

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
October 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 Lambertville Beacon, 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
 - Registration for Hurricane Irene Losses Ends October 31st
 - First Energy Tree Pruning Commences October 20th
 - General Election is Tuesday, November 8th from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. @ the Municipal Building. Reminder: The Township is Now in Legislative District 15
 - Hazardous Waste Clean-up Day, November 12th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. @ County Complex on Route 12
 - PSE&G Power Line Work, Various Lines, Ongoing Until 2012
 - Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
 - Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting
5. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES
 - A. September 28, 2011 Regular Meeting
 - B. September 28, 2011 Closed Session (Potential Litigation)
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. Municipal Alliance - Jason Fuhr
 - B. FFA Report – Kelly Albanir
 - C. John Stevenson (HART) re: Black River & Western Railroad ROW
 - D. Public Hearing: Ordinance 15, 2011 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO ESTABLISH RULES REGARDING MEMBER ATTENDANCE AND VACANCIES AT BOARD/SUBCOMMITTEE/COMMISSION MEETINGS
 - 1) Proof of Publication
 - 2) Public Hearing
 - 3) Action on Ordinance
 - E. Public Hearing: Ordinance 16, 2011 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO ESTABLISH RULES REGARDING THE AWARD OF PUBLIC PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS
 - 1) Proof of Publication
 - 2) Public Hearing
 - 3) Action on Ordinance
 - F. Introduction: Ordinance 17, 2011 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND THE LAND USE REGULATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, SPECIFICALLY CHAPTERS 109-94, 109-95 AND 109-96 “GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CONDITIONAL USES,” CHAPTER 109-07 “PUBLIC UTILITIES” AND CHAPTER 109-98 “WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES” OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP
 - 1) Read by Title
 - 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading
 - 3) Set Public Hearing

- G. Introduction: Ordinance 18, 2011 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND THE LAND USE REGULATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, SPECIFICALLY CHAPTER 109-99 "RIDING ACADEMY, LIVERY, OR BOARDING STABLE", CHAPTER 109-100 "BED-AND-BREAKFAST GUEST HOUSE", CHAPTER 109-101 "VETERINARY OFFICE OR CLINIC", CHAPTER 109-102 "LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR WITH PLANT NURSERY, WITH OR WITHOUT RETAIL SALES", CHAPTER 109-103 "FARMERS' MARKET", CHAPTER 109-106 "NURSING HOMES AND INTERMEDIATE-CARE CENTERS", CHAPTER 109-107 "PUBLIC AND QUASI-PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING", CHAPTER 109-108 "GASOLINE STATIONS AND GASOLINE STATIONS WITH CONVENIENCE STORES", CHAPTER 109-109 "CHILD CARE CENTERS OR PRESCHOOLS", CHAPTER 109-110 "HOTELS AND MOTELS", CHAPTER 109-111 "CONGREGATE CARE CENTERS", CHAPTER 109-113 "HOSPITALS", CHAPTER 109-114 "MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL", AND CHAPTER 109-115 "PLACES OF WORSHIP" OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP
1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing
- H. Introduction: Ordinance 19, 2011 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND THE LAND USE REGULATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, SPECIFICALLY CHAPTER 109-250 "OTHER VIOLATIONS" OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP
1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing
- 8. SPECIAL AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Open Space
 - 1) County Municipal Grant Application & Resolution
 - 2) Project Status Updates
 - B. Environmental
 - 1) Authorization to Post July 14, 2011 & August 11, 2011 Minutes to Website
- 9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Appointments, continued
 - B. Updates re:
 - 1) Court Administrator Request for Addition to Police Verizon Wireless Line
 - 2) Excess Police Vehicles
 - 3) Burgess – Block 19 Lot 7.03
 - 4) Speed Humps
 - C. Purchase Authorization Resolutions
 - 1) Dump Truck
 - 2) Computers
 - D. Fire Company Turn Out Gear
 - 1) Amended State Purchasing Resolution
 - 2) Purchase Authorization Resolution
 - E. Discussion re: Professional Services Direction for 2012
 - F. Resolution Releasing Calton/Centex Maintenance Bond
 - G. Discussion Concerning Repair of Mill Road/Bonding
 - H. Conservation Plan for Block 8 Lots 20 & 36
- 10. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. East Amwell Initiative re: Black River & Western Rail Line ROW (Also see 7.C)
 - B. Orleans Maintenance Bonds & Inspections
 - C. Special Meeting Date for:
 - 1) Committee Stormwater Training
 - 2) Fire Subcode Interviews
 - 3) Award of Roofing Quotes
 - D. Special Emergency Appropriations
 - 1) Retirement Payout
 - 2) Storm Damage
 - E. Consideration of Request from Volunteer OEM Director for Letter to the County

