# WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING May 25, 2011

## 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 Lambertville Beacon, Hunterdon County Democrat and Trenton Times on January 1, 2011, 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 May 30<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day Observation
  - Municipal Offices Closed May 50 Tol Methorial Day Cook. Tallow
     Primary Election, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. @ Municipal Building
     Chicken B-B-Q @ Firehouse, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 4 p.m. 7 p.m.
     Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee

  - Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting
- PRESENTATION OF MINUTES 5.
  - A. April 27, 2011 Regular Meeting
  - B. April 27, 2011 Closed Session (Personnel; Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property)
  - C. May 5, 2011 Special Meeting
  - D. May 5, 2011 Closed Session (Personnel; Protecting the Safety & Property of the Public)
  - E. May 11, 2011 Special Meeting West Amwell School Defeated BudgetF. May 17, 2011 Special Meeting SHR Defeated Budget

  - G. Approved Closed Session Minutes for Possible Release
- OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPIC NOT ON THE AGENDA 6. (limited to 15 minutes)
- 7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING AND/OR SPECIAL **PRESENTATION** 
  - A. Municipal Alliance Jason Fuhr
  - B. Public Hearing: Ordinance 8, 2011 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)
    - 1) Proof of Publication 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance
  - C. Public Hearing: Ordinance 9, 2011 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 109 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL - Amount of Fees and Escrow Deposits Due
    - 1) Proof of Publication 2) Planning Board Response 3) Public Hearing 4) Action on Ordinance
  - D. Public Hearing: 2011 West Amwell Township Budget
    - 1) Resolution to Read by Title 2) Proof of Publication 3) Public Hearing 4) Resolution to Adopt
  - E. Resolution Constituting the 2011 Capital Budget

Introduction: Ordinance 10, 2011 – Multi-Purpose Bond Ordinance (tentative title) 1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing

- SPECIAL AND/OR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS 8.
  - A. Open Space
    - 1) Authorization to Post March 8, 2011 Minutes to Website

## B. Environmental

- 1) Resolutions for Sustainable New Jersey Certification Project
  - Pledge of Municipal Support for New Jersey's Wildlife Action Plan
    Sustainable Land Use Pledge

### C. Country Fair

1) Possible Report of Activities

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** 9.

- A. Sale of Block 8 Lots 20 & 36
  - 1) Discussion with Bryce Thompson
  - 2) Options Letter from Attorney Faherty
- B. Amwell Dam 1 Nelson/Foran
- C. 2011 Appointments, continued
- D. Updates re:
  - 1) SHREC re:
    - Lease Status
    - Letter to Commissioner Grifa
  - 2) Hunting the Farm
  - 3) Bleacher Memorial
  - 4) Block 43 Lot 2 Donation Offer
  - 5) Website
    - Request for Links
    - Online Presentation Demo Offer
  - 6) Police Update/Response
  - 7) Truck Washing
  - 8) QPA Law
- E. Approval of Energy Efficiency Project for Municipal Building
- F. Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property and/or Equipment
- G. Municipal Building Planting Request/Proposal

#### 10. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Springers Custom Cycles re: Application for License
- B. Consideration of Resolutions re:
  - 1) Changes to Open Public Meetings Act
  - 2) Repeal of RGGI (see Freeholder resolution)
- C. Uniform Allowance for Part-time/Special Patrolmen
- D. Resolution to Enter Closed Session, if needed

### 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 for April 2011
- C. Clerk/Human Resources
  - S & W Resolution Amendment
  - Resolutions of Appointment
- D. Construction
  - April 2011 Reports
  - Deposits for March & April 2011
- E. Police
- F. Roads April 2011 Work Logs
- G. Zoning
  - Monthly Report for April 2011
  - Deposits for March & April 2011

