

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

September 18, 2019 - 7:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The regularly scheduled meeting of the West Amwell Township Committee was called to order at 7:30 PM by Deputy Mayor Gary Hoyer. Present were Committeemen Stephen Bergenfeld, James Cally and John Dale along with Township Clerk Maria Andrews and Attorney Katrina Campbell. It was noted for the record that Mayor Rich arrived at 7:45 PM.

Deputy Mayor Hoyer announced that this meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was faxed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and Trenton Times on January 10, 2019, was 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 Township Clerk.

FLAG SALUTE

Deputy Mayor Hoyer led those in attendance in the pledge to the nation's flag.

AGENDA REVIEW BY TOWNSHIP CLERK

Clerk Andrews noted the Environmental Commission had sent in their 6/13/19 minutes and requested permission to have them posted on the website. She noted the matter should be added under Standing Committee Reports.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Free Rabies Clinic: Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019 from 1 PM – 3 PM
- Be Advised a Raccoon Tested Positive for Rabies Near Hewitt Road
- Flemington Area Food Pantry Fundraiser: 11/8/19 from 11 AM – 2:30 PM at St. Magdalen's Community Center
- The 2nd Annual Delaware River Clean-up is 9/21/19 from 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- Please Come to the Table if You Wish to Address the Committee
- Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During the Meeting

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to approve the Township Committee's 8/13/19 Special Meeting Minutes with no revisions noted was unanimously approved by voice vote.

A motion Dale, seconded by Cally to approve the Township Committee's 8/21/19 Regular and Closed Session minutes with no revisions noted was approved by voice vote with Committeemen Bergenfeld and Hoyer abstaining.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPICS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Hoyer opened the floor to public comment.

Karen Atwood of 57 Belvidere Avenue and Melody Anderson of 100 Belvidere Avenue came forward and asked Committeeman Cally when the structure on his property located at 83 Belvidere Avenue would be demolished. Ms. Atwood expressed frustration with the process taking so long. Committeeman Cally explained he just received the demolition permit and will be contacting contractors for quotes. He apologized for the delay noting there were title issues and stated he wasn't able to do anything until he actually owned the property with a clear title.

Mr. Samms of 4 Surrey Lane came forward and expressed concern over the Police Department's recent response to an incident at a neighboring property. Mr. Samms expressed that he thought their arrival on scene and immediate unholstering of weapons was excessive. He feared for the safety of children, adults and pets that could have potentially been outside and mistakenly walked through the yard at the time the police were there and armed. Mr. Samms stated he believes a report should be issued each time an officer unholsters their weapon.

Mayor Rich remarked that he looked into the incident upon receiving Mr. Samms' letter and commented that without divulging confidential information regarding the pending investigation,

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the police were responding to a call that came in as a “burglary in progress.” He indicated the Police Department’s Acting Officer in Charge (AOIC) was one of the officer’s responding to the scene that day and has since forwarded Mr. Samms’ letter to the Hunterdon County Prosecutor’s Office, Bureau of Professional Standards, for review and confirmation that all State guidelines and protocols were followed.

Mayor Rich thanked Mr. Samms for bringing the matter to the Committee’s attention and stated he will take his concerns under advisement.

Dave Beaumont of 205 Rock Road West came forward and thanked the Committee again for the recently installed speed limit signs on Rock Road. He also commented on the “Equalized Data Report” the State is producing on home values. He noted West Amwell looks pretty good and remarked Lambertville had more property sales higher than the assessed values. Mr. Beaumont suggested the Committee assign this research and tracking to a specific subcommittee in the event he can no longer do it. Mayor Rich commented the Financial Advisory Committee will take over at that time.

Seeing no other members of the public come forward Mayor Rich closed the floor to public comment.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

It was noted for the record that no special presentations were given.

INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES

Public Hearing: Ordinance 11, 2019 – An Ordinance of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey Authorizing the Lease of Property Owned by the Township and not Required for Public Purposes and More Commonly Known as a Portion of Block 11 Lot 18

Mayor Rich read Ordinance 11, 2019 by title.

