

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Short at 7:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short, Attorney Jansen, Administrator/Clerk Gallets, Recording Secretary Madden

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Morristown Daily Record on January 6, 2003 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on the same date. This meeting is being held at the temporary Municipal Offices at 55 Fairview Avenue, Long Valley, New Jersey. Notices of this meeting were sent, as there were requests.

### **2004 BUDGET DISCUSSION**

The Township Committee discussed their progress to date on the 2004 municipal budget. The Committee discussed capital expenditures, surplus, the amount of surplus to be used in the budget, and the amount of capital to be budgeted to reduce the debt payment. The Committee considered reductions to the capital budget to close the anticipated budget deficit.

**The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 7:45 P.M. upon approval of the following resolution:**

### **RESOLUTION #R-27A-04 – EXECUTIVE SESSION - ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE: OPEN SPACE ORDINANCE**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Kaiser, Krickus, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 8:00 P.M.**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENTATION AND PROCLAMATION- WILLIAM HARRINGTON** – Mayor Short read aloud a proclamation honoring Mr. William Harrington for his extraordinary service to the Washington Township community. Mayor Short presented Mr. Harrington with a plaque as a symbol of our appreciation.

### **RO-01-04 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 217, ZONING, AND CHAPTER 175, SUBDIVISION OF LAND, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO ESTABLISH THE VILLAGE AGE RESTRICTED HOUSING OVERLAY ZONE AND TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTIES FROM THE OR/I ZONE DISTRICT TO THE VILLAGE AGE RESTRICTED HOUSING OVERLAY ZONE - SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 217, ZONING, AND CHAPTER 175, SUBDIVISION OF LAND, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO ESTABLISH THE VILLAGE AGE RESTRICTED HOUSING OVERLAY ZONE AND TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTIES FROM THE OR/I ZONE DISTRICT TO THE VILLAGE AGE RESTRICTED HOUSING OVERLAY ZONE be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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**Mayor Short opened the meeting to the public. There being no comments or questions, Mayor Short closed the meeting to the public.**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**RO-02-04 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 172, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON REGARDING PERMITS FOR REPAVING/RESURFACING - SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 172, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON REGARDING PERMITS FOR REPAVING/RESURFACING be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**RO-03-04 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO VACATE A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON BLOCK 12.02, LOT 8.04 - SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO VACATE A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON BLOCK 12.02, LOT 8.04 be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**RO-04-04 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO STORER CABLE COMMUNICATIONS OF NORTHWEST NEW JERSEY, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION, TO OWN, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, NEW JERSEY: SETTING FORTH CONDITIONS ACCOMPANYING THE GRANT OF FRANCHISE AND PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION AND USE OF SAID SYSTEM" - INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on March 15, 2004 at 7:30 P.M. at the Temporary Municipal Offices at 55 Fairview Avenue, Long Valley, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the clerk be authorized to advertise said ordinance in full in the Observer Tribune according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**RO-05-04 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO REPEAL CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON - INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None                      **ABSTENTIONS:** None                      **ABSENT:** None

**RESOLUTION #R-33-04 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None                      **ABSTENTIONS:** None                      **ABSENT:** None

**RESOLUTION #R-34-04 – AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION CHANGE ORDER FOR CONTRACT WITH INTERCOUNTY  
PAVING ASSOCIATES, LLC FOR NAUGHRIGHT ROAD IMPROVEMENTS,  
CONTRACT 2003.08**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None                      **ABSTENTIONS:** None                      **ABSENT:** None

**RESOLUTION #R-35-04 – RESOLUTION REESTABLISHING THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL  
ALLIANCE**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None                      **ABSTENTIONS:** None                      **ABSENT:** None

**RESOLUTION #R-36-04 – RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PRESERVATION OF THE NEW JERSEY  
HIGHLANDS**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be tabled until March 15, 2004. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None                      **ABSTENTIONS:** Comm. Kaiser                      **ABSENT:** None

