

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Short at 7:35 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten, Roelrich, Tobin, Mayor Short

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Jansen, Administrator Coppola, Office Manager Lyons

ABSENT: Municipal Clerk DiGregorio

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record on January 9, 2014 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.

MAYORS UPDATE.

Prior to this Regular Township Committee Meeting, **Mayor Short** met with representative from various volunteer committees to get an update on their business, issues, and progress.

New COAH requirements were received on May 1. Going forward Washington Township will be required to rehab 20 units and to build 11 units within the Township.

The Memorial Day Celebration will be held at the Senior Center on May 24, 2014 at Noon.

The Newburgh Road Bridge will close on June 24 for 6-8 months.

In early June a section of Schooley's Mountain Road, from Newburgh Road towards the intersection of Route 57 & 182 will be resurfaced by the County. The County will also be repaving Barley Road.

There will be a meeting on June 17 with the Highlands Council to discuss the possible construction of residential and commercial structures and a 30,000 sq. ft. community center in Long Valley.

A Schooley's Mountain Safety Study was conducted by the County. A 58 page document will be released with suggestions for safety enhancements.

Areas of Parker Road, Naughtright Road, Black River Road, Hacklebarney Road, East Valley Brook Roads will be resurfaced this year.

PROCLAMATION – Mayor Short, on behalf of the Washington Township Committee, read into the record a proclamation declaring May Skin Cancer Awareness Month.

PROCLAMATION – Mayor Short, on behalf of the Washington Township Committee, read into the record a proclamation declaring May National Primary Immuno Deficiencies Diseases Awareness Month

HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS – Eileen Stokes of the Washington Township Historic Preservation Commission presented Historic Preservation Awards to: **John Fredricks and Paul Dorman** for work done at 4 West Mill Road, **Daniel and Janet Farrand** for work done at 248 W. Mill Road, **Jeff Garry** for his Eagle Scout Project, **Liebenzell Mission** for work done at 13 Heath Lane, **Chris Meyler** for his Eagle Scout Project, **Allen and Denise Richardi** for work done at 67 Fisher's Mine Road, **Barbara Rossi** for her years of service to the Historic Preservation Commission, **Ron and Barbara Shaw** for work done at 8 Pleasant Grove Road, and **Arley and Lyn Smith** for preserving 67 Califon Road.

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

RO-08-14 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF VARIOUS ROADS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$920,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled **BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF VARIOUS ROADS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$920,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION** be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

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

AYES: Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten, Roelrich, Tobin, Short
NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Attorney Jansen noted that the supplemental statement was filed with the Division of Local Governments electronically.

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

Washington Township

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of Washington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, on April 21, 2014. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing thereon at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Municipal Building in said Township on May 19, 2014 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours at the Clerk's office in said Municipal Building for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title:

Bond ordinance providing for the improvement of various roads in and by the Township of Washington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, appropriating \$920,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$500,000 bonds or notes of the Township for financing such appropriation.

Purpose(s):

Improvement of various roads and locations in and by the Township, including, without limitation, Naughtright Road from House #388 for approximately 3,950 feet north, East Valley Brook Road from Old Farmer's Road in an easterly direction for approximately 3,675 feet, Black River Road west of Hacklebarney Road for approximately 2,300 feet, and Hacklebarney Road north of Black River Road for approximately 1,500 feet, by the surfacing or resurfacing thereof.

Appropriation:	\$920,000
Bonds/Notes Authorized:	\$500,000
Grants (if any) Appropriated:	\$200,000
Section 20 Costs:	\$100,000
Useful Life:	10 years

/s/ Nina DiGregorio
Township Clerk

This Notice is published pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-17.

P.F. \$ 43.35

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BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled **BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF VARIOUS ROADS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$920,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION** be adopted upon final reading and that said ordinance be published in the Observer Tribune according to law.

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

AYES: Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Short
NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RO-09-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 111, LAND USE PROCEDURES, AND CHAPTER 217, ZONING, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM RIDGELINE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS AND TO REGULATE THE PARKING AND STORAGE OF TRAILERS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

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 AMEND CHAPTER 111, LAND USE PROCEDURES, AND CHAPTER 217, ZONING, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM RIDGELINE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS AND TO REGULATE THE PARKING AND STORAGE OF TRAILERS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS** be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

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

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

Due to the lack of a quorum, the Planning Board was not able to review this ordinance prior to this meeting.

