

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
March 23, 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
 - Route 31 Resurfacing Project to Begin in March 2011
 - County Computer & Electronics Day, March 26th, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Rt 12 Complex
 - West Amwell Elementary Budget Public Hearing, March 22nd, 7 p.m.
 - SHRHS Budget Public Hearing, March 24th, 6 p.m.
 - Joint Meeting of Governing Bodies & School Boards, March 29th 7 p.m. @ Lambertville Justice Center
 - Signing of Power Purchase Agreement with Commission Grifa, March 31st, 11 a.m. @ Lambertville Justice Center
 - Special Township Meeting, Budget Workshop, March 31st, 6 p.m.
 - Last Day to Register for School Election, April 6th
 - Open House for Block 8 Lots 20 & 36, March 30th & April 6th
 - Roast Beef Dinner, Firehouse, April 9th, 4-8 p.m.
 - Candidate Petition Deadline for Township Committee, April 11th, 4 p.m.
 - Auction of Block 8 Lots 20 & 36, April 21st, 1 p.m.
 - Municipal Offices Closed April 22nd for Good Friday
 - School Elections, April 27th, 3-9 p.m.
 - Township Committee Meeting April 27th will be held in Small Meeting Room
 - Township Country Fair, May 14th (Rain: May 21st), Municipal Complex 4-9 p.m.
 - Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
 - Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting
5. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES
 - A. February 23, 2011 Regular Meeting
 - B. February 23, 2011 Closed Session (Contract Negotiations-Police)
 - C. March 10, 2011 Special Meeting
 - D. March 10, 2011 Closed Sessions (Personnel-Interviews; Contract Negotiations-Police)
 - E. March 12, 2011 Special Meeting – Budget Workshop
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. Public Hearing: Ordinance 3, 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
 - C. Public Hearing: Ordinance 4, 2011
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) Proof of Publication
 - 2) Public Hearing
 - 3) Action on Ordinance

- D. Public Hearing: Ordinance 5, 2011
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 99, ARTICLE I, SECTION 99-4.1 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY – (Garbage, Rubbish and Refuse)
1) Proof of Publication 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance
- E. Introduction: Ordinance 6, 2011
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 109 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL – Establish Special Meeting Fees
1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing
- F. Introduction: Ordinance 7, 2011
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 109 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL – Agency Approvals
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) Authorization to Post January and February Minutes
 - 2) Open Space Plan Update – Grant Opportunity
 - 3) Project Status Updates
 - Auction Preparations (Toll Project)
 - B. Environmental
 - 1) Authorization to Post February 10, 2011 Minutes on Website
 - 2) Fundraising
 - 3) Open Space Plan for Sustainable Jersey
- 9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. 2011 Appointments, continued
 - B. Report on Mandatory Diesel Retrofit Seminar/Diesel Equipment (Molnar)
 - C. Updates re:
 - 1) SHREC re:
 - Next Steps
 - Status of Proposed Lease
 - 2) Charging for Hunting Rights
 - 3) Texas Eastern Project
 - 4) Grant Writing Services
 - 5) Energy Audits
 - D. Status of A-3766/S-2664 “Market Competition and Consumer Choice Act”
 - E. Resolution to Enter Closed Session (Contract Negotiations – Police)
- 10. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Discussion re: Open Space Purchases (Fisher)
 - B. LOSAP Eligible & Qualified Lists; Resolution
 - C. PAIC Loss Control Report and Recommendations
 - D. Salary & Wage Resolution Amendment
 - E. Shared Services Bill – S-2794
 - F. Status of Recycling Coordinator Certification
 - G. Service Resolution
- 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 February 2011