**RESOLUTION #R-37-04 – AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT APPLICATION – TIER A  
MUNICIPALITY TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None                      **ABSTENTIONS:** None                      **ABSENT:** None

**RESOLUTION #R-41-04 – EXTEND DEVELOPER’S AGREEMENT – TOLL NJ III, LP - MIDDLESWORTH  
FARMS**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short  
**NAYS:** None                      **ABSTENTIONS:** None                      **ABSENT:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE NOTED FOR THE RECORD**

Letter from Public Affairs Manager Molly B. Adams, Comcast of Northwest New Jersey, LLC, along with a check in the amount of \$50,674.94 for the use of Washington Township municipal rights-of-way during the year 2003.

Letter from Morris Area Girl Scout Council President Leigh Wohlfarth, expressing the appreciation of Troup 1698 for Washington Township's donation of \$300.00 for the troop's assistance on Clean Communities Day.

E-mail from Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kopreski, 23 Wellington Drive, thanking Department of Public Works employees for the prompt and courteous service which expedited the repair of their damaged mailbox.

Letter to Jersey Central Power & Light Manager Jacqueline Espinoza from residents of the Rolling Green Hills development, requesting communication regarding the cause, solution and restitution for three power outages experienced in a thirty day period.

Letter to Mace Consulting Engineers from Patriot's Path Coordinator Albert Kent, approving a realignment of Patriot's Path easements.

Letter to Mr. John Jordan on behalf of the Long Valley Junior Lacrosse Club, with a donation of \$1,500.00 to be allocated for the purchase of turf blankets to be used on Califon Fields.

Memorandum from Recreation Coordinator Eleanora Murfitt-Hermann, acknowledging the Long Valley Soccer Club's donation of \$1,500.00 to be appropriated toward the purchase of field turf blankets.

Letters from DPW Superintendent DeFranzo to Hatch Mott MacDonald, French & Parrello Associates, and Kinsey Associates, stating that their engineering services will not be required for the Falcon Fields project.

Preliminary equalization table for the County of Morris for the year 2004.

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**DISCUSSION**

**MISSION RIDGE GUARANTEES**- The Township Committee discussed the Township Engineer's recommendation that the Committee establish maintenance and performance guarantee amounts for the Mission Ridge development being built by Landmark Enterprises, LLC. The Township Committee will identify the guarantee amounts after they have considered the opinion of Department of Public Works Superintendent Ralph DeFranzo.

**MUNICIPAL STORMWATER REGULATION PROGRAM** – The Township Committee discussed the NJDPES Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program requirements for municipalities. Department of Public Works Superintendent Ralph DeFranzo will coordinate the Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program for Washington Township.

**POND DREDGING – CUCINELLA/MIDDLESWORTH FARM** – Mayor Short stated that a condition of the subdivision approval granted to Toll Brothers, Inc. for the Middlesworth Farm project requires the developer to remove any sediment that collected in a pond located on Block 43, Lot 55 owned by Mr. Ben Cucinella. Since the removal will take place within a conservation easement dedicated to Washington Township, Attorney Jansen will determine whether the easement must be amended to allow the dredging work to commence.

**SCHEDULE GRIEVANCE HEARING** – A grievance hearing will be held on March 10, 2004 at 7:30 P.M. at the temporary Municipal Offices located at 55 Fairview Avenue, Long Valley, New Jersey.

**DOWNTOWN BANNERS** – Washington Township Department of Public Works employees will hang ten new banners in the Long Valley Historic District.

**TEWKSBURY FIRE CONTRACT** – Mayor Short and Fairmount Fire Chief Robert Cline will meet with Tewksbury Township officials to discuss the need for the execution of a contract between Tewksbury and Washington Township to authorize Washington Township Fire Department volunteers to respond to emergencies in Tewksbury Township.

**2004 MUNICIPAL BUDGET MEETING** – Administrator Gallets will advertise a special meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 24, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. at the Senior Citizens Center located on East Springtown Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Mayor Short stated that the Township Committee will discuss the 2004 municipal budget, staffing requirements, the Teen Center, and any other matters that may arise.

**The meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.**