

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
April 25, 2012

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 3, 2012, 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
 - 2012 Dog Licenses are Overdue – Late Fees Apply
 - Municipal Offices Closed May 28, 2012 for Memorial Day
 - Hunterdon County Hazardous Waste Collection – July 14th
 - Hunterdon County Electronics Collections – October 13th
 - PSE&G ROW Easement Trimming Along Branchburg & Roseland Lines
To Commence July 1st and Continue Thru 2013
 - 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 28, 2012 Special Meeting
 - B. March 28, 2012 Regular Meeting
 - C. March 28, 2012 Closed Session
 - D. March 31, 2012 Special Meeting
 - E. April 9, 2012 Special Meeting
 - F. April 18, 2012 Special Meeting (Budget Workshop)
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. Sustainable Jersey re: Presentation of Certification Plaque
 - B. Solar Project Update – Brad Campbell
 - C. Road to Monmouth Battlefield/Bridge Restoration – John & Barbara Hencheck
 - D. Municipal Alliance – Jason Fuhr
 - E. FFA – Kelly Albinar
 - F. Regionalization Study – Dave Beaumont
 - G. Technology Committee – Dave Beaumont
 - H. Public Hearing: Ordinance 6, 2012 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 1, 2012 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
 - I. Public Hearing: Ordinance 7, 2012 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 3, 2011 AMENDING CHAPTER 109 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL (Renewable Energy Facilities)
1) Proof of Publication 2) PB Response 3) Public Hearing 4) Action on Ordinance

- J. Public Hearing: Ordinance 8, 2012 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 75 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL (Dogs and Other Animals)
1) Proof of Publication 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance

- K. Introduction: Ordinance 9, 2012 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 109, SECTION 109-64 OF THE CODE OF WEST AMWELL (Right to Farm)
1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Adopt on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing

L. Resolution Amending Capital Budget

- Introduction: Ordinance 10, 2012 A CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, AUTHORIZING VARIOUS PURCHASES LISTED BELOW AND APPROPRIATING \$100,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND
1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Adopt on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing

- M. Introduction: 2012 Budget
1) Budget Resolution 2) Motion to Introduce 3) Set Public Hearing

8. SPECIAL AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Open Space

- 1) Toll Trees
- 2) Nunn

B. Environmental

- 1) Authorization to Post March 8, 2012 Minutes on Website

C. Affordable Housing

- 1) Continued Discussion Concerning Options re:
 - HMFA/DHS/DCA Partnership/Program Description
 - + Possible Resolution for Participation
 - + Memorandum of Understanding
 - + Possible Resolution to Transfer Funds to State Program
 - SERV
 - + Marilyn Tickin of SERV Properties & Management, Inc.
 - + Authorize \$90,000 Contribution from Affordable Housing Trust Fund/Letter of Intent/Possible Resolution
- 2) Possible Resolution to Revise Spending Plan to Include Group Home
- 3) Resolution Authorizing Consultant Bishop to Apply for a Spending Amendment
- 4) Resolution to Withdraw Trust Fund Money for Administrative Expenses
- 5) Resolution to Enter into Contract for WAT Rehabilitation Program
- 6) Re-hab Consultant
- 7) Resolution Approving Escrow Agreement for Housing Trust Fund

D. Ag Advisory

- 1) Authorization to Post March 1, 2012 Minutes on Website

E. Finance Advisory

- 1) Authorization to Post February 29, 2012 Minutes on Website

F. Recycling

- 1) Appointment of Certified Recycling Coordinator
- 2) Tonnage Grant and Tonnage Tax Resolutions

G. Parks & Recreation

- 1) Special Account

H. Sourland Alliance

- 1) Authorization to Post Shared Information from Montgomery

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Appointments, continued

- B. Updates re:
 - 1) List Serve
 - 2) Energy Audit Program
 - 3) 2010 Census/Contested Numbers
 - 4) Dog Census
 - 5) Status of Meeting with Legislators re: Energy Tax Receipts (ETR)/CMPTRA
 - 6) Verizon Meeting
 - 7) Bleacher Memorial
 - 8) South Tax Rate
 - 9) Orleans Maintenance Bond/Status on Completion
- C. Resolution Awarding Firehouse Roof Bid
- D. Resolution Awarding Police Station A/C Unit
- E. South County Library
- 10. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Approval of Music Mountain Tax Appeal Settlement
 - B. Resolutions for Consideration
 - Supporting A-2717 Extending Time Period to Commit/Expend Development Fees
 - Municipal Enlistment in the Military Initiative
 - National Police Week
 - C. Discussion Items re:
 - Joint Yearly Open Public Meeting with Local School Boards (Best Practices)
 - Shared Service Possibility
 - Date for Meeting with Fire Company & Auxiliary
 - Proposed Amendments to Purchasing Procedures
- 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
 - Report of Uncollectible Taxes
 - C. Clerk/Human Resources
 - Updated Personnel Policies & Procedures Manual
 - D. Construction – Monthly Report for March 2012
 - E. Court
 - F. Police
 - G. Roads
 - Monthly Report for March 2012
 - 2011 Stormwater Report/Filed
 - H. Zoning – Monthly Report for March 2012
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE
 - A. NJ League of Municipalities
 - Becky Wright re:
 - + Additional Resource Materials, 3/27 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Mayors: State taking towns' money, 3/29 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Energy Tax Restoration Task Force Press Event, 4/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + State, towns in tug of war over energy tax, 4/9 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Check out Chuch Chiarello/NJ must stop skimming energy-tax funds From towns, 4/9 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + DRAFT Memo to ETR Restoration Task Force, 4/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Speakers for Monday Conference Call, 4/12 (forwarded e-mail) - 2

