

SPECIAL WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
August 26, 2010 – 9:00 a.m.

The West Amwell Township Committee met on the above date at 9:00 a.m. Present: Mayor Molnar, Committeemen Masterson and Fisher and Attorney Faherty

In compliance with the Public Meetings Act, Mayor Molnar announced that this Special Meeting was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act with notices faxed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Trenton Times on August 23, 2010. A copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

The meeting was not recorded.

CLOSED SESSION:

RESOLUTION #119 -2010

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Committee of West Amwell Township, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.

2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

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3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public when the matter has been resolved.

4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Fisher, seconded by Masterson.

The meeting returned to Open Session at 9:53 a.m.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Attorney Faherty advised that the Orleans bankruptcy case has a notification to be filed which needs the mayor's signature. The document was executed.

Mr. Molnar overviewed recent discussions concerning possible police options and the need to get involved with another entity. The Clerk was directed to prepare a letter to Delaware Township requesting a special meeting of the two township committees to discuss police departments. A brief discussion ensued concerning the number of part-time patrolmen vs special officers and the possible utilization of retired officers. Although a savings can be had with the use part-timer patrolmen, it was noted that most new part-timers will eventually want a full-time position.

Mr. Molnar inquired about clean-up day. No provision was made for this in the budget. The proposed purchase of a garbage truck and DEP registration/permits were briefly discussed. The Clerk was requested to call concerning the latter.

Mr. Fisher relayed information about yesterday's SHREC meeting, noting that VP Biden's brother was in attendance. The latter has formed a company with LED lighting and is interested in providing fixture replacement following a municipality's energy audit. However, the company has never done municipal work. Responses to the Solar Energy RFP have been received by the lead agency and are under review. The Township's position/importance within the group was noted and that it may be difficult to withdraw. It would be easier if solar panels were to be installed on individual building but that's not viable. More information should be available for an update on September 1st.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 10:20 a.m. on motion by Fisher, seconded by Masterson.

Respectfully submitted,

Lora L. Olsen, RMC
Township Clerk