

**BOROUGH OF WESTWOOD
PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL
AUGUST 19, 2014 MINUTES
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
101 Washington Avenue
7:00 PM Executive Closed Session/8:00 pm Public Session**

1. Opening of the Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Birkner at 7:00 pm. Mayor Birkner 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:

Committee Assignments:

Mayor Birkner – Present	
Councilmember Arroyo – Present	Police & Emergency Management
Councilmember Bicocchi – Present	Land Use
Councilmember Grefrath – Present	Finance, Administration & Capital Projects
Councilmember Miller – Present	Fire & Ambulance
Councilmember Owens - Present	Health & Recreation
Council President Waneck – Present	Public Properties
Borough Administrator Hoffmann – Present	
Borough Attorney Huntington – Present	
Borough Clerk Hughes – Present	

3. Resolution #14 - 186: Executive Closed Session

Motion to adopt Resolution #14-186: Councilmember Arroyo Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens- - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

4. Reopen the Meeting:

Motion to reopen the meeting: Councilmember Arroyo Second: Councilmember Miller
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.
The time was 8:00 pm.

5. Roll Call II:

Mayor Birkner – Present / Councilmember Arroyo – Present / Councilmember Bicocchi – Present /
Councilmember Grefrath – Present / Councilmember Miller – Present / Councilmember Owens -
Present / Council President Waneck – Present / Borough Administrator Hoffmann – Present /
Borough Attorney Huntington – Present / Borough Engineer Senkevich – Present / Borough Clerk
Hughes - Present

6. Flag Salute

Councilmember Miller gave the invocation. Mayor Birkner led those present in the salute to the flag.

7. Approval of Minutes: June 4, 2014 Work Session

Motion to Adopt: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Miller
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

Approval of Minutes: June 17, 2014 Public Meeting

Motion to Adopt: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Miller
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
 Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
 Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

Approval of Minutes: July 22, 2014 Public Meeting

Motion to Adopt: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Miller
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
 Councilmember Grefrath – Abstain Councilmember Miller – Yes
 Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

8. Resolution #14 - 187: Adopting the Honor and Remember Flag

Motion to adopt Resolution #14-187: Councilmember Arroyo Second: Councilmember Miller
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
 Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
 Councilmember Owens- - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

Resident Marianne Murphy presented an Honor and Remember flag to the Borough. Mayor Birkner announced that an anonymous donor had given the Borough four additional Honor and Remember flags. Mayor Birkner, Councilmember Arroyo and Councilmember Miller presented a flag to the Fire Department. Chief Mawdsley asked Ex-Chief Hodges to accept the flag on behalf of the department. Ex-Chief Hodges son, Marine Sgt. Christopher Hrbek, was killed in Afghanistan in 2010.

9. Fire Department Scholarships

Chief Mawdsley presented the annual Fire Department scholarship to Scott Loverich and Sabrina Herzing.

10. U10 Girls Softball Certificates

11. Reports of Committees and Officials:

A) Mayor's Report

Mayor Birkner reminded everyone that Labor Day is around the corner and all should remember American workers and what they have sacrificed.

1) Broadway Resignalization

Mayor Birkner reported on the construction meeting for the resignalization and Energy Strong projects. Vent pipes, asphalt, paving, PSEG paving, storage of items, broken pipe, work remaining in business district, and remaining work for train resignalization were all discussed. The PSEG contractor was asked to provide an update to the project streets. It was noted that schedule is changed without notice. PSEG representatives agreed, there are constraints they are working under, such as a one month delay to the project start due to administrative problems, so they haven't adhered to the schedule. They will be in business district until September 30th, which is a contradiction to the original schedule of being out of the downtown by Labor Day. This has caused the delay in the final part of the train resignalization project, which is milling, paving and striping. Mayor Birkner said as noted previously, the day before the paving began

