

**WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**March 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**

- 2009 Dog Licenses are Now Subject to \$5.00/month Late Fee
- Electronics Collection, March 28<sup>th</sup>, Rt. 12 County Complex, 9 a.m.-1 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. March 4, 2009 Regular Meeting
- B. March 4, 2009 Closed Session (Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property; Litigation)
- C. March 11, 2009 Special Meeting
- D. March 11, 2009 Closed Session (Personnel – Interviews)

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. FFA Update

B. Public Hearing: Ordinance 4, 2009

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF ROCKTOWN-LAMBERTVILLE ROAD, SECTION 13 FOR AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$490,000 THEREFOR, INCLUDING \$485,000 EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED AS A GRANT FROM THE DELAWARE RIVER JOINT TOLL BRIDGE COMMISSION, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$485,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

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

Discussion on Need for Public Information Session

C. Public Hearing: Ordinance 5, 2009

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF THE TOWNSHIP'S SHARE OF THE COST OF THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 8 LOTS 20 AND 36 IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$800,000.00

WHICH INCLUDES AN APPROPRIATION OF \$50,012.75 FROM THE CAPITAL SURPLUS, \$495,761.74 FROM THE RESERVE FOR OPEN SPACE AND \$254,225.51 FROM THE OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL.

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

D. Public Hearing: Ordinance 6, 2009

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 8, LOTS 20 AND 36 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL FROM WEST AMWELL LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, LLC

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

E. Public Hearing: Ordinance 7, 2009

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

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

## 8. SPECIAL AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Open Space

- 1) Update on County Preservation Funding
- 2) ROSI Update
- 3) Green Acres Project Agreement #5 & Resolution
- 4) Planning Incentive Grant Agreements for Gulick I (Block 14 Lot 33.02) and Gulick II (Block 13 Lot 34)
- 5) Comly Update
- 6) Open Space Invoices
- 7) Project Status Updates

B. Environmental

- 1) Permission to Post January 8, 2009 Minutes on Website
- 2) Sustainable Jersey Discussion & Consideration of Establishing a Green Team
- 3) Newsletter
- 4) Associate Members

C. Ag Advisory

- 1) Permission to Post February 2, 2009 Minutes on Website
- 2) Chapter 109, Article II – Definition Problems (Farm, Group Home, Setback and Waiver)

D. Community Forestry

- 1) Grant Agreement

## 9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Possible Appointments

B. Professional Services Resolution

C. Centex Road Dedications

D. Decision on IPE

- 1) Recommendation from Planning Board
- 2) Farmland Preservation Plan Timeframe Request

E. Video Cameras

F. Resolution to Enter Closed Session (Personnel; Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property)

## 10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. DPW Discussion re:
  - 1) Mowing Schedule at Calton
  - 2) Cost Saving Measures
- B. Request from SADC re: Barry Road Extension of ROW
- C. Approval of Annual Maintenance Quotes for 254 & 255 Mt. Airy-Harb. Road
- D. SHR re: Request for Kids Vote
- E. Discussion on Garbage Depot Arrangement

## 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
- C. Clerk/Human Resources

## 13. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. NJ League of Municipalities
  - March 2009 re: Survey of Police Officers' Salaries & Contract Provisions
  - March 2009 re: Legislative Bulletin No. 1 2008-2009 Legislative Session
  - 3/2 League Labor Counsel Update
  - 3/3 Mayor's Newslines (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/3 User Friendly Budgets and Cap Update (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/3 March Grant Page Posted; Women in Government Event-Last Chance to Register; 2009 New Jersey Local Government Deskbook; 4% Levy Cap; Federal Stimulus Funding US EPA-Clean Water & Drinking Water State Revolving Funds; Federal Stimulus Act U.S. Dept of labor Programs and Opportunities (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/4 2009 Housing Summit (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/10 Professional Development Seminar: Tax Appeals, The Mystery Unfolds (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/5 Legislative Alert: Age Restricted Housing Conversion Bill
  - 3/5 Governor Signs Law Offers Suspension Bill
  - 3/9 Professional Development Seminar: Grant Writing, the Next Level (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/6 Managing Government E-Mail Risks Update (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/9 Governor Corzine Announces Economic Recovery Website (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/10 Governor Corzine's Budget Message (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/11 Support Our Troops; Issue Alert; Governor Corzine's Preliminary Budget Analysis (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/11 2009 Housing Summit and related information (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/12 Age Restricted Housing Conversion Bill – A-3772 & S-2577; 4% Levy Cap (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/13 New Pension Deferral Bill (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/13 State Property Tax Relief Numbers (forwarded e-mail)
  - 3/13 Professional Development Seminar: Health Cost Containment (forwarded e-mail)

- 3/15 Professional Development Seminar: Grant Writing, the Next Level (forwarded e-mail)
- 3/16 Important New Information from the DLGS on Budgeting; Sustainable Jersey Grants Funded by Wal-Mart – Grant Applications Are Due on May 7, 2009 (forwarded e-mail)
- B. United States
- C. State of New Jersey
  - DCA re:
    - + GovConnect Update:
      - # March 3, 2009 (forwarded e-mail)
      - # March 16, 2009 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + 2009 Rent Control Survey (forwarded e-mail)
    - + CY 2009 Budget & Finance Update and User Friendly Budget Plan Review (forwarded e-mail)
    - + 2009/SFY 2010 State Aid Certifications Released (forwarded e-mail)
  - Office of the Governor re:
    - + American Recovery & Reinvestment Act Website, 3/5 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Governor's Newsletter:
      - # March 6, 2009 (forwarded e-mail)
      - # March 13, 2009 (forwarded e-mail)
  - DEP re: Mandatory Recycling, 3/5
- D. Hunterdon County
  - Planning Board re:
    - + 2008 Planning Awards Finalists, 3/10 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + NRCS Announces Floodplain Easement Sign-Up, 3/11 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Dept of Human Services re: Older Americans Month & Proclamation, 3/10
- E. West Amwell Township
  - Tom Allibone re:
    - + Verizon Municipal Restoration Spin, 3/3 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + West Amwell Personal Property Taxes, 3/3 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Thomas McMillan/Richard Storcella re: Block 23 Lot 19.04, Feb 2009
  - Shirley Bishop re: West Amwell & COAH, 3/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- F. Other Municipalities
  - Raritan Township re: Historic Conference on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 3/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- G. Lower Delaware Wild & Scenic re:
  - Quarterly Meeting to be Held April 1<sup>st</sup>, 3/4 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Reminder of Meeting in Milford on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 3/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- H. Foundation of the NJ Alliance for Actions re: 2009 Transportation Fast Facts Brochure, 3/6
- I. South Branch Watershed Assn re: 19<sup>th</sup> Annual South Branch Raritan River Clean Up on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2/20
- J. Raritan Valley Rail Coalition Meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 3/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- K. NJ Council on Special Transportation re: Invitation to Join, March 2009
- L. OutwithTrout re: Request for Help, 3/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- M. NJ Council on Developmental Disabilities (NJCDD) re: Invitation for April 20<sup>th</sup>, 3/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- N. NJ Register Volume 41 No 6 March 16, 2009 (cover)
- O. LWAYBSA re: Invitation to Mayor - 1<sup>st</sup> Pitch on April 11<sup>th</sup> @1p.m., 3/13

## 14. ADJOURNMENT