

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
January 26, 2011

Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT
This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act with notice included in the Resolution faxed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and Trenton Times on January 1, 2011, posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on said date and has remained continuously posted as required under the Statute. A copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG
3. AGENDA REVIEW BY TOWNSHIP CLERK
4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - School Shared Services Meeting, County Complex, January 31st
 - Alexauken Creek Watershed Protection Plan Presentation – Feb 2nd @ 7 p.m.
 - Municipal Offices Closed February 21st – President's Day
 - Country Fair Looking for Helpers; Contact Betty Jane Hunt
 - Route 31 Resurfacing Project to Begin in March 2011
 - Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
 - Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting
5. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES
 - A. December 29, 2010 Special Meeting
 - B. December 29, 2010 Closed Sessions (Personnel)
 - C. December 29, 2010 Regular Meeting
 - D. January 1, 2011 Re-Organization Meeting
 - E. January 10, 2011 Special Meeting
 - F. January 10, 2011 Closed Session (Contract Negotiations)
6. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPIC NOT ON THE AGENDA
(limited to 15 minutes)
7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING AND/OR SPECIAL PRESENTATION
 - A. Power Company re: Request to Use Block 8 Lot 20 for Temporary Storage of Equipment/Poles
 - B. Municipal Alliance Update: Jason Fuhr
 - C. Public Hearing: Ordinance 1, 2011
AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY.
1) Proof of Publication 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance
 - D. Public Hearing: Ordinance 2, 2011
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 109 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS REGARDING RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES.
1) Proof of Publication 2) Planning Board Response 3) Public Hearing
4) Action on Ordinance
 - E. Introduction: Ordinance 3, 2011 (tentative)
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY
1) Read by Title 2) Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing

8. SPECIAL AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Open Space
 - 1) Authorization to Post December 2010 Minutes to Website
 - 2) Open Space Invoices
 - 3) Discussion Concerning Potential New Project
 - 4) Project Status Updates
 - B. Community Forestry
 - 1) Annual Accomplishment Report
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. 2011 Appointments, continued
 - B. Professional Services Resolution
 - C. Sourland Mountain Comprehensive Management Plan
 - 1) Overview/Discussion (Cathy Urbanski)
 - 2) Consideration of Resolution of Endorsement
 - D. Award of Vehicle Maintenance Quote
 - E. Award of Cleaning Quote
 - F. QPA, continued discussion
 - G. Updates re:
 - 1) Website
 - 2) SHREC
 - 3) Police Study Group
 - 4) Police Hiring Process Recommendation/Possible Resolution
 - H. Resolution to Enter Closed Session (Contract Negotiations - Police, Open Space)
10. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Bender Realty – Block 8 Lot 23.01 re: Resolution Releasing Performance Bond & Accepting Maintenance Bond
 - B. Garbage & Trash re: Proposed Ordinance Change for Card Purchase
 - C. COAH Unit Discussion with S. Bergenfeld & B. Hartpence
 - D. 2011 Municipal Alliance Contracts
 - E. Audit Agreement
 - F. Stewardship Initiative - Goat Hill, Hunterdon Land Trust & WAT
 - G. Township Electric Suppliers
 - H. Various Municipal Concerns/Discussion (Rich)
 - 1) Possible Rental Charge to Hunt Municipal Property
 - 2) Police/Fire Building
 - 3) Sign-In Sheets
 - 4) Verification of Fuel Delivery Quantities
 - 5) Gas Usage & Verification
11. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
 - A. Treasurer
 - Possible Resolutions
 - Presentation of Bills for Approval
 - Possible Reports (Treasurer, Statement of Cash, Revenue, Investment and/or Receipts and Disbursements)
 - B. Tax Collector
 - Possible Resolutions
 - Monthly Report for December 2010
 - C. Clerk/Human Resources
 - Resolution Appointing Interim Fire Official
 - Retirement Resolutions
 - Letter of Resignation from Assistant Tax Collector Griffiths
 - D. Construction
 - Monthly Report for December 2010
 - Deposits for December 2010
 - E. Police
 - F. Roads Report for December 2010
 - G. Zoning
 - Monthly Report for December 2010
 - Deposits for December 2010