ORDINANCE 11, 2019

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP AND NOT REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES AND MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS A PORTION OF BLOCK 11, LOT 18.

WHEREAS, the Local Lands and Buildings Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14 authorizes the lease by municipalities of any real property, capital improvements or personal property or interests therein, not needed for public use to the highest bidder by open public sale at auction or by submission of sealed bids after the required newspaper advertisements; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Amwell is the owner of certain real property located on Rocktown Lambertville Road, Block 11, Lot 18; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to lease the property for a solar facility in order to generate more revenue for the municipality; and
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WHEREAS, the property known as a portion of Block 11, Lot 18 was offered for lease to the highest bidder by submission of sealed bids, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14.

WHEREAS, the highest responsible bidder was NEXAMP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The said property shall be leased to NEXAMP subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - (a) The said property shall be leased for a monthly rent of \$1000.00 during the development period prior to BPU approval, a monthly rent of \$1000.00 during the development period after BPU approval and \$400,000.00 a year during the operation of the solar array.
 - (b) The lease may be extended and/or terminated as provided for in the written Lease Agreement.

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- (c) The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the Option and/or Lease Agreement.
- (d) The Lease Agreement shall be on file with the Township Clerk.

Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

Clerk Andrews provided the proof of publication noting the 8/29/19 edition of the Hunterdon County Democrat.

Mayor Rich opened the floor to public comment. Seeing no members of the public come forward, he closed the floor to public comment.

A motion by Dale, seconded by Hoyer to adopt Ordinance 11, 2019 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

It was noted for the record that the Committee authorized the 5/14/19 Open Space and 6/13/19 Environmental Commission minutes be posted to the Township website.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PennEast Status

Mike Spille provided an update to the Committee on PennEast's recent NJDEP application submission noting the Third Circuit Court of Appeals recently ruled in favor of New Jersey indicating PennEast cannot sue the State in Federal Condemnation Court which resulted in the eminent domain case against the State being dismissed. Mr. Spille commented this is a significant win and noted he will continue to keep the Committee updated on the matter.

NEW BUSINESS/OTHER

Resolution #91-2019: Appointment of Municipal Court Administrator P. Williamson

It was noted for the record that this matter was moved to Closed Session.

Resolution #92-2019: Resolution in Support of the NJLM Petition for Rulemaking to Amend the UCC

Resolution 92-2019

Resolution in Support of the New Jersey State League of Municipalities' Petition for Rulemaking to Amend the Uniform Construction Code

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has adopted a Uniform Construction Code (UCC) with the purpose to provide for uniform construction standards to insure healthy, safe and sanitary construction but also less expensive construction for the citizens of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) has been granted authority to amend or alter provisions of the UCC to insure the intent and purposes of the UCC continue to be fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, municipal construction officials act as the enforcing agency tasked with administering and enforcing all provisions of UCC for construction within municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, permits and inspections form the foundation for the safe building environment; and

WHEREAS, the DCA made amendments to N.J.S.A. 5:23-1.4, 2.7, 2.14 & 2.17A, commonly known referred to as the "Minor Work" and "Ordinary Maintenance" provisions of the UCC that took effect on March 5, 2018, which undermine the UCC's intent and purpose; and

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WHEREAS, unless these amendments are retracted or further remedial amendments are made to the UCC, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the State will be jeopardized and residents could see overall construction expenses increase if work is not properly performed; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities along with New Jersey's six professional code official associations has filed a petition for rulemaking with the DCA requesting necessary and appropriate amendments be made to ensure the intent and purpose of the UCC is reinforced and preserved; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that West Amwell Township supports the rulemaking petition submitted by the League and the six professional code official associations and requests that the DCA work to expeditiously adopt the measures offered by the petition; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of New Jersey, the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Codes and Standards and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution approved by the West Amwell Township Committee at their meeting on September 18, 2019.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Cally, seconded by Hoyer to approve Resolution #92-2019 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

