

The Regular Meeting of the Washington Township Committee was called to order by Mayor Tobin at 7:04 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comm. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin, Attorney DeBona,
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 9, 2006 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on the same date. This meeting is being held at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Notices of this meeting were sent as there were requests.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATION TO OFFICER MICHAEL HADE - Bob Nulman, Morris County Representative for Mothers Against Drunk Driving, on behalf of "MADD" presented Officer Michael Hade with a Certificate for Outstanding Service Award for Exceptional Dedication for the Elimination of Drunk Driving, Support for Victims of this Violent Crime and Prevention of Under Age Drinking.

GOLD AWARDS - Mayor Tobin, on behalf of the Washington Township Committee, presented plaques to Girl Scout Kelsey E. Steube and Girl Scout Ashley Ryno.

PROCLAMATION - Mayor Tobin read aloud a proclamation encouraging the residents of Washington Township to participate in the Mayor's Wellness Campaign activities to promote exercise, eating properly and living healthier and better lives.

PROCLAMATION - Mayor Tobin read aloud a proclamation urging the residents of the township to support the Interfaith Community Outreach of the Washington Township Area's Community Wide Fund Drive on September 10, 2006, so that they can continue to assist residents and families in our township in times of crisis.

EAGLE AWARD - Mayor Short, on behalf of the Washington Township Committee, presented a plaque to Scout Ryan P. Gelsinger.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT PRESENTATION - Scout Matthew Gelsinger presented plans to the Washington Township Committee for an Eagle Scout project he will be undertaking to refurbish the Senior Center.

RO-16-06 - AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

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

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY be adopted upon final reading and that said ordinance be published in the Observer Tribune according to law.

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RO-17-06 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 217, ZONING, ARTICLE XIV, REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENTS INCREASING THE TOWNSHIP'S GROWTH SHARE OBLIGATION FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING - INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 217, ZONING, ARTICLE XIV, REQUIREMENTS FOR

DEVELOPMENTS INCREASING THE TOWNSHIP'S GROWTH SHARE OBLIGATION FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 217, ZONING, ARTICLE XIV, REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENTS INCREASING THE TOWNSHIP'S GROWTH SHARE OBLIGATION FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING be adopted upon first reading.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on September 18, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, 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. Short, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Mayor Tobin opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on any matter.

Howard Popper – 12 Gentry Drive - stated that he had a gentleman ask him to get a timetable on the replacement of the trees in the middle of the street on Gentry Drive.

Administrator Gallets - stated that she wrote a letter to Dr. Chester Skiba on August 18, 2006 requesting \$400.00 cash performance bond per tree, which would amount to a total of \$2,000.00 for the five trees which were removed. The trees will be replaced in the fall.

Mayor Tobin - instructed Administrator Gallets to contact Mr. Zaikowski, Chairman of the Shade Tree Committee, requesting an estimated time frame for the replacement of the trees.

There being no further questions or comments, Mayor Tobin closed the meeting to the public.

DISCUSSION

HOSE REPLACEMENT

Comm. Cullen - stated that the fire companies have a severe shortage of 5" hose. There are several areas in the budget, where the Township can allocate the funds to purchase the 5" hose. His recommendation is that the Township Committee adopt one of those plans tonight and start the process, because it takes 5 or 6 weeks to get the hose.

Comm. Short - stated when the conversation ended at the August 12, 2006 Work Session Meeting, Comm. Nedd and Comm. Cullen were going to take a look at the budget, with Kevin Lifer C.F.O. to determine where the money could be allocated from.

Comm. Nedd - stated that he and Comm. Cullen met with Kevin Lifer and Mr. Lifer narrowed it down to three possible alternatives in order to find the funds. (1) Use funds from the 2006 bond ordinance, equipment section. (2) Use the committee projects budget, current balance is \$13,857. (3) Do an emergency appropriation. Comm. Nedd stated that he spoke with Chief Bailey and the police will have \$7,000 that they will not need, due to a grant they have received for CAD upgrade. Kevin Lifer recommended using \$7,000 from the 2006 bond ordinance, equipment section. The 5" hose for \$7,000 can be purchased immediately.

Mayor Tobin - The consensus of the Township Committee is to allow the fire companies to purchase 1,000 feet of 5" hose and that the funds will be taken out of the equipment section of the capital budget.

***RESOLUTION #R-158-06 - AUTHORIZE RELEASE OF MAINTENANCE BOND - GRANDVIEW I AND II (ALSO KNOWN AS SPRINGTOWN MANOR V**

***RAFFLE APPLICATIONS**

Applications have been received for the following raffles:

Long Valley Women's Club - Evening Membership	Duck Race	09/30/2006
Long Valley Woman's Club - Evening Membership	Fifty-Fifty	02/11/2007
Long Valley Woman's Club - Evening Membership	Fifty-Fifty	02/25/2007
St. Luke Church	Draw Raffle	12/09/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/02/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/03/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/09/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/10/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/16/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/17/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/23/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/24/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	09/30/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/01/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/07/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/08/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/14/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/15/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/21/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/22/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/28/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	10/29/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	11/04/2006
Long Valley Raiders Football Association	Fifty-Fifty	11/05/2006
Pet Adoption League	Draw Raffle	10/06/2006
Pet Adoption League	Tricky Tray	10/06/2006
Long Valley Woman's Club	Fifty-Fifty	10/12/2006
Long Valley Woman's Club	Draw Raffle	10/12/2006
St. Luke Church	Fifty-Fifty	11/19/2006
Soroptimist International of Hackettstown	Fifty-Fifty	10/01/2006

Noted that the Chief of Police has signed the Findings and Determination Forms and all forms are in order and that the foregoing raffle applications be approved.