- + Great Editorial in Star Ledger Today, 4/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- + News Coverage, 4/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Energy Tax Receipts Restoration Press Conference Information, 4/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- New Continuing Education Units Posted, 3/27 (forwarded e-mail)
- Seminar: A Review of the Open Public Records Act (OPRA), 3/28 (forwarded e-mail)
- Updated Credits for Upcoming League Seminar, 3/29 (forwarded e-mail)
- Support National Donate Life Month, 3/30 (forwarded e-mail)
- Please forward to your Vendors, 3/30 (forwarded e-mail)
- Legislative Bulletin, March 2012, No. 1
- Mayor's Newslines for April 2012, 3/31 (forwarded e-mail)
- Special Invitation to State Info Technology Presentation; April Grant page Posted; May 1 CEU Tracking System of League Conference Shut Down, 4/2 (forwarded e-mail)
- * - Affordable Housing/Municipal Trust Fund Dollars & Draft Resolution in Support Of A-2717 Extending the deadline on housing trust funds, 4/2 (forwarded e-mail)
- CEU Tracking System for League Conference Sessions, 4/3
- Daily Advisory – April 3, 2012, previous topics, 4/3 (forwarded e-mail)
- New Procedures for Local Financial Disclosure Statement, 4/3 (forwarded e-mail)
- Water Quality Information Program, 4/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- New Publication on Support for Small Businesses Available on-line; Upcoming League Seminar, 4/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- Last Minute Reminder – Please forward to your Vendors; Make sure you have the most current edition 2012 NJ Local Government Deskbook, 4/9 (forwarded e-mail)
- Affordable Housing Trust Fund, July Deadline, 4/9 (forwarded e-mail)
- Energy Tax Receipts Restoration Effort Continues; The Mini One Day Conference, 4/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- * - Second Request – Please Support our Men & Women in Uniform, 4/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- Upcoming Sustainable Jersey Workshop & Webinars, 4/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- Sample Resolution in Support of A-2454, Eliminates Unemployment for Seasonal Workers, 4/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- Please forward to Your Vendors, 4/13
- Office Space for Lease, 4/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- NJ Digital Government Summit May 1st & 2nd, 4/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory, previous topic, 4/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- Press Conference Tax Skim, 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory, previous topic, 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
- Seminar: Open Public Records (OPRA), 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
- President Art Ondish re: News Coverage, 4/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- Energy Receipts Restoration Press Conference; GMIS Conference for Municipal Tech Managers, 4/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- Recent United States Supreme Court Decision on Qualified Immunity for Part-time Government Employees, 4/20 (forwarded e-mail)
- League Interlocal Advisory Service, 4/20 (forwarded e-mail)
- Hiring our Heroes – Mega Job Fair, 4/23 (forwarded e-mail)
- Sustainable Jersey: Announcement Today of \$200,000 for Municipal Sustainability Projects, 4/23 (forwarded e-mail)
- B. United States
 - Congressman Holt re:
 - + Two Years of Health Reform, 3/30 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Again!, 4/6 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + If You Received a Receipt for Your Taxes, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Oil Spill Amnesia, 4/20 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Senator Menendez re: Good News for Our Communities, 4/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- C. State of New Jersey
 - DCA re:
 - + Designing Health Communities, April 21, 28 & May 19, 3/27 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + General Web Site change announcement, 3/28 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + GovConnect re:
 - # Farewell note, 4/2 (forwarded e-mail)
 - # Update April 3, 2012, 4/3 (forwarded e-mail)

