

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
July 15, 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**

- Summer Township Committee Meeting Schedule – August 12th, Sept 16th
- Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
- Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting

5. **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**

- A. June 17, 2009 Special Meeting
- B. June 17, 2009 Closed Session (Contract Negotiations)
- C. June 17, 2009 Regular Meeting
- D. June 17, 2009 Closed Session (Purchase, Lease, Acquisition of Real Property)

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. Spring Food Drive – Drew Mumich
- B. Municipal Alliance Update
- C. Sourland Planning Council Presentation re: Smart Growth
- D. Public Hearing: Ordinance 19, 2009
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 15, 2008 DETERMINING POSITIONS ELIGIBLE FOR THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PROGRAM
1) Proof of Publication 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance
- E. Resolution to Amend Temporary Capital Budget

Introduction: Ordinance 20, 2009

BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY TO MEET THE TOWNSHIP'S COAH OBLIGATION, APPROPRIATING \$315,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$300,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF
1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing

- F. Introduction: Ordinance 21, 2009 (Possible)
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 8, LOTS 14 AND 15, IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$725,000.00 FROM THE OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND.
1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing
- G. Introduction: Ordinance 22, 2009 (Possible)
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A DEED OF CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 8, LOTS 14 AND 15 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL FROM KYLE KILMER, ET AL.
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) Possible Authorization to Sign Kilmer Contract
2) Update on June Closings
3) County Grant Application
4) Authorization to Post July 2009 Open Space Map
5) Open Space Invoices
6) Project Status Updates

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Rocktown-Lamb. Section 13 Contract
B. Possible Appointments
C. Calton re:
1) Mowing/Fence
2) Maintenance of Entrance/Center Divider & Dead Street Trees
D. Township Property at 68 Hancock Street
1) Tenant Status
2) Appraisal Estimate
3) Possible Option
E. Possible Update on 2009 Township Budget Status
F. IPE re:
+ Receipt of Letter from James Souder, Interim Executive Director
+ Memorandum of Understanding with August 1st Due Date for Project Continuation
G. Acquisition of Block 12 Lot 14 re:
1) Receipt of Survey
2) Authorization for Mayor & Clerk to Sign Closing Documents
H. Resolution to Enter Closed Session (Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property; Litigation)

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Request from NJDOT for Resolution of Support Concerning Centerline Markings along Rt 29
B. August Meeting Date
C. MS Bike Ride on Sept 27th
D. Attendance at League Conference in November
E. Fair Share Housing Appeal of Substantive Certification
F. Discussion/Possible Resolution re: Overpayment to South
G. Receipt of 2008 Audit

11. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Treasurer

- Possible Resolutions
- Presentation of Bills for Approval
- Receipt of Certificate of Determination & Award (BAN)
- Possible Reports (Treasurer, Statement of Cash, Revenue, Investment and/or Receipts and Disbursements)

B. Tax Collector

- Possible Resolutions
- Monthly Report

C. Construction – Monthly Report for June 2009

D. Court – Quarterly Report

F. Police – Monthly Report for May 2009

G. Zoning – Monthly Report for June 2009

13. CORRESPONDENCE

A. NJ League of Municipalities

- 6/15 12th League e-Bulletin - Annual Elected Officials Hall of Fame (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/16 12th Annual Elected Officials Hall of Fame
- 6/16 Federal Stimulus Funding News; Recovery Zone Bonds; US DOE Assistance on EECBG Applications
- 6/16 State Budget Progress
- 6/16 Appellate Division Rules Requestor Need Not Use Official OPRA Request Form
- 6/16 Insurance Premium Tax Advanced to Balance Uncompensated Care Fund
- 6/16 Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund (CICRF)
- 6/16 New Information from the DLGS on Energy
- 6/16 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topics*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/17 S-1651/A-2238 Mandates Certain Health Benefits
- 6/17 Federal Stimulus Transportation Funding Announcement
- 6/17 Ameripay
- 6/17 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topics*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/18 State Budget Update
- 6/19 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topic*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/19 Availability of Grants for Green House Gas Reduction
- 6/19 Support for Census Outreach Available
- 6/19 “The Making of Our Nation’s Laws”
- 6/19 A-4048, The NJ Economic Stimulus Act of 2009; 2.5 Commercial Fee Moratorium
- 6/20 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topics*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/22 Sustainable New Jersey Grants Awarded
- 6/22 “Express Lane” Application Process for Children’s Health Insurance
- 6/22 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topics*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/22 League e-Bulletin – Researching Just Got Easier (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/23 Supreme Court Rules that Curbside Trash Collection by Municipality for Apartment Complex is Not Sufficient
- 6/23 A-4048 & SCS-2299 The NJ Economic Stimulus Act of 2009; 2.5 Commercial Fee Moratorium
- 6/23 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topics*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/24 League e-Bulletin: Green Building Summit on July 10th (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/24 ICLEI Releases Climate Protection Toolkit for Small Communities
- 6/24 URGENT Update on Towns Applying Directly for EE/Conservation Block Grants
- 6/24 Legislative Alert: Age Restricted Conversations; Inherently Beneficial Uses: A-3062/S-1303
- 6/24 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topics*] (forwarded e-mail)

