

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
October 7, 2009
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 2, 2009, 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**

- Township Offices Closed October 12th – Columbus Day
- Last Day to Register to Vote in November Election – Oct 13th
- Congressman Holt Town Meeting @ SHR – Oct 17th
- County Hazardous Waste Collection Day – Nov 14th
- Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
- Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting

5. **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**

- A. August 12, 2009 Special Meeting – Budget Workshop
- B. August 12, 2009 Regular Meeting
- C. August 12, 2009 Closed Session (Litigation-Fair Share Housing)
- D. September 16, 2009 Special Meeting
- E. September 16, 2009 Closed Session (Personnel; Litigation)
- F. September 16, 2009 Regular Meeting
- G. September 16, 2009 Closed Session (Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property; Litigation; Personnel)
- H. September 24, 2009 Special Meeting (2009 Budget Amendment)

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 25, 2009

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 68 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY – Construction Codes, Uniform

1) Proof of Publication 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance

8. SPECIAL AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Open Space

- 1) Authorization for Mayor to sign West Amwell Ltd. Closing Documents
- 2) Authorization for Mayor to Sign Zeng Silo License Agreement at Closing
- 3) Letter to SADC re: Outstanding Municipal PIG Soft Cost Reimbursements
- 4) Letter to County Re: Option Agreement Requirement for Municipal PIG Farms
- 5) Possible Resolution Endorsing Open Space Bond Question
- 6) Project Status Updates

B. Environment

- 1) Authorization to Post August 13th minutes on website

C. Parks & Recreation

- 1) County Parkland Suggestions

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Possible Appointments
- B. Creek Road Speed Bumps – Update
- C. Mowing at Calton (Estates at West Amwell) - Update
- D. Date for Special Meeting to Discuss Professional Services Contracts & Budget for 2010
- E. Letter of Support for Proposed Amendment to Fish Code
- F. Fulper Lawsuit Spending (Molnar)
- G. Draft Settlement & Release Agreement with Hartford
- H. Resolution to Enter Closed Session, if needed

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Garbage & Trash Bid
- B. Possible Award of Quote for Clean up Day
- C. Hunterdon County Health Benefits Proposal
- D. Request from SADC to Use Meeting Room for Auction in February 2010
- E. Tax Appeal 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

- Resolution to Cancel Taxes on Block 12 Lot 14
- Monthly Report

C. Clerk/Human Resources

- Resignation of CO Rose
- Appointment of Substitute CO
- Notice of Retirement – Officer Boan

D. Construction for September 2009

E. Court Quarterly Report for Period Ending September 2009

F. Police Report for August 2009

G. Zoning for September 2009

13. CORRESPONDENCE

A. NJ League of Municipalities

- * - 9/14 State Planning Commission, Affordable Housing; Sample Resolution for Legislative Action on the Eastampton COAH Decision
- 9/14 League e-Bulletin, various topics
- 9/15 Important Conference Sessions - Public Safety/Emergency Management
- 9/16 Sustainable New Jersey Luncheon @ League Conference
- 9/16 Federal Update Road and Rail Funding
- 9/17 Reminder Concerning COAH Briefing
- 9/18 Latest Information on Mayors Wellness Campaign
- 9/18 Important Conference Sessions – Public Health
- 9/18 2009 League Conference Resolutions
- 9/18 Deadline Reminder – October 13th Call for Nominations Eighth Annual Innovation in Governance Awards
- 9/18 ADA Compliance @ League Conference
- 9/18 Hospitality Functions, Room Accommodations, Bus Schedule for League Conference
- 9/21 League e-Bulletin re: Reminder for COAH Briefing
- 9/21 Important Conference Sessions – Economic Development & Revitalization
- 9/21 League e-Bulletin, previous topic (forwarded e-mail)
- 9/23 Mayor's Book Clubs Launched
- 9/23 Federal H1N1 Resources
- 9/23 94th Annual League Conference
- 9/23 Tax Foundation Names New Jersey First in Nation in Property Taxes
- 9/23 Save the Date – 18th Annual Mayor's Legislative Day Feb 24, 2010
- 9/24 Daily Advisory, previous five topics (forwarded e-mail)
- 9/24 Federal Recovery Zone Bonds Guidance
- 9/25 Reminder for Conference on NJ's Economy on Oct 2nd (forwarded e-mail)
- 9/25 Important Conference Sessions Green Issues & Sustainability
- 9/25 League Professional Development Program: Municipal Liens
- 9/25 Use of Force, Risk Management & Legal Strategies Seminar
- 9/28 US Dept of Energy Webinar on EECBG Funding
- 9/28 Effective Floodplain Management – Solutions Using Limited Resources
- 9/29 Important Conference Sessions Transportation Issues
- 9/29 2010 NJ Local Government Deskbook Available (forwarded e-mail)
- 9/30 Important Information on Parking for Upcoming Seminar on Status of Gloom and Prospects for Bloom
- 9/30 Awards Program Luncheon Saluting Sustainable Jersey Certified Municipalities during League Conference
- 9/30 Changes to the NJ Division of Local Government Website
- 10/1 Holiday Displays
- 10/1 Notice of Proposed Membership Dues
- 10/2 Federal Transportation Funding Update
- 10/2 Leaders' Academy for Health Community Development Grants (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/2 Professional Development Program – Municipal Liens, Dec 10th (forwarded e-mail)
- 10/2 The 2009 New Jersey Clean Energy Conference & Leadership Awards on Oct 21st & Oct 22nd
- 10/4 Professional Development Program – Ethics, Back to Basic, Oct 23rd & Oct 29th (forwarded e-mail)

