### WILLINGBORO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

### **AGENDA**

# May 7, 2019

7:00PM Call to order Flag Salute Statement Roll Call

### YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT DAY

# MANAGER'S REPORT

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

# RESOLUTIONS

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Res. 2019—87	EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

Council Mtg. 5/7/19

Adoption of Minutes—4/2/19—4/16/19

### TREASURER REPORT FOR APPROVAL AND ADOPTION

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

Public Comment Council Comment Adjournment

ALL BUSINESS ITEMS ARE TENTATIVE PENDING THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT

Willingboro Township Council Meeting of May 7, 2019 was held in Council's Chambers, One Rev. Dr. M.L. King, Jr. Drive, Willingboro, NJ 08046

Flag Salute Required Statement Roll Call

The Required statement was read.

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner.

On January 1, 2019 advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex.

On January 1, 2019, advance written notice of this meeting was mailed to the Burlington County Times, , the Trenton Times, the Philadelphia Inquirer and the Courier Post.

On January 1, 2019, advance written notice of this meeting was filed with the Township Clerk.

The Clerk is directed to enter into the minutes of this meeting this public announcement.

Roll Call: Councilman Anderson Present

Councilman Holley Present
Councilwoman Jennings Present
Deputy Mayor Perrone Present
Mayor Nock Present

Rich Brevogel, Acting Township Manager; Jill Cyrus, Director Recreation; Wendell Bibbs, P.E. Remington & Vernick Engineer; Doug Johnson, Remington & Vernick, Engineer; Cristal Holmes-Bowie, Esq., Firm of Michael Armstrong, Township Solicitor; Walter Howard, IT Department; Chief Anthony Burnett, Fire Department; Jesse King, H.R. Director;

Eusebia Diggs, Finance Director; Reva Foster, Community Affairs

Director

# Youth In Government Day

### Manager's Report (See attached):

Mayor Nock: Any questions for Mr. Brevogel?

Deputy Mayor Perrone: Yes, so I know you... I did attend the walk-

through. So, with regards to sending letters for the relocation of current tenants, can we speak to space that we discussed, as far as tenants who are looking for space; such as the Buffalo

Soldiers. Is that something you can speak to?

If you would like for me to speak to what we discussed I would be more than willing to so that.

Yes, just briefly.

So, what we did was with the understanding that there are a couple entities that want to come into the community, and Mayor Nock, if I am out of school here-- the county store, couple other locations that will be on the first floor. We took a tour of all of the current classrooms. And, since the Veterans Affairs is under the Community Affairs, we are working toward taking two rooms that are in close proximity to the Senior Center and moving the current tenants out into another location in the building. And in renovating those locations: one would be a Veterans Affairs location and the other would be a Veterans Meeting location, which would be able to accommodate all of the different veterans groups in the municipality. And we would obviously meet with those groups and have a discussion around scheduling so they can put their materials in that location. I am sure with Veterans organizations it would be no concern about things being left there on a regular basis and coordinating their meetings as they see fix. In addition to that since the Senior Center is close it will be relatively easy handicap access to that location.

Thank you. And I did have an opportunity to see some of the rooms that were renovated, and Mr. Brevogel has done an excellent job of orchestrating that. So I look forward to seeing what the rooms

Rich Brevogel:

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

Rich Brevogel:

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

look like once it is completed, but thank you for making that arrangement.

Rich Brevogel: Yes ma'am.

Mayor Nock: For the public, we have gotten some serious requests for services... Willingboro JFK Center is going to really become a service for the community, which is a real feather in our hat. So, that's why we had to look at this; all of the spacing from the County Store to get your passports and anything else county related. your assembly person talk about moving in and our senator is looking at it. So, that JFK Center will be the hub of the county at some point, and for us locally as long as they pay good rent. I think that is what we will be looking for. Anything else for Mr. Brevogel? Now is the moment we have public comment on the resolutions that are before you. You have two minutes to talk about it. If you don't have a comment fine, but this is your moment in time to talk about that.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ADGENDA ITEMS:

Pat Lindsay-Harvey: 12 Hadley: I have a question on Resolution 2019-84 before-- and again, another shared service to animal control. I am having a problem with us doing so much service out of town that diminishes the services that we have in town. There was someone on Facebook who had serious frustration with not getting a call back from Animal Control, so we are out in all these other towns and we are not getting services here.

The other thing is Resolution 2019-85, the pavement company. That pavement company that we had before, that did Van Sciver? Is that the same one? Hopefully not. There were issues with the other one.

Doug Johnson, R&V Engineer: Which portion? We have had several contractors?

Pat Lindsay-Harvey: The one where it did not last very long.

Doug Johnson: The temporary process of micro servicing?

Pat Lindsay-Harvey: It may have been the one.

Doug Johnson: That may have been the issue several years ago. No, this is not the same company.

Thomas Floyd 8 Buckingham Drive:

I, too, have an issue with the shared services. One of the things as a community, we need to have an honest... and the key word, honest conversation about how we are doing shared services, because Animal Control is not the only entity that we are sharing with. One of the things that get me about Animal Control is when I brought up the issues of people telling me about issues with dogs. The response from the Township that night-- right in this very room, I was standing right here, is that we had a no complaints or calls about dogs. We knew that wasn't true, because later on we had another venue at a Mayor's Forum. We had a couple talk about being terrorized by a neighbor's dog for over a year. And then, at another venture at the Neighborhood Watch we had a person talk about him and his wife were coming home and dogs came out and surround their car where the wife was too scared to get out of the car, and every time, I told you about an incident about dogs. People tell me they call the Township. So how did people calling, and then, no one on Council or Township knew anything about these incidents? My feeling is if you want to share services you first have to deal with issue at hand, at home, and my feeling is that we need to set guidelines for people who owns dogs, either, they make sure that they are registered every time a call goes out. One of the things you want to do is to check and see if the dog is registered with the Township. If not, a ticket is issued, and if it is so many calls-- and you can pick the number, 10, 15, 20. No. 21 the dog goes with me, because that shows that the guy is

irresponsible to have the dog, because if myalarm goes off falsely four or five times I am going to pay one of those times. If I run too many stop signs I am going to get a ticket. The idea that dogs misbehaving in the street and we do nothing about it--every call should check to see if that dog is register, because that is the rule. Thank you.

Daisa (sic) Drake:

I am here on behalf of my aunt and uncle, (inaudible) Williamson. They reside on Placid Lane. I know you guys are probably tired of me calling the Office and I have written letters and emails inquiring about getting an honorary street name. I don't want to change it, I just want an honorary street named in honor of Del Williamson, my younger cousin that recently passed away from a senseless act of gun violent. And, I feel like now--when I was younger... I was born and raised in New York City, and when I was younger it has always been come to Willingboro, beautiful homes, good schools, nice lawns and you can play outside safety and now I see the climate has changed a little bit. And, now when you hear about Willingboro you hear about violent and shooting. And so many of our young people have been dying and I wanted something positive to be done, just to kind of put Willingboro in a better spotlight, a better act to do something because it has really put a damaging on the community. A lot of us have been heartbroken, but I want to do something positive out of this and raise awareness any way I can and I know it starts here-- they, including my grandparents have lived here 45 plus years as well and I just want to see

something done because I feel like... I know that the Willingboro Police
Department and the county has been working tirelessly trying to resolved a lot of these crimes, but on the back end I feel this is something that could bring the community together. Bring some positive news and let's see something better than the news articles rather than another killing, another senseless act of violent. So, I was just wondering if I could get something of a response or what the proper process is. I have spoken to...