was the day the Borough heard of the Energy Strong program. Mayor Birkner noted it is a necessary program he supports but the timing was frustrating. He said there was a request to mill, pave and stripe this year. Mayor Birkner questioned how it would impact snow plowing, and whether the uneven pavement and incomplete striping would be a liability. The County had agreed to taking a look at releasing the contractor, and will prepare a punch list of items towards that. Mayor Birkner did not want to see milling and paving the first day of school. There will be three days of milling, three of paving, and three of striping. They also addressed paving at night. All agreed it was not advisable, since the last time it disturbed residents when the gas lines were done along Westwood Avenue. There is also a cost due to off-peak hours. Additionally, due to the complexity and grades, the natural light is preferred for paving. Night time artificial light could result in low-spot 'bird baths'. Mayor Birkner had asked how much PSEG would pave in the streets being dug. PSEG will pave from the curb to just beyond the center line on the side of the road where trenches were dug. They will be responsible for installing striping. Mayor Birkner addressed the staging of materials; they will be removed. Vent pipe heights are due to high pressure lines and set at 14 inches due to snow accumulation. The varied height of the store fronts and windows make it seem inconsistent but PSEG is supposedly doing 14 inches. The patches of asphalt are only temporary; PSEG will put concrete in at the end of the project. Mayor Birkner reviewed the schedule for installing new and abandoning old pipes. He also addressed the repair of the broken storm sewer at Park and Second. The pipe was encased in concrete, not just tin. Jeff Morris of Boswell Engineering said he would have liked to see how they did it to ensure the pipe wasn't compromised. Mayor Birkner had subsequent conversations with the County regarding paving, milling, and striping. The County has in mind to do it in the fall because they may not be able to let the contractor out of the contract, nor get funding to pave in 2015 since grants are attached to this project. The determination will be made by County engineers and the County Executive. Mayor Birkner is concerned about liability and winter plowing if roads are not paved.

Councilmember Bicocchi asked with regards to the paving, especially the main intersections, if the contractor can get together with the Borough to minimize the impact to the downtown. It affects everyone. He asked if the Borough could pay the differential for night paving, or some kind of off hour, to stop the work during rush hour which has been burden on everybody. Mayor Birkner said the complexity of paving is different from a highway. Councilmember Bicocchi had suggested Boswell make recommendations but Mayor Birkner said Boswell is not part of the project. Mayor Birkner said there will absolutely be a preconstruction meeting. Mr. Hoffmann said the County sticks to its schedule. We are at the mercy of PSEG. Mayor Birkner noted the PSEG project is county wide, so they have many areas twisted up. He said it's best is that Westwood was first on the list so the worst of the work is being done before school starts. Councilmember Bicocchi observed that fall is busy time, and Mayor Birkner said it is a key business time. He noted business is down in a lot of places. Mayor Birkner said the Borough is working on minimizing the impact and not taking it lightly, but the project has to be done. He noted that today an underground storage tank was found in front of the Bank of America building that no one knew about.

B) Engineer's Report

1) Biweekly Report

Mr. Senkevich reviewed the bi-weekly report, a copy of which is attached.

2) Methane Monitoring Design Plan

Jeff Morris of Boswell Engineering presented the proposed landfill monitoring system improvements to the landfill. Mr. Morris reminded everyone that the lines fill with water. Under the direction of the DEP Boswell is proposing to replace and relocate some lines, create slopes and install sumps and ejector pumps to pump into the sanitary sewer in the parking lot. The DEP requested the relocation of vents to a better location, such as the one behind the soccer goal. Also proposed is a new system along the westerly side of the baseball fields. It is the same sloped pipe system to pump into the sanitary sewer. The DEP is holding as a possibility for the future to make the vents active by installing exhaust fans in them. Boswell feels they should naturally vent but DEP may insist on 4 or 5 active vents. Mayor Birkner asked if pumping into the sanitary sewer will require a permit from the BCUA. Mr. Morris said pollution in the water is minimal. Boswell will have to determine the volume but he thinks it will be minimal. Mayor Birkner asked what type of contaminants are in the water. Mr. Morris said while it is a low level of methane and one other contaminate, the level is just high enough to go into the sanitary sewer.

Councilmember Arroyo said Dr. Boswell had said leachates were found due to the pipes being below the cap, so these pipes will be above the cap. Mr. Morris said they would be in the space between the cap and landfill itself. If pitched right the leachate will be minimized.

Councilmember Arroyo said the area around the ballfield is new. Mr. Morris said yes and it may see more leachates. Councilmember Arroyo asked for preliminary costs. Mr. Morris said around \$250,000. Councilmember Arroyo asked if that includes restoring the ground. Mr. Morris said yes, there wouldn't be major disruptions.