### 13. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. NJ League of Municipalities
  - 4/25 Daily Advisory re: League Acknowledges Mayors
  - 4/26 Professional Development Seminars re: "Ethics & Conflicts of Interest" and E-mail Retention and Security: Are your e-mails and other communications really that private?
  - 4/26 Invitation to the 2011 New Jersey Governor's Conference for Women
  - 4/27 Daily Advisory, previous topic (forwarded e-mail)
  - 4/27 13th Annual League Baseball Appreciation Day on June 15th
  - 4/27 Proposed New Rule for Waiver of DEP Regulations
  - 4/27 Defeated School Budgets
  - 4/28 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
  - 4/28 Daily Advisory re: Protecting Your Town's Environment (forwarded e-mail)
  - 4/29 Pew Report on State and Local Pensions Raises New Concerns
  - 4/29 Legislative Week in Review
  - 4/29 Month 25 of Economic Recovery: Where are we and where are we going?
     July 8<sup>th</sup> at Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning & Public Police
  - 4/30 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/2 Recently Signed Bills: Municipal Consolidation Study Commission; Reporting of Certain Injuries to local and State police; Mandatory Training for Certifying Officers
  - 5/2 Correcting the Census Count for Your Municipality
  - 5/2 Sustainable Jersey Wins U.S. EPA Environmental Quality Award
  - 5/2 HUD Posts Current Year CDBG Info
  - 5/2 Update from State Office of Homeland Security
  - 5/2 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/3 Limited Invitation to Tour the PSE&G Nuclear Facilities in Salem County
  - 5/3 SHARE NJ 5K WALK/RUN TO SAVE LIVES
  - 5/3 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/4 Mayors Roundtable Agenda for June 15<sup>th</sup>
  - 5/5 Daily Advisory, previous topic (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/6 A-3835 & S-2795, Inspection of multiple dwellings under State Housing Code
  - 5/9 Master Plan Change Approved by Governor
  - 5/10 Daily Advisory re: Tour the PSE&G Nuclear facilities in Salem County (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/11 S-2006/A-3125, Regulating Solar Panels
  - 5/12 Support Our Efforts to Help Your Property Taxpayers
  - 5/12 Professional Development Seminar re: "Governing With Less Yet Doing More: Options and Strategies in County and Municipal Government for 2011" on Sept 28<sup>th</sup>
  - 5/12 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/12 League Municipal Fiscal Conditions Survey
  - 5/13 Daily Advisory, previous topic plus update on S-2795 & S-2765 (forwarded e-mail)
  - May 2011 Legislative Bulletin No. 3
  - 5/16 S-2762 Commercial and Industrial Property Tax Refunds Released from Committee
  - 5/16 The League's Website provides valuable resources in helping you run your Municipality, 5/16
  - 5/16 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/17 NJ Residents Urged to Monitor Hazardous Weather, Potential Flood Conditions
  - 5/18 Daily Advisory, previous topic (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/18 Urge Governor and Legislators to Increase Municipal Property Tax Relief.
     Legislative Services and State Treasurer Project Increased State
     Revenue
  - 5/18 Governor Proclaims May 15-21<sup>st</sup> as Public Works Week & Proclamation
  - 5/19 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
  - 5/19 National Hurricane Week Approaches Be Prepared!!
  - 5/19 OLS Notes Fiscal Impact S-2795, Inspection of multiple dwellings under State Housing code
  - 5/19 S-2762 Commercial and Industrial Property Tax Refunds Scheduled For a Senate Vote