- # Update April 17, 2012, 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), 4/12/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + New CMT Training Classes, 4/17
 - + PERC – Statutorily Required Contract Filings, 4/19
 - DEP re:
 - + Reminder for the 25th Anniversary of the Signing of the Mandatory Recycling Act, 3/29 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Reminder – Phase Two of the New Fertilizer Law is in Effect, 4/3 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Press Advisory – Trout Stocking, 4/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Press Release re:
 - # Wildfire Danger Alert, 4/5 (forwarded e-mail)
 - # Fish Advisories, 4/18 (forwarded e-mail)
 - # New Project Touts Green Practices, 4/19 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Media Advisory – Clean Air Council Public Hearing, 4/10 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Grant Award for “Implementation of Alexauken Watershed Plan,” 4/12
 - DOT re:
 - + Hunterdon & Somerset County Complete Streets Training Workshop, 3/30
 - + 2012 Municipal Aid Denial for Old York Road 1 & Rocktown Hill 2 4/9
 - SADC re: Municipal Planning Incentive Grant – Green Light Review Nunn Farm SADC ID #10-0336-PG, 4/6
 - Office of the Governor re:
 - + Jersey to Jerusalem: Economic Growth, Diplomacy, Observance, 4/2 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Day #2 per above, 4/3 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Day #3 per above, 4/4 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Day #4 per above, 4/5 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Video Highlights: Governor Christie speaks at GWB Institute Conference on Taxes and Economic Growth, 4/10 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + New Poll: Governor Chris Christie has record-high approval ratings in NJ, 4/11 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Senator Turner re:
 - + Resolution Opposing S1451 & S1452, 4/9
 - + Response to Resolution #71, 2012 ETR Restoration, 4/12
 - Assemblyman Gusciora re:
 - + Resolution Supporting Restoration of Energy Tax Receipts, 4/17
 - + Resolutions Opposing S-1451 & S-1452, 4/17
 - + Resolutions Opposing S-1451 & S-1452, 4/19
- D. Hunterdon County
- Dept of Human Services re: Clothing Drive, 3/27
 - Susan Pena re: 2011 West Amwell Recycling Information, 4/3
 - Josie Glynn re:
 - + April 24th Recycling Celebration, 4/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + CRP Signatures, 4/12
 - + Municipal Information Request, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + 2011 Tonnage Reports, 4/19
 - Alan Johnson re: Upcoming Collection Events for Hazardous Waste & Electronics, 4/17
- E. West Amwell Township
- Martin Allen re: Verizon Filing, 3/26
 - Wendy Williams re: Speed Bumps, 4/2
 - Dave Beaumont re: Analysis of the 2012 Property Evaluations, 4/23 (forwarded e-mail)
- F. Other Municipalities
- Township of Readington re:
 - + Resolution Supporting Governor’s Proposal to Create Veterans Haven North Facility, 4/4
 - + Resolution Requesting Amendments to OPRA Regarding Privacy, 4/4
 - + Resolution Requesting Public Hearings on the Flood Hazard Area Permit Application for Transcontinental Gas Pipeline, 4/4

- Township of Union re: Resolution Objecting to the Use of the 2001 State Plan Policy Map, 4/9
- Borough of Califon re: Resolution Requesting a Study of School District Consolidation Alternatives in the County of Hunterdon, 3/21
- Township of Bordentown re: Resolution Opposing S1451 & S1452, 4/13
- Township of Raritan re:
 - + Resolution Supporting Governor Christie's Proposal to Create Veterans Haven North Facility in Hunterdon County, 4/17
 - + Resolution for Restoration of the PARIS Grant Program, 4/17
- G. Century Link re: Community Events and Website Listing, 3/26
- H. New Jersey Future re: More New Jersey Commuters Relying on Transit to Get to Work, 4/3 (forwarded e-mail)
- I. PB World re:
 - Complete Street Training Workshop for Hunterdon & Somerset County, 4/3 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Complete Street Training Workshop for Hunterdon & Somerset County – Reminder, 4/12 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Sign Up Today – Complete Streets Workshop – April 23rd, 4/17
- J. Richard Roseberry re: Complete Street Training Workshop, 4/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- K. The Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed re: The StreamWatcher – Spring 2012 Issue, 4/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- L. 25th Anniversary or Recycling in NJ Symposium, 4/5 (forwarded e-mail)
- M. New Jersey Conservation Foundation re: Field & Fashion – Conservation Celebration – April 21, 2012, 4/5 (forwarded e-mail)
- N. Hunterdon County Municipal Officers' Association re:
 - + April 26th Meeting, 4/5 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Reminder for Upcoming Meeting, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- O. Crossroads of the American Revolution re:
 - Discover Revolutionary New Jersey, 4/5 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Newsletter Correction, 4/6 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Position Opening Announcement, 4/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- P. Hunterdon Prevention re:
 - Saving Lives Through the NJ Good Samaritan Bill – April 25th, 4/6 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Join us for Family Fun Day, April 21st at Hunterdon County Family Success Center, 4/6 (forwarded e-mail)
- Q. Sustainable Jersey re:
 - Certified Packet, 3/30
 - Sustainable Jersey Certification Plaque, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- R. North Jersey Resource Conservation & Development re: Volunteer Event, 4/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- S. Lower Delaware River Wild & Scenic re: NPS Section 7 Reviews 2011-NJ, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
- T. New Jersey Planning Officials re: 2012 Award Recipients Announcement, 4/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- U. PAIC re: News from PAIC, 3/29 (forwarded e-mail)
- V. HART re:
 - Complete Streets Workshop on April 23rd, 4/20
 - April 2012 E-News, 4/23 (forwarded e-mail)
- W. DW Smith re: NJDEP Letter of Interpretation, Presence/Absence Determination Block 12 Lot 9.01, 4/20

14. ADJOURNMENT

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