PUBLIC PORTION. Mayor Short opened the meeting to the public. There being no questions or comments, Mayor Short continued the public hearing to the June 16, 2014 meeting.

Motion was made by **Comm. Roehrich**, seconded by **Comm. Tobin** that the foregoing ordinance be carried to the June 16, 2014 Regular Meeting at which time the public hearing will be continued. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

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

RO-10-14 AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY – NON-CONTRACTED EMPLOYEES – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

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 – NON-CONTRACTED EMPLOYEES** be introduced and passed on first reading by title by the Township Committee and that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full or by summary in the Observer Tribune according to law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on June 16, 2014 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.

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-78-14 AUTHORIZE THE EXCHANGE OF REAL ESTATE WITH THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

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

RO-11-14 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL LANDS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY BEING A PORTION OF BLOCK 34, LOT 46.04 FOR CERTAIN LANDS BEING BLOCK 34, A PORTION OF LOT 49 AND AN ACCESS EASEMENT ACROSS LOT 49 – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL LANDS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY BEING A PORTION OF BLOCK 34, LOT 46.04 FOR CERTAIN LANDS BEING BLOCK 34, A PORTION OF LOT 49 AND AN ACCESS EASEMENT ACROSS LOT 49** be introduced and passed on first reading by title by the Township Committee and that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full or by summary in the Observer Tribune according to law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on June 16, 2014 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.

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

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

ACCEPT RESIGNATION(S)

That the following resignation be accepted:

Paul Cimins – permanent part time Registered Environmental Health Specialist, effective May 1, 2014

Motion to accept the resignation was made by **Comm. Roehrich**, seconded by **Comm. Roehrich**, the following roll call vote:

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

RESOLUTION #R-79-14 APPOINTMENT/ADJUSTMENT

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-80-14 RESOLUTION TO DELEGATE TO THE MUNICIPAL TAX ASSESSOR THE AUTHORITY TO SETTLE COUNTY TAX BOARD APPEALS ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-81-14 AUTHORIZE TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERAN – RALPH CASO

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-82-14 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A TAX APPEAL

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-83-14 RESOLUTION OF THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ESTIMATED TAX BILLS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER 2014 PAYMENT

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-84-14 REFUND 2012 AND 2013 TAX PAYMENTS

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-85-14 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION FROM MAY 19 – JUNE 1, 2014

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-86-14 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948. FOR *CLICK IT OR TICKET* GRANT

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-87-14 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948. FOR *DISTRACTED DRIVING STATEWIDE CRACKDOWN* GRANT

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-88-14 AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF WQM-003 FORM – BLOCK 2, LOT 6

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-89-14 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE INVESTIGATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL RETIMING AT THE INTERSECTION OF NEW JERSEY STATE ROUTES 57 & 182 AND COUNTY ROUTE #517 LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF HACKETTSTOWN, WARREN COUNTY, IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE REPLACEMENT OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #16003/MORRIS COUNTY BRIDGE #1401-196, NEWBURGH ROAD OVER THE MUSCONETCONG RIVER, MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY AND WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, MORRIS COUNTY

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-90-14 APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO EAST VALLEY BROOK ROAD PROJECT

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-91-14 AWARD BID – NAUGHRIGHT ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

DISCUSSION. This is the lowest bid. It came in \$20,000 less than anticipated. The Committee discussed additional work that could be done using the \$20,000. **Administrator Coppola** and **DPW Superintendent Frech** will look into the matter and provide recommendations to the Committee.

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

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

RESOLUTION #R-92-14 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN LAND AND PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

The contiguous property owner is not interested in purchasing the lot for fair market value. This will be discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken on Resolution #R-92-14.

***AUTHORIZE COIN DROP – SCHOOLEY’S MOUNTAIN FIRE COMPANY**

That the Schooley’s Mountain Fire Company be authorized to conduct a “Coin Drop” fund drive on Saturday, June 14 and September 20, 2014 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the intersection of Schooley’s Mountain Road (County Route 517) and the intersection of Springtown Road. Approval has been received from the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders. The approval is conditioned upon approval from the Washington Township Police Department. The Township assumes no responsibility or liability for the safe operation of the event and will expect Schooley’s Mountain Fire Company to hold the Township harmless from any claim arising out of this event.