Mayor Nock:

One of the things I need to say; sometime we are our own worst enemy. We are experiencing the lowest crime rate we have had since the 80s, and that is certified by the FBI and the local Police Department. Yes, we have had some shootings and a couple of murders. And, I think the Police Department is doing a great job trying to revolve them. But everything has been pointing to us having a serious decrease in police incidents, police situations and not just our Police Department saying it. It is the FBI who is saying it also. So, if we continue to have this narrative that Willingboro has these issues, then, that perception will never go away and we need to stop it as residents, because it's just not true. It is not true. And I am not here... and I don't know all of the particulars. I can only tell you what is given to us by the Police Department and talk about how many situations they responded to, and I think their situations are way down. I thought it was the last time, almost 20 percent of the incident calls during the year is down. We

have to stop, ourselves, from keep reinforcing a narrative to the public that is just not true. So I just want to say that to you. No. 2, I had expectation that you would come forward, but I believe, I am not a 100 percent--but I believe that block that you have asked about has been designated to rename for Mayor Campbell who just died. The time is over for that and the Council has voted to rename that Mayor Campbell, an ex-marine who recently died, served the community for years and years and I think that's the same block. I am sure; I didn't realize that until others... I just want to say to you that's what happening, and I understand your concern for your relative, but the Council has voted on that already, and I believe it was a couple of week ago or month ago or whenever it was. So, clearly we want to honor our previous mayor who was a marine veteran, long term in the Marine Corp, long time served this community, on Council and various other things. So you can't have-- like competing situation.

Is that it for the resolutions? If not and that really should have been in the other Public Comment, but I will let it go because everybody is sensitive today about everything. Let's move forward Ms. Wooding with the resolutions please.

# RESOLTUION

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-81**

### Authorizing the Approval of Vouchers for Payment & Ratification

Whereas, Willingboro Township Council received the April

2019, Bill List and had an opportunity to review said Bill List; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 7th day of May, 2019 that the Council hereby authorizes the Approval of Vouchers for Payment and Ratification including those items purchased under state contract and identified as such and all Trust Other Accounts (Recreation Trust, Tax Redemption, Escrow, and Dedicated by Rider Accounts).

Be It Further Resolved that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Director of Finance for her information and attention.

On motion by Councilman Anderson

Seconded by Councilman Holley

Roll Call:	Councilman Anderson	Yes
	Councilman Holley	Yes
	Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Perrone	Yes

Mayor Nock

Motion carried.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2019--82 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FOR

Yes

### OVERPAYMENTS OF TAXES

WHEREAS, the records of the Tax Collector of the Township of Willingboro indicate overpayments of taxes due and overpayments; and

WHEREAS, refunds are due for these overpayments as listed on the attached schedule and made a part hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 7th day of May, 2019, that refunds be made as per the attached schedule; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Finance Director for information, attention and compliance.

# OVERPAYMENT FOR TAXES

ETC EQUITIES, LLC \$961.91

PO BOX 706

HOWELL, NJ 07731

BLOCK 113

LOT 14

75 SOUTHAMPTON DRIVE

OVERPAYMENT TAXES

LESLIE ROMANUSKI \$1,683.81

52 HENDERSON LANE

WILLINGBORO, NJ 08046

BLOCK 621

LOT 16

52 HENDERSON LANE

**OVERPAYMENT TAXES** 

KATRINA LEE \$225.00

890 FLAGSTONE WAY

ACWORTH, GA 30101

BLOCK 726

LOT 9

6 GUNNER LANE

OVERPAYMENT TAXES

NORMA S. ROTTES \$250.65

99 HAZELWOOD CIRCLE

WILLINGBORO, NJ 08046

BLOCK 630

LOT 22

99 HAZELWOOD CIRCLE

OVERPAYMENT TAXES

On motion by Councilman Anderson

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Perrone

Roll Call: Councilman Anderson Yes

Councilman Holley Yes
Councilwoman Jennings Yes
Deputy Mayor Perrone Yes

Mayor Nock Yes

Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION 2019--83**

# RESOLUTION FOR 2019 STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM GRANT (CHAPTER 159)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special items of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality, when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

#### SECTION I

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, meeting in public session this 7th day of May, 2019, hereby request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of the following items of revenue in the budget of the year 2019; and

The sum of \$126,136.80 Summer Food Program which item is now available as a reimbursement received from the Department of Agriculture, Division of Food & Nutrition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for his approval, as well as a copy of the Tax Collector/Treasurer of the Township of Willingboro.

#### TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO

### **RESOLUTION 2019-84**

# A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF BURLINGTON FOR THE PROVISION OF ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq., known as the "Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act," authorizes two or more local units to enter into an agreement for interlocal services known as a Shared Services Agreement for the provision of municipal services ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Shared Services Agreements is to reduce local expenses funded by property taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro and the governing body of the City of Burlington desire to enter into a Shared Services Agreement for the provision of Animal Control Services to the City of Burlington for a fee of \$14,000.00 and a fee for emergency services in accordance with the agreement attached beginning April 1, 2019 and expiring March 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the proposed Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the sharing of these services is in the public interest and will benefit the Township of Willingboro and the City of Burlington.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council, assembled in open public session on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019, that the Mayor and the Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Shared Services Agreement, as attached hereto, between the Township of Willingboro and the City of Burlington for the provision of Animal Control Services.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution shall be provided to the City of Burlington, the Finance Office and the Police Department for their information and attention.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilman Holley

### Discussion

Mayor Nock:

Anything you want to say here Mr. Brevogel. There were two questions that came up in reference to Animal Control. I know you had given us a report during the budget season

and reference to all of the towns, the income of the towns; there was report in terms of the number of calls and everything else. Anything you can say maybe everybody wasn't here that you can say in reference to the Shared Services.

Rich Brevogel: In terms of... I believe this is a renewal, so it is not any

additional towns. And I will go back into the meeting minutes pull out the statistics for 2018 and then I will speak to the Acting Public Safety Director about statistics for 2019 and give a percent of in-town and out of town calls

that we response to for the next meeting.

Mayor Nock: Ok, again, I think that is something we may have to keep

reinforcing to the public every time this happens, because different people are here at different times and I understand it comes to the Township, and we haven't had that many complaints; at least according to the Police Department.

Roll Call: Councilman Anderson Yes

Councilman Holley Yes
Councilwoman Jennings Yes
Deputy Mayor Perrone Yes
Mayor Nock Yes

Motion carried.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2019 – 85

# A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO AWARDING A BID FOR 2018 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO CHARLESTON ROAD

WHEREAS, on April 3,2019, the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro advertised its request that bids be submitted for the 2018 Road Improvement Program "Improvements to Charleston Road" in the Township of Willingboro; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 Road Improvement Program "Improvements to Charleston Road" consists of the improvements to Charleston Road from John F. Kennedy Way (CR 622) to Charles Van Sciver Parkway, and ADA compliant sidewalk improvements to the intersection of

Hampshire Lane and Hawthorne Lane, as described in the Engineer's letter to the Acting Township Manager.

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2019, the bids were received, opened, and read in public; and WHEREAS, bids were received from:

- 1. Arawark Paving Company
- 2. Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc.
- 3. Landberg Construction, LLC
- 4. R. E. Pierson Construction Co.
- 5. Charles Marandino, LLC

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., mandates that the Township award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, Township's Engineer tabulated the bid received and determined that Arawak Paving Company, Inc., of 7503 Weymouth Road, Hammonton, NJ 08037 with a bid of \$441,000.00 representing items 1 through 37 for the base bid improvements.

WHEREAS, upon its consideration and review of the bid and recommendations, the Township Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to accept the bid of Arawak Paving Company, Inc., of 7503 Weymouth Road, Hammonton, NJ 08037, with a bid of \$441,000.00 representing Items 1 through 37 for the Base Bid.