- F. Consideration of Resolutions
 - 1) Supporting S-3062 – Telecommunications-Cable TV Deregulation
 - 2) Opposing S-2887 – Wind Energy Generation Projects on Farms
 - 3) Requesting a Study of School District Consolidation in the County of Hunterdon
- G. Retail Food Program re: Consideration of Adding a Late Fee Penalty
- 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 September 2011
 - C. Construction Report for September 2011
 - D. Court
 - E. Police
 - F. Roads Report for September 2011
 - F. Zoning Report for September 2011
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE
 - A. NJ League of Municipalities
 - 9/26 Time is running out to pre-register for the 2011 League Conference; Lt. Governor signs law that moves Presidential Primary back to June
 - 9/27 Daily Advisory – September 26, 2011, previous topics
 - 9/27 New Jersey After COAH; Upcoming Sustainable Jersey Workshops
 - 9/27 Important Conference Sessions for the First Time (or First Time in a While) Conference Attendee; Clothing Donation Bins; Final Reminder 2011 Conference Resolutions
 - 9/27 Recap of JCP&L Emergency Response Summit; BPU Announces additional public hearing on Electric Companies Response to Hurricane Irene; FEMA Funding; Stop Gap Spending Compromise Likely
 - 9/27 Daily Advisory – September 27, 2011, previous topics
 - 9/28 Correction: Charitable Clothing Donation Bins; EPA Opportunities for Petroleum Brownfields Report; Citizens Campaign & Sustainable Jersey Workshop
 - 9/28 Daily Advisory – September 28, 2011, previous topics
 - 9/29 NJ Municipalities Magazine; Board of Public Utilities Additional Hearing Dates Announced
 - 9/29 FEMA/Stop Gap Funding Compromise Approved by House
 - 9/29 Daily Advisory – September 29, 2011, previous topics
 - September 2011 – Save the Date – 20th Annual Mayor’s Legislative Day February 8, 2012
 - 9/30 Action requested: D Block Legislation in House Commerce Committee; 3rd Annual Sustainable Jersey Awards Luncheon
 - 9/30 Daily Advisory – September 30, 2011, previous topic plus seminar on Best Practices in Electronic Records Management on Dec 9th
 - 9/30 Hospitality Functions, Room Accommodations, and Shuttle Bus Schedule
 - 9/30 ADA Compliance
 - 10/3 Important Conference Sessions – Sustainable Jersey
 - 10/3 Education Foundation – Membership Advisory
 - 10/3 Daily Advisory – October 3, 2011, previous topics
 - October 2011 Mayors’ Newsline
 - 10/4 NJ Open Public meetings Act; October Grant Page Posted; Upcoming League Seminar; REVISED-League Educational Foundation Paper; 2011 NJ Municipal Salary Report
 - 10/5 Important Conference Sessions Land Use & Affordable Housing; Plan to Attend the NJLM 2011 Annual Conference
 - 10/5 Sandy McClure to Address the WIGM Breakfast
 - 10/5 PERS & PFRS Savings Announced
 - 10/6 Daily Advisory – October 5, 2011, previous topics

- 10/6 Governor Christie Signs Bill on Sundry Changes to Taxicab Laws; Animals In the Community Pilot Program Grant
- 10/7 Important Conference Sessions Environmental Protection
- 10/7 Daily Advisory – October 7, 2011, previous topics
- 10/10 Opportunities to Earn Continuing Education Units Abundant at League
- October 2011 -- 14th Annual Elected Officials Hall of Fame
- 10/12 Important Conference Sessions Budget and Finance
- 10/12 Daily Advisory – October 11, 2011, previous topic plus seminars
- 10/11 Upcoming League Seminar; Opportunities to Earn Continuing Education Units Abundant at NJLM Conference; Another Upcoming League Seminar
- 10/12 Holiday Displays; Wind Turbines on Preserved Farmland; NJ Chamber of Commerce Roundtable Breakfast
- 10/12 Local Priorities Squeezed in Competing House & Senate Spending Bills
- 10/12 Daily Advisory – October 12, 2011, previous topics
- 10/13 Citizens Campaign & Sustainable Jersey Workshop; Nationwide Test of Emergency Alert Systems Less than 4 Weeks Away
- 10/14 Daily Advisory – October 13, 2011, previous topics
- * - 10/14 Resolution Supporting S-3062 Telecommunications-Cable TV Deregulation; From time to time – A Quarterly Report (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/14 Important Conference Sessions Technological Possibilities and Opportunities (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/14 Daily Advisory – October 14, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/17 Upcoming League Seminars – Labor Negotiations Primer & Best Practices in Electronic Records Management (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/17 First 2011-2012 CDC Flu News Report Issued (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/17 Daily Advisory – October 17, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/18 Hurricane Irene Update; IRS Educational Webinar on Healthcare Coverage Reporting (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/18 Daily Advisory – October 18, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/18 Bus Shuttle & Overflow Parking Locations for 96th Annual League Conference—November 15-17
- 10/20 Affordable Housing, Appellate Division Rulings; Support HR 674 (S-1726) (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/20 Daily Advisory – October 20, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/20 Important Conference Sessions Ethics Issues (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/21 New Content on DLGS Website; League Position on Internet Sales Taxation; New State Plan (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/21 Guidance issued on the NJ First Act (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/22 Important Conference Sessions Vendor Solutions Sessions (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/22 Daily Advisory, October 21, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/24 State Health Benefits Open Enrollment – New Plans Available (forwarded e-mail)