Council President Waneck asked for a time frame, spring or winter, this year or 2015. Mr. Morris said it would be a combination of DEP approval and putting funding in place. Winter would be the least disruptive but he is not sure it can happen that quickly. Council President Waneck asked if frozen ground is an issue. Mr. Morris said it depends on whether this winter is like the past winter.

Councilmember Arroyo asked the duration of the project. Mr. Morris said a month and a half. Mr. Huntington asked if it can be done without closing fields or by working around sports schedules. Mayor Birkner said they would work around sports schedules since the lines go through fields. Mayor Birkner asked the earliest commencement. Mr. Morris said it depends on the DEP, probably early spring although winter would be ideal. The ditch is easy; sumps would be more work. Mayor Birkner asked about irrigation. Mr. Morris said the contractor would have to check the irrigation plan and repair any damage. Mayor Birkner asked about running an electrical conduit on the far side of the football field for the scoreboard and PA system. He also suggested incorporating the electrical upgrades. Mr. Morris said the work is crossing all fields so they can drop another conduit in.

Councilmember Owens asked about how this affects the monitoring. Mr. Morris said the monitoring will continue. He explained that over the last two years the monitoring hasn't been getting methane, so that's why the redesign is being done. Councilmember Owens asked if this restarts the clocks or it stay on the same track. Mr. Morris said they haven't been informed yet. Mayor Birkner is concerned about the discharge into the sanitary sewer, that it will require monitoring. Mr. Morris said the DEP will require monitoring. Mayor Birkner said the BCUA will require monthly monitoring at least at the beginning. Mr. Morris said it will be a light flow. Mayor Birkner said it doesn't matter, it will be monitored. Councilmember Arroyo remembered

Dr. Boswell saying it was about getting the monitoring right and establishing diminution. Mr. Morris said that is correct; we don't have good numbers so we have to establish methane. Councilmember Arroyo asked if the system ever vented properly. Mr. Morris doesn't recall. Mr. Senkevich said Boswell took over in 2009, MPI had maybe monitored only two or four times and was not doing quarterly monitoring. At that time the DEP noted there was little methane coming out and recommended eliminating the Title V permit that the Borough currently has. But then as Boswell got more involved with this they realized there is still methane coming out. Councilmember Arroyo asked when the system was installed. Mr. Senkevich thinks about 2005 or 2006.

Councilmember Owens asked at what point after the readings began in 2009 did the good readings stop. Mr. Morris said they were always very low. Councilmember Owens thought he heard there were higher readings for two years. Mr. Senkevich explained that there is a program by the DEP that predicts how much methane there should be based on waste deposited. They have never seen those numbers in Westwood. So the question is, is there truly that much methane or is the venting inadequate, or was there not as much trash in the landfill as previously thought. Councilmember Owens asked if it was possible to have good readings for two years and then bad readings it would add to the time for the monitoring. Mr. Morris said if readings remain low the Borough can modify the permit to do less monitoring. Councilmember Owens said the quarterly readings indicated low readings and then no readings, which is what led Boswell to investigate the lines. Mr. Morris confirmed and said when the lines were evacuated methane started to come out, plus the DEP found methane venting along the rim, so it was determined that there is methane being generated somewhere.

3) Pistol Range Plan

Mr. Hoffmann discussed the pistol range remediation grant. He informed that the DEP is requesting a resolution describing the use for the area. Mayor Birkner asked the criteria. Mr. Hoffmann said recreation. The original plan was to place the dog run there. Mayor Birkner said the current dog run took over parking but he's not sure the parking can be recovered if the dog run is moved to the pistol range. It is an ideal spot but fixing the parking would be an issue for the future. Mayor Birkner asked if are there any other uses for that area, such as a tree farm or observation area. Mr. Hoffmann said the DEP requires recreation, but it could be passive. Councilmember Owens suggested a stretching area. Mayor Birkner and Councilmember Bicocchi defined it as an exercise circuit. Councilmember Owens said the dog park is established already. Mayor Birkner agreed, and doesn't see that changing, so the Governing Body should come up with another use for the pistol range area. Ten years down the road another Governing Body can address the dog park. Council President Waneck agreed with leaving the dog park where it is. Mayor Birkner likes the exercise idea, which ties into the open space grant. He suggested working with Gary Buchheister. Mr. Hoffmann and the Mayor discussed details for the resolution. Councilmember Grefrath suggested there be a written resolution for the September 2nd meeting so the Council knows what they are passing. Mr. Huntington suggested it be as unspecific as the DEP will accept. Mayor Birkner agreed with Councilmember Grefrath and said it gives time to look into the equipment for a stretching/exercise area.