WHEREAS, the award of this bid is contingent upon the availability of funds for this purpose, and as indicated by the attached Treasurer's Certification.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 7th day of May, 2019, hereby accepts the bids of the Arawak Paving Company, Inc., of 7503 Weymouth Road, Hammonton, NJ 08037 with a bid of \$441,000.00 representing items 1 through 37 for the base bid improvements.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the bid shall be spread upon the minutes of this meeting.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Township Finance Director, Township Engineer, and Arawak Paving Company, Inc.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Deputy Mayor Perrone

Roll Call: Councilman Anderson Yes

Councilman Holley Yes
Councilwoman Jennings Yes
Deputy Mayor Perrone Yes
Mayor Nock Yes

Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION 2019-86**

# RESOLUTION FOR CROSS EASEMENTS FOR ACCESS, PARKING AND MAINTENANCE WITH 300 CAMPBELL DRIVE URBAN RENEWAL, LLC, WILLINGBORO

WHEREAS, in or about June 22, 2001, the Township entered into Cross Easements for Access, Parking and Maintenance with Willingboro Urban Renewal, LLC, for the property known as Block 3, Lots 4.09 and 4.10, which properties are now known as 300 Campbell Drive (Block 3, Lot 4.09) and 300 Willingboro Way (Block 3, Lot 4.10), located in Willingboro Township, New Jersey (referred to collectively as "the Properties"); and

WHEREAS, Willingboro Urban Renewal, LLC ("WUR") sold or otherwise transferred the Properties to 300 Campbell Urban Renewal Corporation (referred to as "300 CURC"), in or about November, 2017; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Cross Easements for Access, Parking and Maintenance ("the Agreement") WUR and the Township granted each other a nonexclusive, perpetual easement for certain Easement premises, and a Maintenance Agreement, wherein the Township agreed to be responsible for 33.3% of the costs of maintenance and repairs including inspection, cleaning, snow removal and other general maintenance, pursuant to the Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019 in open public session, that the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro will abide by the Cross Easements for Access, Parking and Maintenance Agreement, which includes responsibility for 33.3% of the costs of maintenance and repairs to the easement premises as described in the Agreement executed on or about June 22, 2001, with the successor and assign 300 Campbell Urban Renewal Corporation.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

### Discussion

Rich Brevogel: Basically, up at the Town Center the Urban

Renewal is responsible for all the grass cutting, snow removal and maintenance in that location and we pay 33 percent of that total cost and they give us the cost each year because it could vary based on snow storms and things of that nature and that was part of the original agreement

Cristal Holmes-Bowie, Esq.: It was transferred to the new owner, new property owner,

this was originally a Renewal property owned by Stang and

this is Mr. Fellman's property.

Mayor Nock: OK

Roll Call: Councilman Anderson Yes

Councilman Holley Yes
Councilwoman Jennings Yes
Deputy Mayor Perrone Yes
Mayor Nock Yes

Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2019--87**

### **AUTHORIZING**

### AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., permits a public body to exclude the public from portions of a meeting at which specific matters set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b are discussed; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made of the Township Council assembled in public session on this 7th day of May, 2019 to convene a closed Executive session consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b; and

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made and seconded and passed by a vote of in favor and opposed, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that an Executive Session of the Township Council meeting shall be convened to discuss one or more of the following categories as noted:

1.	Any matter which, by express provision of federal law, state statute or rule of court is
	rendered confidential or excluded from the public portion of the meeting.

2.		which the release of informati d States Government.	on would impair the right to receive funds
3.		he disclosure of which constitues. S.A. 10:4-12b(3).	utes and unwarranted invasion of privacy as
4.	for inclusion in	any Collective Bargaining A	greement, including the negotiation of the s or representatives of employees.
5.	the setting of b		acquisition of real estate with public funds, public funds where it could adversely affect ters were disclosed.
6.		d techniques utilized in protections of violations or possible v	ting the safety and property of the public and riolations of law.
XX 7.	Any pending o is or may beco		ract negotiations in which Township Council
8.		lling within the attorney/clien e attorney to exercise his/her e	t privilege to the extent that confidentiality is ethical duties as a lawyer.
XX9.			intment, termination of employment, terms egories set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(8).
10.		enalty or the suspension of los	earing that may result in the imposition of a license or permit as set forth in
	FURTHER RE		ture of the subject to be discussed relates to:
discussion conc	lucted in closed		and the circumstances under which the e public, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-0:4-12.
Cristal Holmes-	Bowie, Esq.: P	urpose of contract negotiation	s and personnel
50	Councilman A		
Roll Call:		Councilman Anderson	Yes
		Councilman Holley	Yes
		Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
		Deputy Mayor Perrone	Yes
		Mayor Nock	Yes

### TREASURE'S REPORT FOR APPROVAL AND ADOPTION

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilman Holley

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilman Holley

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings

Yes

Deputy Mayor Perrone

Yes

Mayor Nock

Yes

Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Councilman Anderson:

I just wanted to ask that the Council consider, and we appreciate, Mr. Weston, during the videoing for Facebook and so forth, that I see, but I think the Township has its own capabilities that we too, can also post, and this way we can share on our website, this way we can make sure the feed is secure. Not to say yours isn't ,but I think this is something the Township should consider, moving

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

What are you asking to consider, recording our

forward, so I just like for the Council to consider.

own videos?

Councilman Anderson:

Recording our own videos, putting it on our own website. It is on a secure site. It can't be tampered

with and so forth.

Mayor Nock:

It will go to legal

Councilman Holley:

I support that. Mine was to follow-up on my suggestion from last meeting, in regards to adding someone under 18 as a non-voting member for our

Boards and Commissions.

Mayor Nock: There was some discussion about that. Legal?

Cristal Holmes-Bowie, Esq.: While I did not specifically research that, I know that is

something that other communities and other kinds of boards do have and if the person is non-voting I don't think

there is a harm in it. Specifically, I know that the

Township had developed a kind of a youth advisory board, and I believe they were supposed to be youth members on that board; it has been a few years ago. That's something

we would have to create by resolution.

Councilman Holley: I know, I was on Council when we did that, but we never

really got any volunteers, and I guess my idea, and my version of that would look a little different, where students are actually getting exposed to-- let's say zoning, whereas in the Youth Advisory Board they wouldn't or they are getting exposed to our Economic Development Board that we have. Even the young ladies may get exposed to our Shelter Board, things of that nature; so it would be a little

more hands on opposed to them...

Cristal Holmes-Bowie, Esq.: Councilman, if you would give me a list of Boards you are

interested in having a youth member participate on and then I can look at them more specifically. I am thinking that certain boards may come across more information that is more of a confidential nature such as the Shelter Board.

I would look at each of them in that respect and...

Councilman Holley: I am open to all-- so if you can just start there and take

away from what we can't; that would be great.

Mayor Nock: I can support that, too, but that one-- that would be kind of

sticky. The Shelter Board for what happens there.

Cristal Holmes-Bowie, Esq.: Also, do you have a particular age group that you are

contemplating?

Councilman Holley: I would say high school students.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: I was thinking, when he described it, it was like

internship; that when you described it sound like they were

participating in workforce, no, it is not work, it is

shadowing.

Councilman Holley: Like sitting on a board and being involved. It is really

exposure as a non-voting member; so it is exposure to local

government.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: Student government, something like that, their own

governing body. Student Council at high school, they have their own governing body, that's what you mean similar.

Councilman Holley: No, I am actually referring to students becoming a non-

voting member on our boards here for the exposure to local municipal government. They will be a non-voting member.

Councilwoman Jennings: Probably working through the guidance counselor is that is

a part of it, to get the students to volunteer.

Councilman Holley: It can go right through the same way everybody else

applied. We can advertise to the schools, but it doesn't

have to go through the schools.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: We would ask their opinion on what we are already

discussing? Is that what you are saying? I am trying to

understand.

Councilwoman Jennings: Just being exposed to it; to be with the Planning Board.

