

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG**

**AGENDA**

**JULY 21, 2011 - 7:30 P.M.**

**MAYOR'S STATEMENT:** Under the provisions of N.J.S.A.10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of annual notice to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, and Star Ledger, and posted at Borough Hall.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG and a MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR TROOPS**

**ROLL CALL**

Joren [ ] Black [ ] Franklin [ ] Pote [ ] Nehls [ ] Cassidy [ ]

**APPOINTMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE**

R2:07/21/11 Appointment of Borough Administrator

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

1. Administration & Finance
2. Police
3. Public Works
4. Buildings and Grounds; Recreation
5. Public Affairs
6. Fire
7. Laws/Ordinances

**REPORTS - OTHER:**

8. Engineer
9. Police Chief
10. Fire Department
11. Rescue Squad
12. Attorney
13. Administrator

During the conduct of the meeting, unless a Public Hearing is held or the Regular Order of Business is waived, the audience does not participate. A Public Portion is held at the end of the meeting. Individuals commenting from the audience will be limited to three minutes per person, and will not be permitted to speak again until everyone has had an opportunity to speak. If a group is represented by an attorney, the attorney will be given five minutes to make the presentation for the group.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance OR:11/11 entitled: "BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY AND APPROPRIATING \$49,625.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$47,144.00 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF."

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## NEW BUSINESS

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action.

Approval of the following Council minutes:

June 23, 2011, Special Meeting of July 12, 2011 - Regular and Executive Sessions

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:

Historical Committee Minutes - March 9th, May 11th, and

Sub-Committee Meeting of May 17, 2011

Finance Department - May 2011 Revenue Report

Police Activity Report - June, 2011

Tax Collector's Report - June, 2011

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #34 - Township of Warren 6/27/11 Notice of Public Hearing on July 21, 2011 on proposed Ordinance 11-09 regarding an amendment to Land Use pertaining to the definition of building height c: M & C, TH, DS
- #35 - Debra and Richard Becker 7/1/11 Commending and thanking Officers Skibenes and Hale for their assistance and professionalism while responding to a call for assistance at their home on June 19, 2011 c: M & C, TW, HS, TH, & PHF
- #36 - Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders 7/7/11 Resolution supporting proposed Amendment to the Open Public Records Law to preserve its original intent c: M & C
- #37 - Lynda Goldschein 7/7/11 E-mail requesting the removal of the signs at the entrances to the Borough that advise motorists to tune into 1610 am for news c: M & C
- #38 - Ryan Valentino 7/13/11 Letter of resignation from his employment with the Public Works Department c: M & C, MDR, WH, JR, PHF
- #39 - Sara Beth Joren 7/14/11 Letter of resignation as a member of the 911 Memorial Committee, as she is moving out of the Borough c: M & C, SB
- #40 - PSE&G 7/18/11 Notice of filing and public hearing - Changes in tariff for gas service c: M & C, Post
- #41 - Brooke Gilligan 7/15/11 Letter representing 18 residents of Edgemont Road and Mountain Drive, both private roads, requesting assistance from the Borough to rectify their badly deteriorating roads c: M & C, TH, BB
- #42 - Watchung Arts Center 7/15/11 Submission of report and lease payment c: M & C, AC
- #43 - Louise Blood 7/14/11 Thanking the Borough for rectifying an on-going water runoff problem in front of their home on Ridge Road c: M & C, TH

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**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:** The resolutions listed below were submitted to the Governing Body for review and will be adopted by one motion.

- R2:07/21/11 Appointment of Borough Administrator
- R3: Establishing 2011 Employees Base Salaries
- R4: Authorize Change Order #1, Accept Project, and Authorize Final Payment - Reivax Contracting Corp. / Improvements to Johnston Drive - Phase IV
- R5: Authorize Disbursement of Final Payment for Accumulated Benefits - Lauren B. Fellin
- R6: Purchases Over \$2,000. - Pinto Brothers, Brent Materials, Fullerton Ford, Oswald Enterprises, Inc., Aquatic Analysts, Inc., Matt Buglovsky
- R7: Authorize Extension of Due Date - 2011 Third (3rd) Quarter Taxes

- R8: Authorize Final Payment of Accumulated Benefits - Ryan Valentino
- R9: Waive Chapter 20, Section 1.6g of the Code- NJ American Water Company  
Saturday Construction / Bonnie Burn Road

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**NON-CONSENT AGENDA:** Items listed below will be individually addressed and acted upon accordingly. Council reserves the right to refer an item to Committee for further review and discussion.

Discussion - Mountain Boulevard Improvement Project / Sidewalks

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**NON-CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS**

- R1:07/21/11 Adoption of Ordinance OR:11/11 - Acquisition of Equipment for Fire Department
- R10: Waive Chapter 2.25 of the Borough Code - Gray's Florist & Greenhouse
- R11: Payment of Bills
- R12: Executive Session - PBA Grievance on behalf of Officer Tim Hale

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**PUBLIC PORTION**

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**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

The Council may take action on the item or items discussed in Executive Session, if necessary.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The next scheduled meeting will be held at 7:30 P.M. on Thursday, August 18, 2011.