# WHITE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING MAY 12, 2021

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Herb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and stated 'Adequate Notice of this meeting of May 12, 2021 has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by forwarding a notice of the date, time, and location of the meeting to the Express-Times Warren County Zone and The Star- Ledger; and by posting a copy thereof on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and the township website. Formal action may be taken at this meeting. Public participation is encouraged. This agenda is subject to last minute additions and deletions by the White Township Committee'.

#### **FLAG SALUTE**

The Mayor asked everyone to stand for the flag salute.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Herb, Deputy Mayor Collom, Committeewoman Skoog, Clerk Kathleen Reinalda, Deputy Clerk Brielle Whitmore and Attorney Tipton.

### **CY 2021 BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Auditor John Mooney was present to discuss the options for the 2021 Municipal Budget. With the proposed figures the township is at an 11 cent increase without budgeting all necessary department needs. Also, this does not include much needed road overlays and DPW equipment. The option of borrowing money was discussed. It was determined to increase the budget to a 16 cent increase along with borrowing funds to complete long overdue capital projects.

#### RESOLUTIONS

Res. 2021-29: Motion made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2021-29 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO REFUND OVERPAYMENTS FOR BLOCK 46 LOT 7 **WHEREAS**, the Township of White has reviewed the tax account and determined the Block 46 Lot 7 has an overpayment made by the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, the overpayment of \$77.88 due to an overpayment for fourth quarter 2020.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes the refund of \$77.88 to:

## DEBBIE COOPER 1626 BRAZOS TRACES DR RICHMOND, TX 77469

Res. 2021-30: Motion made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

# RESOLUTION #2021-30 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO REFUND OVERPAYMENTS FOR BLOCK 7 L5 Q0236

**WHEREAS**, the Township of White has reviewed the tax account and determined the Block 7 Lot 5 Q0236 has an overpayments made by the taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS,** the overpayments of \$1,794.48 due to an overpayment due to a farm assessment in 2018.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes the refund of \$1,794.48 to:

# JAINDL LAND COMPANY 3150 COFFEETOWN ROAD OREFIELD, PA 18069

Res. 2021-31: Motion made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2021-31
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO REFUND OVERPAYMENTS FOR BLOCK 15 LOT 5.12 Q0279 & BLOCK 15 LOT
5.13 Q0279

**WHEREAS**, the Township of White has reviewed the tax account and Determined the Block 15 Lot 5.12 Q0279 and Block 15 Lot 5.13 Q0279 has an overpayments made by the taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS,** the overpayments of \$1,758.27 due to an overpayment due to a farm assessment in 2018.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes the refund of \$1,758.27 to:

## ANDREW & VALARIE DISCAFANI 16 LISA CT OXFORD, NJ 07863

Res. 2021-32: Motion made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

## **RESOLUTION #2021-32**

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, The Annual Report of Audit for the year 2020 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk, as per the requirements of NJSA 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs: and

WHEREAS, The Local Finance Board has promulgated a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations"; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations" as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the promulgations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S.52:27BB-52 - to wit:

R.S.52:27BB-52 - "A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the Director of Local Government Services, under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars(\$1,000.00), or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office."

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Township of White, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this Resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

Res. 2021-33: Motion made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

#### **RESOLUTION 2021-33**

#### FORM 1B

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

**WHEREAS,** The Township Council of the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and.

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Warren;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the White Township Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2022 in the amount of:

DEDR \$1,404.00

Cash Match \$351.00

In-Kind \$1,053.00

 The Township Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

Res. 2021-34: Motion made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

#### **RESOLUTION 2021-34**

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IN THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP THEREIN FOR THE PERIOD OF

#### OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

WHEREAS, the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council ("MCCPC") was created in 1974 to conduct a voluntary cooperative pricing system with municipalities, boards of educations, and other public bodies located in the County of Morris and adjoining counties; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the MCCPC is to provide substantial savings on various goods and services to its members through the cooperative public bidding process; and

WHEREAS, White Township desires to enter into an Agreement with the MCCPC, which is administered by Randolph Township as Lead Agency to renew its membership in the MCCPC for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes the execution of an Agreement with the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council by the Township of Randolph as Lead Agency dated October 1, 2021 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-11(5). Said Agreement is for renewal of membership in the MCCPC for a five (5) year period from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2026.
- 2. The Township of White Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of this adopted resolution, along with an executed Agreement to Randolph Township as Lead Agency of the MCCPC.
- 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon final passage according to law.
- 4. All appropriate Township of White officials are authorized and directed to perform all required acts to affect the purpose of this Resolution.