- C. Construction
 - Monthly Report for February 2011
 - Deposits for January & February 2011
- D. Court
 - Final Report for 2010
- E. Zoning
 - Monthly Report for February 2011
 - Deposits for January & February 2011
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE
 - A. NJ League of Municipalities
 - 2/22 17th Annual Mayors' Hall of Fame
 - 2/22 FY 2012 Proposed NJ State Budget
 - 2/23 Professional Development Seminars:
 - + Ethics & Conflicts of Interest, June 14th & June 22nd
 - + Budget Issues, March 8th
 - + A Look at Personnel Manuals, Policies, Procedures, and the Impact Of Social Networking, March 2nd
 - 2/23 Property Tax Relief Funding Certifications and Other Budget Info Posted
 - 2/23 Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Procurement Workshop
 - 2/23 A-3766 S-2664 "Market Competition and Consumer Choice Act" poised for vote in Senate
 - 2/23 League Management Reforms and the City of Orange Attract National Coverage
 - 2/23 Mayoral Invitation to Intercultural Trip to Turkey
 - 2/23 Daily Advisory – February 23, 2011 previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
 - 2/24 Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) Funding
 - 2/24 Available for Download: "Collaborating on Real Solutions to the 2% Cap"
 - 2/24 FY 2012 State Budget: Proposed Termination of UEZ Program
 - 2/24 Daily Advisory – February 24, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
 - 2/25 Commissioner Grifa Provides Snow Emergency/Levy Cap Guidance
 - 2/25 Daily Advisory – February 25, 2011, previous topic & seminar reminders (forwarded e-mail)
 - 2/28 Get Out to Vote on April 27th
 - 2/28 CY 2011 Cap Referendum Procedures
 - 2/28 Our Town grant available for creative place making
 - 2/28 Daily Advisory – February 28, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
 - March 2011 Survey of Police Officers' Salaries and Contract Provisions
 - 3/1 Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Registration (forwarded e-mail)
 - 3/1 Women in Municipal Government Celebration Day – Friday, March 11th
 - 3/1 Professional Development Seminars
 - + Budget Updates, March 4th & March 8th
 - + Leaves of Absence in NJ – A Look at the Family Medical Leave Act, The NJ Family Leave Act, and ADA Compliance, April 26th
 - + Police & Fire Department Consolidation: A Discussion of Shared Services and What It Could Mean for Your Police and Fire Department, May 3rd
 - 3/2 Daily Advisory – March 1, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
 - 3/2 Federal Update for the period ending February 25, 2011
 - 3/2 Local Law Enforcement Strategies: Technology & New Management Models, March 30th
 - 3/2 Daily Advisory – March 2, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
 - 3/3 Available for Download: Collaborating on Real Solutions to the 2% Cap
 - 3/3 Administrator or Manager Recruitment and Selection Advisory Service
 - 3/3 Update on A-3766 S-2664 Market Competition and Consumer Choice Act
 - 3/3 URGENT – Urging for the Exemption for Reserve for Uncollected Taxes Revised
 - 3/3 Daily Advisory – March 3, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
 - 3/4 2012 PERS and PFRS Bills Amounts
 - 3/4 CY 2011 Budget and Levy Cap Update Local Finance Notice
 - 3/4 Budget Hearing Schedule Set
 - 3/4 Daily Advisory – March 4, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
 - 3/7 2011 Municipal Directory – Electronic PDF Version
 - 3/8 Daily Advisory – March 7, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
 - 3/8 S-2718, Senate President Sweeney's Health Care Benefits Reform

- 3/8 Calculation of the Reserve for Uncollected Taxes
- 3/8 League President Mayor Chiarello Presents League Perspective on State Budget Proposal
- 3/8 Strategies for Policing During Lean Times
- 3/8 Daily Advisory – March 8, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 3/8 Urgent Alert: Immediate Action Needed – Senate to Vote on Federal Budget Today, CDBG Funding At Stake
- 3/9 Available for Download: Collaborating on Real Solutions to the 2% Cap
- 3/10 Daily Advisory – Seminar Reminders (forwarded e-mail)
- 3/11 Daily Advisory – Educational Foundation Seminar approved for CEU Credits (forwarded e-mail)
- * - 3/11 S-2664, Market Competition Consumer Choice Act
- 3/12 Daily Advisory, previous topic (forwarded e-mail)
- * - 3/11 League Position on Senator Sweeney's Shared Services Bill (S-2794)
- 3/11 Declaration of State of Emergency Executive Order 57
- 3/11 A-3859, Special Improvement Districts
- 3/12 Daily Advisory – March 11, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- March 2011 Legislative Bulletin No. 1
- 3/14 Daily Advisory – March 14, 2011 (forwarded e-mail)
- 3/15 League President Addresses Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee – Discusses Energy Tax, Tax Appeals, and Reserve for Uncollected Taxes in Meeting with State Treasurer
- 3/15 Professional Development Seminars:
 - + Leaves of Absence in NJ – A look at the Family Medical leave Act, the NJ Family Leave Act, and ADA Compliance, April 26th
 - + Police & Fire Department Consolidation: A Discussion of Shared Services and What It Would Mean for Your Police & Fire Department, May 3rd
 - + Ethics & Conflicts of Interest, June 14th & June 22nd
 - + E-mail Retention and Security: Are your e-mails and other communications really that private?, June 17th & June 24th
- 3/15 Daily Advisory – March 15, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 3/16 The 13th Annual League Baseball Appreciation Day, June 15th
- 3/16 Available for Download: Collaborating on Real Solutions to the 2% Cap
- * - 3/16 Oppose S-2664 Market Competition Consumer Choice Act As a Loss for Local Communities
- 3/16 Daily Advisory – March 16, 2011, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 3/17 UPDATE: Strategies for Policing During Lean Times
- 3/17 Legislative Recap for Monday, March 14th
- * - 3/18 Telecom and Cable Deregulation Vote on Monday March 21
- 3/18 Legislative Preview for Monday, March 21
- 3/18 Local Public Contracts Law Guidance
- 3/19 Urgent Action Needed Today for Monday Senate Floor Vote (forwarded e-mail)
- 3/21 S-2664 Vote Today (forwarded e-mail)
- B. United States
 - Congressman Holt re: Appropriations Request, 2/22
- C. State of New Jersey
 - DCA re:
 - + GovConnect Update:
 - February 22, 2011 (forwarded e-mail)
 - March 7, 2011 (forwarded e-mail)
 - March 21, 2011 (forwarded e-mail)
 - * + CY20111/SFY 2012 State Aid Certification, 2/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Designating March 2011 as Women's History Month in Your Municipality, 2/24 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + NJ Redevelopment Authority (NJRA) Training Institute, 2/25 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Property Tax Levy Cap Referendum Implementation Directives, 2/28 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + League of Municipalities' Women in Municipal Government Celebration, 3/7 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Filing of Referendum Resolutions, 3/8 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Important State Internet Survey, 3/4
 - + Education Programs for Municipal Elected Officials, 3/9 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + OPRA Alert, Volume 3 Issue 3 (March 2011)

