

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

May 6, 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
 - JCP&L Spring Transmission Aerial Patrol Begins May 4th, 2 weeks
 - Remembrance Gathering for Former Mayor Barbara Gill, May 16th 2 p.m., Municipal Building
 - Municipal Offices Closed May 25th in Observance of Memorial Day
 - Primary Election, June 2nd, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., Municipal Building
 - 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 15, 2015 Regular Meeting
6. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPIC NOT ON THE AGENDA (limited to 15 minutes)
7. SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)
 - A. Shirley Bishop re: COAH - Supreme Court Opinion, Next Steps
8. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING
 - A. Public Hearing: 2015 West Amwell Open Space Trust Fund
 - B. Public Hearing: 2015 West Amwell Township Budget
 - 1) Proof of Publication 2) Resolution for Self Examination 3) Resolution to Read by Title 4) Public Hearing 5) Budget Resolution
 - C. Introduction: Ordinance 04, 2015 AN ORDINANCE 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
 - D. Introduction: Ordinance 05, 2015 A CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, AUTHORIZING VARIOUS PURCHASES LISTED BELOW AND APPROPRIATING \$54,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.
 - 1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing
 - E. Introduction: Ordinance 06, 2015 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK OF WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP TO INCLUDE A DONATED SICK LEAVE POLICY
 - 1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing
9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Open Space
 - 1) Project Status Updates

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Possible Appointments
 - 1) Committee/Board
 - 2) Substitute Building Sub-Code/Inspector
 - B. Updates
 - 1) Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - 2) Township Re-assessment (Attorney Faherty)
 - 3) Final Tonnage Numbers
 - 4) Insurance Loss
 - 5) Dog Census
 - 6) Township Committee Expansion Petition
 - C. Current Sick Leave Agreement
 - D. Summer Employment & Possible Resolutions to Hire
 - E. Approval for the Distribution of the St Baldrick's Flyer @ Depot
11. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. 2015 Salary & Wage Resolution
 - B. Resolution in Support of A4235, the Transparent Tax Act of 2015
 - C. Resolution/Proclamation for Relay for Life of Hunterdon County
 - D. Resolution for National Police Officer Week
 - E. Potential Project with Organic Waste/Rutgers EcoComplex re: Meeting
 - F. Discussion Concerning Solar Projects/Recent NJ.Com Article
 - G. Hunterdon County 2nd Annual Community Day
 - H. Fire Official
12. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
13. ADMINISTRATIVE
 - A. Treasurer
 - Possible Resolutions
 - B. Tax Collector
 - Possible Resolutions
 - Monthly Report
 - C. Construction Report for April 2015
 - E. Court Report for March 2015
 - F. Police
 - G. Roads Report for April 2015
 - H. Zoning
 - I. Website Review
14. CORRESPONDENCE
 - A. NJ League of Municipalities
 - Legislative Roster Available FREE On-line; Local Liquor License Information Request; Upcoming Webinar, 4/13 (forwarded e-mail)
 - User Friendly Budget Forms & Instructions Available On-line; FRE Seminar; Upcoming Seminar; Don't Forget AC CEU's, 4/14 (forwarded e-mail)
 - NJ Digital Government Summit; Upcoming Webinar; Upcoming Seminar; Mini 1 day Conference, 4/15 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Weekly Policy Update; NJLM Educational Foundations-Mayors Primer on Important Energy Issues; Upcoming Seminar, 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Mini One Day Conference, 4/20 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Seminar Round Up, 4/22 (forwarded e-mail)
 - SOLD OUT; NJLM Educational Foundation-Mayors' Primer on Important Energy Issues; Upcoming Seminar & Mini Conference, 4/24 (forwarded e-mail)

