

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Tobin at 7:02 p.m.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

*Comm. Cullen arrived at 7:05 p.m.

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

EAGLE SCOUT PRESENTATION – Scout Matt Elchison presented plans to the Township Committee for an Eagle Scout project he is undertaking in which he will do landscaping at the Washington Township Police Department.

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 – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

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 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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

Mayor Tobin opened the meeting to the public. There being no comments or questions, 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 TO AMEND CHAPTER 217, ZONING, ARTICLE XIV, REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENTS INCREASING THE TOWNSHIP'S GROWTH SHARE OBLIGATION FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING 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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-161-06 - 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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-162-06 - RESOLUTION URGING THE NEW JERSEY ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO PROVIDE FOR DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION OF MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS VOLUNTARILY SERVING ON STATE AND COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCES

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-163-06 – SALARIES – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INTERNATIONAL BROTHEROOD OF TEAMSTERS LOCAL 469

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-164-06 - RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159. P.L.

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-165-06 - RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-166-06 - 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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-167-06 - AUTHORIZE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO EMERGENCY SERVICES VOLUNTEER LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP)

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-168-06 - REFUND 2006 TAX PAYMENT

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-169-06 - ENDORSE ACQUISITION OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS
Irma Delli Santi
Block 42.03, Lot 23 and Block 62, Lot 6 – Acres: 29.03

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-170-06 - ENDORSE ACQUISITION OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS
Fairmount Farm
Block 60, Lots 1, 4 and 5 - Acres: 51.54 (Net)

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-171-06 - ENDORSE ACQUISITION OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS
Geraldine Turnquist
Block 60, Lots 15.02 – Acres: 28 (Net)

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-172-06 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DAVID BANISCH OF BANISCH ASSOCIATES

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-173-06 - RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-174-06 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH REGARD TO BLOCK 41, LOT 5

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-176-06 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT AMENDING CONSENT ORDER BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP AND COLONIAL INVESTMENT CORP.

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. Short, Cullen, Walsh, Nedd, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

***RAFFLE APPLICATIONS**

An application has been received for the following raffles:

Flocktown Kossmann PTA	Fifty-Fifty	10/14/2006
St. Mark the Evangelist Parish	Fifty-Fifty	10/20/2006

Noted that the Chief of Police has signed the Findings and Determination Forms and all forms are in order.

That the foregoing raffle applications be approved, subject to the Mayor signing the Findings and Determination Forms.

***APPROVE MINUTES**

August 16, 2006 Work Session

August 21, 2006 Regular Meeting

***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**

That the following monthly department 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 an (*) were approved as part of the consent agenda on a motion made by Comm. Short, seconded by Comm. Cullen on the following roll call vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE NOTED FOR THE RECORD

- ◆ Letter from Robert Rodriques, Director of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Division of Highway Traffic Safety, stating a *You Drink and Drive, You Lose* Grant has been approved in the sum of \$3,000.00.
- ◆ Letter from Chief Technology Officer Adel Ebeid, of the New Jersey Office of Information Technology, stating the New Jersey 9-1-1 Commission has approved an Equipment Grant in the sum of \$87,467.20 and a General Assistance Grant in the sum of \$27,847.44 for Washington Township.
- ◆ Memo from Parks & Recreation Director Eleanora Murfitt, stating Washington Township received \$4,835.90 of \$24,179.50 collected for registration for multi-sports camps conducted in the summer of 2006.
- ◆ Memorandum from Board of Health Chairman Philip Carangelo, commending Health Officer Cris Cooke-Gibbs who obtained \$472,600 in grant funding to provide future potable water for the Cliffside Park Community.
- ◆ Letter from Ms. Elizabeth Foley, Secretary of the Soroptimist Club of Hackettstown, stating Deputy Clerk Madden was helpful in the preparation of raffle applications for their club.
- ◆ Letter to the Washington Township Committee and employees, expressing the Barkman family's thanks for our expressions of sympathy at the time of their loss.
- ◆ Letter from Scout Andrew Hoffman, thanking Mayor Tobin for assisting with his Citizenship merit badge project and stating he hopes to complete his Eagle project soon.

DISCUSSION

POLICE STATION PUMP – The Township Committee discussed the water pump at the Police Station which needs replacing.

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – The Township Committee formed a Cable Advisory Committee to best determine what the Township’s needs are.

***Comm. Cullen recused himself from the MVCA discussion.**

MVCA – The Township Committee will invite Ms. Andi Huber, Director of the Musconetcong Valley Community Association, to the October Work Session to discuss the MVCA’s programs for 2007.

***Comm. Cullen returned to the meeting.**

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

The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. upon approval of the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION #R-175-06 – EXECUTIVE SESSION – LAND ACQUISITIONS: LANCE
ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE: COMMUNITY CENTER;
SETTLER’S RIDGE**

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. Nedd, Short, Cullen, Walsh, Mayor Tobin

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 8:45p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Dianne S. Gallets, Clerk