***APPROVE MINUTES**

April 28, 2006 Special Meeting
 May 8, 2006 Special Meeting
 May 10, 2006 Work Session Meeting
 May 15, 2006 Regular Meeting
 May 30, 2006 Special Meeting
 June 14, 2006 Work Session
 June 19, 2006 Regular Meeting
 July 12, 2006 Work Session
 July 17, 2006 Regular Meeting

***AUTHORIZE SPECIAL ABC PERMIT - MOUNTAIN VIEW BAR & GRILL, INC.**

An application has been received from the Mountain View Bar & Grill, Inc. for petition to extend the licensed premises for a public event to be held on September 10, 2006 from. 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on their premises at 141 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Noted that the Chief of Police has signed the petition.

***AUTHORIZE SPECIAL ABC PERMIT - LONG VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NO. 1**

An application has been received from the Long Valley Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 for permission to dispense alcoholic beverages at a fundraising event to be held on September 30, 2006 from Noon to 6:00 p.m. at 99 West Mill Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Noted that the Chief of Police has signed the permit application.

***PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS**

That the vouchers be approved and that the Treasurer shall issue warrants in payment when there are sufficient funds to meet them. The bill list is on file in the finance office.

***MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

The following monthly reports be accepted and placed on file in the Township Clerk's office:

Washington Township Board of Health, Washington Township Municipal Court,
Washington Township Police Department, Washington Township Tax Collector

All items preceded by a (*) were approved as part of the consent agenda on a motion by Comm. Short, seconded by Comm. Cullen on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #148-06 - APPOINTMENTS/ADJUSTMENTS

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-149-06 - AUTHORIZE RELEASE OF MAINTENANCE BOND - FAIRVIEW AVENUE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS - CONTRACT 2005.10

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-150-06 - APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-151-06 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH LOTUS LAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-152-06 - RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE YOU DRINK AND DRIVE, YOU LOSE 2006 STATEWIDE CRACKDOWN

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #153-06 - REPORT OF AUDIT

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-154-06 - AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL PERMIT APPLICATION (TWA-1) – U.S. HOME PROJECT (GREENBRIAR ESTATES)

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-155-06 - RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN AN APPLICATION FOR A REGIONAL COORDINATION GRANT

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-156-06 - AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDERS - ROCHELLE CONTRACTING COMPANY, INC. - HARRINGTON PARK (FORMERLY FALCON FIELDS) RECREATION FACILITY - PHASE IA

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-157-06 - REFUND TO TAX LIENHOLDER

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE RECORD

Letter from Assemblywoman Alison McHose, acknowledging receipt of our resolution opposing Assembly Bill 1030, which prohibits unilateral changing of terms and conditions of employment by public employers.

Public Notice from the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority, stating the West Morris Regional High School District will begin the construction of a sewer line along Bartley Road that will service the school.

Letter from the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority to residents of Bartley Road, asking them to place a stake where they would like the contractor to install the sewer connection to their properties.

Letter from Freeholder Margaret Nordstrom, stating the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders will enter into a contract with a company for deer carcass removal on all county and municipal roads.

Letter from Attorney John H. Dorsey, recommending that Members of the Morris Joint Insurance Fund not volunteer officers to the Prosecutor's Task Force, until the issue concerning the State providing a defense and indemnification for officers when they are sued is resolved.

Letter to Administrator Gallets from County Administrator John Bonanni, thanking Administrator Gallets for attending the Labor Relations Workshop on July 20, 2006 and welcoming suggestions for future programs.

Letter from Parks & Recreation Director Eleanora Murfitt, stating Washington Township received \$965.96 of \$12,074.50 collected for registration from Jim McDermott's Complete Baseball Camp.

Morris County Board of Taxation explanation of the computed tax rates for Washington Township and Certification Schedule of the 2006 General Tax Rate.

Results of Sale of \$2,875,000 Bond Anticipation Notes. (Renewal – No New Debt).

Letter to the Washington Township Committee and employees from Ms. Marge MacLachlan, expressing her thanks for our kind expressions of sympathy at the time of her loss.

Notice from the Morris County Agricultural Board that 309 Schooley's Mountain Road, owned by the Peach Family Partnership, LP, has been permanently preserved through the State Agriculture Retention and Development Program.

Mayor Tobin - instructed Administrator Gallets to write a letter to Freeholder Director Margaret Nordstrom and Members of the Freeholders Board, thanking them for providing Washington Township with the service of deer carcass removal.

Mayor Tobin opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on any matter. There being no comments or questions, Mayor Short closed the meeting to the public.

DISCUSSION

LOSAP - Kevin Lifer, C.F.O. will provide forms for the year 2004 and 2005 to the fire companies and the emergency squad, which are to filled out and returned to Administrator Gallets, with a copy for each Township Committee Member.

HARRINGTON PARK UPDATE - Scott Frech, D.P.W. Supervisor advised the Township Committee that the only permit he is still waiting for is from the Morris County Soil Conservation District.

Mayor Tobin opened the meeting to the public for comments or questions on any matter.

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

The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. upon approval of the following resolution.

RESOLUTION #R-159-06 - EXECUTIVE SESSION - ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE:
COMMUNITY CENTER
CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS:
P.B.A. - M.I.C.U.

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

AYES: Comm. Cullen, Short, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 11:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:01 p.m.

Dianne S. Gallets, Clerk