

BOROUGH OF WESTWOOD
2022 SINE DIE MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL
JANUARY 3, 2023 MINUTES
COMMUNITY CENTER
55 Jefferson Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey
6:30 pm Public Session

1. Opening of the Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arroyo at 6:40 pm. Mayor Arroyo then read the Open Public Meetings Law Statement: "This meeting which conforms with the Open Public Meetings law, Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975, is a regular Borough Council meeting. Notices have been filed with our local official newspapers and posted on the municipal bulletin board."

2. Roll Call:

Mayor Arroyo – Present
Councilmember Bicocchi – Present
Councilmember Collins – Present
Councilmember Greco – Present
Councilmember Hodges – Present
Councilmember– Montana Present
Council President Dell - Present
Borough Attorney Huntington – Present
Borough Administrator Ayer - Present
Borough Clerk Hughes – Present

Committee Assignments:

Land Use
Police & Emergency Management
Fire & Ambulance
Health & Hospital
Recreation & Public Properties
Finance, Administration & Capital Projects; Shared Services

3. Resolution #22-307: Executive Closed Session

1. Grant Writer (#7 Contractual)

Motion to Approve Resolution #22-307: Councilmember Bicocchi Second: Councilmember Collins

Roll Call: Councilmember Bicocchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes
 Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes
 Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

4. Reopen the Meeting:

Motion to reopen the meeting: Councilmember Bicocchi Second: Council President Dell

Roll Call: Councilmember Bicocchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes
 Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes
 Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

5. Roll Call II:

Mayor Arroyo – Present / Councilmember Bicocchi – Present / Councilmember Collins – Present /
Councilmember Greco – Present / Councilmember Hodges – Present / Councilmember Montana -
Present / Council President Dell – Present / Borough Administrator Ayer - Present / Borough Attorney
Huntington – Present / Borough Engineer Senkevich – Present / Borough Clerk Hughes – Present

6. Flag Salute

Mayor Arroyo led those present in the salute to the flag.

7. Approval of Minutes: Closed Executive Session December 20, 2022; Public Session December 20, 2022

Motion to Approve Minutes: Council President Dell Second: Councilmember Murphy

Roll Call: Councilmember Bicocchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes

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Councilmember Collins – Yes
Councilmember Greco – Yes

Councilmember Montana – Yes
Council President Dell – Yes

8. Engineer's Report

1) Biweekly Report

Mr. Sankevich reviewed the biweekly report, a copy of which is attached.

9. Reports of Committees and Officials:

A) Mayor's Report

Mayor Arroyo wished everyone a happy, healthy new year.

B) Council President's Report

Council President Dell echoed the Mayor's comments.

C) Council Liaison & Committee Reports

1) Finance, Administration and Capital Projects: BD

No Report

2) Fire and Ambulance: JM

Councilmember Greco wished everyone a Happy New Year.

3) Health and Hospital: CH

Councilmember Hodges piggybacked on the happy, healthy new year sentiments.

4) Land Use: RB

Councilmember Bicocchi echoed sentiments for a happy, healthy new year.

5) Police and OEM: EC

Councilmember Collins wished everyone a happy new year.

6) Public Works and Recreation: CM

Councilmember Montana wished everyone blessings for a new year.

D) Attorney's Report

Mr. Huntington echoed the words for a Happy and Healthy New Year.

E) Administrator's / Clerk's Report

Borough Administrator Ayer wished everyone a happy, healthy 2023.

Clerk Hughes wished everyone a blessed and healthy 2023.

10. Agenda/Public Forum:

Motion to open Agenda/Public Forum: Council President Dell Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the Affirmative.

No one wished to be heard.

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Motion to close Agenda/Public Forum: Councilmember Bicocchi **Second:** Council President Dell
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

11. Ordinances for Introduction/Adoption

No Ordinances for introduction or adoption.

12. Presentation of Bills, Financial Reports and Resolutions:

Council President Dell asked if there were any resolutions to add to the Consent Agenda. She stated that any Councilmembers who wished to remove any Resolution(s) to be voted upon separately could do so at this time, otherwise the Consent Agenda would be enacted in one motion.

Resolutions as Consent Agenda:

- a) Resolution #22 - 308: Bills List and Statement of Cash
- b) Resolution #22 - 309: Authorizing Agreement with Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority for Pump Station Inspections
- c) Resolution #22 - 310: Authorizing Interlocal Service Agreement with Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority for TV Inspection for 2023 and 2024
- d) Resolution #22 - 311: Budget Transfers
- e) Resolution #22 - 312: Authorizing Execution of Contract Rider
- f) Resolution #22 - 313: Appointment of Per Diem Police Dispatcher
- g) Resolution #22 - 314: Change Order #1 and Final for 2021 Road Improvement Program
- h) Resolution #22 - 315: Change Order #1 and Final for Kingsberry Avenue Improvements

Motion to Add Resolution “i” 22-316 “Authorizing Hiring Process for SLEO III” to the Consent Agenda

Council President Dell **Second:** Councilmember Collins
Roll Call: Councilmember Bicocchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes
Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes
Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

Motion to Approve Resolutions #22-308 through #22-316: Council President Dell **Second:** Councilmember Bicocchi


Roll Call: Councilmember Bicocchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes
Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes
Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

13. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn: Councilmember Bicocchi **Second:** Council President Dell
Voice Vote: Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

The time was 7:00 pm.

Attest:


Jean-Marie Vadovic, Deputy Clerk

Proofed by: Karen Hughes, RMC, Borough Clerk