

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
November 18, 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 – November 26th through 30th (Thanksgiving);
December 24th through 28th (Christmas)
- Township Committee Schedule for the Remainder of 2009 – December 9 and December 30
- Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
- Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting

5. **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**

- A. November 4, 2009 Regular Meeting
- B. Closed Session Minutes for Possible Release

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 26, 2009

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 75 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL – Dogs and Other Animals

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

B. Public Hearing: Ordinance 27, 2009

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 109 ARTICLE IV SECTION 109-13, FEE SCHEDULE OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL

- 1) Proof of Publication
- 2) Planning Board Response
- 3) Public Hearing
- 4) Action on Ordinance

C. Public Hearing: Ordinance 29, 2009

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF AN AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS EASEMENT ON A PORTION OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 8 LOTS 20 AND 36 TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, STATE AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE FOR FARMLAND PRESERVATION PURPOSES, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED FROM HUNTERDON LAND TRUST ALLIANCE AND AUTHORIZING A CONVEYANCE OF A DEED RESTRICTION TO THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON

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

8. SPECIAL AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Open Space

- 1) 2009 Open Space Newsletter
- 2) Kilmer Survey
- 3) Open Space Invoices
- 4) Project Status Updates

B. Environmental Commission

- 1) Stream Corridor Ordinance Amendment
- 2) West Amwell Elementary Artwork Theme, revised
- 3) Arbor Day Shop Rite Bags – WAT Elementary
- 4) Stormwater Ordinance, Code
- 5) Permission to Post October 8, 2009 Minutes on Website

C. Township Lands Committee

- 1) Solar Panels

D. Community Forestry Committee

- 1) Green Communities Grant Application - Authorization for Mayor's Signature

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. V. Ranieri E-mail Concerning Signs @ Calton Development
- B. Garbage Card Flyer Approval for Distribution at Depot
- C. Resolution Releasing Orleans Performance Bonds
- D. Receipt of Architect Rendering for Basement Project
- E. Resolution to Enter Closed Session, if needed

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2010 Re-organization Items
- B. New Law/New Mandates (see 11/13 League Fax Advisory & LFN 2009-24)
 - 1) Permission to Post Citizen Leadership form on Website
- C. Dept of Agriculture Official Ballot for FSA Committee Election Request

11. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- A. Tax Collector
 - Monthly Report for October 2009
- B. Clerk/Human Resources
 - Approval of Acting MCO Appointment thru December 31st
- C. Construction
 - Activity Reports for October 2009
 - Deposits for October 2009
- D. Police
 - Monthly Report for October 2009

13. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. NJ League of Municipalities
 - 11/4 Daily Advisories re: Federal Trade Commission Delays Red Flag Rule; Biweekly Federal Update Period Ending October 30, 2009 (forwarded e-mail)
 - 11/4 Important Conference Sessions State and Federal Policy Review
 - 11/4 Information for Mayors on 94th League Annual Conference
 - November 2009 Newly Elected Officials & Handbook Information

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 - + 11/13 New Law Affecting Members of Local Authorities, Boards and Commissions
 - + 11/13 A Salute to Women in the Military; Women in Municipal Government Breakfast on Nov 19th
 - + 11/13 Advisory re: League's Consulting Period on Nov 17th
 - + 11/16 Mayors Task Force for School Funding Reform Seeks Your Support
 - + 11/16 November 19 Meeting Christi/Guadagno Red Tape Review Group Local Officials Invited to Testify
- B. United States
 - Dept of Agriculture re: Official Ballot for FSA Committee Election on December 7, 2009
 - Rush Holt re: Note of Appreciation for the Introduction, 10/26
- C. State of New Jersey
 - DCA re:
 - + Program on NJ's Economic Stimulus Act & the Recovery Zone Bond Programs, 11/10 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Session on "The Keys to Growing Your Local Economy: Arts, History and Tourism" on November 19th, 11/10 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + GovConnect Update: November 16, 2009 (forwarded e-mail)
 - DEP re:
 - + 2010 Green Communities Grant, 11/6
 - + FY2010 Annual Fee Report & Assessment of Fees Public Hearing on Dec 17th, 11/16
- D. Hunterdon County
 - CADB re: Agenda for November 12th Meeting, 11/9
 - Planning Board re: + Open Space Trust Municipal Grant Program, FY 2008-CY 2009 Application & Allocation Request and Check, 11/5
- E. West Amwell Township
 - V. Ranieri Follow-up to July Meeting, 11/5 (forwarded e-mail)
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 - F. Other Municipalities
 - Delaware Township re: Notice to Adoption of Master Plan Amendment – Land Use Plan Element for the A-1 & A-2 Districts, 10/30
 - Township of Hopewell re: Utility Services Plan Element of Master Plan Public Hearing on November 19th, 11/6
 - G. PAIC re: 2010-2011 Employment Practices Liability Program, 11/3
 - H. MEL re:
 - 2010-2011 Employment Liability Program, 10/1
 - Elected Officials' Training Seminars, 10/27
 - Community Safety Leadership Brochures
 - I. Rutgers re: Snow and Ice Management Course on Dec 3rd, 11/4
 - J. Trap Rock Industries re: Public Notice Regarding Trap Rock Industries Inc.'s Application for an Individual Permit Pursuant to the Flood Hazard Area Control Act to Realign Drainage Feature at Lambertville Quarry, Delaware Twp. NJ, 11/3
 - K. NJBIA re: Annual New Good Neighbor Awards, 11/6
 - L. Sourland Planning Council re: Deer Management, 11/9 (forwarded e-mail)
 - M. NJ Transit re:
 - + Driver Education Safety Program, 11/11 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Elimination of Mailed Bus, Train and Light Rail Schedules, 11/7
 - N. HART re: Sustainable Hunterdon Website Launch, 11/16 (forwarded e-mail)
 - O. Saul Ewing re: Obchinetz vs. Mapleshade Township Public Intoxication Ordinance Litigation, 11/13

14. ADJOURNMENT

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