The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Short at 7:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Jansen, Administrator/Acting Clerk Burd, Deputy Clerk DiGregorio

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record on January 9, 2012 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.

<u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u> – The pledge of allegiance was recited.

MAYOR'S UPDATE – Mayor Short announced the budget meetings scheduled at the Reorganization Meeting as follows:

Wednesday	January 25, 2012	7:00 P.M.	Senior Center
Monday	February 6, 2012	7:00 P.M.	Senior Center
Monday	February 13, 2012	7:00 P.M.	Senior Center

Mayor Short noted that he has been in touch with JCP&L again. Since Christmas, thousands of residents have experienced power outages in Washington Township. JCP&L is in the process of doing extensive tree trimming. Substation connections are being completed and cut boxes are being inspected. A February 1, 2012 meeting with the Board of Public Utilities, other Mayors, and JCP&L will be held in Denville for further discussion.

A Board of Education meeting on shared services will be held on January 19, 2012 to discuss the bus facility.

Mayor Short remembered the second anniversary of the passing of Kevin Walsh, who served as a Committeeman for the Township.

<u>PROCLAMATION</u> – Mayor Short read into the record a proclamation declaring Friday, February 3, 2012 to be "National Wear Red Day for Women" in Washington Township.

PUBLIC PORTION

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

RO-01-12 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO PROHIBIT A LEFT TURN – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

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 PROHIBIT A LEFT TURN be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

Motion was made by Comm. Roehrich, seconded by Comm. Kennedy that the foregoing resolution be approved. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor ShortNAYS: NoneABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

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 PROHIBIT A LEFT TURN 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 February 20, 2012 at 7:30 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. Roehrich, seconded by Comm. Kennedy that the foregoing resolution be approved. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor ShortNAYS: NoneABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-11-12 APPOINTMENT/ADJUSTMENT – Police Department

Motion was made by Comm. Roehrich, seconded by Comm. Kennedy that the foregoing resolution be approved. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

January 16, 2012

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

AUTHORIZE CANCELLATION OF MUNICIPAL COURT GENERAL ACCOUNT RESOLUTION #R-12-12 CHECKS

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

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-13-12 AUTHORIZE CANCELLATION OF MUNICIPAL COURT BAIL ACCOUNT CHECK

Motion was made by Comm. Roehrich, seconded by Comm. Kennedy that the foregoing resolution be approved. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor ShortNAYS: NoneABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-14-12 REFUND 2008 AND 2011 TAX PAYMENTS

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

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-15-12 AWARD CONTRACT – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION – MULTI SPORT CAMPS – US SPORTS INSTITUTE

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

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-16-12 AWARD CONTRACT – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION – MULTI SPORT CAMPS – US SOCCER ACADEMY

Motion was made by Comm. Kennedy, seconded by Comm. LiaBraaten that the foregoing resolution be approved. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor ShortNAYS: NoneABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-17-12 AWARD CONTRACT – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION – SCIENCE ENRICHMENT CAMP – SUPER SCIENCE PROGRAMS FOR KIDS, LLC

Motion was made by Comm. Kennedy, seconded by Comm. Roehrich that the foregoing resolution be approved. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor ShortNAYS: NoneABSTENTIONS: NoneABSENT: None

AWARD CONTRACT – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION – RESOLUTION #R-18-12 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL CAMPS – COMPLETE PLAYER CAMP

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

ABSENT: None

ABSENT: None

ABSENT: None

ABSENT: None

ABSENT: None

ABSENT: None

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

AYES:	: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short			
NAYS:	None	ABSTENTIONS: None	ABSENT: None	

***RAFFLE APPLICATION**

Applications have been received for the following raffles:

Community Events Organization 50/50 June 29, 2012

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.

***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

<u>*APPLICATION FOR SOCIAL AFFAIR – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY EVENTS</u> ORGANIZATION

An application has been received from the Washington Township Community Events Organization for permission to have a social event on Saturday, March 20, 2012 from 7:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. at Schooley's Mountain Firehouse, 231 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Noted that the Chief of Police has signed the permit application.

That the foregoing special permit for a social affair be approved and the Clerk be authorized to sign the permit application and forward it to the applicant for submission to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

Mayor Short asked if anyone on the Committee or any member of the public wanted anything removed from the consent agenda and considered separately. There was no response.

All items proceeded by an (*) were approved as part of the consent agenda.

Motion was made by Comm. Roehrich, seconded by Comm. Tobin that the foregoing consent agenda be approved. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

DISCUSSION

BARTLEY AND NAUGHRIGHT TRAFFIC SIGNAL - Lt. Compton explained that the timing of this traffic signal was brought to the Police Department's attention by Jina Oveissi, 119 Pleasant Grove Road, who stated that it creates undue traffic during rush hour. Lt. Compton researched the situation and found that the timing of the light is off and obtained an estimate of \$1,800 from Jen Electric Inc., the company that holds the County co-op contract, to have it reprogrammed. Comm. Roehrich inquired whether this was a one time cost, even if the timing needs further adjustment. He was advised that it would be a one time fee. The company will perform a survey after the light is reprogrammed and will make any further adjustments necessary at no cost. Comm. Roehrich also asked whether someone from the Township could do the reprogramming. He was advised that is not possible. The Committee agreed that the light should be reprogrammed and Lt. Compton will arrange to have the company make the adjustment.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES - SET INTERVIEWS - Interviews will be conducted by two sets of two Committeemen and were scheduled as follows:

Wednesday January 25, 2012 6:15 P.M. Senior Center

<u>**BUDGET MEETINGS**</u> – <u>**Mayor Short**</u> asked that the Committeemen talk to the Department Heads to gather information on any extra requests over and above their operating costs that will be forthcoming for capital items. He asked that the information be ready to be presented at the budget meetings.

INFORMATION DISSEMINATION – Comm. Tobin mentioned the need for timely and better information. He wants to be certain that our events and meetings are being publicized. Mayor Short responded affirmatively. Comm. LiaBraaten asked Comm. Tobin what type of information media is being requested (i.e., newspaper announcements, website access, Long Valley Patch). Comm. Tobin stated that all of those media should be employed.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mayor Short opened the meeting to the public.

Orion Lake, 458 West Mill Road, asked about changing escrow fees for site plan review of agricultural buildings in the Township which he had brought before the Committee in December. Attorney Jansen explained that after receiving input from Mr. Hall and Mr. Banish this week, the ordinance also needs to redefine what constitutes an agricultural use. Riding rinks are not currently considered agricultural. It is in the hands of the Planner. Mayor Short stated that Mr. Lake should send him his concerns to be forwarded to Mr. Hall, Mr. Banish and Attorney Jansen. He explained the process involved in passing the ordinance.

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

Motion was made by Comm. Roehrich-, seconded by Comm. Kennedy that the meeting be adjourned. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor ShortNAYS: NoneABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

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The meeting adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

Deborah Burd, Acting Township Clerk