law” and notices were sent to the Courier Post, Record Breeze, Philadelphia Inquirer and other news media. In addition, the notice was provided on the Official Bulletin Board. This meeting is being electronically recorded.

**EMERGENCY EXITS:**

Mayor Metzner stated to please be aware in the event of an emergency, all persons in the Courtroom should exit the courtroom quickly and orderly, using the two main doors in the courtroom and then locate the nearest exit to safety. In addition, all cell phones shall be turned off or placed on vibrate during the Township meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Committeeman Auwarter announced the 2008 Spring Leaf Collection Schedule is as follows:

Round 1	Ward 1	Week of April 7
	Ward 2	Week of April 14
	Ward 3	Week of April 21
	Ward 4	Week of April 28

2. Mayor Metzner announced the Comcast local access channel has been changed to Channel 9.
3. Committeewoman Gibison announced the Spring 2008 Department of Municipal Utilities Water Main Utilities Flushing Schedule as follows:

Week of April 7<sup>th</sup>

Stone Hollow, Avandale West, Parkside, Cobbler's Cove, Kenwood, Ivy Hall, Jackson Lane, Tara Drive, Tamerlane and Concord Springs

Week of April 14<sup>th</sup>

Wyndam Hill, Arden Forest, Wilton's Corner and Glen Forge

Week of April 21<sup>st</sup>

Cedarbrook Road, Muirfield, Cedar Hill, Chestnut Hill, Treecroft, Davis Avenue, Foxtail Ridge, Walden Chase, East Elmtowne, White Cedars and Golden Meadow

Week of April 28<sup>th</sup>

Primrose Gate, Colleen Manor, Lehigh Manor, Eden Hollow, Victoria Manor, Manor Hall, Woodlands and Meadows at Winslow

Week of May 5<sup>th</sup>

Ivystone Farms, Woodstream, Waterford Greene, Cooper Folly Rd, Pin Oaks, West Atco, Tally-Ho, Winslow township High School and Winslow Township Middle School, Factory Road, Dunham Loop, Heathermere, Albion, Route 73, Braddock Preserve, Tansboro Road, Raven Estates, Westbury Hunt and Hearthstone at Wedgewood

Week of May 12<sup>th</sup>

Hampton Meadows, Avandale East, Oak Forest, Sicklerville Road, Arbor Meadows, Drexel Gate, Summerbrooke and Camino Court

Water main flushing will take place from 7:30 am until 3:30 pm, Monday thru Friday. Residents may incur rusty and discolored water. Please allow house water to run clear before use.

4. Committeewoman Gibison announced the Township will be installing a master meter for the Elmtowne water system. Water service in the area will be temporarily shut down beginning at 10:00 am for approximately 4 hours on Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Rain date is scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
5. Mayor Metzner announced the Winslow Township Little League will have opening day ceremonies on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00 am at Stella Maiese Park followed by a parade beginning at 9:00 am.
6. Committeewoman Gibison reminded the Governing Body members to speak clearly into the microphones to allow the residents to hear clearly.

**PROCLAMATION:**

None.

**PRESENTATION:**

Dr. Swirsky presented a power point presentation of the 2008-2009 School District Budget. He introduced Todd Serenbetz, Director of Technology. Dr. Swirsky briefly described the School District's website. He stated because of State legislation, the School District will begin full-time school for 4 year olds. Within a 5-year period, the School District must provide full days for 3 and 4 year olds. He described the provisions impacting the budget. He encouraged everyone to visit the website to see the details of the School District's expenditures at [www.winslow-schools.com](http://www.winslow-schools.com). He also summarized a 4-year analysis compiled by the State for Winslow Township's School District.

A discussion took place regarding services for "classified" students. Dr. Swirsky stated there has been a decrease in the administrative staff. Nonetheless, the student per staff ratio has increased. The tax levy for 2008-2009 is projected to be increased by 4.52%, with a savings of \$120 per \$100,000.00. He also stated State legislature requires the School District to fund 100% of the cost for the teacher's Public Employee Retirement System (PERS). Dr. Swirsky discussed the additional question on the ballot with regard to the School District's budget, which will potentially add \$1,665,700.00 to the School District's budget. Without the proposed budget, the School District may be forced to eliminate 22 teaching positions. He discussed the lack of Administrative and support staff. He added School Nos. 5&6 are in jeopardy of losing Assistant Principal positions.

