

The Work Session of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Short at 7:31 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Comm. Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Attorney Jansen, Administrator Coppola, Municipal Clerk DiGregorio, Office Manager Lyons

**ABSENT:** Comm. Kennedy, Comm. LiaBraaten

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record on January 10, 2013 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** – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

**PRESENTATION** – Shade Tree Committee Chairman Stephen Zaikowski and Committee Member Robert Sikorski presented their budget request for 2014 and provided a summary of 2013. All 29 trees planted in 2013 survived. They hope to order 50 trees for 2014. The Committee will work with the DPW and volunteers from the Long Valley Garden Club to get the trees planted. The Forestry Management Program is up for renewal. They hope to do it in house.

**DISCUSSION**

**Ridgeline Ordinance.** Committee Members discussed the Ridgeline Ordinance and cases where sheds are being installed within 100 feet of the ridgeline. The ordinance requires that applications be sent to the Township Engineer and Planning Board, at a review cost of \$500. **Construction Official Ruggerio** hesitates to recommend that course of action because of the cost to the resident, and requested exemptions for sheds of a certain size. The Committee will consider his request after he submits some additional information.

**PUBLIC PORTION.** Mayor Short opened the meeting to the public.

**Sam Reed** spoke on behalf of his father-in-law, **Michael Cangialosi**, who lives at 10 Sun Valley Way. **Mr. Cangialosi** submitted an application to build a 320 square foot shed two months ago. The application was denied. There are three other sheds on their street, and many more nearby that have been built.

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

The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:25 P.M.

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| <b>RESOLUTION #R-144-13 – EXECUTIVE SESSION:</b> | <b>Contract Negotiations:</b> Califon Field Grooming<br>Califon Animal Control<br>IndependenceTwpFire<br>Prevention<br>Mansfield Fire Prevention<br>Mansfield IT<br><b>Collective Bargaining:</b> Police Benevolent Association<br>Superior Officers Association<br><b>Attorney/Client Potential Litigation:</b> Estates at Long<br>Long Valley |
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Motion was made by **Comm. Roehrich**, seconded by **Comm Tobin** that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried forward by the following roll call vote:

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

The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 8:52 P.M.

Motion to adjourn was made by **Comm. Roehrich**, seconded by **Comm. Tobin**. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

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

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**The meeting adjourned at 8:52 P.M.**

\*Denotes Consent Agenda

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**Nina DiGregorio, Municipal Clerk**