That the foregoing request be approved.

***APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC EVENT – WEST MORRIS CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL**

An application has been received from the West Morris Central High School for an overnight walk to benefit cancer research to be held on June 13, 2014 to June 14, 2014 from 5:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. at the West Morris Central High School, 259 Bartley Road, Chester, New Jersey. Recommendations have been received from the Police Department, the Board of Health, Zoning Officer, Construction Official and Fire Prevention Official.

That the foregoing public event be approved subject to the conditions of the Police Department, the Board of Health Zoning Officer, Construction Official and Fire Prevention Official.

***APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC EVENT – LONG VALLEY UNITED SOCCER**

An application has been received from Long Valley United Soccer for a Highlands Cup Soccer Tournament to be held on Friday, June 20, 2014 between the hours of 5:30 PM and 8:00 PM at Rock Spring Park, Harrington Fields, Palmer Park Field, and Califon Field. Recommendations have been received from the Police Department, the Board of Health, the Zoning Officer, Construction Official and Fire Prevention Official.

That the foregoing application be approved subject to the conditions of the Police Department, the Board of Health, the Zoning Officer, Construction Official and Fire Prevention Official.

***APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC EVENT – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT**

An application has been received from the Washington Township Police Department for their 50th year Anniversary Celebration to be held on September 13, 2014 at 3:00 pm in Rock Spring Park. Recommendations have been received from the Police Department, the Board of Health, the Zoning Officer, Construction Official and Fire Prevention Official.

That the foregoing application be approved subject to the conditions of the Police Department, the Board of Health, the Zoning Officer, Construction Official and Fire Prevention Official.

***APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP – LONG VALLEY FIRST AID SQUAD**

An Application has been received for cadet membership in the Long Valley First Aid Squad from Theresa Tobin.

That the foregoing application for cadet membership be approved and be forwarded to Long Valley First Aid Squad.

***APPROVE MINUTES**

March 12, 2014	Work Session
March 17, 2014	Regular Meeting
April 16, 2014	Work Session
April 21, 2014	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,
- Washington Township Zoning Official

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 on a motion made by **Comm. Roehrich**, seconded by **Comm. Short** on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten (%), Roehrich, Tobin (#), Short
NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

(#) Comm. Tobin abstained from voting on the Long Valley First Aid Squad Cadet Membership Application.
(%) Comm. LiaBraaten abstained from voting on the March 17, 2014 meeting minutes.

DISCUSSIONS

Changes to Personnel Policies. The Committee discussed municipal vehicle use, reimbursement details for continuing education programs, and mileage reimbursement. The changes will be forwarded to the Labor Attorney for review, and ultimately adopted by the Township Committee as part of the Employee Handbook of Personnel Policies and Procedures.

Fire Vehicle. The Schooley’s Mountain Fire Department is asking for a second command vehicle that the Fire Company would purchase and the Township would insure and maintain. The Township Committee does not think there is a need for additional command vehicles at this time.

Motion to deny the request for an additional command vehicle was made by **Mayor Short**, seconded by **Comm. Roehrich**. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Short
NAYS: None

ABSENT: None **ABSTENTIONS Comm.** Babb

Committee Liaison Updates. Comm. Tobin reminded the Committee that it is important for the Township Committeemen to periodically attend volunteer committee meetings and to stay in touch with committees to insure that lines of communication are open.

Veterans Group Home. Comm. Tobin and Administrator Coppola met with a group that had set up a veteran’s home in Chester. Comm. Tobin will continue to gather information to establish a similar program in Washington Township.

DPW Underground Storage Tank. Administrator Coppola provided an update of his meeting with the LSRP.

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

Tax Assessor. The Committee established a sub-committee to look at the Tax Assessors position and reappointment options.

RESOLUTION #R-93-14 – EXECUTIVE SESSION – LAND ACQUISITION: Open Space ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE – Land Sale, Block 20.10, Lot 49.02

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

AYES: Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Short
NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:50 P.M.

The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 9:10P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

*Denotes Consent Agenda