

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

August 27, 2014 – 7:30 p.m.

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 with notice included in the Resolution faxed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and Trenton Times on January 6, 2014, 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
 - Municipal Offices Closed September 1, 2014 – Labor Day
 - Hazardous Waste Day – November 8th; Electronics Recycling, October 11th, all 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., County Complex, Rt 12
 - Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
 - Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting
4. A. CLOSED SESSION (Personnel)
5. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES
 - A. July 23, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes
 - B. July 23, 2014 Closed Session minutes (Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property; Contract Negotiations in which the Public Body may become a Party/Attorney Client Privileged)
 - C. July 28, 2014 Special Meeting minutes
 - D. July 28, 2014 Closed Session minutes (Contract Negotiations)
 - E. August 14, 2014 Special Meeting minutes
6. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPIC NOT ON THE AGENDA (limited to 15 minutes)
7. SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)
8. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING
 - A. Public Hearing, continued: Ordinance 11, 2014 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 109 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL
 - 1) Planning Board Response
 - 3) Continued Public Hearing
 - 3) Action on Ordinance
 - B. Public Hearing: Ordinance 13, 2014 AN ORDINANCE TO MANDATE DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO C.52:14-15F ET. SEQ.
 - 1) Proof of Publication
 - 2) Public Hearing
 - 3) Action on Ordinance
 - C. Public Hearing: Ordinance 14, 2014 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF THE FEE SIMPLE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 28 LOT 35 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$23,000.00, 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 15, 2014 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 28 LOT 35 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL FROM USMIANI
 - 1) Proof of Publication
 - 2) Public Hearing
 - 3) Action on Ordinance

- E. Introduction: Ordinance 17, 2014 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 10, 2014 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) Read by Title
 - 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading
 - 3) Set Public Hearing
 - F. Introduction: Ordinance 18, 2014 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL (Interference with Police Officers)
 - 1) Read by Title
 - 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading
 - 3) Set Public Hearing
 - G. Receipt of Supplemental Debt Statement
 - H. Introduction: Ordinance 19, 2014 REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE OUTSTANDING CALLABLE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP, DATED MAY 1, 2006, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF 3,118,000, APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED \$1,975,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,975,000 REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO PROVIDE FOR SUCH REFUNDING.
 - 1) Read by Title
 - 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading
 - 3) Set Public Hearing
9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
- A. Open Space
 - 1) Authorization to Post May 13, 2014 Minutes to Website
 - 2) Quotes for Survey and Environment Assessment Block 28 Lot 35
 - 3) Approval to Proceed with Fulper Application
 - 4) Project Status Updates
 - B. Environmental
 - 1) Proposal for a Rain Garden/Bioretenion System on Municipal Property (319h grant).
 - 2) Letter to the DEP
 - C. Finance Advisory
 - 1) Bond Refinancing/Refunding
10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- A. Appointments, continued
 - B. Updates
 - 1) Generator/Status of Grant Money
 - 2) Firehouse Gas line
 - 3) Orleans Jurisdictional Agreement
 - 4) First Amendment to Facility Site Lease Agreement/Solar PPA
 - 5) COAH/Buildable Area CD
 - 6) Receipt of Dump Truck Bids
 - 7) Gas Boy Sale Status
 - C. Rocktown-Lamb. Road & Kari Drive Work
 - D. Escrow & Barry Road Property Billing
 - E. Policy Review, continued
11. NEW BUSINESS
- A. PennEast Pipeline
 - B. Salary & Wage Resolution Amendment
 - C. Auto Repair