Resolution #93-2019: Resolution to Authorize Participation in the NJSHBP - Dental

West Amwell Township
Resolution #93-2019

A Resolution to Authorize Participation in the New Jersey State
Health Benefits Program – Dental Coverage

WHEREAS, West Amwell Township, a participating employer in the State Health Benefits Program, hereby elects to participate in the SHBP Employee Dental Plans provided by the New Jersey State Health Benefits Act of the State of New Jersey (N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq.) and to authorize coverage for all the employees and their dependents thereunder in accordance with the statute and regulations adopted by the State Health Benefits Commission; and

WHEREAS, as a participating employer we will remit to the State Treasury all charges due on account of employee and dependent coverage and periodic charges in accordance with the requirements of the statute and the rules and regulations duly promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, as the employer I understand that the employer is responsible for at least 50% of the dental premium; and

WHEREAS, we hereby appoint the Township Clerk to act as Certifying Officer in the administration of this plan; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately and coverage shall be effective as of January 1, 2020 or as soon thereafter as it may be effectuated pursuant to the statutes and regulations.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the West Amwell Township Committee at their regular meeting on September 18, 2019.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

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A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to approve Resolution #93-2019 to authorize participation in the NJSHBP – Dental was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

Resolution #94-2019: Appointment of Waste Security Laborer D. Cardona

Resolution #94-2019

WHEREAS, the Township's Trash/Recycling Depot requires a Waste Security Laborer for various depot duties on Saturday's from 7:30 AM – 12:30 PM; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Cardona has expressed interest in this employment opportunity; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Amwell Township Committee that Daniel Cardona be hired as a Waste Security Laborer effective September 21, 2019 at a rate of \$15.00 per/hour.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the West Amwell Township Committee at a meeting held on September 18, 2019.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Bergenfeld, seconded by Dale to approve Resolution #94-2019 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

Approval of Municipal Prosecutor Contract T. Howes/Resolution #98-2019

Mayor Rich commented that Attorney Faherty has retired from his Municipal Prosecutor and Township Attorney positions effective September 30, 2019. Attorney Timothy Howes of Raritan, NJ in Somerset County will be covering the Township's Municipal Prosecutor position for the remainder of 2019.

RESOLUTION #98-2019

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
WEST AMWELL APPOINTING TIMOTHY HOWES AS THE MUNICIPAL
PROSECUTOR FOR THE REMAINDER OF YEAR 2019

WHEREAS, the current Municipal Prosecutor is retiring on September 30, 2019 and the Township of West Amwell is in need of a Municipal Prosecutor to serve through December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Amwell has solicited such professional services through the non-fair and open process as provided for and defined in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20, et seq., subject to the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., regarding professional services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the 2019 budget.

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

1. Timothy Howes, Esq. is hereby designated as Municipal Prosecutor for the Township of West Amwell from October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.
2. The Deputy Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to engage the services of Timothy Howes, Esq. as Municipal Prosecutor for the Township of West Amwell and to execute a contract according to law and in accordance with this resolution. A copy of said contract shall be filed with the Clerk of the Township and shall be available for public inspection.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of West Amwell during a public business meeting held on September 18, 2019.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Cally, seconded by Bergenfeld to approve Resolution #98-2019 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

Discussion: "Bikeout" Cycling Event – 10-19-19 and 10/20/19

Clerk Andrews noted an email had been received from a Mr. Brain Kirk requesting permission for approximately 100 cyclists to ride through parts of Alexauken Creek, Queen and Bowne Station Roads on October 19th and 20th. The cyclists will be in groups of approximately 20 bike riders and will be traveling through the Township roadways somewhere between 11 AM and 2 PM. The Committee took no issue with the event but asked that Clerk Andrews convey that all cyclists be respectful of the Township residents and properties while passing through.

Discussion: NJDOT Notification of Proposed Aeronautical Facility License Application

Clerk Andrews noted a letter had been received from NJDOT regarding an application for a helistop on the property located at 450 Route 31. She stated the Township has until 10/18/19 to provide any comments. The Committee directed Committeeman Hoyer to work with Zoning Officer Latini on getting a letter to the NJDOT's Aeronautical Bureau prior to the comment period deadline.