B. United States

- Dept of Commerce re:
 - + Notice of Forthcoming Census of Governments Survey, 10/3
 - + 2011 Government Units Survey, 10/21

C. State of New Jersey

- DCA re:
 - + Public Access to Your Municipal Official Contact Information, 9/27
 - + Letter: League of Municipalities Annual Conference, 10/5
 - + DCA at the League of Municipalities Annual Conference, 10/6
 - + SHBP/SEHBP Employers: Open Enrollment Benefit Calculator Announced, 10/11
 - + SHBP Open Enrollment and New Plan Designs for Plan Year 2012 – Local Municipal Employers, 10/14 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + GovConnect Updates:
 - x October 4, 2011, 10/4
 - x October 19, 2011, 10/19 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + NJ First Residency Law, 10/21 (forwarded e-mail)
- DEP re:
 - + Connect w/ Nature & NJ Heritage at Annual Fall Forestry Festival, 9/27
 - + 2011 Clean Water Council Public Hearing, Nov 30th, 10/4
 - + New Permit to Spur Use of Energy-Efficient Technology, 10/6 (forwarded e-mail)

- + Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notifications (3) 9/28, 10/5, 10/12
- + White Tail Deer Alert, 10/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Estates at West Amwell Basin #4A & 4B Dams, 10/12
- + National Radon Action Month & Proclamation, 10/14 (forwarded e-mail)
- + DEP & the Upcoming 2011 League of Municipalities Convention, 10/19 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Follow up to Today's Meeting with Lambertville Mayor & West Amwell Deputy Mayor, 10/17 (forwarded e-mail)
- DOT re: Announcement for FY 2012 Safe Routes to School Program, 9/28
- Dept of Treasury
 - + Division of Taxation re: Certification of the Table of Equalized Valuations, 9/2011
 - + Division of Pensions re: Certifying Officers of PFRS System, 10/2011
- Office of the Governor re: Volunteer Recognition Ceremony on Oct 26th, 10/5
- AOC re: Municipal Courts – Implementation of the Working Group Report on The Professionalism & Qualifications of Municipal Court Directors, Administrators, and Deputy Administrators, 10/11
- D. Hunterdon County
 - OEM re: Revised FEMA Hours, HC Disaster Recovery Center, 9/28
 - Planning Board re:
 - + Resolution Supporting the Designation of October 2011 as Community Planning Month, 10/6
 - + Hold the Date!! Coffee w/ the County on 11/9, 10/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Freeholder Board re: Community Planning Month Resolution, 10/5
 - Clerk re: League Seminar – Women in Municipal Government Breakfast on Nov 17th, 10/7
 - Health Dept re: 2011 Retail Food Program Update, 10/12
 - Purchasing re: Award of Master Contract for Snow & Ice Control, 10/12
- E. West Amwell Township
 - Housing Official Walsh re:
 - + Fair Housing Administration Update, 9/26
 - + State Strategic Plan Released & DCA Interim Procedures Stayed, 10/20
 - Engineer Lorentz re: Creekside Preserve Construction Phrase, 10/12
- F. Other Municipalities
 - Borough of Washington re: Recreation Item for Sale, 9/27
 - Borough of Glen Gardner re: Resolution Supporting Amendment to OPRA, 9/26
 - Town of Clinton re: Resolution Supporting Amendment to OPRA, 9/28
 - Township of Kingwood re: Resolution Supporting Amendment to OPRA, 10/11
 - Tewksbury Township re: Resolution on Tree Clearing by JCP&L, 10/11
 - * - Township of Union re: Resolution Opposing S-2887 Regarding Wind Energy Generation Projects on Farms, 10/14
 - Township of Raritan re: Resolution Requesting a Study of School District Consolidation in the County of Hunterdon, 10/20
- G. Carl Hintz re: Agricultural Management Practice (AMP) for the Construction, Installation, Operation or Maintenance of Solar Energy Generation Facilities, Structures and Equipment on Commercial Farms, Adopted Rule NJAC 2:76-2A.12, 9/28
- H. HART re: International Walk to School Days 2011 – Hunterdon Walked!, 10/5
- I. PAIC re: MEL Bulletin 11-25 Peril of Flood, 10/6
- J. Sustainable Hunterdon re: Sustainable Hunterdon Funding Alert – October 2011, 10/6
- K. NJ Conservation re: Submit Your Proposal for the 2012 NJ Land Rally on March 10th, 10/11
- L. Sustainable Jersey re: 3rd Annual Sustainable Jersey Awards Luncheon on Nov 15th, 10/11
- M. PSE&G re: Notice of Tree Trimming as Part of Vegetation Management Work on PSE&G Easement, 10/4
- N. New Jersey Future re: Christie Releases New State Strategic Plan, 10/19 (forwarded e-mail)
- O. D & R Greenway re: Celebrate 10 Years and Counting with NJDEP's Green Acres Program, 10/17

14. ADJOURNMENT

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