4) Eighth Avenue Handicap Ramp

Mr. Morris explained that at Eighth and Mill there is a long area on both sides with no drainage,

so water is rushing up the ramp. Boswell proposed extending the Clairmont draining to the corner of Eighth and Mill to intercept rainwater. Mayor Birkner thought Clairmont is below the intersection in question. Mr. Morris said yes, but those are the first drains being hit. Council President Waneck asked why it was not a problem before. Mayor Birkner said there was a curb there but since the ramp was put in the rain now flows up the ramp onto the property and fills the yard with 1-2 feet of water, which is eroding the property. Councilmember Owens said since it was a state curb program should the Borough go back to them. He was advised it was a federal program and there was no likelihood of getting assistance to remediate the problem.

5) Bridge Repair Westwood Ave over Pascack Brook

Mr. Morris reported that the said DOT has been inspecting bridges, and issued a performance review of the Westwood Avenue bridge. The issues are not necessarily major items. Mr. Morris discussed the erosion and depressed slab. The DOT suggested the Borough mitigate these items since the County says it is not in their jurisdiction. Council President Waneck said she would think the DPW can handle it. Mr. Hoffmann agreed.

C) Council Liaison & Committee Reports

1) Finance, Administration and Capital Projects:

a) Time Capsule

Councilmember Grefrath announced that Mr. Huntington has donated a time capsule for the 120th anniversary. The Council will need to decide what to put in it. Councilmember Grefrath will bring the time capsule to the next meeting.

b) Veterans Park

Councilmember Grefrath is working with Ed Sneickus to plan 2015 renovations for the Quad 4 section of Veterans Park, which is the section with the 911 memorial. The project will include walkways, benches, lighting, and shrubbery. He will have more information in September.

2) Fire and Ambulance:

No report.

3) Health and Recreation:

No report.

4) Land Use:

a) Land Use Update

Councilmember Bicocchi reported that the Zoning Board approved a mixed use for the Ford dealership. The Planning Board approved the application for the Teledyne property. Both buildings will be state of the art.

b) Borough Hall Renovations

Councilmember Bicocchi turned everyone's attention to the proposal for architect and engineering services to do the work on the Borough Hall. He noted there will be a bond ordinance at the next meeting. The Borough will be looking to go to bid the HVAC system, roof, and lighting upgrades.

5) Police and OEM:

a) Police Ordinances

Councilmember Arroyo noted that there are two ordinances pertaining to the Police Department on the agenda for introduction, and two for adoption.

b) Palisade/Pascack Stop Sign Petition

Councilmember Arroyo explained that the resolution for the ‘children at play’ sign is based on a petition request by residents. It goes with the stop sign ordinance. Chief Regino viewed the site and recommends the signs.

c) DARE Letter to School System

Councilmember Arroyo explained that he has drafted a letter to reach out to the school system about resurrecting the DARE program in response to the petition presented by the Girl Scouts at the last meeting. Mayor Birkner voiced his opinion that the Police Chiefs of Westwood and Washington Township should draft a plan for a DARE program that would then be presented to the school district at the bimonthly meetings already in place.

6) Public Properties:

a) DPW Update

Council President Waneck announced that a shred day will be held at the DPW on October 4th. There is a bond ordinance for final adoption to fund a garbage truck, which is part of the ongoing commitment by the Borough to provide the DPW with safe and reliable equipment.

b) Organization Chart

Council President Waneck said there was discussion during the prior meeting about revising the organizational chart. She asked everyone to submit changes prior to the next meeting.

D) Attorney’s Report

No report.

E) Administrator’s / Clerk’s Report

1) Energy Consumption Tracking

Mr. Hoffmann reviewed the statistics regarding the Borough’s energy consumption. Councilmember Miller asked if there was any additional elements that contributed to the change in consumption. Mr. Hoffmann said the group purchase of energy was a factor. Councilmember Miller asked for detailed information on the energy consortium, which Mr. Hoffmann will supply for the next meeting.