13. CORRESPONDENCE

A. NJ League of Municipalities

- 12/29 Disaster Management Reimbursement for December 2010 Snow Emergency
- 1/3 Orientation for the Newly Elected, Re-elected, or Experienced Seminar
- 1/3 Financial audit of the state pension system
- 1/3 S-1451 local redevelopment, relocation assistance and eminent domain, before Senate on Thursday
- 1/3 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/4 Volunteers Needed
- 1/4 League Interlocal Advisory Center
- 1/4 19th Annual Mayors' Legislative Day on Feb 16th
- 1/4 Daily Advisory, previous topics, (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/6 Websites Provide Instant Access to Vital Recycling Information
- 1/6 Professional Development Seminar re: "Interest Arbitration Reform: The 2% Cap, Rocket Docket and More" on Feb 2nd (Monroe) & Feb 4th (Holmdel)
- 1/6 NJ Office of Emergency Management Expected Snow Advisory
- 1/6 Request for Mayor Involvement on Management Reform
- 1/6 Governor Unveils New Transportation Funding Plan
- 1/6 Federal Issues re: Community Development Block Grant Funding Threatened and New Law Requires Federal Agencies to Pay Local Storm-water Fees
- 1/7 12th Consecutive Year for Read Across America-NJ
- 1/7 Professional Development Seminars Spring 2011 (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/7 Daily Advisory re: Legislative Recap (5 items) and DLGS Notice – Limits on Bid Acceptance Dates 2011 Federal and State Holidays (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/10 Census Products and Release Schedule
- 1/10 Atlantic County Local Mandates
- 1/11 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/11 Legislative Recap re: S-1451 Revisions to the Redevelopment Law; Bills Passed Both Houses; Other Bills Passed Senate; Other Bill Passed Assembly
- 1/11 S-1 (COAH Reform Bill) Goes to Governor
- 1/11 State of the State Address
- 1/11 League Seminar Sold Out
- 1/11 Seminar re: Collaborating on Real Solutions to the 2% Cap on Jan 29th @ War Memorial
- 1/11 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/13 Mayors Respond to 12th Annual League Survey
- 1/13 Daily Advisory, previous topic (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/14 Updated League Professional Development program re: "Interest Arbitration Reform: The 2% Cap, Rocket Docket and More" on Feb 2nd & Feb 4th
- 1/14 League & NJ School Boards Seminar @ War Memorial on Collaborating On Real Solutions to the 2% Cap
- 1/14 74th Annual Congressional Dinner and Walk to Washington and Registration form
- 1/14 New Local Finance Notices; 2011 CY Budget Deadline Extensions; Revised Bid Acceptance Dates
- 1/14 S-1, reforming COAH, has passed both houses
- 1/14 Preliminary Damage Assessment for Recent Snowstorms
- 1/14 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/18 Changes to the DLGS Website
- 1/19 Update on Legal Challenge to COAH 3rd Round Regulations
- 1/19 Professional Development Seminar re: "Interest Arbitration Reform: The 2% Cap, Rocket Docket and More"
- 1/19 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/20 Invitation to Attend 19th Annual Mayors' Legislative Day on Feb 16th
- 1/20 Professional Development Seminar re: "A Look at Personnel Manuals, Policies, Procedures, and the Impact of Social Networking" on Mar 2nd
- 1/20 3rd Annual Women in Municipal Government Day, March 11th
- 1/21 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/21 Arts Build Communities Cultural Planning Leadership Conference on Feb 11th

- 1/21 1.5% Health Care Contributions Law Held to be Constitutional
- 1/21 Verizon Business Personal Property Tax Update
- 1/21 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/24 Local Finance Notice on 2011/2012 Budget Matters
- B. United States
- C. State of New Jersey
 - DCA re:
 - + New Energy Subcode Training, 1/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + New Interest Arbitration Reform Seminar, 1/6 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + NJLM/NJ School Boards Association Event, 1/13 (forwarded e-mail)
 - * + Revised Bid & Quote Thresholds for Contracting Units without a QPA, 1/13 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Local Finance Notice 2011-1, 1/18
 - + GovConnect Update: January 18, 2011 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Contracting Unit Power Supply Procurement Guidance, 1/24 (forwarded e-mail)
 - DEP re:
 - + 2010 Annual Accomplishment Report Due, 12/28
 - + Notice of Rule Proposal, 1/11 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Snow Removal Notices to Counties and Municipalities, 1/24 (forwarded e-mail)
 - DOT re: Route 31 North Project, 1/20
 - Assemblyman John DiMaio re: Response to Twp resolution on A3603, exclusion for reserve for uncollected taxes, 1/13
 - Superior Court re: 2010/11 Annual Visitation of the West Amwell Township Municipal Court on Feb 28th, 1/20
- D. Hunterdon County
 - Utilities Authority re:
 - + 2011 Hazardous Waste & Electronic Collection Information, 12/13
 - + Municipal Services in 2011, 12/13
 - Freeholder Walton re: Request for Municipal Budget, 1/3
 - Alan Johnson re: Disposal/Recycling of Electronics, 1/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Planning Board re:
 - + Coffee with the County on Feb 23rd re: Time of Decision, 1/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + CY 2011 Municipal Allocation & Distribution of Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust, 1/7
 - Election Board re: Annual School Election Date, 1/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - HART re: Commuter Information Services, 1/4
 - Chamber of Commerce re: Appreciation of Support & Invitation to Dinner Dance on Feb 25th, 1/12
- E. West Amwell Township
 - Housing Official Walsh re:
 - + S1 Amended & Passed – Now Goes to Governor, 1/10 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Comment on S1 from NJLOM, 1/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + S1 as amended now posted & attached, 1/15 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Appellate Court Decides Latest COAH Case, 1/19 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Housing Consultant Bishop re: COAH and the Appellate Division, 1/19 (forwarded e-mail)
- F. Other Municipalities
 - Borough of Bloomsbury re: Resolution to Freeholders Concerning Analysis of Municipal Services, 12/21
 - Township of Readington re: Resolution Requesting HC Freeholders Engage In an Analysis of Municipal Services, 1/18
- G. Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund re: 2010 MEL Annual Report, Dec.
- H. PAIC re: EPL/POL Claim Reporting Notice, 1/10
- I. Habitat for Humanity re: New Construction in Lambertville area, 1/7
- J. First Energy re: Notification Policy for Shut Offs, 1/7
- K. Somerset county Coalition on Affordable Housing (SCCOAH) name change to Central Jersey Housing Resource Center, 1/3 (forwarded e-mail)
- L. NJBIA re: 2011 New Good Neighbor Award Nominations, 1/3
- M. Lower Delaware Wild & Scenic re: Quarterly Meeting on Jan 31st, 1/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- N. Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon, Inc. re: Newsletter Press Release, 1/10

14. ADJOURNMENT

c: Lambertville Beacon (fax & e-mail)
Trenton Times (fax)
Democrat (fax)
Website (e-mail)