Councilman Holley: And if they have an opinion. I would love to hear their

opinion because they are the future of our community.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: They would attend our meetings and...

Councilwoman Jennings: What Environmental does...then they would just be present

ant they will not give a report or they would give a report.

Councilman Holley: They would not vote.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: No, a report.

Councilman Holley: The chair would be responsible for giving a report.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: Ok the chair, Ok.

Mayor Nock: Are we done. I think you can look into that for sure,

anything else? If nothing, New Business is done. Now it is

time for Public Comment:

Deputy Mayor Perrone: One moment, I am not sure if it was asked before, why

isn't every old business on the agenda? Does that come

later or is it supposed to be now?

Township Clerk: If you prefer to have old business on the agenda we can do

that going forth.

Mayor Nock: Is there some Old Business you would like Deputy Mayor?

Deputy Mayor Perrone: Yes, I specifically, at a meeting, I will ask a question and I

expect follow-up later, and it is not the time to bring up these questions as far as follow-up according for what's on our resolutions, because it is not necessarily pertaining to my follow-ups. I do have some follow-up questions for old

business, something we have discussed before.

Mayor Nock: Well, let's do it now and, then, we can move forward after

that.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Deputy Mayor Perrone: Ok, thank you. I want to have a better understanding of

the Faulkner Act, because; and I did more research and some homework. What I have here is the Faulkner Act and I also have the Willingboro Employee Handbook, and the reason why I am troubled by the Faulkner Act, is because I have been told not to speak to employees, not to speak to anyone, and the employees are not allowed to speak to us. However, through my research I have not read anywhere amongst either of these documents that states employees are not to speak to us. So, I am challenging anyone who can speak to where it said employees are not to communicate with Council, and I say that because I have received communications as Council, from employees and

basically they are speaking to a black hole, because we are advised don't speak to them, don't response. And, then, I don't receive information on what's happening with the

situation, when I do hear about it; I hear; now it is in court. And, I don't like that process, because I know our legal fees have sky rocketed tremendously and I just feel like sometime communicating and just talking things out could probably prevent us getting to a point where now it is in court. So, I don't see anywhere and I am not... You are our attorneys, I am asking. And, here, if you can point out to me where it does state that. I know we are underneath the Council- Manager plan form government, which means our Township Manager is the administrator for the day to day functions for employees and that means we should not be involved on a day to day involvement at all; however, if there is something that the employee wants to address to Council to bring to us, that is something we should be able to communicate with them.

Cristal Holmes-Bowie, Esq.:

So, I am going to reference NJ Local Government Desk Book and this is a publication that is by NJ law Journals and the author is Thomas Vreby (sic) who is an attorney, who works in this area, and the section with regard to the Faulkner Act, which is an optional municipal charter law, and as you indicated is the Council- Manager form of government. The manager is the chief executive and administration official of the municipality. So, the manager executes all laws and ordinances of the municipality, supervises the municipal departments and negotiates contracts for the municipality subject to the Council approval. It goes on to talk about his authority to appoint subordinate personnel. Now, with respect to Council powers, the Council is responsible for fixing policy, giving broad directions to the manager and the manager is then authority to carry out the will of the Council. The Council appoints the manager, as you know, the Municipal Clerk, Tax Assessor and goes on to talk about the selection of the municipality attorneys, board of adjustment, etc. Council, the Faulkner Act basically separates the authorities and duties; so Council is limited to legislature duties, they are required to act as a body, so no one person has any more authority than anyone else. Even, the Mayor is a spoke

person, but really his authority is to chair the meeting of Council. And this goes on to state that individual members of Council is prohibited from dealing with the municipal administrative personnel except through the manager and the reference is the statue, and I can give you the status number. So, my saying that; the intention is not to prevent you from speaking with Township employees but to prevent interference with the manager authority with regards to those employees, because basically by being the appointed authority who hires and fires; ultimately who is responsible for hiring and firing. This form of government is setup that everything is done, everything is channeled through the manager in terms of employees, and, so, employees should be directed back to the manager when they have issues. There is a formal complaint process, that if they have issues or complaints or concerns that they can submit these complaints through the Personnel Director and it would be investigated. It has been a common practice we have been careful about following through with investigations of whatever kinds of complaints or issues and this is to protect Council as well as the manager. We have of late run into some problems in terms of complaining, with the Faulkner Act, when we have gone beyond that. When employees have had various issues and they have come to Council, and maybe it is one person, but there is no... it just creates all kinds of problems, and, Deputy Mayor did reference certain litigations. So, we can of know what can happen as a result of some of that conduct, so we are really trying to be very careful about that. Council has a very competent labor attorney so is compliant on issues that come up about the way something maybe handled, it does get investigated. Labor Counsel does attempt to resolve the matter, and we; my observation-- if I have represented individuals on the other side of that equation, is that the Township does attempt to be fair in terms of its treatment, and, because, Council is not going to be familiar with each and every collective bargaining agreement, each and every policy that is out there. You, basically, by having a manager, you are hiring this

professional and you are saying this professional is knowledgeable about this, and we are charging him or her to follow through with that and to handle these matters in the way that Council wants them handled. Really, I don't think there is a problem necessarily with Council saying, okay, I have a concern about something, but I think that employees really do have to know-- like in any organization there is a chain of command and that they should be following it. It's not to say that they can never speak to Council, because some of them are residents, you know, anyone frankly can speak to the public. there is no probation in terms of what that discussion is. It is up to the individual, but, this is the form of government, basically, that was voted on by people here and until that form of government is changed, we have to agree that we are going to follow and comply with it.

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

Thank you. And, you said the Faulkner Act is optional?

Cristal Holmes-Bowie:

That's what it is called. It was called an optional municipal charter law, that's what it is formed under. There are several forms of government, and we sort of talked about that in the past.

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

Thank you for explaining that.

Cristal Holmes-Perrone:

Also just for reference, the statue that I was talking about was NJSA 40:69-91, that would be the specific.

Councilman Anderson:

Let's just say an employee has an issue and they feel it is not going anywhere and they want to reach out to Council, is there a process in place?

Cristal Holmes-Bowie:

There is a complaint process in place. If they don't feel like it is going anywhere, then, their process is to complete the complaint form, and that complaint is investigated. It is investigated whether it is sent to a neutral investigator; there are different people that have no connection with the Township that have been used and investigated various matters; they will make recommendations, they will interview everyone who is a potential witness in the issue

and they will come back and make recommendations about what their observation have been and what the facts are, and what their recommendations are. And, really that's what the process is proposed to Council--kind of getting in there may be hearing only one side of the story as opposed to getting, having all the facts aired.

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

That's a good question Councilman Anderson. Can this process be sent out to the employee again, because I don't recall seeing this? I didn't see it in the handbook; maybe it is something that need to re-issued to them in case they are feeling that they want to express something that they are experiencing, this way we are not involved on a day to day, as I explained and you so eloquently described from the book. Is that something we can do to provide the employees the process?

Cristal Holmes-Bowie:

It is my understanding is that the employee are going to be either receiving the updated manual of procedures and they are going to be given a certain about of time to review it, and basically, to indicate back electronically that they received it and reviewed it and approved it. And I believe the complaint form is part of that and the procedure is in there. That's something that we spent some time on both with Mr. King and with Labor Counsel reviewing.

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

This document is still in the works or it's...

Cristal Holmes-Bowie:

I think it is just finished.

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

I have one other question. We just went through the budget and part of my concern was salaries and how different they varied when they were compared to other employees. And, I understand Mr. Brevogel explained that this is something that was voted on before I got on the Board. So, if I could be provided some literature on, so I can better understand what we voted for and how salaries are issued. I wasn't sure who to ask.

Mayor Nock:

Are you asking for the Collective Bargaining Agreements?

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

Is that's what it is called? Yes.