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He discussed the maintenance problems and the updates needed at the schools. Dr. Swirsky stated there will also be a referendum on the ballot to replace the boilers at Schools 1-4 and the Middle School, upgrade the fire alarm system at the High School and to replace playgrounds at Schools 1-4. He discussed the safety issues and age-appropriateness of the play area. He also stated the Township qualifies for a 64.89% expenditure reimbursement from the State's debt service aid.

Mr. McGlinchey stated to Committeewoman Lawrence that sidewalks were installed at the Middle School. Dr. Swirsky discussed the repairs needed on the sidewalks and parking lots. He discussed the possibility of a failed referendum and repairs being done in spite of. Dr. Swirsky urged the Governing Body's support of the School Budget. He discussed the security efforts made at the schools for the safety of the students. He also summarized the three questions to be posted on the school board election ballot. The voting hours will be changed to begin at 4pm until 9pm. Dr. Swirsky discussed the expenditures and increases affecting the budget.

Dr. Swirsky confirmed to Committeewoman Gibson there will be a "mock election" for the children during the school board election. There is an estimated surplus of \$400,000 - \$600,000 for 2007-2008. Dr. Swirsky discussed the funding of capital projects with Committeeman Auwarter. He briefly discussed the school district's newsletter which includes an overview of the budget plans.

Mayor Metzner thanked Dr. Swirsky for taking time and presenting the school budget.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

None.

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:**

None.

**RESOLUTIONS:****R-125-08** Safe and Secure Communities Program Resolution of Participation

A **Motion** was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Auwarter to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-126-08** Resolution Providing Authorization for Purchasing by Use of Contract Established Between the New Jersey Division of Purchasing and Certain Providers of Goods and Services

A **Motion** was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Auwarter to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-127-08** Resolution Releasing the Maintenance Guarantee for Central Farms

A **Motion** was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Auwarter to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-128-08** Resolution of Award of Contract, 2008 Local Road Program

A **Motion** was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Auwarter to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-129-08** Resolution of Award of Contract, 2008 Turf Fertilizer Program

A **Motion** was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Auwarter to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-130-08** Resolution of Appointment to the Winslow Township Municipal Drug and Alcohol Alliance Membership

A **Motion** was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Auwarter to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-131-08** Resolution Authorizing an Interlocal Service Agreement Between the County of Camden and the Township of Winslow Regarding Funding Provided by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

A **Motion** was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Auwarter to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-132-08** Resolution Authorizing Safe Streets to Schools Grant Application

**A Motion** was made by Committeewoman Lawrence and seconded by Committeeman Auwarter to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-133-08** Resolution Providing For A Refund Of Money To Norway Residents Water & Sewer Rate Reduction 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Billing

**A Motion** was made by Committeeman Auwarter and seconded by Committeeman Wilson to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**R-134-08** Resolution Providing For A Refund Of Money To Strawberry Village Residents Water Rate Reduction 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Billing

**A Motion** was made by Committeeman Auwarter and seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence to approve the aforementioned Resolution. The motion carried.

**REPORTS OF DIRECTORS AND LIAISONS:**

Community Services:

Committeeman Tomasello reported problems on Edgewood Road which have been rectified by the Construction Office. The two homes on Eastmont Lane have been boarded up.

Public Works:

1. Public Buildings and Grounds Application for South Jersey Transportation Authority on May 20, 2008 from 8:00 am until 1:30 pm at the Municipal Building
2. Public Buildings and Grounds Application for Jersey Pines Youth Athletic Association on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, June 7<sup>th</sup> and June 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 am until 2 pm and May 4<sup>th</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon until 2 pm at the Municipal Building

Committeewoman Lawrence suggested the Township also utilize the above dates for summer camp registration at the municipal building.

3. Public Buildings and Grounds Application for the DOT Organization, Inc. every Tuesday until December 31, 2008 from 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm at the Municipal Annex Building

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**A Motion** was made by Committeeman Auwarter and seconded by Committeewoman Gibison to approve the aforementioned public buildings and grounds application nos. 1-3. The motion carried.