- D. Staffing Discussion
- 12. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- 13. ADMINISTRATIVE
 - 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 July 2014
 - C. Clerk/Human Resources
 - D. Construction Report for July 2014
 - E. Court
 - F. Police Report for July 2014
 - G. Roads
 - H. Zoning
 - I. Website Review
- 14. CORRESPONDENCE
 - A. NJ League of Municipalities
 - A Weekly Summer Update Amendment in the NJ Spill Act; Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Education Center Coming Soon, 7/22 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Upcoming League Seminar (*Inappropriate Behavior in the Workplace: How to Prevent and Mitigate Sexual Harassment and Other Forms of Discrimination*), Revised 7/22, 8/5 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Upcoming Webinar (*How to Find Grants that Meet your Municipalities Needs Webinar*), 7/23, 8/6 (forwarded e-mails)
 - League Technology Management Support Service; Grant Seminar Series Helps Municipal Officials Find Funding to Meet Their Needs, 7/24 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Division Issues Local Finance Notice on Secondary Bond Market Continuing Disclosure Commitments, 7/24 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Upcoming League Seminars (*Inappropriate Behavior in the Workplace; Personnel Manuals And Policies Primer*), 7/29 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Weekly Summer Update—COAH Comments Due; Levy Cap Exemption for Flood Insurance Premiums, 7/26 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Upcoming League Webinar (*Secondary Bond Market Continuing Disclosure Commitments Webinar; Grant Seminar Series*), 7/30 (forwarded e-mail)
 - New Content on DLGS Web Site, 7/30 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Upcoming League Webinar (*Secondary Bond Market Continuing Disclosure Commitments Webinar*), 7/31 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Important New Jersey Supreme Court Decision on the Optional Municipal Charter Law and New Jersey Civil Rights Act, 8/1 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Deadline for Compliance with the SEC's Secondary bond Market Continuing Disclosure Commitments Extended, 8/1 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Revised Weekly Summer Update—Governor Creates New Jersey Pension & Health Benefit Study Commission; League Submits COAH comments; August Grant Page Posted, 8/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Information on CEU Credit at the NJLM 99th Annual Conference; Upcoming League Seminar (*Personnel Manuals and Policies Primer*), 8/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Conference Pre-Registration Deadline of Oct 1st, 8/1
 - Federal Update – Several Matters, 8/5 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Preventing Financial Exploitation Post-Disaster Conference; Upcoming League Webinar (*Secondary Bond Market*), 8/6 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Help Us Protect & Restore Local Telcom Revenues; Upcoming League Seminar (*Personnel Manuals*), 8/7 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Division of Pensions Posts 2015 SHBP Rate Recommendations; August is National Immunization Awareness Month, 8/8 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Upcoming Seminar (*Prepping for Labor Negotiations*), 8/11 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Weekly Summer Update, 8/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Office Suites Available; Mortgage Foreclosure Statute; Upcoming League Seminar (*Inappropriate Behavior in the Workplace*), 8/12 (forwarded e-mail)

- Upcoming Sustainable Jersey Events, 8/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- Restoration of Energy Tax Receipts Legislation; Hotel Update for Annual League Conference; League Posts Resources to Empower Local Impact, 8/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- REVISED Upcoming Sustainable Jersey Events, 8/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- Grant Seminar Series Helps Municipal Officials Find Funding to Meet their Needs, 8/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- NJ Division of Fire Safety Issues Safety Warning on Current Social Media Stunt (2), 8/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- Make Plans to Attend the Annual Business Meeting, 8/14 (forwarded e-mail)
- Upcoming WIMG Events, 8/14 (forwarded e-mail)
- Mayors Challenge, 8/14 (forwarded e-mail)
- Transportation Trust Fund Renewal, 8/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- Health Insurance, 8/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- 2014 League Conference Resolutions, 8/15
- Make Plans to Attend the Annual Business Meeting: Thursday, November 20, 2014, Sheraton Convention Center Hotel, 8/15
- Upcoming League Seminars (*Inappropriate Behavior in the Workplace; Prepping for Labor Negotiations; Personnel Manuals & Policies Primer*), 8/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- Free Webinar: Trends in Grant Awards, 8/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- Weekly Summer Update, 8/19 (forwarded e-mail)
- Grant Seminar Series Helps Municipal Officials Find Funding to Meet Their Needs, 8/21 (forwarded e-mail)
- Upcoming WIMG Events, 8/21 (forwarded e-mail)
- First Version of the Annual Conference CEU List, 8/25 (forwarded e-mail)
- B. United States
 - USDA re: Summary Acreage History Report, 7/28
 - Dept of Homeland Security re: Intergovernmental Affairs Advisory, 7/29 (forwarded e-mail)
 - CFI Group/FEMA re: FEMA Survey on Flood Risk, 7/30, 8/13, 8/22 (forwarded e-mails)
 - September is National Preparedness Month, 8/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- C. State of New Jersey
 - DCA re:
 - + NJAC 5:34-5 – Proposed Rule Amendments for Qualified Purchasing Agents, 7/22 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + LFN 2014-9: Secondary Bond Market Disclosure Commitments, 7/24 & Revised link (forwarded e-mail)
 - + GovConnect Update: July 29, 2014, 7/29 (forwarded e-mail)
 - DEP re:
 - + International Coastal Cleanup – September 20, 2014, 7/22 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification, 7/17
 - + Christie Administration, American Red Cross Urge Water Safety as Summer Vacation Season Heads into Peak Homestretch, 7/30 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Ozone Season, 8/8 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + EIT Resiliency and Protection for Infrastructure, 8/11 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notifications, 8/15, 8/16
 - DOT re:
 - + State Agreement Copy Rocktown-Lamb. Rd Phase 2 Project, 7/30
 - + FY 2015 State Aid Program & Application Acceptance, 8/11
 - Office of Emergency Management re: Public Assistance Applicant Training Opportunities, 8/7 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Assemblywoman Grace Spencer re: Annual Bike Rid, 7/24
 - Senator Shirley Turner re: Resolution Opposing Release of Bid List, 8/5
- D. Hunterdon County
 - Debra Gilmartin re: 4-way STOP on CR 601 & Rocktown-Lamb. Road, 8/6 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Alan Johnson re:
 - + 2014 Overview NJ Clean Communities Program, 8/11
 - + Clean Communities Funding of Municipal Solid Waste Clean-Ups, 8/12 (forwarded e-mail)

