

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

April 15, 2015 – 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, 2015, 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 Clean Up Day – April 25th, Permits Available at Clerk's Office
 - Randy Hoagland Appreciation Day – April 25th, 9 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. @ Municipal Building, Stop By to Extend Good Wishes for His Retirement, Refreshments Available
 - Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
 - Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting
5. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES
 - A. April 1, 2015 Regular Meeting
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: Ordinance 3, 2015 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) Proof of Publication
 - 2) Public Hearing
 - 3) Action on Ordinance
9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Open Space
 - 1) Authorization to Post February 10, 2015 Minutes to Website
 - 2) Project Status Updates
 - B. Environmental
 - 1) Authorization to Post March 12, 2015 Minutes to Website
 - 2) Planting Suggestions for Parks & Rec, JCP&L Mitigation
 - C. Ag Advisory
 - 1) Authorization to Post January 29, 2015 Minutes to Website
 - D. Finance Advisory
 - 1) Report on April 6th Meeting with School Board re: Budget Issues
10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Possible Appointments
 - B. Updates
 - 1) Five Person Committee
 - 2) 2014 Auctioned Property – B 46 L 5,6,7
 - 3) Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - C. Donated Sick Leave Policy/Recommendation by Committeeman Dale
 - D. Current Sick Leave Agreement/Payoff

- E. Kari Drive
 - 1) Change Order & Payment Authorization
 - 2) Release of Performance Bond/Acceptance of Maintenance Bond
- F. Discussion on Increasing Garbage Fees
- G. Resolution Authorizing Sale of Surplus Property
- 11. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Township Reassessment
 - B. Resolution for Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Month
 - C. Phone System
 - D. Recycling
 - 1) Tonnage Grant Resolution
 - 2) Tonnage Tax Resolution
 - 3) Truck Purchase Discussion
 - E. Anti-panhandling Ordinances (Attorney Faherty)
 - F. Resolution Refunding COAH Fees for Block 28 Lot 19.03
 - G. Summer Employment
 - 1) DPW – Mowing
 - 2) Dog Census Takers
 - H. Retirement Resolution & Flyer
- 12. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- 13. ADMINISTRATIVE
 - A. Treasurer
 - Possible Resolutions
 - Presentation of Bills for Approval
 - B. Tax Collector
 - Monthly Report for February & March 2015
 - C. Construction Report for March 2015
 - D. Police Report for March 2015
 - E. Website Review
- 14. CORRESPONDENCE
 - A. NJ League of Municipalities
 - Federal Update; Grant Announcement; Upcoming Seminar, 3/31 (forwarded e-mail)
 - The NJLM and NJAPZA Present Seminar on “D” Variances; April Grant Page Posted, 4/1 (forwarded e-mail)
 - State Budget Developments; New Jersey Digital Government Summit, 4/1 (forwarded e-mail)
 - April 2015 Mayor’s Newsline, 4/1 (forwarded e-mail)
 - NJ Public Employment Conference; Upcoming Webinar; Upcoming Seminar, 4/2 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Weekly Policy Update, 4/2 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Reminder: Free Statewide Summit; Grant Program; Do Not Forget to Claim Your CEU’s; Upcoming Webinar; Upcoming Seminar, 4/7 (forwarded e-mail)
 - * - Review of Anti-panhandling Ordinances Recommended; Upcoming Webinar, 4/8 (forwarded e-mail)
 - In Re Failure of the Council of Affordable Housing Trust Fund Commitment Regulations, 4/9 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Weekly Policy Update; NJLM Educational Foundations-Mayors’ Primer on Important Energy Issues, 4/10 (forwarded e-mail)
 - 2015 Legislative Roster Available FREE On-line; Local Liquor License Information Request; Upcoming Webinar, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
 - B. United States

C. State of New Jersey

- Dept of Ag re: Sending Large Documents to the SADC – New Procedures, 4/1 (forwarded e-mail)
- DCA re:
 - + Webinar “How New Jersey Manages Its Fiscally Distressed Cities,” 4/7 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Municipal User-Friendly Budget Now Live, 4/9 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Important Updates on User-Friendly Budget, 4/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- DEP re:
 - + Green Acres File #1026-00-007 Open Space Plan Acquisitions, 3/24
 - + Press Release – Christie Administration to Provide Seedlings to Replace Trees Lost During Sandy, 3/31 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Press Release – NJDEP Publishes Update on Geologic Map, 4/2 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification, 4/2
 - + Press Release – ExxonMobil Proposed Settlement, 4/7 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Earth Week Events, 4/7 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Earth Day & Environmental Education Week, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Island Beach State Park – Southern Swimming Area, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- Office of the Governor re: New Contact Person, 4/1 (forwarded e-mail)
- Assemblyman Auth re: Proposed Transparent Tax Act of 2015 Legislation, 3/6

D. Hunterdon County

E. West Amwell Township

F. Other Municipalities

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- Township of Aberdeen re: Child Abuse Prevention Month, 4/6 (forwarded e-mail)

G. NJ Conservation Foundation re: Auction of Historic Home to Benefit Conservation, 3/30 (forwarded e-mail)

H. Lower Delaware Wild & Scenic re: There's Still Space Available, 4/1 (forwarded e-mail)

I. Alisa Harris re: PennEast Pipeline Update – Current Preferred Alternative, 4/1 (forwarded e-mail)

J. Jaclyn Nawa re: PennEast Communications Update, 4/2 (forwarded e-mail)

K. Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area re: New Additions to April's Calendar of Events, 4/3 (forwarded e-mail)

L. Lauren Brown re:

- + PennEast Pipeline Project, 4/6 (forwarded e-mail)
- + PennEast Pipeline USGS Quadrangle Maps, 4/7 (forwarded e-mail)

M. Jeff England re: PennEast Website Link to Maps, 4/7 (forwarded e-mail)

N. Sustainable Raritan River Initiative re: News, April 2015, 4/10 (forwarded e-mail)

15. ADJOURNMENT

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