# WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

September 24, 2014 – 7:30 p.m.

#### Agenda

 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, 2014, 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
  - Unwanted Prescription Drug Collection, Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, 10am-2pm, @ Municipal Building, 150 Rocktown-Lamb. Road
  - Fire Company Auxiliary Pork Dinner @ Firehouse, October 11th 4-7 p.m.
  - Municipal Offices Closed October 13<sup>th</sup> for Columbus Day
  - Last Day to Register for November 4th General Election October 14th
  - PennEast Pipeline Representatives to Attend October 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting
  - West Amwell Rabies Clinic, Municipal Complex, November 8th, 1-3 p.m.
  - Hazardous Waste Day November 8<sup>th</sup>; Electronics Recycling, October 11<sup>th</sup>, all 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., County Complex, Rt 12
  - Community Paper Shredding Day, County Complex, Rt 12, Nov 1st, 9-1 p.m.
  - Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
  - Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During Meeting
- 5. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES
  - A. August 27, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes
  - B. August 27, 2014 Closed Session minutes (Personnel)
  - C. September 18, 2014 Special Meeting minutes
- 6. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPIC NOT ON THE AGENDA (limited to 15 minutes)
- 7. SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)
  - A. <u>Proposed Rain Garden/BioRetention System for Municipal Property</u> Princeton Hydro
- 8. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING
  - A. Public Hearing: Ordinance 16, 2014 REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF THE WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT DEFERRED TAX LEVY BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$990,000 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$990,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF
    - 1) Proof of Publication
- 2) Public Hearing
- 3) Action on Ordinance
- B. <u>Public Hearing</u>: Ordinance 17, 2014 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
- C. <u>Public Hearing</u>: Ordinance 18, 2014 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL (Interference with Police Officers)
  - 1) Proof of Publication
- 2) Public Hearing
- 3) Action on Ordinance

- D. <u>Public Hearing</u>: Ordinance 19, 2014 REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE OUTSTANDING CALLABLE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP, DATED MAY 1, 2006, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF 3,118,000, APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED \$1,975,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,975,000 REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO PROVIDE FOR SUCH REFUNDING.
  - 1) Proof of Publication
- 2) Public Hearing
- 3) Action on Ordinance
- E. <u>Introduction</u>: Ordinance 20, 2014 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
- F. Introduction: Ordinance 21, 2014 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 109 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL (Woodlands Protection)
  - 1) Read by Title 2) Motion to Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing
- 9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - A. Open Space
    - 1) Authorization to Post July 8, 2014 Minutes to Website
    - 2) Amended By-laws
    - 3) Letter Concerning Hayfields on Municipal Property
    - 4) Project Status Updates
  - B. Environmental
    - 1) Authorization to Post July 10th Minutes to Website
    - 2) Pipeline
- 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - A. Appointments, continued
  - B. Updates
    - 1) Generator/Status of Grant Money
    - 2) Firehouse Gas line
    - 3) First Amendment to Facility Site Lease Agreement/Solar PPA
    - 4) Gas Boy Sale Status
    - 5) Meeting with the Local Finance Board
  - C. Resolution Amending Chapter 38
  - D. Britton Bill from 2011
  - E. S & Wage Resolution Amendment
  - F. Resolution Extending Shared Service Agreement with Raritan Township
  - G. Discussion Concerning Amending Sign Ordinance to Allow LED Lighted Signs
  - H. Policy Review, continued
- 11. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Discussion on Farmland Tax & Roll Back Taxes
  - B. League Convention Pre-Registration Deadline
  - C. Equipment Resolutions
    - 1) Amended State Contract Purchase/Fire Company Equipment
    - 2) Radio Purchase
  - D. Letter from Resident Concerning George Washington Road

- E. Animal Control for 2015 & Oct 1st Notification Requirement
- F. PAIC Loss Control Survey Recommendations & Response
- G. Western Land Services re: Survey Permission
- H. Best Practices Survey
- I. PTSO South Hunterdon Regional
  - 1) Raffle Application
  - 2) Resolution
- J. Resolution Relieving Tax Collector from Collecting Certain Taxes, Interest & Penalties
- K. Discussion Concerning Possible Shared Service with East Amwell for the Building Dept.
- L. Professionals for 2015
- 12. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- 13. ADMINISTRATIVE
  - 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 August 2014
  - C. Clerk/Human Resources
  - D. Construction Report for August 2014
  - E. Court
  - F. Police Report for August 2014
  - G. Roads
  - H. Zoning
  - I. Website Review