Mayor Nock:

So, because all this is contracted, so we all received Collective Bargaining Agreements, all six contracts.

Rich Brevogel:

Do all of Council want it?

Mayor Nock:

Well, only the one that is up was the Crossing Guard.

Rich Brevogel:

Do you want me to just provide the schedules by Unions instead of the contract or do you want the whole contract?

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

What, if I was to read this, what would it explain to me so I could have an understanding of how we arrive at these numbers when I see the budget.

Rich Brevogel:

Each Collective Bargaining Union agreement has a stipulation in there what their increase are going to be, the definition of their grades and titles.

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

Ok, yes.

Rich Brevogel:

Instead of looking at every piece, we are talking about 55 to 60 pages per agreement versus two or three pages that cover the actual pay scale compensation portion of each CBA.

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

I am looking for more of a pay scale not individually.

Rich Brevogel:

I would caution you to just understand that these are Collective Bargaining agreements that the individuals that are in those unions have representation and negotiate with the Township to set. Once they are set, they are set.

Deputy Mayor Perrone:

I just want to read it for myself. For me it is better if I read it, because if you tell me ten times I am going to get some of what you said and mix up what you say next week. So, if I can read it, it registers with me, and I understand how we arrived at these figures. I don't want to make a huge project for you either, that you are (inaudible) information, if there is something you already have that you can email it to me.

Rich Brevogel: We have that information available and we can get it to

you.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: Ok, I appreciate it, thank you. The last thing, I do have

one other thing. What is the situation in opening mail? Is there some reason why my mail gets open sometime? You

guys pass a policy of opening the mail before I get it.

Cristal Holmes-Bowie: I think that has just been the general practice of the Clerk's

Office that they open and stamped.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: I don't want my mail open.

Mayor Nock: My suggestion is that's a conversation with you and the

Township Clerk.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: Well, I wanted to make sure it wasn't something...

Mayor Nock: No, it is not an ordinance; it is something that you need to

talk to her about, when official correspondence comes in

and how it is documented and things like that.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: Ok, that's all I have.

Mayor Nock: anything else?

Township Clerk: I will speak with each one of you in regards to that because

there is mail that comes in that needs to go to everyone. It may have your name on it but the content is for everyone, but I will speak to each one of you individually on

that.

Mayor Nock: Ok, is that it. Now it is time for Public Comments

and you know the Public comments is for four

minutes, so please if you have something to say we

welcome you.

Public Comment (Second Round):

Josselyne Jackson:

It's been a while, Josselyne Jackson, Gramercy Lane. Good evening, it has been a while since I have been in front of this mic. Mr. Mayor, I agree with you concerning people in this town giving out negative feelings about Willingboro, and, you are not going to get rid of the stigma if people continue doing that. I support our police department very strongly as you know and I will always continue to do so. They care about us in this community, they work hard and what more can we ask of them. But, you know, we have a problem in every city, every town that you go to. You can move to Mount Laurel and Cherry Hill, I don't care where you move, you are going to have problems. But unfortunately Willingboro always has had this stigma that it is a ghetto and you know, I am getting pretty tired of it. So let's try to bring some positive thought into this Township. Thank you.

Pat Lindsay-Harvey:

Hi, I had several questions at the last meeting that I thought were going to get answered tonight, so I didn't bring my paperwork with me. But the two things I can remember is I wanted to know why legal is going up from \$409,000.00 to \$610,000.00 and why judgement is going up from \$20,000.00 to \$100,000.00. That was the two questions I had that didn't get answered last time or this time.

Mayor Nock:

Well, some of that we are not able to talk about, very frankly. Some of it, it gets into some litigation that started a couple of years ago from the employees and from everything else. As you just heard, the process, that if a person has a grievance it goes to a process and then our labor attorney gets involved in it; and we had a--, let's say a tremendous increase in grievances filed at some point in the last two years and I don't want to go any further on that, because I am on shaky ground as it is.

Pat Lindsay-Harvey:

Okay that was it.

Kim Brantley:

Good evening, Kim Brantley, 29 Hepburn Lane. First of all, I'd like to say that this month; we were able to house two veterans that were in transition. I like to use the word transition versus homeless. How it happened, was through the Willingboro Department of Veteran's Affairs under Reva Foster and the Camden Department of Community Affairs. These veterans

received what they call HUD vets voucher. They earned it they deserved it and I am happy to say that we are trying to get more Veterans to come back into the Willingboro Community. There is a great need for housing for veterans. They are asking the social worker Randall Clark down in Camden about housing, so if anybody has a house that they want to rent if they are relocating please let us know because veterans do want to come to Willingboro because they believe that it is a good community. Second of all, I had a question about how he COC's are being utilized when the investors buy these homes. They are flipping these homes and they are able to sell a property without having a CO, which recently has caused a senior couple that are veterans a real big mishap. They had a thirty two foot in-ground pool in the backyard that was disguised by seed and hay. That was disclosed after the sale, so now they are looking at a \$17,500.00 excavation and proper removal of this nightmare. So one of the things, I don't know if it is legal or who would know, how do we avoid these investors from being able to sell these properties to anyone without a CO? From what they...a COC, it only requires like some smoke detectors, a fire extinguisher and some other things. So in other words, if the township would have done a CO inspection they look at the...they do a great job of inspecting the interior of the home, the outside if there's safety issues and the yard, I mean, I've seen people turned down for their CO because tree branches was leaning over the roof. They said "you've got to cut them back". But we can allow the investor to come in and do that which I don't know if legal can comment on it or ... I mean it is like fraud. I mean within two months these people have got to try to come up with \$17,000.00 to rectify the problem. So my suggestion, I don't know how to really go about it, but I am saying that maybe we should look at another way of keeping these realtors and investors from flipping these houses without having a CO, where the Township could be involved. Thank you.

Barbara (inaudible):

Good evening, my name is Barbara (inaudible) I live in Rittenhouse Park. I just want to say I disagree with the Mayor, and I also disagree with the woman who said that it is a stigma. It is not a stigma. I have lived in Rittenhouse, I have seen two shootings or heard about two shootings. There was a third shooting that an officer...that I heard the bullet shots. We hear bullets shooting throughout, and officers have come by knocking on the door asking "do you know anything, did you hear

anything?" So it is not a stigma, it is a reality. I also want to say that there has been a reduction, I hear some of your own officers complaining. They can't cover because there has been a reduction in police force, and I remember it, one time I used to complain because I used to see cops practically at every corner and I am not complaining anymore, because if those cops were at those corners, crime would be deterred, okay? So it is a reality, and the young woman who was voicing her pleas about her loved one, I think you were a little insensitive to her and I think you should have been more sensitive, because there is an issue going on, to me, okay? I also wanted to say to the Council Members, I do thank you, because you did address my concerns about the parking and also about the recycling containers. Mr. Brevogel, I have questions because I missed the last meeting. I got mixed up on the dates so I was a week late, okay? I have issues going on where I have niece that is battling cancer, 15 years old, she is at St. Jude so...but I do want to find out about that because I am curious about the ordinance, so if I can talk to you on that or meet with you where I am not taking up time here I would like to do that. If you would please. And, I think you need to be more sensitive, because I know on my block there has been a number of crimes. I was walking my dog and I had missed being shot at like five minutes before there was a shooting on the corner. On my neighbor's house, there was a shooting in front of her house that the police officer was saying how come nobody called the cops. She actually saw the shooting, it was a teenage boy shooting, okay? There was a pizza man, and they set them up all the time to deliver to the home and they rob them. So, there is crime going on, okay? It is not a stigma. I appreciate your time and if you would let me know and I also want to thank Deputy Mayor Perrone for all your time and consideration. And, you, Mr. Brevogel for taking the time and effort in addressing my concerns and hopefully they will be resolved, because that car has been parked there for eight months now. She hasn't driven it one single time, so I hope your ordinance does or will help with these issues. So again, thank you.