- 6/25 Supreme Court Rules Open Space Set Asides and Contributions Not Authorized by MLUL
- 6/26 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topic*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/26 EECBG Application Deadline Extended
- 6/26 State Budget Passed; FY '08-09 Supplemental; The New Jersey Economic Stimulus Act of 2009; Bills on the Governor's Desk; Bills passed in the Assembly; Bills passed in the Senate
- 6/27 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topics*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/29 Local Finance Notice on GASB 45 OPEB
- 6/29 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topic plus State Budget Signed*]; "The Making of Our Nation's Laws" (forwarded e-mail)
- 6/29 Michael A. Pane Memorial Award
- 7/6 Age-Restricted Conversions S-2577/A-3772
- 7/7 League e-Bulletin [*preceding topic plus Hotel Liquor Licenses Caps, A2896/S1968*] (forwarded e-mail)
- 7/7 Important New Information from the DLGS
- 7/10 Economic Recovery Update: \$4 Billion in ARRA Broadband Grants and Loans Announced
- 7/10 Local Government Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant Program
- 7/10 From Time to Time – A Quarterly Report on the Activities of the NJSLOM
- 7/10 Terrorism Awareness and Prevention Auto-Run CD

B. United States

- Congressman Holt re: American Recovery & Reinvestment Act – Strengthening Communities Fund, 6/17

C. State of New Jersey

- COAH re: Appointment of Municipal Housing Liaison, 6/26
- Dept of Agriculture re: SADC Review of Revised WAT Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan, 7/2 (forwarded e-mail)
- DCA re: WAT Initial Plan Endorsement (forwarded e-mail)
- DEP re:
 - + Application for the 2009 Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards Now Available, 6/18 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Availability of Grants for Green House Gas Reductions, 6/18 (forwarded e-mail) & additional letter
 - + Local Government Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grants Program, 6/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Letter from Acting Commission Mark N. Mauriello (no date)
 - + Exceptional Scientists Encouraged to Serve on DEP's Science Advisory Board, (forwarded e-mail)
 - + 2009 Recycling Awards Program
 - + Municipal Stormwater Summary Report 2004-2008
 - + Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification, 7/8
- Office of the Governor re:
 - + This Week at the Statehouse, 6/19 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + This Week at the Statehouse, 6/26 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + This Week at the Statehouse, 7/2 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + This Week at the Statehouse, 7/10
- Senator Karrow re: Bill to Extend Deadline on Recycling Coordination Certification, 6/26

D. Hunterdon County

- Freeholder Board re:
 - + Resolution Opposing Governor Corzine's plan to transfer money from the EMT Training Fund, 6/15
 - + Resolution Urging the Elimination of State-imposed Unfunded Mandates, 7/8
- Utilities Authority re: Hazardous Waste Collection on July 11th, 6/15

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- Planning Board re:
 - + NJTPA Quiet Zone Designation, 6/23
 - + New Local Grant Opportunities, 6/26
 - + Press Release: Farm Market Directory Makes Progress, 7/6
- E. West Amwell Township
 - National Multiple Sclerosis Society re: MS Bike Ride on Sept 27th, 6/17
 - Mosaic Planning & Design, LLC re: Farmland Preservation Plan – SADC Checklist Comments, 7/7
 - Karen Rissmiller & Audrey Frankowski re: Thank You on Arnett Park
 - Tom Allibone re: Verizon Personal Property Tax Being Challenged, 7/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- F. Other Municipalities
 - Delaware Township re:
 - + Land Use Ordinance Amendment Regarding Affordable Housing Development Fees, PH June 29th, 6/18
 - + Land Use Ordinance Amending Regarding Affordable Housing, PH July 14th, 6/30
 - + Land Use Ordinance Amending Provisions to Create an Affordable Housing Overlay Zone, PH August 10th, 7/6
 - Township of Woodbridge re: Senior Olympic Games on Sept 11-13, 6/22
- G. Project TNR re: NJ's Humane Solution for Feral Cats, June 2009
- H. Raritan Valley Rail Coalition re: Meeting Announcement & Agenda, 6/22 (forwarded e-mail)
- I. Clarke Caton Hintz re: Local Government Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant Program, 6/29
- J. MLUC re: Workshop for DEP Grants: "Planning and Designing Climate-Friendly Towns", 7/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- K. New Jersey Conservation Foundation re: Project to Gather Stories about Successful Land Preservation, 6/30
- L. Rutgers re: 19th Annual Great Tomato Tasting at Snyder Farm on Aug 26th

14. ADJOURNMENT

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Trenton Times (fax)
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