### 14. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. NJ League of Municipalities
  - Weekly Summer Update; Upcoming League Seminar (2) 8/26 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Post Retirement Restrictions for PERS & PFRS Employees; Upcoming League Seminar, 8/27 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Hep B Inoculation Reimbursement Program Set to Launch, & Revised (2), 8/27 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Daily Advisory, 8/27 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Red Cross Resources on New School Mandates; Upcoming Seminar, 8/28 (forwarded e-mail)
  - September 2014 Mayor's Newsline, 8/29 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Daily Advisory (Red Cross/School Mandates), 8/28 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Women in Government Breakfast, 8/29
  - League Luncheon on Nov 20th, 8/29
  - Twenty-third Annual Mayor's Box Luncheon, 8/29
  - Annual Conference Updates, 8/29
  - National Preparedness Month Reminder, 9/2 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Daily Advisory (National Preparedness Month & League Seminar), 9/2 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Upcoming League Seminars (*Inappropriate Behavior in the Workplace;* Prepping for Labor Negotiations) 9/2 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Important Announcement about Your CEUs at the 99<sup>th</sup> Annual NJLM Conference, 9/3 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Two Issues (A Decade of Progress; FEMA Community Rating System), 9/3 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Daily Advisory (items as above), 9/3 (forwarded e-mail)

- Upcoming League Webinar (*New and Old Tools to Deal with Abandoned Properties*), 9/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- Invitation to DARE New Jersey Future of NJ Gala, 9/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory (as above), 9/4 (forwarded e-mail)
- Weekly Policy Update; Office Suites Available for Lease; Upcoming League Seminar, 9/5 (forwarded e-mail)
- Important Conference Sessions Ethics, 9/5 & Corrected Link (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory (items as above), 9/5 (forwarded e-mail)
- Upcoming League Seminar; Upcoming League Webinar, 9/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- 99th Annual League Conference Information, 9/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- Red Tape Review Commission Public Hearing on Sept 30<sup>th</sup>, 9/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory (as above), 9/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- League Provides a Library of Sample Ordinances & Shared Service Agreements; Important Conference Sessions Budget & Finance; Upcoming Seminar, 9/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory (as above), 9/9 (forwarded e-mail)
- Please Ask Your Legislators to Support A-366/S-1713; Grant Seminar Series Helps Municipal Officials Find Funding to Meet Their Needs, 9/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory (as above, 9/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- Important Announcement about Your CEUs at the 99<sup>th</sup> Annual NJLM Conference, 9/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- Weekly Policy Update, 9/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory (as above), 9/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- Reminder! 2014 Conference Resolutions, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- COAH Update, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- Michael A. Pane Award, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- Best Practices Checklist Issued, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- New Content on DLGS Web Site, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- Final Call for Submissions, 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Innovation in Governance Awards; Upcoming League Webinar; Upcoming League Seminar, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- Reminder: Conference Pre-Registration Deadline is October 1st, 9/15
- Important Conference Sessions-Sustainability; Updated Listing of NJDEP Grant and Loan Programs, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- Upcoming League Seminars, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- Transportation Trust Fund, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- 2013 Laws of Interest, 9/17 (forwarded e-mail)
- Grant Seminar Series Helps Municipal Officials Find Funding to Meet Their Needs; PlanSmart NJ to Honor DCA Deputy Commissioner Charles A. Richman, 9/17 (forwarded e-mail)
- Daily Advisory, 9/17 (forwarded e-mail)
- Upcoming League Seminar-New Credits Added; Upcoming League Webinar, 9/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- All the Answers You Need for Most of the Questions You Have at the Conference Consulting session; Sustainable Jersey Announces Availability of \$150,000 in Grants for Municipal Sustainable Energy Projects; Upcoming League Webinar, 9/22 (forward e-mail)
- B. United States
  - FEMA Survey on Flood Risk, 8/27 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Senator Menendez re: Upcoming Workshops (firefighter & EMS grants), 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- C. State of New Jersey
  - DCA re:
    - + CY2014/SFY2015 Best Practices Inventory, 9/11 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + GovConnect Update, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + CY2014/SFY2015 Best Practices Corrections Q 9 & 19, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Integrity Oversight Monitor Law, 9/17 (forwarded e-mail)
  - DEP re:
    - + 2014 Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards, 8/28 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + NJ Wild, 8/28 (forwarded e-mail)

