

# WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

## February 3, 2010

### 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. Notice of this meeting was included in the Resolution faxed to the Lambertville Beacon, Hunterdon County Democrat and Trenton Times on January 1, 2010, was 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**
  - PSE&G Power Line Mowing in Various ROWs – Through March 31, 2010 (map on file in Clerk's office)
  - Township Offices Closed – February 15<sup>th</sup> for Presidents Day
  - Next Regular Township Meeting – March 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - 2010 Dog Licenses are Due - \$12/altered; \$15/non-altered
  - WA Fire Company Auxiliary – Membership Drive
  - Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
  - Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting
5. **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**
  - A. January 6, 2010 Regular
  - B. January 25, 2010 Special - Joint Meeting/Police Study Presentation
  - C. January 28, 2010 Special
  - D. January 28, 2010 Closed Session (Personnel Interview; 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. Public Hearing: Ordinance 1, 2010  
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
  - B. Introduction: Ordinance 2, 2010  
AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DEED CONVEYING ROADWAY EASEMENTS FOR VARIOUS STREETS IN MOUNT AIRY ESTATES  
1) Read by Title    2) Motion to Introduce on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading    3) Set Public Hearing
  - C. Introduction: Ordinance 3, 2010 (Tentative)  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 153 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
1) Read by Title    2) Motion to Introduce on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading    3) Set Public Hearing

## 8. SPECIAL AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Open Space
  - 1) Open Space Invoices
  - 2) Project Status Updates
- B. Environmental
  - 1) WAT Elementary Art Work
- C. Parks & Recreation
  - 1) Request for Use of Logo
- D. Community Forestry
  - 1) Annual Accomplishment Report

## 9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Continuation of 2010 Appointments
- B. Update on Police Study & Outreach
- C. Audit Services Agreement
- D. Rocktown Hill Drainage Project Update
- E. Garbage & Trash (Molnar)
  - 1) Update on Truck
  - 2) Container Service for Municipal Waste
  - 3) Shared Services
  - 4) Permit Sales
- F. Report on Newly Elected Officials Seminar (Fisher)
- G. Report on Contact with American Approved Energy Services (Fisher)
- H. SHREC Energy Audit Proposal
  - 1) Possible Report
  - 2) Advertisement Approval for RFP
- I. Resolution to Enter Closed Session (Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property)

## 10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Report on Employee Meeting (Molnar)
- B. Request for Link on Website for SHRHS Work Group Press Release
- C. Wendy Williams re: Ordinance Concerns
- D. Consideration of Resolution re: 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America
- E. S-82 Time of Decision Legislation
- F. S-1 Abolishing COAH & Local Implications (Attorney Faherty)
- F. Conversation with Assemblyman Peterson re: Mandates & Funding (Fisher)
- G. Meeting with Congressman Holt re: Appropriation Opportunity (Fisher)
- H. DRB Flood Mitigation Plan re: Resolution of Adoption

## 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 2009 & 2009 Annual Report
- C. Clerk/Human Resources
  - Personnel Manual Updates/Revision
- D. Construction Report for December 2009

### 13. CORRESPONDENCE

#### A. NJ League of Municipalities

- 1/6 Urgent Action Required –e Lame Duck Update
- 1/7 DHSS Announces Increased H1N1 Vaccine Availability
- 1/8 Bills on the Governor's Desk
- 1/8 Recap of Thursday's Senate Committee Meetings
- 1/8 Up in the Assembly on Monday
- 1/8 A-4261/S-3071 Allows Certain Current Managerial and Confidential Employees to Unionize
- 1/8 Legislative Alert re A-4345
- 1/8 Legislation Affecting Municipalities and the Mayors Book Club, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/8 League Professional Development Seminar – Are Your Bond Credit Ratings Heading South? (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/11 Updated CEU's – League Professional Development Seminar - Health Benefits Negotiations Primer
- 1/11 Updated CEU's – League Professional Development Seminar - Budget Updates
- 1/11 Changes to the DLGS Website
- 1/11 Less Than Four Months to Census Day
- 1/12 NJLM – 5 Issues – previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/12 Bills on the Governor's Desk
- 1/12 Bills Signed by the Governor
- 1/12 President Anzaldi Meets Governor-elect's Chief-of-Staff; Salutes Incoming Legislative Leadership; Thanks Speaker Roberts and Senate President Codey; Attends State-of-the-State
- 1/12 NJLM – 4 Issues, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/12 Help for Haiti
- 1/13 Urgent Prevailing Wage for Maintenance Road Projects on Governor's Desk
- 1/13 NJLM – 4 Issues, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/14 Court Grants League Status in Telecommunications Tax Case
- 1/14 Statewide Conference: Social Media for Public Officials, March 30<sup>th</sup>
- 1/15 Update on U.S. Relief Efforts in Haiti
- 1/15 Bills Signed into Law
- 1/15 League Brochure "State Government & Your Local Property Taxes"
- 1/19 Length of Service Award Changes
- 1/19 League Professional Development Seminar – Personnel Manuals and Polices Primer
- 1/19 Date Change for NJDARM Computer Training Seminar
- 1/19 UPDATED CEU's – League Professional Development Seminar: Are Your Bond Credit Ratings Heading South?
- 1/19 NJLM – 3 Issues, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/20 2010 Census Questionnaires
- 1/20 Social Security Survivors' Benefits Information Sources for Haitian Community
- 1/20 Bills Signed into Law
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- 1/21 Governor Christie Issues Eight Executive Orders
- 1/22 S-1, Reforms Fair Housing Act, Abolishes COAH
- 1/21 NJLM – 4 Issues, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/25 The League & You
- 1/25 Mayors – Take the Pledge to Combat Obesity in your Township; Join the Mayors Wellness Campaign Today
- 1/25 Hazard Mitigation Grant Funds (HMGP)
- 1/25 Changes to the DLGS Website
- January – Read Across America
- 1/25 NJLM – 5 Issues, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 1/28 Elimination of "Time of Decision Rule" is Re-introduced

