

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Short at 7:33 P.M.

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Attorney Jansen, Administrator/Acting Clerk Burd, Deputy Clerk DiGregorio, Office Manager Coppola

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

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.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**MAYOR'S UPDATE** – Mayor Short stated that over 600 letters were sent out to residents by the Environmental Commission advising them that they have conservation easements on their property and deciding the restrictions imposed by the easements. Included with the letter was a brochure about conservation easements.

A special meeting has been scheduled for June 25, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Depending on the outcome of Thursday's State Assembly/Senate proceedings regarding an extension of the COAH housing requirement to expend funds by July 17, action may have to be taken to preserve Township trust funds.

The Green Festival will take place on July 14, 2012 at Rock Spring Park with the participation of many different organizations. The Township website provides further details.

Earlier this evening, Mayor Short and Comm. Tobin met with the Chairs of approximately ten different committees, commissions and non-profit organizations to talk about different issues that face the Township and how to work together to accomplish certain goals. A follow-up meeting will be held in September.

Next year is the Township's 275<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Township will commemorate the anniversary with activities throughout the year. Events will be coordinated through the Historical Society.

There will be a paving project beginning on June 26, 2012 on Pleasant Grove Road which will involve closures.

The Township has not yet received approval of the Wastewater Management Plan.

### **PUBLIC PORTION**

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

**William Dunn, 18 Arrow Head Drive**, stated that his road is in desperate need of repair. Mr. Dunn has witnessed a couple of accidents (pedestrian and bicycle related) due to its poor condition. Comm. Kennedy will investigate and address this issue with the DPW.

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

### **RO-10-12 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MAINTENANCE GARAGE ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO BE FUNDED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF THE MAINTENANCE GARAGE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR NOMINAL CONSIDERATION- SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

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

**AYES:** Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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

**AYES:** Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**RO-11-12 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW FIRE TRUCK BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$450,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$385,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

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**It was noted for the record that the Supplemental Debt Statement was filed in Trenton.**

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**AYES:** Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**RO-12-12 AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

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**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 159, SITE PLAN REVIEW, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON REGARDING FINAL SITE PLAN APPLICATION FEES FOR AGRICULTURAL USES – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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

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**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AND PARTICIPATION IN MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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**AYES:** Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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**AYES:** Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrich, Tobin, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**RESOLUTION #R-78-12 AWARD BID FIRE PUMPER**

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

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

**RESOLUTION #R-79-12 ACCEPT STORM WATER MAINTENANCE EASEMENT FOR BAY RIDGE MOTOR SALES, INC. BLOCK 4, LOT 7**

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

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

**RESOLUTION #R-80-12 AUTHORIZE RETURN OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES - BAY RIDGE MOTOR SALES, INC. – Hackettstown Honda, Block 4, Lot 7**

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

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

**RESOLUTION #R-81-12 AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANT**

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

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

**RESOLUTION #R-82-12 APPOINTMENTS/ADJUSTMENTS**

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

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

**RESOLUTION #R-83-12 SALARIES AND COMPENSATION FOR EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR 2012**

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

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

**RESOLUTION #R-84-12 REFUND 2010 AND 2011 TAX PAYMENTS**

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

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

**RESOLUTION #R-85-12 PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE – CORNERSTONE TAVERN & GRILL, LLC**

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







**IT** – **Comm. Tobin** stated that he has had continued discussions with Mount Olive regarding shared IT services, and is also exploring outsourcing as an option.

**LIQUOR LICENSE** – **Mayor Short** stated that he was contacted again regarding whether the Township will put a new liquor license out to bid. The Committee will discuss this issue in Executive Session.

**DAMAGED AMERICAN FLAGS** – **Comm. Tobin** stated that ceremonies were conducted at Alstede Farms by veterans of both Washington Township and Chester to dispose of damaged American flags. Comm. Tobin stated that he would like to raise public awareness as to what to do with damaged flags. **Mayor Short** suggested an old mailbox at the DPW be used for collecting damaged flags for proper disposal. Comm. Tobin also stated that he is pleased to see that Superintendent Moore and teachers are emphasizing American history in school and that the veterans will be sending a letter in appreciation.

**GREEN TEAM** – **Comm. LiaBraaten** commented that the E Recycling at the DPW was a great success. Office Manager Coppola was thanked for his efforts.

**VERIZON CONSTRUCTION** – Construction is scheduled to begin during the second quarter of this year.

**PUBLIC PORTION**

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

The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:20 P.M.

**RESOLUTION #R-91-12 - EXECUTIVE SESSION – ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE:** Issuance of an Additional Liquor License

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

**AYES:** Comm. Kennedy, LiaBraaten, Roehrlich, Tobin, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 8:27 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

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Deborah Burd, Acting Township Clerk