Thomas Floyd:

Name, Thomas Floyd, 8 Buckingham Drive. First I want to say the kids that were here and the persons that helped those kids get set up like that and the ones they shadowed, outstanding job. That is indeed the future of our town and we need to make sure that we highlight the achievements of our children. Also, I'd like to say congratulations to the officer, the new Safety Director, I'm sure

you will do a great job and I look forward to working with you in the future. Now, about the streets, if you are going to pave the street from Charleston Road to JFK to Van Sciver, if the guy uses the same system that they used there in Garfield North it shouldn't be a problem. The problem we had in Buckingham was that they used that system at a three ton weight limit on a street that don't have a weight limit; and that is why it fell apart and we told you that when it happened. But, if you use the same system over on that part of Charleston Road, we shouldn't have any problem because I believe that is an eight ton weight limit, not a forty ton weight limit. Now, about the dogs, I really would like to see those reports. But not only the reports, but the follow-ups. What happened when someone called? That last interaction that I had with Animal Control was when a lady in my park called my daughter and told me that they were trapped in the house and couldn't get out, trying to get out of the house because the neighbor's dogs were on their porch scratching at the doors every time they tried to open it. By the time I got over there, the dogs were gone, the lady had gone to take her kids to daycare and one of the neighbors has chased the dogs off. Animal Control came, went directly not to the house where the people made the call, but to the house where the dogs were at. When I walked over to the truck, I must have stood beside the truck for about a minute, minute and a half, watching him stroll through his computer. I asked him, I said "What's all this?" and he said "Those are all the complaints at that address." I was there at least a minute and a half before he got to the bottom so he could type in that day's incident. So, if you are going to start giving us reports, don't just give us the numbers give us the follow ups. Let's bring the animal control people in and let's have their computers, and let's see how many of these so called nonexistent call. Because the main thing is what happens after the call. When I say "Well aren't you going to go?" He never go out of the truck. He said if the dogs make it back to the house, even though they were misbehaving in the street, the policy is no further action needed. That is what I am saying. That is if you are going to share our services with all these other towns and towns. You have got to have a policy that says if the dogs make it back, because like I said, if I run a bunch of streetlights, the cops aren't going to stop me because I made it to my home. "Oh he made it home, no ticket." If the dogs misbehave in the street, you got to go get them. First check and see if they are registered with the town because that is the rule. If they aren't give them a ticket.

Like I said, dog census, we always talk about the dog census, we haven't done that in a hundred years. These towns aren't paying us enough to cover the cost of a dog census, we are doing it wrong. Because they should be paying for the dog census. Charge them. Ten towns divided by how much it costs. That is how much you charge these towns so you have the money to do the dog census so we know exactly how many dogs and all the dogs will have their shots. Because that is one of the reasons why we do a dog census, so you know they got the shots. Let's put a limit on it. Ten calls to that address for that dog, number eleven the dog comes with us. It can't be open ended, we can't have a million calls to one address. Somewhere along the line you have got to say to yourself if you are that irresponsible to your dog or he is misbehaving that I have to come here to your house twenty times, the dog goes with us. Please, it is a no brainer, get it done.

William Weston:

William Weston, 44 Bosworth Lane. First I would like to commend the Council for the young people because I think that it is very important to get the young people involved and I thought Councilman Holley made a good suggestion. Because when you are involved...even me coming here there was a barrier. It took me a while to be comfortable to come to Council Meetings and I think the earlier you start that, the more people will be involved. Segue into what Councilman Anderson said, where we can have maybe the Township streaming these meetings, because ultimately I just want more people to in our town to be involved in government. Whatever who's side you are on just people to come out and to be a part, you know, because this is their government. They should see how decisions are made. I've learned about the Faulkner Act tonight, and that's good. But there is a question how the search for the town manager is going. June 2<sup>nd</sup> is National Anti-Gun Violence Day and to me, one murder is enough. Now Parkway Baptist Church is going to have an event on June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 P.M. to make a stand on gun violence, to try and get young people out and to try and guide them in the ways of de-escalation, etcetera. So I just want to mention that. I believe we will have another Council Meeting before then and there should be a flyer available. Alright.

Mayor Nock:

Anyone else? Seeing none, public comment is closed. We will start with Council Comment.

Councilman Holley:

First and foremost, I would like to thank everyone for coming out this evening. Me being an educator, this is definitely one of my favorite meeting dates of the year. It gives me an opportunity to see just the potential that we have within our community. To hear about these students and their exposure in municipal government for the day, these are our future stars. They are going off to college and they have plans on furthering themselves in their lives. So in regards to the stigma or the reality, that is also our reality as well. While we do have many challenges and obstacles and hurdles to overcome, there are a lot of positive bright spots in our community as well and we need to highlight those just as much as we highlight the negative things. I am with you one hundred percent, one murder is enough; and I will segue into that, I have complete confidence in our Acting Public Safety Director Mr. Lomon. There is no doubt in my mind that some of the challenges that we do face as a community would be minimized. Obviously it will never be perfect, it is not perfect anywhere in the world. But I do have high expectations I hope for you in your current role. So congratulations, it is well deserved. I abstained from the summer food program vote because I was formerly in my younger days I worked for that program. But I do want to give a shout out to Ms. Reva Foster for year after year putting that program together for our young children in our community who would normally qualify for free or reduced lunch, they get an opportunity to have a wellbalanced meal and that's great because that is another highlight of some of the things we are doing to build up the youth in our community. You are not going to go anywhere if you are hungry so we have got to get them fed. Over the weekend, this past Saturday, I had the opportunity to attend an event that was held by the Pi Mu Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, which is Councilwoman Jennings chapter. They had they annual "Men Are Cooking" event and I had an opportunity to make some of my world famous potato salad. It was a hit, a success. Who was the person that came and scraped the bottom of my pan? There wasn't any left in there. So, that's always a great time. It is always good to have an opportunity to serve the people of our community and that is just a way to give back and interact and engage. Mr. Floyd, I know you wouldn't tell any stories, I get around, I even came to your park last year. I don't see all these dogs though. And I can honestly say, I put my hand on the bible, I

have, since I have been on Council the past five years not one resident has come to me with an issue of dogs; and I come across many residents. I am not one that just stays in the house. I will say you are right, I do recall that one family that came and said they are having the same issue over and over. I definitely remember that one. But I haven't had the complaints, not saying that they are not happening, but I would love to get some of that data and get some feedback to some of your questions and concerns to make sure that we are following up and addressing what you are asking for. I am waiting for you for the date for the cleanup, so I can get back out there and help you guys again. That's it for me. Once again I'd like to thank everyone for coming out. That's it. Have a good night.

