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The City of Warwick
Docket of the City Council
Regular Public Hearing Meeting
For
November 20, 2023
@ 7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
Warwick City Hall
3275 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886
Stephen P. McAllister, President

Roll Call:

Time:

Salute To The Flag:

General Communications

1. Announcements of Congratulations, Condolences, or Community Events.

McAllister – Congratulations West Bay Community Action 100’s of Thanksgiving meals provided to Residents of Warwick – Tree lighting 12/2 5:30-8:00 Thayer Arena free public skate and food trucks – Stroll Roll 12/9 9:00 AM parade march, food trucks, face paint, Santa, rain date 12/10 parade will be cancelled due to church in Apponaug

Howe – Thank you West Bay Community Action always assisting those in need

Executive Communications

None

- A. Acceptance of minutes from council meeting held on:
November 6, 2023**
Moved by: **Howe**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **vv**

Public Comment

RULE 41 After General Communications and prior to the Consent Calendar at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council each month, there shall be a period of time, not to exceed thirty (30) minutes, during which citizens may comment about Warwick City Government issues subject to the following stipulations:

- a. The total period of time for public comment shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes. Comments need to be brief in order to allow as many citizens as possible to participate. Each citizen signed up and present shall have not to exceed five (5) minutes to speak, provided, however that if more than six (6) Citizens are signed up and present the thirty (30) minutes will be split evenly amongst speakers. Time shall not be transferable amongst speakers.
- b. The topics for comment shall be issues directly affecting City government.
- c. City Council members will not respond to questions during the public comment period.
- d. The public comment session will terminate at the expiration of the earlier of all speakers concluding their allotted time or thirty (30) minutes. Waiver of this provision requires a unanimous vote of the Council.

Phyllis Stafford – Oakland beach 690 Oakland Beach Ave, paid for a title search out of fear, lives in an attic, no windows or water – 6 mentally disabled with nowhere to go – wrongful evictions cannot get housing – here to seek help with zoning homeless – 65 years old with no family – why does Warwick have abandoned property – looking for 200 sq. ft. to put a tiny house – City Council should give Zoning a jolt

Richard Langseth – Harbor Management Committee meeting next Monday - Airport Engineer demand City sell streets for “Freight Port” many people use these streets – they are for public use. City Council needs to hold a hearing regarding streets – lady before me touched my heart. Small lots should be used.

John Calise – Ward 1 homeowner over 30 years – concerns regarding fee’s in the event late paying quarterly taxes – forgot to mail payments fee was charged for late payment – over \$100 fee 12 days late – fortunately he had the funds to pay immediately – fees are targeting people of hard times

Roger Caresi – Arnolds Neck area – pictures from neighborhood from Midgely – 17 years so many cars/trucks taking pictures – emergency vehicles cannot get down road – obstructing traffic causing commotion people in the middle of the road – No Parking signs should be there – Place being destroyed, hurting wildlife. Polluting the creek – people stay and drink there.

Lisa McDuff – Ward 7 Arnolds Neck 27 years – DPW, CRMC, DEM every week picks up garbage near the creek – School buses, emergency vehicles cannot

pass – wants to be safe and happy – letting people take over the area – public road people are sitting there walking dogs

Barbara Walsh – Letter to editor in Beacon needs to think about environment – City as a whole – her generation has messed up environment losing a million species – going extinct pay more attention to environment – should be doing more – not doing enough to protect waterfront. Need to think long term on these issues.

Robe Cote – Brief update on City of Warwick vs Warwick Fire Department unused sick time – 27 months ago waited 14 months – 8/18 Mayor to file Statue of Limitations ran out of P. Ruggiero – unfortunately law suit was filed against retirees prior to and those who were not employed – dismissed took 14 months – alternative service – 11/14 – WFD motion to dismiss that City Council wasn't named in lawsuit – alternative service amend & serve defendants attorney garnish wages of WFD and the WFD theft scheme – stole money – Mayor should get legal counsel

John Italiano – Ward 6 1st Lady touched most of our souls – things in this City not getting done in a very long time – things are getting worse if you talk about it nothing gets done – City property – trash – things are unsafe- thanks Councilman Ladouceur for article & safety of children – school bus driver – moved the stop – we need to do something as citizens – or we need to get new people.

1. Consent Calendar –

1. PCR-122-23 Resolution Relative to Bids (Councilman Howe)

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Howe**

Seconded by: **Foley**

Adopted R-23-113

Consent calendar vote: **9/0**

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

1. PCR-123-23 2024-083 B REBUILDING OR REBUILD ECHANGE TRANSMISSIONS – ADDITIONAL VENDOR

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Howe**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **6/3 (Ladouceur, Rix, Travis)**

Adopted R-23-114

2. PCR-124-23 2024-200 B REPAIR PARTS FOR SNOWPLOWS – ADDITIONAL VENDOR

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Howe**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **6/3 (Ladouceur, Rix, Travis)**

