

**WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH
RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING**

January 28, 2010 – 7:30 p.m.

The West Amwell Township Board of Health met for their Re-organization meeting on the above date.

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. and declared in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act as this meeting was advertised as a Reorganization meeting to be followed by a regular meeting in the January 7, 2010 issue of the Lambertville Beacon, the Trenton Times, and the Hunterdon County Democrat. Notice of the meeting has been continuously posted on the Township bulletin board. A copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

The meeting was recorded via digital recording system and a copy of the CD is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Present: Tom Molnar, Frank P. Masterson III, George Fisher, Ken Hart,
Alternates Wendy Williams and Jim Cally and Attorney Faherty.

REORGANIZATION

SWEARING IN:

A new law specifically requires anyone newly appointed to a municipal entity to take an oath of office for that specific position, in addition to the general oath of office. Attorney Faherty administered same to Thomas J. Molnar, Frank P. Masterson, III, George A Fisher for one year terms, Kenneth T. Hart for a 3 year term, Wendy Williams for an unexpired two year term as Alternate #1 and James Cally for a two year term as Alternate #2

Williams will participate as a full voting member this evening.

ELECTION OF CHAIR:

Hart was nominated for Chair on motion from Molnar, seconded by Fisher. No other nominations were received. Roll Call: Williams-aye, Hart-abstain, Fisher-aye, Masterson-aye, Molnar-aye. Mr. Hart will serve as Chair.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR:

Kropp was nominated in absentia by Fisher for Vice-Chair and Molnar seconded. No other nominations were received. Roll Call: Williams-aye, Hart-aye, Fisher-aye, Masterson-aye, Molnar-aye. Mr. Kropp will serve as Vice Chair.

DESIGNATING A MEETING SCHEDULE:

BOH RESOLUTION 01-2010

BE IT RESOLVED by the West Amwell Township Board of Health that Board of Health meetings will be held on the following dates in 2010 at 7:30 p.m.:

March 25
May 20
July 22
September 23
October 28
December 16

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that meetings of the Board of Health will be held at the Municipal Building, 150 Rocktown-Lamb. Road, Lambertville (West Amwell).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all meetings will be held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Special meetings shall be at the call of the Chair or written request by a member of the Board to the Secretary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that requests for agenda placement be received no later than one week prior to the scheduled meeting date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Building is handicapped accessible but the Board Secretary's office is to be contact 24 hours in advance for any special accommodations.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be posted on the Township bulletin board and transmitted to the Lambertville Beacon, the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Trenton Times within seven days of adoption.

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion from Molnar, seconded by Williams.

ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING

BOH RESOLUTION 02-2010

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Order of Business and the conducting of business at all meetings shall be as follows:

1. Call to order and statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act
2. Presentation of Minutes
3. Agenda Review
4. Open to the Public/Topic not on the Agenda
5. Introduction of Ordinances and/or Public Hearing and/or Special Presentation
6. New Business
7. Unfinished Business
8. Administrative Reports
9. Correspondence
10. Discussion
11. Adjournment

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion from Fisher, seconded by Molnar.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL PAPERS

BOH RESOLUTION 03-2010

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Hunterdon County Democrat be established as the Official Newspaper and the Trenton Times is designated as the daily newspaper having the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the area of jurisdiction of the Township of its meetings.

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion from Fisher, seconded by Molnar.

REGULAR MEETING

The Board moved into the regular portion of the meeting.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the December 17, 2009 Regular meeting were held.

AGENDA REVIEW:

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPIC NOT ON THE AGENDA:

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING AND/OR SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

NEW BUSINESS:

Award of STW Quotes for 2010 -

RESOLUTION #04-2010

WHEREAS, the West Amwell Board of Health is in need of soil witness(es) for its Soil Testing program for 2010, and

WHEREAS, a Request for Quote was advertised in the Lambertville Beacon and Hunterdon County Democrat; and

WHEREAS one quote was received as follows:

James P. Chalupa	\$200.00/day
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WHEREAS, James P. Chalupa has submitted the only bid for the requested work and satisfied the requirements set forth in the advertisement; and

WHEREAS, a Business Registration Certificate has been submitted; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has certified that sufficient funds are available in the 2010 Temporary Budget and will be made available in the 2010 Budget under line item Public Health Services OE for this expenditure

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the West Amwell Township Board of Health that the quote for soil test witnessing be awarded to James P. Chalupa

The Resolution was unanimously adopted on motion from Molnar, seconded by Williams.

Vet for Rabies Clinic and Emergencies - Dr. Maxian will do the Rabies clinic in May. His cost is \$100/hour. The proposal was unanimously accepted.

Animal Control Holding Facility Contract for 2010 – Dr. Tindall of the Mobile Veterinary Service will again provide the Township with this service. Dr. Tindall was paid a grand total of \$30.00 in 2009.

The Chair was unanimously authorized to sign the contract on motion from Molnar, seconded by Williams.

Model Ordinance – Lead Poisoning Prevention – This proposal was received from the Department of the Public Advocate in response to Governor Corzine's

Executive Order #100 that challenged State agencies that deal with lead to enhance their efforts and to work more collaboratively. Mr. Cally provided an overview of the provisions which lead to a brief discussion by Board members who questioned administrative issues and if this was any huge concern in West Amwell. Board members will review for the next meeting.

Invitation to 2nd Annual Local BOH Orientation Session – Members Williams and Fisher will definitely attend. Cally and Molnar expressed interest but could not immediately confirm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Bill List - The following invoices were received and paid from the BOH line on December 30, 2009 ; are provided for information purposes; and, were unanimously accepted by the Board.

DATE	VENDOR	AMOUNT PAID
12/30/2009	Russell Reid, Inc	\$1,248.58
	Mt. Holly MUA	86.54

CLOSED SESSION & RESULTS, IF ANY:

CORRESPONDENCE:

The following items were received from the **Hunterdon County Health Dept.:**

- A letter concerning the pending subdivision of Block 21 Lot 12 was received.
- The 2nd Annual Local BOH Orientation Session will be held February 23rd at the County Complex.
- NJ LINCS provided information on Influenza-Like-Illness. Hunterdon County has had 27 confirmed cases by culture of the virus.
- A synopsis of NJ Animal Rabies Cases by County for 2009 showed Hunterdon with 7 terrestrial cases and 1 bat. The counties with the highest number of diagnosed animal rabies cases were Burlington (30), Morris (23), Ocean (25), and Passiac (24).

DISCUSSION:

Jim Cally presented a recent article about Franklin Township's regulation of septic systems, noting that something similar may be coming our way. It was mentioned that the approved Wastewater Management Plan supposedly exempts the Township from this proposed DEP requirement. However, a failing system impacts both adjacent homeowners and the aquifer thereby becoming a

health issue for everyone. A brief discussion ensued about the need for homeowner education on the use and care of their septic system.

A second article concerning New Jersey's clean water, and carrying a similar theme, mentioned that legislation is being considered that would extend the deadline for counties to comply with new wastewater regulations and take ultimate authority for approving new wastewater plans from DEP and give it to the State Planning Commission, a 'dysfunctional body with no expertise or authority over this critical area,' according to the article.

The Board members were advised of the need to submit their Financial Disclosure/Ethics forms. A copy of the form and a memorandum giving the web address for on-line preparation was provided in the meeting packet.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:35 p.m. on motion from Molnar, seconded by Masterson.

Respectfully submitted,

Lora Olsen, Secretary