- + Press Release IBSP Beach Plum Festival, 9/3 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Press Release Veteran's Job Fair to be Held on Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, 9/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Press Release Award for Monmouth Battlefield State Park, 9/8 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Press Release WILD Outdoor Expo, 9/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Upcoming Bureau of Non-Point Pollution Control Informational Sessions, 9/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Public Notice for FFY15 Proposed Clean Water Priority System, Intended Use Plan and Project Priority List, 9/10 (forwarded e-mail)
- + Legal Announcement re: Renewal of Air Permit for Texas Eastern, 9/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- + H2 Loans Available through NJEIT, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- + RCRA Basics/Compliance and Enforcement Q&A, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- DOT re:
  - + Approval of Traffic Regulation Order NPZ 2014-37 for Route 179 Pavement markings, 9/3
  - + Maintenance roadway Repair Contract Central, Sub-Region C-1, Contract No C107, DP 13423 Rt 29 Both, MP 17.6 to 18.09, 9/5
- SADC re:
  - + PennEast Project Meeting, 9/9 (forwarded e-mail)
  - + Invitation for Friday, Sept 26 @ SHRHS, 9/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- NJOEM re: NJEM Grants Training, 9/11 (forwarded e-mail)
- D. Hunterdon County
  - Possible Coop Pricing System Addition, 8/22
  - Josie Glynn re:
    - + Reminder...Awards Event, 9/9 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Invitation to CEDS Press Event, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + Media Advisory, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
    - + CEDS Press Event, Sept 18 Cancelled, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Alan Johnson re: Community Paper Shredding Day, Nov 1st, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Rhonda Kelly re: Homeless Veterans, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- E. West Amwell Township
- F. Other Municipalities
  - Delaware Township re:
    - + Shared Service Agreement for Animal Control, 9/8
    - + Public Hearing on Proposed Revision to the DT Master Plan: Open Space Preservation & Recreation Master Plan Components, 9/18
- G. NJ Conservation re:
  - Summer News 125 acre Farm Preserved in Quinton Township, 8/25 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Preservation News 25-acre farm preserved in Cumberland County, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- H. JCP&L re:
  - Notice of Filing & Public Hearing for Basic Generation Service Charges, 8/27
  - Topic of the Month Generator Safety, 9/2 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Science Technology Engineering and Math Grants, 9/4 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Utility Scam Update, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
- I. Susan Wiener re:
  - PAIC 2015 Course Requests, 9/2 (forwarded e-mail)
  - MSI Class Notice Twp of Bethlehem, 9/2 (forwarded e-mail)
  - PAIC Executive Committee Agenda, 9/10 (forwarded e-mail)
  - PAIC RTK Coordinator Registration, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
  - PAIC 2015 Coverage and Policy & Procedures Manuals 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Revised PAIC RTK Coordinator Registration, 9/15 (forwarded e-mail)
- J. Sustainable Raritan River Initiative re:
  - News, 9/2 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Sustainable Raritan River Fall Workshop on Remediation, 9/18 (forwarded e-mail)
- K. NJ Transit re:
  - Public Hearing Notices, 9/2 & 9/15
  - Fiscal Year 2014 Request for Federal Financial Assistance, 9/15
- L. Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area re: September 2014 Newsletter 9/1 (forwarded e-mail)
- M. Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Assn re: Fall Programs at the Watershed Reserve, 9/9 (forwarded e-mail)

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- N. Mim Dunne re: Aerial Seeding Week of Sept 15th, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- O. Ken Wedeen re: Next Raritan Valley Rail Coalition Meeting on Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
- P. Debra Annibella re: PennEast Survey Permission, 9/12 (forwarded e-mail)
  - Q. Elaine R. Clisham re: NJ Future Redevelopment and Revitalization Survey, 9/16 (forwarded e-mail)
  - R. National Multiple Sclerosis Society re: "Hops to Hops" Event, Appreciation, 9/15
  - S. Verizon re: Notice of Claim, 9/18

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

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