2) Solid Waste Bid Options

Mr. Hoffmann advised that the solid waste collection contract expires at the end of the year. He reviewed the options for the bid. He advised that the current contractor agreed to continue at the current rate until a new contract is signed if the process goes into next year.

3) Open Space Grant Application

Mr. Hoffmann asked if the Borough should apply for an Open Space Grant to purchase another flood-

prone property at 31 Nugent Place. Council President Waneck asked for an accounting of the funding used for the prior purchases, which will be provided at the next meeting.

4) Administrative Fees for Long Term Projects

Mr. Hoffmann relayed that PSEG has complained about the administrative fee portion of the private duty ordinance. The suggestion is to reduce the administrative fee from 20% to 5%. The consensus was not to do so.

12. Agenda/Public Forum:

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

Melissa Hayes, 92 Westwood Blvd – asked how an increase to the value of the property was determined and if it is negotiable. Ms. Hayes also asked whether the town would maintain the property if it is not sold. Mr. Huntington said \$15,000 was the number based on assessments under the new valuation. This lot is smaller than conforming lots so it is fractionalized Mr. Huntington reviewed the methodology. He said negotiation is a governmental decision, not his. Mayor Birkner suggested Ms. Hayes review the valuation with the Tax Assessor, and then perhaps make an offer. Mr. Huntington suggested she give her contact information to the Clerk.

Motion to close Agenda/Public Forum: Councilmember Miller Second: Councilmember Grefrath
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

13. Ordinances of First & Final Reading:

Ordinances on Introduction

14-24 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 59 Police Department Off Duty Officer Fees

Councilmember Arroyo announced that language pertaining to the waiver under item #3 is struck from the ordinance.

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-24 entitled “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 59 Police Department Off Duty Officer Fees” is hereby introduced by title; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to advertise said ordinance with a September 16, 2014 hearing date in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion to pass the ordinance on First Reading: Councilmember Arroyo
Second: Councilmember Miller

Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens – Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14-25 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 375 Vehicles And Traffic Section 53 Designation Of Stop Signs To Authorize A Stop Sign On Palisade Avenue At Pascack Road

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-25 entitled “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 375 Vehicles And Traffic Section 53 Designation Of Stop Signs To Authorize A Stop Sign On Palisade Avenue At Pascack Road” is hereby introduced by title; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to advertise said ordinance with a September 16, 2014 hearing date in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion to pass the ordinance on First Reading: Councilmember Arroyo

Second: Council President Waneck

Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes

 Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes

 Councilmember Owens – Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14-26 An Ordinance Amending An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40 Officers And Employees , Article X Borough Administrator And Interim Borough Administrator

14-27 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40 Officers And Employees , Article VI Chief Financial Officer

Mayor Birkner had questions regarding the transfer of responsibilities from administrator to CFO in ordinances 14-26 and 14-27. He asked if anyone had asked the auditor if this is consistent with how the Borough has achieved and maintained its AA rating. After discussion, the ordinances were tabled until the next meeting so that Council President Waneck could speak with the auditor.

Ordinances for Adoption

14-16 An Ordinance Of The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, New Jersey, Providing For The Acquisition Of A Garbage Truck For The Borough Of Westwood Department Of Public Works And Appropriating \$241,500 Therefor And Providing For The Issuance Of \$229,425 In Bonds Or Notes Of The Borough Of Westwood To Finance The Same

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-16 entitled “An Ordinance Of The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, New Jersey, Providing For The Acquisition Of A Garbage Truck For The Borough Of Westwood Department Of Public Works And Appropriating \$241,500 Therefor And Providing For The Issuance Of \$229,425 In Bonds Or Notes Of The Borough Of Westwood To Finance The Same” having hereby been read by title, shall have a hearing held on this date.

Motion to open the public hearing: Council President Waneck Second: Councilmember Grefrath
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Public Comments:

No comments.

