

The Work Session of the Washington Township Committee was called to order by Vice Mayor Short at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comm. Popper, Walsh, Nedd, Vice Mayor Short, Attorney Jansen, Attorney De Bona, Administrator/Clerk Gallets, Assistant Administrator Burd

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor Tobin

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Morristown Daily Record on January 8, 2007 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

HOMELESS SOLUTIONS – **Daniel C. McGuire, Director, Headquarters Development Division** made a presentation to the Township Committee. Mr. McGuire stated that all engineering and design phases are complete. The project is currently before the planning board. Mr. McGuire discussed applications for funding which require Municipal and County signatures as well as a resolution. He further discussed changes in the affordable housing landscape that would make the project more successful. **Ray Birsh, Project Manager**, discussed his February 6, 2008 memo and stated that Homeless Solutions is committed to the project's completion. The Township Committee agreed to advance the Township's contribution toward the project immediately following Planning Board approval.

A PILOT program at 2% of gross rents was proposed which will allow for revenue to flow through to the Township, and provide stability to the project. The Municipal Tax Assessor will be consulted and more detailed information will be provided.

Lastly, it was requested that the Township waive any remaining municipal fees and charges for the project. Homeless Solutions will come up with some estimates that the Township Committee can discuss at a future date.

PUBLIC PORTION

Vice Mayor Short opened the meeting to the Public regarding Homeless Solutions. There being no comments or questions, Vice Mayor Short closed the meeting to the public.

****RECREATION PROGRAMING STAFF** – **Gail Werner, Senior Citizen Program Coordinator**
Tom McCloud, Recreation Program Specialist
Darlene Hatcher, Administrative Assistant

****Recreation Programming Staff will be rescheduled for discussion at a later date.**

TAX ASSESSING – **Dolores Pecorari, Tax Assessor** appeared before the Township Committee to respond to issues that were raised by the Committee members during the budget meeting. Ms. Pecorari described the process of her office upon receipt of a permit issued by the Building Department, the ensuing inspections required, and the determination of added assessments. Farmland inspections are required every three years.

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ORDINANCE

GARAGE BAYS

Attorney Jansen stated that he researched the ordinance adopted in 2001 with regard to the definition of a garage. Dave Banisch was consulted and confirmed that it was intended to apply to detached structures. The Township Committee agreed that the word "detached" should be added to the definition.

DISCUSSION

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES – SCHEDULE INTERVIEWS – Interviews will be held by Comm. Walsh and Comm. Nedd at 7:00p.m. on Monday evening prior to the Regular Meeting.