Adopted R-23-115

3. PCR-125-23 2024-201B REPAIR FOR SAND & SALT SPREADERS – ADDITIONAL VENDOR

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Howe**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **6/3 (Ladouceur, Rix, Travis)**

Adopted R-23-116

4. PCR-126-23 2024-288 SHIPMENT OF FIREARMS

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable as amended**

Action:	Favorable to amend	Favorable as amended
Moved by:	Howe	Howe
Seconded by:	Foley	Foley
Vote:	9/0	9/0

Adopted R-23-117

Referred Business

1. **PCO-21-22 An Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Warwick to implement the Comprehensive Plan by changing the zoning of certain residential properties to Open Space City of Warwick, Petitioner City Wide/Multiple Locations** (Council President McAllister on behalf of Mayor Picozzi)

First Passage – Public Hearing

Committee Report (Land Use): **Recommend Public Hearing**

Action:	Recommend to open Public Hearing
Moved by:	Rix
Seconded by:	Foley, Howe
Vote:	vv

Speaking for:
Tom Kravitz
Douglas Reed
Michelle Komar
Rebecca Loignon
Aj Pande
Barbara Walsh
Jane Austin
Michael Zarum
Jim Italiano
Richard Langseth

Speaking against:
None

Action: **To Close**
Moved by: **Rix**
Seconded by: **Foley, Howe, Travis**
Vote: **vv**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Travis**
Seconded by: **Foley, Rix, Gebhart**
Vote: **9/0**

2. **PCO-23-23 An Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Warwick, Glenn Taylor and Mary Miga-Taylor, Petitioners Assessor's Plat 365, Lot 166 49 Arnolds Neck Drive** (Council President McAllister)

First Passage – Public Hearing

Committee Report (Land Use): **Recommend Public Hearing**

Action: **Recommend to open Public Hearing**
Moved by: **Rix**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **vv**

Speaking for:
John C Revens, Esq

Speaking against:
Tom Uva
Brian Rodericks
John Dean
Roger Ceresi

Action: **To Close**
Moved by: **Rix**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **vv**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Travis**
Seconded by: **Foley, Rix**
Vote: **9/0**

Motion to Recess – Howe
Seconded by: Rix
Vote: vv
8:59 PM – 9:07 PM

3. **PCO-24-23 An Ordinance Amending Appendix A, Zoning Ordinance of the City of Warwick to conform with procedural and substantive changes in state land use laws, modify land uses and districts, and delete superfluous sections codified in the state building code. City of Warwick, Petitioner. City-Wide.** (Council President McAllister on behalf of Mayor Picozzi)

First Passage – Public Hearing

Committee Report (Land Use): **Recommend Public Hearing**

Action: **To open Public Hearing**
Moved by: **Rix**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **vv**

Speaking for:
Tom Kravitz

Speaking against:
None

To be heard: **Michelle Komar, Jane Austin, Jim Italiano**

Action: **To Close**
Moved by: **Rix**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **vv**

1. **Amend 2 parts bottom page 17 page 18 39-42 reinstate delete those being inserted**

FAVORABLE TO AMEND – LADOUCEUR
SECONDED BY: RIX, FOLEY
VOTE: 9/0

2. **Amend page 13 line 33 delete words two family**

MOVED BY: LADOUCEUR
SECONDED BY: SINAPI, GEBHART
VOTE: 9/0

3. **Page 32 601.C Appear in # full add 601.1C Accepting**

MOVED BY: RIX
SECONDED BY: FOLEY
VOTE: 9/0

4. **Page 15 table 308.3 page 15 revert changes**

MOVED BY: RIX
SECONDED BY: LADOUCEUR
VOTE: 9/0

5. **Page 42-43 begins line 38 delete table**

MOVED BY: RIX
SECONDED BY: LADOUCEUR
VOTE: 9/0

Action: **Favorable as Amended**
Moved by: **Travis**
Seconded by: **Ladouceur, Gebhart, Rix, Foley**
Vote: **9/0**

Unfinished Business

(Items to be considered may include second passage of ordinances not tabled, first passage of ordinances not tabled, resolutions, reports of committees on items referred and previously tabled, removal of items from the table, and action on items removed from the table)

- 1. PCO-20-23 An Ordinance amending the City of Warwick Zoning Ordinances Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Applicant assessors Plat 332, Lots 396, 397, 402, 403 & 470 Winter Avenue / off Loring Avenue (Councilman McElroy)**

Second Passage

Committee Report (Land Use): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **McElroy**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **9/0**

Second Passage O-23-21

New Business


- 1. PCR-85-23 A Resolution dedicating Chepiwanoxet Point as a Municipal Public Trust pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 45-36.1-1 ET SEQ. and as having conservation restrictions pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 34-39-1 ET SEQ. Assessor's Plat 221, Lot 94 25 John Wickes Ave (Councilman Gebhart)**

Committee Report (Public Properties): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Gebhart**
Seconded by: **Travis, Foley**
Vote: **9/0**

Adopted R-23-118

Attest,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lynn D'Abrosca". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'L'.

Lynn D'Abrosca
City Clerk

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