Councilwoman Jennings:

So, I also want to welcome everyone as I thank you for coming once again to share comments and what is happening in the community with us. I want to first congratulate, Acting Public Safety Director Lomon. We are looking forward to... I personally am looking forward to working with you. I always say we have the best police, fire and emergency department in the entire universe. And just on a funny note, I was driving with my friend Mrs. Sarah Holley, she was actually driving and I was in the front seat and we had another friend. I won't mention her name since she's not here, in the back seat and we suddenly saw the red and blue lights behind us. So, the police pulled us over and he actually thought we were drinking because we were driving too slow, that's why he stopped us. I want to tell you that he was very, very, very polite. I mean he was saying ma'am this and ma'am that and I'm telling you it was just a very wonderful experience. So, the police are on the job. And to Ms. Harvey, there is a different between and RFQ and an RFP as I am sure you know. So when you ask the question about whether it was the same contractors, sometimes we don't have a choice. If it is an RFQ, we do have a choice because we are asking for a quotation and we can kind of look at those and we can pick and choose who we want. But if it is an RFP, then that is a bidding process where you have to select the lowest responsible bidder; and so, unless that person has been put on a list by the State of New Jersey can't not give a person a job. So, if it is a person that we do not like there is nothing that we can really do about it if they are responsible a responsive bidder. I also want to say that I shadowed Mrs. Foster. I want to congratulate her on another year with the Food Program. I shadowed her one day and

we started out at about 6:00 A.M. in the morning and we were all over town. We were at different schools putting food away, we were at SAM's. I mean, I don't know how she does it year after vear and it is run like a well-oiled wheel, so maybe I will go out with you again or maybe one of the other Council people. Councilman Holley experienced it. It is not an easy job. Everybody gets fed. How many locations do you have? About 15 right? More? Okay. Okay. So congratulations for that. Yes, Willingboro does have crime, it has, we went for many years without any crime and now we've had it like every other community. I think compared to surrounding communities we are relatively low. I think that the important thing is, this is, that the positive side of this is that our police are solving these crimes. Many times you hear about bank robbers in Mt. Laurel or Moorestown and the Willingboro Police are the police force that catches these criminals. Nobody reports that, you know, and often you see the headline is-- Willingboro resident does this, this and this, maybe somebody who was born in Willingboro, moved to Philadelphia and they are still calling the person a Willingboro resident. So, you have to read between the lines, but in this particular case the Willingboro Police, as a part of the process of apprehending the criminal and I am very proud of the police force and it was a particular... I don't know if you know what the crime was; it was somebody who was selling a cellphone. If you didn't hear and she was meeting the person and he shot her. But there is a place in Willingboro, the police anticipated, there is a place behind the municipal building where it is well lit, cameras, the whole thing, where you can have these kind of transactions. So I wanted you to be aware of that and also thank the school district, that was wonderful today with the young people. Thank you.

Councilman Anderson:

Alright, like my council colleagues, I would like to thank everybody for coming out. I want to thank the students for Youth in Government and to congratulate the Safety Director. I know your aspirations was to be a Lieutenant, but you are a Captain, so congratulations on that promotion as well. On the engineering report, I noticed that we are going to do the concrete work out front. The municipal complex?

Doug Johnson:

Yes, correct.

Councilman Anderson: And, I know when we adopted the logo, we said we were going to

make sure that the seal is replaced at the same time. I just did not

see it in the report.

Doug Johnson: Yes, we are still looking in with...it is a very particular process.

So, myself and the manager are going through options and things

like that to have something like that put in.

Councilman Anderson: And ,Mr. Brantley, in regards to the certificate of compliance. I

agree, during my day job, I am on the Mayor's task force for housing in Essex County and when it comes to the purchasing of homes, what we have up there is an inspection team that will go out upon an application, they will schedule a CO inspection, the team goes out does a full inspection. The homeowner looking to purchase has the opportunity to take the identified violations and sign off taking responsibility to have it completed within six months. At that six months window the team goes back out. But what I do and our situation here, basic C of C is fire extinguisher and smoke detectors. I think we need to revamp the process, because I too have heard of seniors being victimized saying that they didn't need a CO, they closed on the property and still can't get the CO. So I am hearing these stories as of recent. But I think it is something we need to look at to revamp just to protect those that don't know that are naïve and it will benefit the services that we provide for these investors who come in who want to do a quick flip, make the quick dollar. So I think it is something we definitely need to look at as far as how that process goes. I just want to say that it is great to see so many directors sitting in. I do see directors at meeting, but it looks as though we have a full house and I just want to take this opportunity to thank you for all that you do. It is a team effort and once again thank your all that you do. You know, you got your leadership here, top dog, I

appreciate it.

Councilwoman Jennings: Okays so I forgot something. Happy Mother's Day to all the

mothers, all the grandmothers, all the guardians and all the fathers who act like mothers, you know. Congratulations and enjoy your

day.

Mayor Nock: Oh, that is a good one. Deputy Mayor.

Deputy Mayor Perrone: So I pretty much touched on some of the comments that I had

earlier, however I appreciate having the students here so thank you for facilitating our student council; and I like Councilman Holley's

idea with the student Council so hopefully we can work on establishing a written program because I think that would be a great idea to have our students involved as the young man stated, getting them involved on a volunteer level give them an insight into what their future could be like if they choose to walk into the avenue as far as governance. I look forward to seeing how that facilitates. Also I did not recognize Ms. Jill Cyrus. When I visited the building I only recognized Mr. Brevogel, however I want to commend Ms. Cyrus because we got to walk through the entire building and I just want to say how well-organized and professional everyone was there and I have never visited the entire building until that last week. So kudos to Ms. Cyrus for doing an excellent job and Mayor Anderson stated and I do appreciated all our directors and our employees for what you do to make our community run better; and I just want to say thank you all for coming out tonight and I look forward to speaking with you next meeting.

Mayor Nock:

Okay, thank you. I just want to give you a couple updates. I want too to thank everyone for coming out and it is always nice to see the kids up here. To the resident who said, I was not trying to be insensitive or anything but it is just I've been getting tons of emails from the group in reference to their street and I just needed to let them know that the Council has voted to go in a different direction with that street. So there is no easy way to break that in. After you have gotten a...it's okay. I wanted just to give some updates. The Marketplace as of today I have been told that they are curing most of the ills of the Marketplace and selling it should be taking place pretty shortly in reference to the Marketplace; and then I want to try to get them to schedule to come in and show or talk to the public about what they plan to do with the Marketplace and the lot. As I said earlier, the Andy Kim's congressional office of federal issues has opened in the JFK Center. The next meeting, I have scheduled the County to come in and make a presentation on Willingboro Lakes. I've asked the environmental commission to come in. Any planning board member or anybody else that has interest in what is going to happen to the lakes, they are coming. The County Director of Parks and Recreation, the design group, everybody is coming in to present what they are going to do. As I told you that I was able to convince them to add a few more dollars to that budget they had in order to have a pavilion that has bathrooms and not porta potty's and they have agreed to do that.

The design is...it looked nice, it looks great, it is better than what is there now and certainly much better than as you enter Willingboro and what you see that has been for the last eight to ten years. They have just sat on it, but again we say that the new freeholder board has been very responsive terms of helping us look forward with that. That is one of my pet peeves over the last several years. I too want to say congratulations to Mr. Lomon. I first met Mr. Lomon when there was a major accident on Beverly Rancocas and there was about fifteen officers out there, but we walked away from the bunch to greet and say hey, this is every serious Beverly Rancocas is going to be shut down for about six hours or so. I knew then that he had the leadership because he make a B-Line and said "hey I am going to take care of this". But I also want to say that I've been on Council now three years and our months. I've never had one person come to me with a police complaint. So you have big shoes to fill. To make sure we haven't had a lawsuit with the police department I think for at least eight years, maybe ten years. So those are extremely big shoes to fill and we want you to continue that. Because no one has come up and had a complaint with the police department, so clearly we have one of the finest. I too attended the men are cooking event which is very interesting and I am not going to talk about Mr. Holley's potato salad.

Councilman Holley:

Was it good?

Mayor Nock:

It was okay. It was okay. It was good. But either or, Mr. Floyd you always come with the same enthusiasm and concerns. When I first got on Council, I began to look at is it. As you know I report out about the shared services and all and I can assure you, I don't know about the calls, I don't know about that, but the shared services is a good thing for the Township. It really is. So that's it. We are going into executive session. Are we going to come out to vote on anything for the public? No I don't think so. Well thank you and have a great Mother's Day everybody, all the mothers in the place. I am not talking about the dads, we got a day.

### Executive Session:

Motion to return to public session was done by Deputy Mayor Perrone and seconded by Councilman Holley. All in favor and none opposed.