Discussion: ATV's on Township Property

Committeeman Bergenfeld commented that he attended a recent Open Space meeting where concerns were raised regarding the use of ATV's on the Township owned hunting parcels. He suggested anyone utilizing the recreational vehicles to pull deer out should be required to carry liability insurance and provide a vehicle identification number for their Township issued hunting permits. Attorney Campbell stated she would reach out to the Township's insurance carrier for the specific coverage details the ATV's should have and will report back to the Committee so a letter can be sent to all of the hunters using the various properties.

Prior to going into Closed Session, Mayor Rich opened to the public in case anyone wished to speak and not have to wait until after the Closed Session.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Porter Little (Jr.) came forward with the construction details and related drawings for his Eagle Scout project. He reminded the Committee he had previously proposed a 12' x 12' patio to include a wooden pavilion covering the area and a 2' perimeter for plantings on 3 of the outer sides. It will be located in the back of the municipal building, to be used by staff.

The Committee expressed support for Mr. Little's ambitious project and asked what his expected timeframe is. Mr. Little commented he would like to start construction by November 2019 and have it completed by the Spring of 2020.

Dave Beaumont came forward again and asked if the Committee still wished to pursue finding a new hosting company for the Township website. Several Committee Members supported the idea and asked Mr. Beaumont to look into what options are available.

Mr. Beaumont also commented on the recent retirement announcement of Superintendent Muenker from his position at the High School and asked if there was any update on the Facility Work Group Committee meetings. Committeeman Cally noted Lambertville has strongly expressed their desire to keep their own elementary school and the school board will now have to look into the economic feasibility of doing so.

Kathy Kennedy of 228 Mt. Airy Harborton Road came forward and stated she had sent an email to Clerk Andrews expressing her concerns regarding a low flying airplane on 9/2/19. Porter Little (Sr.) spoke up from the public explaining the pilot was checking cover crops for the Department of Agriculture. He remarked he believed he was looking at various farm parcels

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including his own and stated he would forward the contact information of the Soil Conservationist for the Department of Agriculture who is heading the program.

Ms. Kennedy requested the pilots let the Township know when they will be conducting their inspections and thanked the Committee for looking into the matter.

John Dupree of Municipal Alliance introduced himself and indicated he will be contacting the Committee Members in the upcoming months.

OTHER

Resolution #100-2019: Closed Session – Personnel/Contracts – Litigation/Affordable Housing

Resolution #100-2019

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: Mt. Laurel Litigation, personnel/contracts and subjects falling under Attorney-Client privilege.
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.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk

A motion by Cally, seconded by Bergenfeld to approve Resolution #100-2019 and enter into Closed Session was unanimously approved by voice vote.

A motion by Cally, seconded by Hoyer to return to Open Session was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The Committee was in Closed Session from 8:42 PM – 10:44 PM.

Upon returning to Open Session the following items were addressed:

Resolution #91-2019: Appointment of Municipal Court Administrator P. Williamson

Resolution 91-2019

Appointment of Municipal Court Administrator Pam Williamson

WHEREAS, the full time position of the Municipal Court Administrator has become available due to the retirement of the former Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Judge and Township Committee have deemed it necessary to fill this position; and

WHEREAS, selection for the Municipal Court Administrator position is subject to the Recruitment Process as set forth in Rule 1:34-3, which was adopted by the Supreme Court of New Jersey effective September 13, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, West Amwell Township has complied with the Recruitment Process through joint participation of the municipality and the judiciary; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Williamson has applied for, is a certified court administrator, is qualified to fill the position, and has been selected for the appointment by the Municipal Judge, the Township Committee and the Municipal Division Manager; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Williamson has been approved by the Vicinage Assignment Judge as the candidate of choice for the West Amwell Township Municipal Court Administrator position; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Amwell Township Committee, that Pamela Williamson, be appointed full time Municipal Court Administrator, effective September 19, 2019 at an annual salary of \$66,000 for a 35 hour work week and subject to State pension and benefits.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution approved by the West Amwell Township Committee at their meeting on September 18, 2019.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Dale, seconded by Cally to approve Resolution #91-2019 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

