

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Roehrich at 7:33 PM.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten, Murello, Vice Mayor Short, Mayor Roehrich

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

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record on January 8, 2015 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 Roehrich stated that the budget will be introduced at tonight's meeting. The budget reflects a tax increase of 1.84%, which is \$33 per year for the average homeowner. Tax increase would have been .25% less if the total net valuation had remained the same. This year the Committee set aside \$780,000 for roads; not including \$450,000 appropriated last year for East Valley Brook, which will be done in 2015.

An online request form is available to residents so that they may request 200' property lists, property record cards, additions to the website calendar, report dumping, potholes, power outages, tall grass, zoning violation and unlicensed animals. The link to the form is available at the top of every page on the Washington Township website.

Officials from the DOT have reviewed data collected in 2014 and have expressed a willingness to support a change in the Schooley's Mountain Road weight limit restrictions which will be discussed tonight.

File of Life magnets from the First Aid Squad are now available at the front office, the Health Department and the Senior Center. A card with info about medical conditions can be filled out by residents and placed in a pouch with a magnet to attach it to their refrigerator. A window sticker then alerts emergency responders to its presence.

Eagle Scout Michael Cuccaro is pursuing an aggressive project to install AEDs in all municipal parks. He is attempting to raise \$5,000 for his project and will be hosting a beef steak dinner on April 10 at St. Luke's Church.

Yesterday a town wide Cub Scout Pinewood Derby was held at Cuccinella School. This was the first time all the Packs competed at one event.

**PROCLAMATION.** Mayor Roehrich presented Marty Miller from NORWESCAP with a proclamation honoring the organization's 50th anniversary.

**PRESENTATION.** Kids 4 Kindness. Group leader Ms. Lis presented a platter of pretzels to the Committee to thank them for their service to the community. Members of the group introduced themselves and discussed their mission and recent accomplishments.

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

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**RO-02-15 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 – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

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**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 read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

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

**AYES:** Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten, Murello, Vice Mayor Short, Mayor Roehrich  
**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

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



TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

#RO-02-15

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the following ordinance was passed on the first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, Morris County, New Jersey held on February 16, 2015 and that said ordinance will be further considered for final passage by the Township Committee at the Municipal Offices located at 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey, March 16, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. at which time and place all persons who may be interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk

DATED: February 16, 2015 (\$15.40)

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

RO-02-15

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 IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows: SECTION 1. The salary ranges of the following positions of the Township of Washington, Morris County, New Jersey are hereby established as follows for the year 2015 and until revised:

- Township Administrator \$75,000 - \$130,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Township Clerk / Deputy Registrar \$40,000 - \$70,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Police Chief \$90,000 - \$140,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Road Supervisor/Superintendent of Department of Public Works \$90,000 - \$120,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
DPW/ General Supervisor \$60,000 - \$95,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Municipal Tax Assessor \$30,000 - \$70,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Assistant Township Administrator \$60,000 - \$110,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Tax Collector/Asst. Assessment Search Officer \$50,000 - \$80,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Construction/Building Sub Code Official \$70,000 - \$95,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer \$80,000 - \$115,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Office Manager \$41,000 - \$65,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Municipal Judge \$30,000 - \$40,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Recreation Program Coordinator/Administrative Assistant \$25,000 - \$50,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Court Administrator \$40,000 - \$60,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Deputy Court Administrator \$28,000 - \$36,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Land Use Coordinator \$15,000 - \$30,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Deputy Township Clerk/Recording Secretary \$25,000 - \$55,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Assistant to Municipal Tax Assessor \$30,000 - \$47,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Assistant Purchasing Agent/Assistant Treasurer \$30,000 - \$57,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
DPW/Accounting Clerk \$29,000 - \$45,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Code Enforcement Administrative Control Official \$30,000 - \$48,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Secretary \$25,000 - \$40,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Clerk/Typist; Receptionist \$25,000 - \$40,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Senior Citizen Van Driver \$25,000 - \$38,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Part-time Senior Citizen Van Driver \$8,000 - \$18,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Office of Emergency Management Director/Plumbing Sub Code Official \$500 - \$4,000 per annum
Part-time Building Inspector \$20,000 - \$40,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Animal Control Officer \$10,000 - \$23,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Dog Warden \$9,000 - \$17,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
General Part-time Office Staff \$8,000 - \$40,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Class I, Special Police Officer \$18,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Class I, Special Police Officer - Call Out \$25.00 per hour for first two hours, \$18.00 per hour thereafter