- -5/19 DEP's Proposed Public Access Rules
- -5/19 Daily Advisory, previous topics (forwarded e-mail)
- B. United States
  - Census Bureau re:
    - + Support the Next Generation of National GIS Initiatives, 4/27
    - + May 6: Live UStream Event—Education Attainment, 5/5 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Census Bureau Releases Most Detailed Date Yet from the 2010 Census, 5/6 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Centers of Population, 5/9 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + 2010 Census Count Question Resolution Program, 5/10
    - + Veteran-owned Businesses, Survey of Business Owners, 5/16
  - Dept of Justice re:
    - + COPS Secure Our Schools Program Solicitation Program to Open May 2, 2011, 4/28 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + COPS Hiring Program (CHP) Solicitation Now Open, 5/2 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + COPS Secure Our Schools (SOS) Program Solicitation Now Open, 5/2 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Important COPS 2011 Secure Our Schools Program Reminder Notification, 5/18
    - + Important COPS 2011 Hiring Program Reminder Notification, 5/19
  - Senator Lautenberg re: COPS Grant Seminar, 5/4 (forwarded e-mail) & Flyer
  - Congressman Holt re: COPS Program and Grant Application Deadline, 5/16
- C. State of New Jersey
  - DCA re:
    - + NJRA Redevelopment Training Institute, 5/11 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + GovConnect Update: May 28, 2011 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Upcoming NJ Downtown Revitalization & Management Institute Session on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 5/18(forwarded e-mail)
  - DEP re:
    - + Press Release Regarding the Emergence of Black Bears from their Winter Dens, 4/26 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + 3<sup>rd</sup> Public Hearing Concerning Public Access, 4/27 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Air Quality Awareness Week is May 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 6<sup>th</sup>, 5/2 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Underground Storage Tank Notification Letter, 5/3 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + 2011 Clean Communities, 5/5
    - + NJDEP SRP Mayor's Round Table Event, 5/6 (forwarded e-mail)
  - -Dept of Labor & Workforce Development re: NJ PEOSH Recordkeeping Requirements, 4/29
  - -Dept of Law & Public Safety re: Correction: Notice of Proposal, 5/4 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Government Records Council (GRC) re: 5<sup>th</sup> Annual OPRA Seminar for the Public on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 5/19 (forwarded e-mail)
  - -Assemblyman DeMaio re: A3412 (Shared Burden of Assessment Appeals), 5/10
  - Assemblyman Reed Gusciora re: Receipt of Clean Communities Grant, 5/16
  - Assemblyman Erik Peterson re: A3412 Shared Assessment Appeal Burden, 5/16
- D. Hunterdon County
  - Freeholders re:
    - + Resolution Supporting Repeal of the Global Warming Response Act (2007) and the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) Implementing Law (2007), 5/5
    - + Resolution on Early Intervention Week, 5/4
  - Planning Board re: Coffee with the County Community Gardens, 5/6 (forwarded e-mail) and 5/17 reminder notice
  - Utilities Authority re:
    - + Public Notice Amend Solid Waste Management Plan, 5/6
    - + Workshop Recycling Enforcement at the Local Level on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 5/9 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Dept of Purchasing re: Powerhouse Purchasing Practices for Local and Public School Contracting Units, 5/13
  - Dept of Human Services re: Notice of Public Hearing/Casino Revenue Funding, 5/16

- HART re:
  - + Go Green Save Green with Viridian Energy, 4/26 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + "Just Bike" Month 2011, 5/2 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + Go Green Save Green with Viridian Energy New Date, 5/9 (forwarded e-mail)
- Hunterdon Prevention Resources Town Hall Meeting re:
  - + Reminder, 4/26 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + Spring 5K Trail Run and 1 Mile Youth Fund Run/Walk, 5/11 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + Be aware of recent night time car burglaries, 5/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- Hunterdon Chamber re: 2011 Mayors Dinner on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 5/2 (forwarded e-mail)
- E. West Amwell Township
  - Brandon Grossman re: Interest in 1454 Old York Road Preserved Farm, 5/6 (forwarded e-mail)
- F. Other Municipalities
  - East Amwell Township re: Notice of Pending Ordinance (Land Management), 4/20
  - Township of Lebanon re: Resolution Opposing Reduced Allocation of Open Space Tax Levy Funds to Municipal Grant Program, 4/20
- G. Raritan Valley Rail Coalition re: Meeting Reminder, 4/26 (forwarded e-mail)
- H. PAIC re: Community Alliance Pool; Return of Surplus, 4/27
- I. NJBIA re:
  - + 2011 New Good Neighbor Awards Luncheon on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4/26
  - + Employer Legislative Committees of NJ Dinner on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 5/5
- J. Elizabethtown Gas re: Underground Damage Prevention Guidelines, 4/26
- K. Sustainable Raritan River Initiative re:
  - + 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sustainable Raritan River Conference, 5/3 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + Corrected Date: Raritan River Float on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 5/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- L. HMFA re: NJ HomeKeeper Program, 5/2
- M. NJ Clerks re: S-1351 Open Public Meetings Act Changes & Resolution, 5/4
- N. NJ Clean Energy Program re: Approved Project for Municipal Building, 5/3
  - O. Flemington Department Store re: Invitation to HC Volunteer Appreciation Weekend on June 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 5/9
  - P. Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association re:
    - + Add to Your Toolbox: Affordable Land Preservation Tools Workshop on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 5-9 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Add to Your Toolbox: Land Preservation Tools and NEW Stormwater Workshop, 5/18 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Q. Sustainable Hunterdon re: Sustainable Hunterdon News May 2011, 5/12 (forwarded e-mail)
  - R. Meals on Wheels in Hunterdon, May
  - S. Tami Lambros re: E-Gov for Econ Dev & Citizen Request Mgmt for West Amwell, 5/19 (forwarded e-mail)
    - T. NJ Clean Communities re: Teens and Adults to be Honored, 5/23 (forwarded e-mail)
- 14. ADJOURNMENT

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