Motion to close the public hearing: Council President Waneck Second: Councilmember Grefrath
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance known as #14-16 be passed on final reading and that a Notice of Adoption of said Ordinance be published in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion for final adoption: Council President Waneck Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14-17 An Ordinance Of The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, New Jersey, Providing For The Acquisition Of Various Equipment For The Borough Fire Department And Other Related Expenses In And For The Borough Of Westwood And Appropriating \$113,663 Therefor, And Providing For The Issuance Of \$107,979 In Bonds Or Notes Of The Borough Of Westwood To Finance The Same

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-17 entitled “An Ordinance Of The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, New Jersey, Providing For The Acquisition Of Various Equipment For The Borough Fire Department And Other Related Expenses In And For The Borough Of Westwood And Appropriating \$113,663 Therefor, And Providing For The Issuance Of \$107,979 In Bonds Or Notes Of The Borough Of Westwood To Finance The Same” having hereby been read by title, shall have a hearing held on this date.

Motion to open the public hearing: Councilmember Miller Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Public Comments:
No comments.

Motion to close the public hearing: Councilmember Miller Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance known as #14-17 be passed on final reading and that a Notice of Adoption of said Ordinance be published in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion for final adoption: Councilmember Miller Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14-18 An Ordinance Of The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, New Jersey, Providing For The Band Stand Improvements And Other Related Expenses In And For The Borough Of Westwood And Appropriating \$16,000 Therefor, And Providing

For The Issuance Of \$15,200 In Bonds Or Notes Of The Borough Of Westwood To Finance The Same

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-18 entitled “An Ordinance Of The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, New Jersey, Providing For The Band Stand Improvements And Other Related Expenses In And For The Borough Of Westwood And Appropriating \$16,000 Therefor, And Providing For The Issuance Of \$15,200 In Bonds Or Notes Of The Borough Of Westwood To Finance The Same” having hereby been read by title, shall have a hearing held on this date.

Motion to open the public hearing: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Public Comments:
No comments.

Motion to close the public hearing: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance known as #14-18 be passed on final reading and that a Notice of Adoption of said Ordinance be published in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion for final adoption: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes. He acknowledge Councilmember Owens for his hard work to get this up and running
Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes
Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes
Council President Waneck – Yes

14-19 Authorizing Sale of Land Without Public Auction - Lot 7 Block 703

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-19 entitled “Authorizing Sale of Land Without Public Auction - Lot 7 Block 703” having hereby been read by title, shall have a hearing held on this date.

Motion to open the public hearing: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Miller
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Public Comments:
No comments.

Motion to close the public hearing: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Arroyo
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance known as #14-19 be passed on final reading and that a Notice of Adoption of said Ordinance be published in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion for final adoption: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Owens
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14-20 Authorizing Sale Of Land Without Public Auction - Lot 19 Block 1907

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-20 entitled “Authorizing Sale Of Land Without Public Auction - Lot 19 Block 1907” having hereby been read by title, shall have a hearing held on this date.

Motion to open the public hearing: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Public Comments:
No comments.

Motion to close the public hearing: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Council President Waneck
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance known as #14-20 be passed on final reading and that a Notice of Adoption of said Ordinance be published in the official newspaper according to law.

Mayor Birkner asked Mr. Huntington how the Governing Body could modify the price of the property if they wished to do so. Mr. Huntington discussed the options. It was decided to adopt the ordinance as is, negotiate with any interested parties, and then amend the ordinance in the future if necessary.

Motion for final adoption: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Owens
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14-21 An Ordinance Concerning Traffic Control On Private Construction By The Westwood Police Department

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-21 entitled “An Ordinance Concerning Traffic Control On Private Construction By The Westwood Police Department” having hereby been read by title, shall have a hearing held on this date.

Motion to open the public hearing: Councilmember Arroyo Second: Councilmember Bicocchi
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Public Comments:

No comments.

Motion to close the public hearing: Councilmember Owens Second: Councilmember Arroyo
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance known as #14-21 be passed on final reading and that a Notice of Adoption of said Ordinance be published in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion for final adoption: Councilmember Arroyo Second: Councilmember Owens

Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14-22 An Ordinance of the Borough of Westwood, In the County of Bergen, New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter 59 of the Borough Code of the Borough of Westwood

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-22 entitled “An Ordinance of the Borough of Westwood, In the County of Bergen, New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter 59 of the Borough Code of the Borough of Westwood” having hereby been read by title, shall have a hearing held on this date.

Motion to open the public hearing: Councilmember Arroyo Second: Councilmember Miller
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Public Comments:

No comments.