- Josie Glynn re: 2014 Awards Finalists, 8/22 (forwarded e-mail)
- Susan Pena re: 2014 Awards Event PR#4 Finalists, 8/25 (forwarded e-mail)
- E. West Amwell Township
 - WA Wonders Senior Citizens Club re: Donation Acknowledgement, 7/20
 - * - Gerald M. Rygg re: Mowing within the Hills at Hunterdon Community, 7/31
 - Carl Dale re: George Washington Road, 8/6
 - * - Consultant Shirley Bishop re:
 - + Comments to COAH Reminder, 7/29
 - + COAH OPRA Response & CD
 - + CD on Buildable Limit Capacity, 8/8
 - * - Board of Directors/Hills @ Hunterdon re: Mowing at the Hills @ Hunterdon Community, 8/4
- F. Other Municipalities
 - City of Lambertville re: Notice of Ordinance Adoption, 7/23
 - Township of Readington re: Resolution to Strongly Encourage COAH to Keep the Non-Residential Development Fee Standard at 2.5 Percent, 8/7
- G. NJ Conservation re:
 - Summer News in the Garden State-Family Farm Saved, 7/21 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Summer News – Hamilton Township Farm Save, 7/28 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Action Alert on Open Space Funding, 7/30 & 8/1 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Thank You for Helping! Open Space Measure Passes, 8/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Fighting for Perpetuity: A Report on Protecting New Jersey's Palisades, 8 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Just In – 43 Acre Family Farm Preserved in Salem County, 8/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Summer News – A “Peachy” Farm Preservation!, 8/19 (2) (forwarded e-mail)
- H. Andrew Sinclair re:
 - New Gas Pipeline Project, 7/22 (forwarded e-mail)
 - PennEast Pipeline – Press Release, 8/12
 - PennEast Pipeline Information, 8/12
- I. Susan Wiener/PAIC re:
 - 2015 Course Requests-Action Needed if You Would Like to Host Classes in 2015, 7/28 (forwarded e-mail)
 - MEL Leadership Training Announcement & Registration for Morris 2014, 8/19 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Annual School Crossing Guard Training, 8/20 (forwarded e-mail)
 - ALS Ice Bucket Challenge, 8/22 (forwarded e-mail)
 - 2015 Course Requests – Action Needed if You Would Like to Host Classes in 2015, 8/22 (forwarded e-mail)
- J. Marc Pfeiffer re:
 - + Municipal Technology Risk Assessment Study, 7/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Reminder Notice, 8/7 (forwarded e-mail)
- K. Sustainable Raritan River re: NEWS from the Raritan River Initiative, August 2014, 7/30 (forwarded e-mail)
- L. HART re: Annual Report 2013-14, 7/31 (forwarded e-mail)
- * M. Twisted Metal Auto Works, LLC re: Business Closing, 7/30
- N. NJ Shade Tree Federation re: Mid-Year Status Reports, 7/20
- O. Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association re: Butterfly Festival, 8/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- P. Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. D/B/A Elizabethtown Gas Notice of Public Hearings, 8/11
- Q. Lower Delaware Wild 7 Scenic re: PennEast Pipeline Company Pipeline Project, 8/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- R. PennEast re: Proposed PennEast Pipeline Project, (2) 8/7 & 8/11
- S. Crossroad of the American Revolution re:
 - August 2014 Newsletter, 8/15 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Here are 8 Great Reasons to Become a Member, 8/20 (forwarded e-mail)
- T. Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission re: Request for OEM Contact Information, 8/15
- U. John Anderson/First Energy Corp re: Open House and RDO Tour, August 21st, 8/18/14 (forwarded e-mail)
- V. NJ Planning Officials re: Come Celebrate with NJPO Sept 19th Awards Breakfast, 8/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- W. APWA re: Annual Awards Program, 8/13
- X. Michael Niznik re: PAIC Loss Control Survey, 8/25 (forwarded e-mail)

15. ADJOURNMENT

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