#### **ENGINEERING MATTERS**

Paul Sterbenz reported on the following:

- ✓ A cannibas ordinance was prepared as per committee discussions at the April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. No retail sales allowed. The clerk was asked to send the ordinance to the Planning Board prior to Introduction for their input.
- ✓ A revitalization resolution was prepared by Mr. Sterbenz for the old A&P property. The clerk was asked to send it to the Planning Board for their review.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Property Maintenance Ordinance was tabled for further review.

The township owned parcels for possible auction was tabled for further review.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A letter was prepared by Attorney Tipton opposing the weight limit restriction on CR 519. Discussion ensued.

#### APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS

On motion by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mrs. Skoog and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Committee approved the following list of bills:

| 17075 | ARAE Network Solutions LLC     | 5,200.00  |
|-------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| 17076 | Brielle Whitmore               | 172.97    |
| 17077 | CenturyLink                    | 2.11      |
| 17078 | C&M Auto Parts                 | 58.86     |
| 17079 | Colliers Engineering & Design  | 4,361.06  |
| 17080 | Comcast                        | 713.95    |
| 17081 | Cty of Warren TreasurersOffice | 22,334.78 |
| 17082 | Elizabethtown Gas              | 410.62    |
| 17083 | Elizabethtown Gas              | 281.94    |
| 17084 | Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt   | 2,900.00  |
| 17085 | G Smith Services LLC           | 1,725.00  |
| 17086 | Gebhardt & Keifer              | 445.50    |
| 17087 | GenServe Inc.                  | 2,480.00  |
| 17088 | GTM Turf Management            | 4,874.38  |
| 17089 | JCP&L                          | 1,442.37  |
| 17090 | Linda Gabel                    | 500.00    |
| 17091 | MGL Printing Solutions         | 99.00     |
| 17092 | North East Parts Group LLC     | 47.21     |
| 17093 | ReadyRefresh by Nestle         | 79.91     |

| 17094                    | NJ American Water Company      | 1,111.36       |  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|--|
| 17095                    | NJ Advance Media               | 377.84         |  |
| 17096                    | Eurofins QC, Inc. Dept. 2598   | 125.00         |  |
| 17097                    | Quill Corporation              | 99.70          |  |
| 17098                    | Rossi Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram  | 422.72         |  |
| 17099                    | S&L Equipment Rental, Inc.     | 714.71         |  |
| 17100                    | Steven P. Gruenberg, Attorney  | 1,742.50       |  |
| 17101                    | TGM Services                   | 698.00         |  |
| 17102                    | Treasurer's Office, Warren Cty | 966,933.82     |  |
| 17103                    | Treasurer, State of NJ         | 500.00         |  |
| 17104                    | US Postal Service (CMRS-FP)    | 1,000.00       |  |
| 17105                    | Verizon Wireless               | 102.76         |  |
| 17106                    | Vital Communications           | 420.00         |  |
| 17107                    | Warren Materials               | 290.56         |  |
| 17108                    | Warren County Assessors Assoc. | 115.00         |  |
| 17109                    | Washington Township            | 5,000.00       |  |
| 17110                    | West Chester Machinery         | 169.38         |  |
| 17111                    | White Twsp Board of Education  | 623,606.00     |  |
| 17112                    | Xerox Corporation              | 554.96         |  |
| 17113                    | Debbie Cooper                  | 77.88          |  |
| 17114                    | JAINDL Land Company            | 1,794.48       |  |
| 17115                    | Discafani, Andrew & Valarie    | 1,758.27       |  |
| 17116                    | Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield | 315.10         |  |
| TOTAL                    |                                | \$1,656,059.70 |  |
| Gravel Pit               | Escrows                        |                |  |
| 234                      | Colliers Engineering           | 313.90         |  |
| 242                      | Colliers Engineering           | 751.95         |  |
| 241                      | Colliers Engineering           | 315.85         |  |
| 244                      | Colliers Engineering           | 299.93         |  |
| Dog Account              |                                |                |  |
| 1187                     | NJ Dept. of Health             | 12.00          |  |
| Current Account - Manual |                                |                |  |
| 2384                     | Payroll Account                | 24,195.28      |  |
| 2385                     | Payroll Account                | 15,778.39      |  |

TOTAL ALL FUNDS......\$1,697,727.00

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A few comments were made in support of the proposed county weight restriction on Route 519.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m. on motion by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen R. Reinalda, RMC Township Clerk