B. United States

C. State of New Jersey

- DCA re:
 - + Conference on New Jersey's Economy, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Updated Information on Affirmative Action Training Allocation Funds, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + GovConnect Update: Sept 15, 2009, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Initial Plan Endorsement, 9/22 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + GovConnect Update: Sept 29, 9/29 (forwarded e-mail)
- DEP re:
 - + Region 2 Clean Diesel Webinars, 9/18 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification NJDEP Case Number 09-09-24-1013-14, 9/25
 - + Notice of Public Hearing for the Proposed FFY2010 Priority System, Intended Use Plan and Project Priority List Document, 10/2
- Office of the Governor re:
 - + H1N1 Update, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Announcement of New Return to Work Program, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + The Economic Recovery is Working, 9/17 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + New Revamped Economic Recovery Website Announced, 9/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + New Project Creates 500 Jobs, 9/25 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Two New Community Education Initiatives, 9/29 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + NJ is a Leader in Green Energy, 9/30 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + NJ Family Care Reaches Another Landmark, 10/1 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Governor Announces Fitness Challenge, 10/3 (forwarded e-mail)
- Senator Karrow re: Training Programs Offered by Rutgers, 9/15

D. Hunterdon County

- Planning Board re:
 - + County Farmland Preservation Program Targeted Farms, 9/14
 - + State Open Space Ballot Measure, 9/18
 - + Breakfast Talk on Nov 5th – County Transportation Plan, 10/28
 - + Breakfast Talk on Nov 13th – County Transportation Plan – REVISED, 10/2 (forwarded e-mail)
- * - Freeholder Board re: Invitation to Director's Summit about Recycling on October 14th, 9/24

E. West Amwell Township

- Tom Allibone re: Cable Competition in NJ - What's Next?, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- Loretta Smith re: Thank You

F. Other Municipalities

G. Verizon re: Thank You for Advancing Cable Competition in NJ – What's Next?, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)

H. Consumer Energy Solutions re: Rate Reduction Analysis for West Amwell, 9/23 (forwarded e-mail)

I. PAIC re: September Newsletter, 9/2

J. Rutgers Seminar re: Creating an Ethical Organization Culture and Dealing with Ethical issues on Oct 8th, 9/18

K. NJBIA re: Invitation to Annual Awards for Excellence Dinner on Oct 20th, 9/15

L. New Jersey Conservation Foundation re: NJ Keep It Green Campaign Kick-Off Event on Sept 29th, 9/25 (forwarded e-mail)

M. Sourland Planning Council re: Sample Bond Act Resolution, 9/25 (forwarded e-mail)

N. Lower Delaware Quarterly Meeting Reminder for Oct 7th, 9/27 (forwarded e-mail)

O. Hunterdon Land Trust Alliance re: Resolution Supporting the Green Acres, Water Supply and Floodplain Protection, and Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 2009, 9/24

- P. National Multiple Sclerosis Society re: Success of Annual Bike "Hops to Hops" Event Held Sept 27th, 9/29
- Q. NJ Environmental Lobby Information, 10/3 (forwarded e-mail)

14. ADJOURNMENT

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