- Class I Special Police Officer \$50.00 - \$60.00 per hour
Outside Contractor/Services Police Matron - Call Out \$25.00 per hour for first two hours, \$18.00 per hour thereafter
Fire Sub-Code Official \$20,000 - \$6,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Part-Time Electrical Inspector \$22,000 - \$42,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Temporary Plumbing Inspector \$22,000 - \$42,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Fire Prevention Inspector/Official \$18,000 - \$38,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Part-time Recycling Worker \$9,000 - \$25,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Technical Specialist \$50,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Operations/Administrative Support Specialist \$40,000 - \$50,000 per annum, payable bi-weekly
Part-Time Electrician \$40,000 - \$42,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly
Part-Time Zoning Officer \$20,000 - \$40,000 per hour, payable bi-weekly

SECTION 2. All Inspectors, Municipal Tax Assessor, Township Clerk, Treasurer, Administrator, and others required to use their own vehicles will be reimbursed at a rate as set forth in the resolution, which specifies Township Employees' Benefits for the year 2015.

SECTION 3. The Township Committee shall, by Resolution, establish the following benefits: Vacation; Sick Leave; Holidays; Leave of Absence; Medical Benefits; Other Additional Benefits.

SECTION 4. All ordinances of the Township of Washington which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

ATTEST: TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF MORRIS STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk Kenneth W. Roehrich, Mayor (\$125.84)

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that said Ordinance be adopted upon final reading and that said ordinance be published in the Official Newspaper according to law.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Short, seconded by Comm. Lia Braaten that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Babb, Lia Braaten, Murello, Vice Mayor Short, Mayor Roehrich
NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION #R-52-15 INTRODUCE 2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Motion was made by Comm. Lia Braaten, seconded by Vice Mayor Short that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Babb, Lia Braaten, Murello, Vice Mayor Short, Mayor Roehrich
NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTENTIONS: None

It was noted that the public hearing on the budget will be held on April 20, 2015 at 7:30 PM at the Municipal Building.



\*RESOLUTION #R-53-15 SALARIES AND COMPENSATION FOR EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR 2015

\*RESOLUTION #R-54-15 OUTSIDE TAX LIEN REDEMPTION REFUND

\*RESOLUTION #R-55-15 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

\*RESOLUTION #R-56-15 REFUND 2011 AND 2012 TAX PAYMENTS

\*RESOLUTION #R-57-15 TRANSFER OF FUNDS

\*RESOLUTION #R-58-15 AUTHORIZE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO EMERGENCY SERVICES VOLUNTEER LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP)

\*PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

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:

- 2015 February Board of Health • 2015 February Building Department
- 2015 February Municipal Court • 2015 February Police Department
- 2015 February Tax Collector • 2014 YE Tax Collections
- 2015 February Finance Department • 2015 February Vehicle Usage
- 2015 Senior Transportation

Mayor Roehrich 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 preceded by an (\*) were approved as part of the consent agenda on a motion made by Vice Mayor Short, seconded by Comm. LiaBraaten on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten, Murello, Vice Mayor Short, Mayor Roehrich  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

DISCUSSION

Schooley's Mountain Road Weight Limit. Lt. Niemynski and Administrator Coppola reported on their meeting this week with NJDOT and County Officials. Lt. Niemynski has a future meeting with other traffic officials and is optimistic a favorable and enforceable resolution is near. The Committee felt that the 15 ton limit, with exceptions for local deliveries and emergency vehicles, would be acceptable.

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

RESOLUTION #R-59-15 EXECUTIVE SESSION – Attorney Client: Affordable Housing

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Short, seconded by Comm. Murello that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Babb, LiaBraaten, Murello, Vice Mayor Short, Mayor Roehrich  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

*The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:15 P.M.*

*The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 8:30 P.M.*

*Motion to adjourn was made by Vice Mayor Short, seconded by Comm. Murello.*

*The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.*

\*Denotes Consent Agenda