

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

November 20, 2019 – 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 10, 2019, 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. FLAG SALUTE

3. AGENDA REVIEW BY TOWNSHIP CLERK

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Clerk's Office Will be Closed on Tuesday 12/3/19 for Mandatory Training
- December Township Committee Meetings are the 4th and 30th
- The First Annual Township Tree Lighting is: Friday 12/6/19 at 6 PM
- Special Thanks to the Bergenfeld Family for donating the Township's Holiday Tree and to the DPW for Planting it
- Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
- Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During the Meeting

5. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

October 16, 2019 Regular Session Minutes

October 16, 2019 Closed Session Minutes

6. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPICS NOT ON THE AGENDA *(limited to 15 minutes)*

7. SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)

A. Reports by Department Heads

B. Historic Preservation Update from Chair Linda Weber

8. INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES

Introduction: Ordinance 16, 2019 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 68 "CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM," SECTION 3 "FEES," OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY TO REVISE THE CONSTRUCTION FEES

- 1) Read by Title 2) Introduce on 1st Reading 3) Set Public Hearing

Public Hearing: Ordinance 12, 2019 – AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE CHAPTER 135 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO PROHIBIT SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES

- 1) Read by Title 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance

Public Hearing: Ordinance 13, 2019 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 109 “LAND DEVELOPMENT,” PART 2 “FEES, INSPECTIONS, GUARANTEES AND OFF-TRACT IMPROVEMENTS,” ARTICLE III “APPLICATION AND REVIEW FEES,” SECTION 6 “AMOUNT OF FEES AND ESCROW DEPOSITS DUE,” OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO REVISE THE FEES REQUIRED FOR LAND USE APPLICATIONS

1) Read by Title 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance

Public Hearing: Ordinance 14, 2019 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 51 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL ENTITLED “AFFORDABLE HOUSING” TO ADDRESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FAIR SHARE HOUSING ACT AND THE UNIFORM HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CONTROLS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE TOWNSHIP’S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

1) Read by Title 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance

Public Hearing: Ordinance 15, 2019 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL AMENDING SECTIONS 109-116 AND 109-121 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL REGARDING ACCESSORY APARTMENTS PURSUANT TO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FAIR SHARE HOUSING CENTER AND THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL DATED DECEMBER 2, 2018 AS APPROVED BY THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, SOMERSET COUNTY LAW DIVISION OF FEBRUARY 4, 2018

1) Read by Title 2) Public Hearing 3) Action on Ordinance

9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Open Space
- B. Environmental
- C. Ag Advisory
- D. Finance Committee

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Updates
 - 1) PennEast Status
 - 2) School Facilities

11. NEW BUSINESS/OTHER

- A. Resolution #106-2019: Promotion of Edward J. Skillman to Police Lieutenant
- B. Resolution #107-2019: Calling for Study Comm. to Review the Open Public Records Act
- C. Resolution #108-2019: Appointment of Substitute Inspector M. Wright
- D. Resolution #110-2019: Endorsing the Housing Element
- E. Authorization: Request from Lt. Skillman to Post the Detective Position
- F. Discussion: Construction Office Permitting Software
- G. Discussion: Email dated 11/6/19 from B. Mitzen, re: Requested Changes to Garbage Ord.
- H. Discussion: Animal Control Services, re: Letter from Advanced dated 10/29/19
- I. Discussion: Best Practices Inventory dated 10/29/19

12. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

13. ADMINISTRATIVE

- A. Treasurer – 11/20/19 Bill List
- B. Tax Collector
 - 1. Resolution #109-2019: Tax Sale Certificate – Block 21 Lot 34
 - 2. Monthly Report – October 2019
- C. Construction – Monthly Report October 2019
- D. Zoning Office – Monthly Report October 2019
- E. Court Report – Monthly Report October 2019
- F. Police Report – Monthly Report October 2019
- G. Tax Assessor
- H. Website Review

14. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. NJ League of Municipalities
 - 1. Daily Update: Emailed 11/13/19 – Upcoming Seminars
 - 2. Weekly Round-up: Emailed 11/8/19 – State, Federal and Local Issues
 - 3. Daily Update: Emailed 10/22/19 – League of Municipalities Conference Info
 - 4. Daily Update: Emailed 10/21/19 – Cybersecurity Information
 - 5. Weekly Round-up: Emailed 10/11/19 – Lead Contamination
- B. United States
 - 1. FEMA Email dated 11/13/19, re: Monthly Webinars
- C. State of New Jersey
 - 1. NJDEP Email dated 10/11/19, re: Fall Trout Stocking
 - 2. NJDEP Email dated 10/22/19, re: Stormwater Utilities Information
 - 3. NJDEP Email dated 10/30/19, re: Radon Awareness
 - 4. NJDEP Email dated 10/25/19, re: Deer Rutting Season
- D. Hunterdon County
 - 1. Cty. Report Emailed 11/15/19, re: Hazardous Waste Clean-up Day
 - 2. Chamber of Commerce Email dated 11/5/19, re: Meeting with Author S. Graham
 - 3. Letter from Cty. Administrator dated 11/1/19, re: Code Blue Warming Facilities
 - 4. Chamber of Commerce Email dated 11/1/19, re: Business Expo
 - 5. Parks and Rec. Email dated 11/1/19, re: Upcoming Programs
 - 6. Economic Development Email dated 10/31/19, re: November Newsletter
 - 7. Cty. Report Emailed 10/24/19, re: NJDEP Denies PennEast Permit
 - 8. Cty. Report Emailed 10/17/19, re: Audit – No Issues 4th Consecutive Year
 - 9. Chamber of Commerce Email dated 10/10/19, re: Upcoming Events
- E. West Amwell Township
 - 1. Email dated 11/4/19 from S. Spirito, re: Couty Route 579
 - 2. Email dated 10/28/19 from D. Beaumont, re: School Feasibility Study
 - 3. Email dated 10/1/19 from S. Holcombe, re: Mill Road
- F. Other Municipalities
- G. Miscellaneous
 - 1. Notification from Elizabethtown Gas, re: Base Rates
 - 2. Email dated 10/11/19 from J. Burd, re: Affordable Housing Law

15. ADJOURNMENT

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