4. Committeewoman Lawrence stated the corner at Erial and Williamstown Roads is becoming a traffic hazard.

Mayor Metzner added there will be a traffic study regarding the aforementioned intersection.

5. Committeeman Tomasello received an inquiry with regard to the fence at the Presswell Records site. Mr. McGlinchey stated it has not been decided whether or not to remove the fence.

Parks, Recreation and Community Events:

1. Committeeman Wilson announced on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. will be opening day for the Winslow Township Little League.
2. Committeeman Wilson announced the Winslow Township Little League's Comedy Night will be held on April 19<sup>th</sup> at Brigalia's.

Department of Municipal Utilities:

1. Committeewoman Gibison deferred to the Engineer's report.
2. Committeewoman Lawrence stated the residents are upset with regard to the raise in the water rates. A discussion took place regarding plans to assist residents with their water bill payments.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

**A Motion** was made by Committeeman Auwarter and seconded by Committeewoman Gibison to move the Agenda to Public Participation. The motion carried.

Kenneth Miles, 267 Blue Anchor Rd – He stated the home at 265 Blue Anchor Rd has been vacate for ten years and is becoming a dumping ground.

**COMMENTS BY OFFICIALS:**

Mr. Leary advised that an unsafe structure notice has been issued to the owners and he will follow-up with the demolition process if needed.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Metzner closed public participation.

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Administration:

No report.

Tax Assessing:

Mr. Patterson stated the time to file tax appeals has expired. He will be meeting with Mr. Kessler to review tax appeals that have been filed.

Senior Citizens:

No report.

Public Safety:

No report.

Revenue and Finance:

Committeeman Flamini reported Messrs. Gallagher and Dringus are diligently working on the 2008 Township's budget.

Mr. Gallagher anticipates the budget will be introduced at the next Township meeting.

Library Functions:

No report.

Liaison to Division of Health:

No report.

Liaison to Municipal Drug Alliance:

Committeeman Mitchell welcomed Ms. Peggy Laclaire to the Drug Alliance.

Engineers Report:

1. Engineer's report from ERI dated April 8, 2008

Barton Ridge

Mr. Miller reported the problems with the basins are being addressed.

Presswell Records

Committeewoman Gibison requested an update. The project is at a standstill at this time.

Enterprise Drum

Mr. Gallagher stated a meeting will be held to coordinate demolition and remediation.

Hearthstone

Mr. Miller stated the basin problems are being addressed. Mayor Metzner would like an update on the engineer's report until such time as the basin issues are resolved.

2. Engineer's report from ARH dated April 8, 2008

Mr. Ingram advised there were no action items.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Committeeman Auwarter discussed the light time change report submitted to the State by the Mr. Raday, Municipal Traffic Engineer, with regard to the intersection at Factory and Route 73.

Mr. Gallagher will follow-up and report back to the Governing Body.

2. A discussion took place regarding the presentation of the Township's 2008 budget.

*Committeeman LoSasso arrived at the meeting.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

**BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS:**

1. Yu Gan Chen/China Garden  
100 Cross Keys Road  
Berlin, NJ 08009  
Block 101, Lot 1.01

**A Motion** was made by Committeewoman Gibison and seconded by Committeeman Tomasello to approve the aforementioned business license application. The motion carried.

2. **Taxicab Owners/Driver's License**

Beltok Enterprises  
354 Berlin Crosskeys Road  
Sicklerville, NJ 08081  
Owner: Olutade Ola

**A Motion** was made by Committeewoman Gibison and seconded by Committeeman Tomasello to approve the aforementioned taxi cab license. The motion carried.

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENT:**

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board:

Julie Flannery - unexpired term expiring 12/31/2008

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**A Motion** was made by Committeeman Tomasello and seconded by Committeewoman Gibison to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 pm. The motion carried.

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

The Municipal Clerk provided the closing prayer.

**PREPARED BY:**

Deborah A. Puchakjian, RMC  
Municipal Clerk  
Township of Winslow

Total Meeting Time 1 Hour and 56 Minutes

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