- 1/28 FEMA/State Web Resources Provide Hazard Mitigation Policy Guidance for Local Officials
- \* - 1/29 Urgent Legislative Alert re: S-82 Time of Decision Bill Posted
- 1/29 Daily Advisories, previous topic, (forwarded e-mail)
- 2/1 League Professional Development Seminar re: NJDARM Computer Training
- B. United States
  - Congressman Holt re: Upcoming Mayors Meeting on Feb 1<sup>st</sup> (forwarded e-mail)
  - EPA re: Municipality Environmental Compliance Initiative, 1/12
  - Dan McCarthy (Lautenberg) re: Information Session for Appropriations, 1/29 (forwarded e-mail)
- C. State of New Jersey
  - Dept of Public Advocate re: Model Ordinance – Lead Poisoning Prevention, 1/14 (forwarded e-mail)
  - DCA re:
    - + GovConnect Updates:
      - ~ January 11, 2010 (forwarded e-mail)
      - ~ January 25, 2010 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + NJRA Redevelopment Training Institute, 1/11 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + 2009 LOSAP Cost of Living Change, 1/12 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Community Energy Savings Program Training, 1/15 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Minor Technical Amendment – West Amwell Township/Hunterdon County, 1/15 (forwarded e-mail)
  - DEP re:
    - + Dam Safety Enforcement, 1/4
    - + Award of 2010 Green Communities Grant, 12/31
    - + Request for Annual Accomplishment Report, 1/7
    - + Requirement for New Management Plan, 1/7
    - + Compliance Advisory - Remediation of Contaminated Sites, 1/12 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Community Forestry Status Report for Year 2009, 1/20
    - + Thirty-Day Desk Audit Report for 2008 Recycling Tonnage Reporting Year, 1/15
    - + NJ Community Forestry Program Core Training Brochure
  - DOT re:
    - + Traffic Regulation Order NPZ 2009-10, 12/31
    - + Sign Structure Replacement Contract 2007-1 – New Project – 7 Day Notice, 1/6 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Sign Structure Replacement Contract 2007-1 – New Project – 7 Day Notice, Revised, 1/12 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Superior Court re: 2009-2010 Annual Visitation of the WAT Municipal Court, 1/7
  - Assemblyman Peterson re: Congratulations, 1/25
- D. Hunterdon County
  - County Engineer re: Municipal Participation – Surface Treatment Program 2010, 1/8
  - Central Printing, Mail & Records Dept re: PARIS Municipal Grant Project Update, 1/22 (forwarded e-mail)
- E. West Amwell Township
  - Twp Engineer re: Rocktown Hill Road Project, 1/6 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Joe Kowalski re: Township Website, 1/12 (forwarded e-mail)
  - \* - Wendy Williams re:
    - + Ordinance Concerns, 1/18 & Volunteer Openings, 1/21 (forwarded e-mails)
  - \* - Shirley Bishop re:
    - + Lesniak Senate Bill Abolishing COAH, 1/22 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Senate Bill No. 1, the Lesniak Bill, 1/27 (forwarded e-mail)

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  - Barbara Walsh re: S1 Hearing (forwarded e-mail)
  - PAIC re:
    - + Loss Control Report, 1/21 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Mandatory Training
    - + 2010 EPL/POL and Police Training, 1/20
  - Attorney Faherty re: Combe Landfill Litigation and Receipt of Municipal Settlement Refund, 1/27
- F. Other Municipalities
- G. Deer Carcass Removal Service LLC re: Service Offer, 1/6
- H. Lower Delaware River Wild & Scenic re:
  - + February Quarterly Meeting, 1/11 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + February Agenda, 1/25 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + October 2009 Draft Minutes, 1/31 (forwarded e-mail)
- I. Freedom House re: Request for Donation, 1/7
- J. JCP&L re: Request for Contact Information, 1/8
- K. Stony Brook Millstone Watershed re: Final Draft State Development and Redevelopment Plan; State Planning Commission Meeting Jan 13th, 1/8
- L. RVE Marketing re: Grant Available – Volunteer Fire Assistance Program, 1/20 (forwarded e-mail)
- M. Ford Credit re: Lease Purchase Agreement, Release of Lien, 1/8
- N. Comcast re: Check for Use of Municipal ROWs, 1/21
- O. Sourland Planning Council re: Sourland Municipal Alliance and Contact Request, 1/20
- P. Hunterdon Shared Services re: Upcoming Events, 1/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- Q. News from Sustainable Hunterdon – Funding, Transportation, 1/25 (forwarded e-mail)
- R. Michael Morris re: Farm Appraisals, 1/26
- S. Laura Tessieri @ DRBC re:
  - + DRB Flood Mitigation Plan, 1/27 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + DRB Flood Mitigation Plan & CD, Resolution 1/28
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  - T. NJ Conservation Foundation re: 14<sup>th</sup> Annual NJ Land Conservation Rally on March 20, 2010, January
  - U. Elizabethtown Gas re: Contact Information, 2/1

## 14. ADJOURNMENT

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