Motion to close the public hearing: Councilmember Miller Second: Councilmember Arroyo
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance known as #14-22 be passed on final reading and that a Notice of Adoption of said Ordinance be published in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion for final adoption: Councilmember Arroyo Second: Councilmember Owens

Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14-23 An Ordinance of the Borough of Westwood, In the County of Bergen, New Jersey, Providing for the Replacement of the Emerson Road Pump Station and Other Related Expenses in and for the Borough of Westwood and Appropriating \$400,000 Therefor,

and Providing for the Issuance of \$380,000 in Bonds or Notes of the Borough of Westwood to Finance the Same

BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance #14-23 entitled “An Ordinance of the Borough of Westwood, In the County of Bergen, New Jersey, Providing for the Replacement of the Emerson Road Pump Station and Other Related Expenses in and for the Borough of Westwood and Appropriating \$400,000 Therefor, and Providing for the Issuance of \$380,000 in Bonds or Notes of the Borough of Westwood to Finance the Same” having hereby been read by title, shall have a hearing held on this date.

Motion to open the public hearing: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Owens
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Public Comments:
No comments.

Motion to close the public hearing: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Owens
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance known as #14-23 be passed on final reading and that a Notice of Adoption of said Ordinance be published in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion for final adoption: Councilmember Grefrath Second: Councilmember Owens
Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Bicocchi – Yes
Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes
Councilmember Owens - Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

14. Presentation of Bills, Financial Reports and Resolutions:

Councilmember Grefrath asked if there were any resolutions to add to the Consent Agenda. He 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 m and n were added at this time, with resolution n to be considered separately. Resolution h was removed from consideration pending further information from the County.

Resolutions as Consent Agenda:

- a) **Resolution #14 - 188: Bill List & Statement of Cash**
- b) **Resolution #14 - 189: Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #12-00016**
- c) **Resolution #14 - 190: Authorizing Refund of Taxes B1601 L12**
- d) **Resolution #14 - 191: Resignation of Custodian**
- e) **Resolution #14 - 192: Supporting the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2014 Statewide Crackdown**
- f) **Resolution #14 - 193: Authorizing the Borough of Westwood to Execute an Agreement with the County of Bergen to Supersede the Cooperative Agreement Dated 7/1/00 & Amendments Thereto Establishing the Community**

Development Program

- g) Resolution #14 - 194: Authorizing Stripping and ReWaxing of Community Center Floors**
- ~~h) Resolution #14 - 195: Borough of Westwood as Stigma Free Zone~~**
- i) Resolution #14 - 195: Release of Maintenance Bond - Horizon Realty LLC**
- j) Resolution #14 - 196: Bergen 350 Committee of Bergen County Historical Society**
- k) Resolution #14 - 197: Authorizing Construction Inspection for 2013 NJDOT Pascack Road Improvement Project**
- l) Resolution #14 - 198: Authorization to Apply For Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant**
- m) Resolution #14 - 199: Children at Play Sign**

Motion to adopt resolutions #14-188 through #14-199: Councilmember Grefrath

Second: Councilmember Miller

Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes Councilmember Biccocchi – Yes

 Councilmember Grefrath – Yes Councilmember Miller – Yes

 Councilmember Owens – Yes Council President Waneck – Yes

n) Resolution #14 - 200: Salary Increase for Recreation Director

Motion to adopt resolution #14-200: Councilmember Grefrath

Second: Councilmember Miller

Roll Call: Councilmember Arroyo – Yes

Councilmember Biccocchi – Yes

Councilmember Grefrath – Yes

Councilmember Miller – Yes

Councilmember Owens – No. He understands that there's a lot of challenges going on in town. He's a little back and forth on this. He was going to say yes and go forward with this but Councilwoman Waneck came up with a concern that leads him to say no to this.

Council President Waneck – Yes. She applauds the Recreation Director's performance. He was made verbal promises during his hiring process, and I would not deny him a raise. But I think at this time we need a top to bottom review of salaries, and we need to implement formal reviews. And in light of the current employee/borough atmosphere the increase should not be made in a vacuum at this time.

15. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Councilmember Miller Second: Council President Waneck

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

The time was 10:10 pm.

Attest:

(signed) Karen Hughes

Karen Hughes, RMC, Borough Clerk

Proofed by: Denise Holmes, Deputy Clerk