- + CY 2011 Budget and Levy Cap Update, Local Finance Notice, 3/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Local Finance Notice 2011-2012: Withdrawal of Bids for Public Works Contracts, 3/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- Dept of Education re: 2011-2012 Municipal Percentage Shares for Tax Levies for Regional School Districts & Districts Merged Pursuant to P.L.2009, c.78, 2/23
- DEP re:
 - + Watershed Based Implementation Plan Approval for Alexauken Creek Watershed Protection Plan (Contract RP05-084), 2/28
 - + Letter to Municipalities on Identifying Brownfields for Redevelopment, 3/3 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Renewal of Transporter Decals, 3/9
 - + Freshwater Wetlands Protection Rules, 3/17 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Site Remediation Mayors' Roundtable Survey, 3/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- Dept of State re: Database of Areas in Need of Redevelopment, 3/9
- Office of the Governor re:
 - + Release of 2012 Budget Proposal, 2/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Governor Signs Executive Order Declaring Weather State of Emergency, 3/9 (forwarded e-mail)
- Senator Doherty re: S2664 – Opposes as Written, 3/2
- Assemblyman Peterson re: A3766 & S2664 – Supports the Legislation, 3/7
- D. Hunterdon County
 - Utilities Authority re:
 - + Municipal Recycling Coordinator Certifications, 2/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Changes to Hazardous Waste Collection Program, 2/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Planning Board re:
 - + 2010 Census Data, 2/25 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + 2010 Census Data, with attachment from Census Bureau, 2/25
 - + 2010 Census Data, 3/7
 - + 2010 Census CQR Program, 3/21 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Planning and Design Award Finalists, 2/18 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Planning and Design Award Finalists, 3/9 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Last Minute Reminder 2010 Planning & Design Awards Event, 3/21/11 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Freeholder Walton re: HC Sharing Services Seminar III, 3/2 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Dept of Taxation re:
 - + Preliminary Equalization Table for Year 2011
 - + Final Equalization Table for Year 2011
- E. West Amwell Township
 - Zoning Board re: Annual Report, 2/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Tom Allibone re: S-2664 Senate Vote (2)
 - Herb & Cathy Gross re: Minor Subdivision & Neighbor Notification, 3/16
 - Jennifer Andreoli re: Ballot Referendum for Five Person Committee, 3/21 (forwarded e-mail)
- F. Other Municipalities
 - City of Lambertville re: Special Education Audit & Five Year Plan/SHRHS, 2/3 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Borough of Hasbrouck Heights re: Reduction in CDBG Program, 2/25
 - Township of Raritan re: Opposition to Reduced Allocation of Open Space Tax Levy Fund to Municipal Grant Programs, 3/17
- G. PAIC re:
 - + Loss Control Report, 2/21 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Reorganization Agenda Package, 3/1
- H. Hunterdon Land Trust re: Farmers' Market contributes \$2.6 million to local economy in 2010, 3/8
- I. HART re: March 2011 E-News, 3/7 (forwarded e-mail)
- J. ESC re:
 - + Police Department, 2/23
 - + Cooperative Changes for 2011, 2/25
- K. NJ Land Conservation re: Rally March 19th, 3/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- L. NJBIA re: 2011 Awards for Excellence, 3/3
- M. Montclair State re: Assembly Budget Committee public hearing on Governor's Budget, 3/3

- N. Raritan Valley Rail Coalition re: Meeting on New Trans-Hudson Gateway Tunnel, 2/28 (forwarded e-mail)
- O. Lower Delaware Wild & Scenic re: Quarterly Meeting, 3/15 (forwarded e-mail)

14. ADJOURNMENT

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