With regard to the grievance filed with PBA #188, a motion by Rich, seconded by Dale to approve the settlement agreement was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

With regard to the discussion on the list of properties with tax liens, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION #99-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING IN REM FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS

WHEREAS, the Township of West Amwell holds Tax Certificates more specifically set forth in the annexed Tax Foreclosure List, which pertains to properties within West Amwell Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of West Amwell Township has determined that said Tax Certificates shall be foreclosed by summary proceedings in rem.

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

That the Tax Certificates, as shown on the annexed Tax Foreclosure List, now held by the Township of West Amwell be foreclosed by summary process In Rem as described in N.J.S.A. 54:5-104.29, et. seq., as amended, and pursuant to the Rules of Civil Practice of the Superior Court of New Jersey.

ATTEST:

West Amwell Township Committee

Maria Andrews, Clerk

Zachary Rich, Mayor

DATED: 9/18/19

I, Maria Andrews, Clerk of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of West Amwell Township at a meeting held on September 18, 2019.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Cally, seconded by Dale to approve Resolution #99-2019 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

ADMINISTRATIVE

A motion by Rich, seconded by Cally to approve the 9/18/19 bill list was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Bergenfeld: Yes, Cally: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Rich: Yes

Tax Assessor

Resolution #96-2019: Relief of Partial Tax Collection – Block 3 Lot 20.37

Resolution #96-2019

RESOLUTION TO RELIEVE THE TAX COLLECTOR FROM COLLECTING CERTAIN TAXES
Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey

WHEREAS, the Assessor has discovered a correction that should be done in the 2019 Tax Book after the proper time of appeal of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey. The wrong depreciation table was used and is corrected based on the vcs.

Block 3, Lot 20.37 (6 Culture Court):

This said line item was assessed in the 2019 Tax Book at \$ 624,600. This assessment should be \$ 584,200 for the tax year of 2019.

NOW , THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of West Amwell Committee change the assessment from \$ 624,600 to \$ 584,200 and thereby reduce the collecting taxes on this block / lot for the 2019 tax year.

	2019 Original Assessment	2019 Corrected Assessment
Land	\$ 125,700	\$ 125,700
Imprv	<u>\$ 498,900</u>	<u>\$ 458,500</u>
Total	\$ 624,600	\$ 584,200

Zachary Rich, M a y o r

C e r t i f i c a t i o n

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and accurate copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of West Amwell, at its meeting held on September 18, 2019.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

Resolution #97-2019: Relief of Partial Tax Collection – Block 31 Lot 1.02

Resolution #97-2019
RESOLUTION TO RELIEVE THE TAX COLLECTOR FROM COLLECTING CERTAIN TAXES
Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey

WHEREAS, the Assessor has discovered a correction that should be done in the 2019 Tax Book after the proper time of appeal of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey. The VCS was incorrect which triggered a land value wrong and also the improvement depreciation wrong.

Block 31, Lot 1.02 (16 Hunter Road):

This said line item was assessed in the 2019 Tax Book at \$ 807,700. This assessment should be \$ 730,800 for the tax year of 2019.

NOW , THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of West Amwell Committee change the assessment from \$ 807,700 to \$ 730,800 and thereby reduce the collecting taxes on this block / lot for the 2019 tax year.

	2019 Original Assessment	2019 Corrected Assessment
Land	\$ 160,000	\$ 133,000
Imprv	<u>\$ 647,700</u>	<u>\$ 597,800</u>
Total	\$ 807,700	\$ 730,800

Zachary Rich, M a y o r

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and accurate copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of West Amwell, at its meeting held on September 18, 2019.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee ordered the correspondence listed on the agenda, filed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Bergenfeld to adjourn the meeting was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 PM.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

Approved: 10/2/19