- Weekly Policy Update, 4/24 (forwarded e-mail)
- Legislative Bulletin, No 2 March 2015
- Federal Update; final Week! Do No Forget to Claim Your CEU's from the 2014 NJLM Annual Conference, 4/27 (forwarded e-mail)
- Seminar Round Up; New Funding Opportunity Announcement, 4/28 (forwarded e-mail)
- New Jersey Digital Government Summit, 4/29 (forwarded e-mail)
- League of Municipalities Appoints New Executive Team, 4/29 (forwarded e-mail)
- NJLM Educational Foundation – Mayors' Primer on Important Energy Issues; Do Not Forget to Claim Your CEUs, 4/30 (forwarded e-mail)
- Affordable Housing Webinar, 5/1 (forwarded e-mail)
- Surface Transportation Subcommittee, 5/1 (forwarded e-mail)
- Mayor's Newslines, May 2015, 5/2 (forwarded e-mail)
- 2015 NJ Sustainability Summit on June 10th, 5/2 (forwarded e-mail)
- B. United States
 - Dept. of Justice re: Upcoming FY2015 COPS Office Grant Program Solicitations for the COPS Hiring Program (CHP) and the Community Policing Development (CPD) Program, 4/29 (forwarded e-mail)
- C. State of New Jersey
 - DCA re:
 - + GovConnect Update: April 14, 2015, 4/14 (forwarded e-mail)
 - DEP re:
 - + Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification, Spectra Energy (5), 4/10, 4/14, 4/17, 4/21, 4/22
 - + Media Advisory – Post-Sandy Beach Construction Projects, 4/16 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Press Release – Christie Administration, Army Corps Launch Two More Major Beach Construction Projects, 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Recycling Poetry Contest, 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + New Release – Earth Day Op-Ed, 4/22 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Air Quality Awareness Week, 4/27 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Press Release – Black Bears, 4/28 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Installation of Diesel Emission Filters, 4/29 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Press Release – Wildfire Prevention Tips, 4/30 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Dept. of Education re: 2015-2016 Municipal Percentage Shares for Tax Levies For Regional School Districts and Districts Merged Pursuant to P.L.2009, c.78, 4/8
 - DOT re: Municipal Aid Program for Fiscal Year 2015, 4/20
- D. Hunterdon County
 - Josie Glynn re:
 - + April 20th – NJTPA, 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
 - + Hold the Date, Shared Services Breakfast Talk, 4/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Office of County Engineer re: Installation of New Fuel Management System, 4/2
 - Karen Briggs re: Invitation to Join HC Planning Board & Together North Jersey Information Forum, 4/23 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Ken Bogen re: Potential; Manufacturing Sites, 4/24 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Alan Johnson re: 2015 Grant Allocations List (Clean Communities), 5/4
- E. West Amwell Township
 - * - Consultant Shirley M. Bishop re: Revised Fair Share Housing Center Numbers, 4/19 (forwarded e-mail)
 - * - Fire Official Fretz re: Job Opportunity, 5/3 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Hills at Hunterdon re: Road Maintenance Schedule, 4/30
- F. Other Municipalities
 - Town of Clinton re: URGENT – COAH, 4/15 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Township of Readington re: Resolution Opposing NJ Assembly Bill No 4197 and Any Other Efforts Made by the Senate or Assembly to Reduce Funding for Historic Preservation, 4/14
 - Delaware Township re: Ordinance #2015-06 Land Use Public Hearing, 4/16
 - Township of Ewing re: Resolution #15R-84 – Urging the Legislature to Pass S1279 to Provide Immediate Relief to the Lead Hazard Control Assistance Fund for Complete Restoration of the Fund, 4/17
 - East Amwell Township re: Resolution of Support for A4235, 4/21 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Township of Union re: Resolution Supporting Assembly Bill A-4325, 4/15
 - Township of Readington re: Resolution Supporting the Transparent Tax Act of 2015, 4/21

- G. NJ Conservation Foundation re:
 - Take the Step into Nature Challenge, 4/15 (forwarded e-mail)
 - 40 Acre Farm Preserved in Warren County, 4/27 (forwarded e-mail)
- H. HART re: Hunterdon Bike to Work Month 2015, Register Today (2), 4/16 & 4/27/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- I. NJ Clerks Assn re:
 - Model Noise Ordinance, 4/17 (forwarded e-mail)
 - Transparent Tax Act of 2015 Resolution, 4/24
- * J. Judith Tutela re: Relay for Life of Hunterdon County, 4/22 (forwarded e-mail)
- K. Shirley Skillman re: 2015 Jason Fuhr Memorial Charity Open on July 27th
- L. FERC re: Project Update for the PennEast Pipeline Project
- M. Raritan Headwaters re: Invitation to Hear What Columbia University Students Have Learned About Our Watershed, 4/27 (forwarded e-mail)
- N. New Jersey Builders Association re: Letter to Judge Coleman Concerning NJ Supreme Court Decision Returning Mount Laurel Matters to the Trial Courts, 4/24
- * O. Serpil Guran/Rutgers re: Potential Project with Organic Waste, 4/29 (forwarded e-mail)
- P. Sustainable Jersey re: 2015 NJ Sustainability Summit, 4/30 (forwarded e-mail)
- * Q. Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce re: June 13th Community Day, 5/1 (forwarded e-mail)
- R. Habitat for Humanity re: Invitation to '50 Shades of Hope Gala' on May 30th, 4/27
- S. NJ Planning Officials re: COAH Webinar, 5/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- T. Gabel Associates re: SHREC CEA – End of Contract Notice, 5/4 (forwarded e-mail)

15. ADJOURNMENT

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