

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
SPECIAL MEETING  
July 22, 2019~7:15 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Council President DeSena, 7:15 p.m.

STATEMENT

Welcome to the Special Public Meeting of July 22, 2019 of the Township of Washington Township Council. Adequate notice of the meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by the Township Clerk to at least two (2) newspapers in on July 18, 2019 and this notice has been posted on the Township Bulletin Board and on the Township Web Site.

Please notify the Municipal Clerk for any disability requirements necessary for attendance at Mayor and Council meetings. The fire exits are located through the double doors to your right and through the door on your left. Please silence all cell phones.

SALUTE TO FLAG: Lead by Council President DeSena.

ROLL CALL

Councilmen Cascio, Cumming, Ullman, Council President DeSena.  
Let the record reflect also in attendance: Mayor Calamari; CFO Curran; and Township Clerk Witkowski.

Absent: Councilman Bruno, Township Administrator Tovo, Attorney Ken Poller.

GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION (Five Minute Time Limit)

A motion was made by Councilman Cascio, seconded by Councilman Cumming, to open the Public Discussion.

Ayes: Councilman Cumming, Ullman, Council President DeSena.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilman Bruno.

Seeing none.

A motion was made by Councilman Cascio, seconded by Councilman Cumming, to close the Public Discussion.

Ayes: Councilman Cumming, Ullman, Council President DeSena.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilman Bruno.

ORDINANCES:

Adoption-2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: None.

Introduction, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:

Ordinance No. 19-17

BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$4,288,650, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,024,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY.

A motion was made by Councilman Cascio, seconded by Councilman Cumming, to introduce and pass Ordinance No. 19-17 at first reading by title.

Ayes: Councilmen Cascio, Cumming, Council President DeSena.  
Nays: Councilman Ullman.  
Absent: Councilman Bruno..

The following resolution, Resolution No. 19-246 was presented and adopted on a motion by Councilman Cascio, seconded by Councilman Cumming.

Ayes: Councilmen Cascio, Cumming, Ullman, Council President DeSena.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: Councilman Bruno.

Resolution No. 19 – 246

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 19-17 entitled: BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$4,288,650, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,024,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY was introduced and passed at first reading at a special meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Washington on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2019; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that further consideration for final passage and public hearing of said ordinance shall be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019 at 7:30pm, prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached in the Municipal Complex, 350 Hudson Avenue, Township of Washington at which time and place all persons who may be interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the office of the Township Clerk is authorized to advertise in The Bergen Record, a newspaper circulated in this Township, the introduction and notice of further consideration for final passage and public hearing of this ordinance as required by law.

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**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY** (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of Washington, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey. For the said several improvements or purposes stated in said Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriations made for said improvements or purposes, said sums being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and amounting in the aggregate to \$4,288,650 including the aggregate sum of \$153,000 as the several down payments for said improvements or purposes required by law and more particularly described in said Section 3 and now available therefor by virtue of provision in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Township for down payment or for capital improvement purposes and including also, in the case of the improvement or purpose described in paragraph (c) of said Section 3, the

sum of \$111,650 received or expected to be received by the Township from the New Jersey Department of Transportation as a grant-in-aid of financing said improvement to Woodfield Road and, in the case of the improvement of purpose described in paragraph (d) of said Section 3, the sum of \$1,000,000 of Township funds on hand and available to finance said purpose.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes and to meet the part of said \$4,288,650 appropriations not provided for by application hereunder of said down payments and grant, negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$3,024,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in a principal amount not exceeding \$3,024,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, the appropriation made for an estimated cost of each such purpose, and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each such purpose, are respectively as follows:

<u>IMPROVEMENT OR PURPOSE</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF BONDS AND NOTES</u>
(a) Improvement of various properties and facilities in and by the Township, including by the installation of a fiber optic network, together with all structures, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	\$250,000	\$238,000
(b) Acquisition, by purchase, of new and additional firefighting apparatus for the protection of life and property in the Township for use by the Washington Township Volunteer Fire Department, including all engines, equipment, accessories and attachments necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	650,000	619,000
(c) Improvement of various streets, parking lots and other locations in and by the Township by the construction or reconstruction therein of roadway pavements at least equal in useful life or durability to a roadway pavement of Class B construction (as such term is used or referred to in Section 40A:2-22 of said Local Bond Law), including without limitation streets, parking lots and other		

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<p>locations described in the Township's 2019 Road Program and Woodfield Road, and including also improvement of various intersections, together with for all the aforesaid all structures, milling, drainage improvements, ADA compliant curb cuts, traffic control systems, easement and property acquisition, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved, the \$1,011,650 appropriation hereby made therefor being inclusive of the amount of \$111,650 received or expected to be received by the Township from the New Jersey Department of Transportation as a grant-in-aid of financing said improvement to Woodfield Road</p>	1,011,650	857,000
<p>(d) The construction of a Department of Municipal Facilities building in and by the Township on lands owned by the Township and located adjacent to the Municipal Building or such other location as may be determined by the Township, said building being of not less than Class B construction (as such term is defined or referred to in Section 40A:2-22 of said Local Bond Law), including installation of telephone, computer, electrical, heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, and improvement of the site thereof, together with all water, gas, electric and storm water management facilities and structures, sidewalks, driveways, curbing, parking facilities, lighting, paving, landscaping, structures, equipment, fixtures, furnishings, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved, the \$1,300,000 appropriation hereby made therefor being inclusive of the</p>	1,300,000	285,000

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amount of \$1,000,000 of Township funds on hand and available therefor		
(e) Acquisition by purchase of new and additional vehicular equipment for use by the Department of Municipal Facilities of the Township, including one (1) dump truck and two (2) pick-up trucks, together with all equipment, appurtenances and accessories necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	265,000	252,000
(f) Acquisition by purchase and installation of a new radio system for use by various departments of the Township, including all equipment, appurtenances, attachments and accessories necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	750,000	714,000
(g) Improvement of municipally-owned properties and facilities in and by the Township, including the play fields by the installation of new bleachers, together with all equipment, structures, site work, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	<u>62,000</u>	<u>59,000</u>
Totals	<u>\$4,288,650</u>	<u>\$3,024,000</u>

Except as otherwise stated in paragraphs (c) and (d) above with respect to the said grant and the said available Township funds, the excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the said down payment for said purpose.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and each is a property or improvement which the Township may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the respective amounts of the said obligations authorized for the several purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 11.95 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in said Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$3,024,000, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) Amounts not exceeding \$350,000 in the aggregate for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs and other items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Local Bond Law may be included as part of the costs of said improvements and are included in the foregoing estimate thereof.

Section 5. Any funds from time to time received by the Township as a grant for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, including without limitation the \$111,650 grant referred to in Section 3(c), shall be used for financing such improvements or purposes by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said improvements or purposes, or to payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Township authorized by this bond ordinance. Any such funds so received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of such costs shall, be held and applied by the Township as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Township authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 6. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer, the acting chief financial officer or treasurer of the Township (the "Chief Financial Officer"), provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. §40A:2-8. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at not less than par at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body of the Township at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 7. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 8. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director,

Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond Law.

A motion was made by Councilman Cascio, seconded by Councilman Cumming to Adjourn.

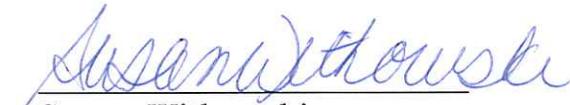
Ayes: Councilmen Cascio, Cumming, Ullman, Council President DeSena.

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilman Bruno.

\*\*\*\*\*No Conference Session\*\*\*\*\*

Time Noted: 7:17 p.m.

  
Susan Witkowski  
Township Clerk

  
Michael DeSena  
Council President

Approved: December 9, 2019