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There being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 9:43PM

Attest:

Sarah Wooding, RMC, Township Clerk

Martin Nock, Mayor

# Township of Willingboro

To:

The Honorable Martin Nock, Mayor

The Honorable Rebecca Perrone, Deputy Mayor The Honorable Jacqueline Jennings, Councilwoman The Honorable Nathaniel Anderson, Councilman The Honorable Darvis K. Holley, Councilman

From:

Richard A. Brevogel,

Interim Township Manager

Date:

May 7 2019

Re:

Agenda

### MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting Public Safety Director

I am pleased to announce that Cpt. Kinamo Lomon has been selected as the Acting Public Safety Director.

Captain Kinamo Lomon became a Willingboro resident in 1989 when he was 12 years old. He attended Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ where he received his Bachelor of Science while majoring in Administration of Justice, in 1999. He returned home to Willingboro where his law enforcement career began in 2000 with the police department. In 2011, he obtained his Masters of Arts in Organizational Management with a specialization in Leadership from Ashford University. He is also a proud graduate of the FBI National Academy 267th session (2017).

Captain Lomon, a 19yr veteran, has held many titles and ranks throughout his career at the Willingboro Police department. He has forged relationships with community leaders, residents and his coworkers. Captain Lomon has maintained strong personal roots in the community of Willingboro where the majority of his family and friends reside.

- Camera Surveillance System
  - o Portable Trailers
    - 2 Units delivered week of April 16th
    - Server delivered week of April 29th
- Abandoned Vehicles Code Change
- Approval of Traffic Guards Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) 2018-2023
- Troy Singleton's office will host an Opportunity Zone meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup> from 9-12 at the JFK Center
- On May 22<sup>nd</sup> the State of NJ Burlington County Division will be holding a meeting at the JFK Center discussing expungement program and policies.
- On Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> a review / walkthrough of the current room use at the JFK Center was done. It
  is my recommendation that all current rentals be notified that the township will be reallocating
  space to accommodate requests and retain current renters.

Communications Workers of America
And
Local 1036
And
Willingboro School Traffic Guards
And
The Township of Willingboro

July 1 2018 through June 30 2023

# The following encapsulates the substantive changes made from the previous agreement.

- 2% increase in salary during each year of the agreement (July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023).
- Include "paid" language for time off, for the purposes of bereavement leave.
- Removed extra duty rates and only provided for payment at the regularly hourly rate.
- Upon retirement, Employees shall earn \$125.00 for each year employed. An Increase of \$25.00.
- Deleted Article X Agency Shop.
  - The following language was added:
    - Article XIV(B) Union Rights: "within 10 days of hire."
    - Article XIV(C) Union Rights: "The list shall include name, home address, home phone or cell phone, and home email address."
- Lastly, the agreement shall not be retroactive as to any school traffic guard who is not employed
  as of the date the agreement is ratified by both parties.

### NEW JERSEY SENATE



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ECONOMIC GROWTH, VICE CHAIR

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

JUDICIARY

April 8, 2019

Dear Mr. Brevogel,

As you know, five Burlington County municipalities have been selected as **Qualified Opportunity Zones (QOZ)** pursuant to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017. These municipalities include Burlington City, Riverside, Palmyra, Pemberton, and Willingboro. As part of this program, certain investments entrepreneurs make within a QOZ may be considered by the IRS as eligible for preferential tax treatment.

To better understand how your specific municipalities can fully benefit from this QOZ status, we will be hosting a meeting on May 15, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Kennedy Center, 429 John F. Kennedy Way, in Willingboro. Presenting at the meeting will be representatives from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, New Jersey Economic Development Authority, and the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority. These three state agencies have been charged by Governor Phil Murphy to lead and develop New Jersey's Opportunity Zone Marketplace, and will be available to answer any of your questions.

Please RSVP by Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> by calling 856-234-2790 or by email: <u>jaydjian@njleg.org</u> if you, or a representative, are able to attend. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you.

Most sincerely,

Hon. Troy Singleton Senator

Hon. Herb Conaway, MD Assemblyman

Hon. Carol A. Murphy Assemblywoman



# **BCPO News**

# Scott A. Coffina, Prosecutor

Philip S. Aronow First Assistant Prosecutor

Darren N. Anderson Chief of Detectives



Joel Bewley BCPO Public Information Officer Desk: 609-265-5777 Cell: 609-820-4407 jbewley@co.burlington.nj.us April 30, 2019

# Man Charged with Murder for March Shooting of Woman in Car in Willingboro Defendant had made plans to meet victim to buy cell phone

Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina and Willingboro Public Safety Director Kinamo Lomon announced that a 20-year-old Willingboro Township man was charged today with fatally shooting a 21-year-old woman last month while she was sitting in her car in the Millbrook Park section of Willingboro Township.

Marvin A. Coleman Jr., of the first block of Marboro Lane, was charged with Murder (First Degree), Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose, (Second degree) and Unlawful Possession of a Weapon (Second Degree). He was taken into custody following a traffic stop this afternoon near his residence. A first appearance will be scheduled soon in Superior Court in Mount Holly. The case will then be prepared for presentation to a Burlington County Grand Jury.

The investigation revealed that Coleman had made arrangements on March 6 through the marketplace app OfferUp to purchase a used cell phone from Maribely Lopez, 21, of Lindenwold. The plan called for Lopez to meet Coleman in front of a vacant house in the first block of Medley Lane, which is a short walk through a field from the defendant's residence on Marboro Lane.

But instead of buying the phone as planned, Coleman executed Lopez by firing a shot through the partially opened driver's side window. The phone that was advertised for sale was discovered by investigators inside of the car. The motive for the killing remains under investigation.

"The evidence points to this murder occurring during a planned OfferUp transaction," Prosecutor Coffina said. "People selling items online to strangers should exercise appropriate caution, such as utilizing safe transaction zones that many of our local police departments maintain in the parking lots of their stations."

An autopsy performed by Burlington County Medical Examiner Dr. Ian Hood revealed that Lopez died from a single gunshot to the head.

Police were called to the scene by a Medley Lane resident just before 8:30 a.m. on March 7 for a report of a female in a parked car with an apparent gunshot wound. Arriving officers found Lopez in the driver's seat of her Ford Focus with the engine still running. The investigation determined that the shooting likely occurred around 11 p.m. the night before.

Coleman will be prosecuted by Assistant Prosecutor Bob Van Gilst, supervisor of the BPCO Major Crimes Unit – Violent Crimes Section. The investigation was conducted by the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office and the Willingboro Township Police Department. The lead investigators are BCPO Detective Tony Luyber and Willingboro Police Detective Jason Galiazzi.

All persons are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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### May 1, 2019

Members of Township Council Municipal Complex 1 Rev Dr. M. L. King, Jr. Drive Willingboro, NJ 08046

Members of Township Council:

New Jersey State Statute 54:4-91.1 states "on or before May 1st annually, in all taxing districts, the collector shall file with the governing body, and in addition there to may, from time to time, file a list of delinquent taxes which he or she believes are uncollectible by reason of fictitious, double or other erroneous assessment or in the case of poll taxes, dog taxes, or taxes on personal property, by reason of removal, absence death or insolvency of the taxpayer."

In compliance with the statue, the following are deemed uncollectable:

Block 328 Lt 7	2018	\$1,177.44	6% Year End Penalty removed (Applied in error)
Block 614 Lt 14	2018	\$714.09	6% Year End Penalty removed (Applied in error)
Block 614 Lt 14	2018	\$11,585.04	Duplicate Added Assessment
Block 614 Lt 14	2019	\$3,514.80	Duplicate Added Assessment

In addition, it is respectfully requested that the filing of the report be entered in the Township minutes.

Very truly yours,

LaMar S. Arnold Tax Collector

CC: Sarah Wooding, Eusebia Diggs, Richard Brevogel, Justin Lamicella