

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Roehrich at 7:31 PM.

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

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

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 acknowledged the tragic terror attacks in Paris and requested a moment of silence. The Township is in the process of acquiring two parcels of land for Open Space. One parcel is off Coleman Road and the other is next to Cataract Park. Approval by the County is expected. On January 9, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM the Township will host the annual rabies clinic at the DPW facility. Pet licensing personnel will also be there to issue 2016 Pet Licenses for dogs and cats. Flu Shots are still available. Contact the Board of Health to schedule an appointment.

On December 5 the Township will sponsor an afternoon with Santa at Saint Mark’s Church from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Lunch will be served. The cost is \$8.00 per person, but children under 2 years of age are free.

Police Department Alert – IRS Phone Scam. These calls are a fraudulent attempt to make people believe they owe the IRS money and are really an attempt to collect banking information from citizens. The IRS does not call homes to collect taxes. If you receive a call please report it to the Police Department.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Short, seconded by Comm. Murello to remove Resolution 149-15 from the consent agenda and consider it at this time. 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

**RESOLUTION #R-149-15**

**APPOINTMENTS/ADJUSTMENTS**

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

Lt. Bratus, Corporal Feichter and Sergeant Hade were each administered their respective Oaths of Offices by Municipal Clerk DiGregorio.

**PRESENTATION. Employee Recognition.** Retired Police Chief Bailey was in attendance and his service to the Township was recognized with the presentation of his Retired Chief’s Badge.

**Police Officers Citations.** Legislative Aide Theresa Tobin, on behalf of Assemblyman Bucco recognized and congratulated Officer John Lee and Officer Derek Heymer for saving the life of a female resident with the use of Narcan after a drug overdose.

*Mayor Roehrich called for a five minute break.*

*The meeting resumed at 8:00 PM.*

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

**RO-12-15    AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 46, ANIMALS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON WITH REGARD TO LICENSE FEES – 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 46, ANIMALS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON WITH REGARD TO LICENSE FEES** 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

ABSENT: 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.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
RO-12-15

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 October 19, 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 on November 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

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 46, ANIMALS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON WITH REGARD TO LICENSE FEES

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 46, Animals, Article 1, Dog Licensing, § 46-2, Licensing Provisions, Paragraph E., Fees, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"E. Fees. The person applying for a license shall pay a fee of \$13 for each unneutered dog and \$10 for each neutered dog. There shall be a late charge of \$4 per month for any part of a month for any application made after January 31st. The same fee shall be charged for the annual renewal of each license."

SECTION 2. Chapter 46, Animals, Article 1, Cats, § 46-18, Licensing requirements, Paragraph G, License fee schedule, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"G. License fee schedule. The annual fee for a license shall be \$12 for each unneutered cat and \$9 for each neutered cat. Persons who fail to obtain a license as required within the time period specified in this subsection will be subject to a delinquent fee of \$4 per month or for any part of a month. Proof of rabies inoculation showing that the inoculation will not expire prior to November 1st of the current licensing year, as well as proof of neutering, must be presented when applying for a license."

SECTION 3. 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 4. 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 5. This Ordinance shall be effective January 1, 2016 and upon final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

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

By:  
Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk      Kenneth W. Roehrich, Mayor  
(\$53.68)

**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. 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

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

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**RO-13-15 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON SCHOOLEY'S MOUNTAIN ROAD - 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 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON SCHOOLEY'S MOUNTAIN ROAD** be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

Motion was made by Comm. LiaBraaten, seconded by Comm. Babb 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

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

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
RO-13-15

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 October 19, 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 on November 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

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON SCHOOLEY'S MOUNTAIN ROAD

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Morris, adopted Resolution No. 5, dated March 25, 2015, to restrict the weight limit on County Route 517, also known as Schooley's Mountain Road, to a Gross Weight of 15 tons from Newburgh Road to East/West Mill Road with the exception of local deliveries and emergency vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Morris, adopted Resolution No. 1, dated September 9, 2015, to restrict the weight limit on County Route 517, also known as Schooley's Mountain Road, from the Warren County and Morris County Border to East/West Mill Road at the request of the New Jersey Department of Transportation with the exception of local deliveries and emergency vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to amend its ordinances to include the weight restriction on Schooley's Mountain Road;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Trucks over fifteen tons gross registered vehicle weight are hereby excluded from the following described streets or parts of streets, except for the pickup and delivery of materials on such streets and emergency vehicles:

Name of Street	Location
Schooley's Mountain Road (County Road 517)	From the Warren County and Morris County Border to East/West Mill Road

SECTION 2. Appropriate regulatory signs shall be erected and maintained to effect the above designated weight restrictions as authorized by the NJ Department of Transportation.

SECTION 3. Any person convicted of a violation of this ordinance shall be liable to the penalty set forth in N.J. S. 39:3-84.3.j.

SECTION 4. All ordinances of the Township of Washington that 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 upon publication and as required by law and upon the posting of appropriate signs and upon approval of the Commissioner of Transportation.

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

Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk      Kenneth W. Roehrich, Mayor  
(\$63.36)

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 Comm. LiaBraaten, seconded by Vice Mayor Short 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

RO-14-15      AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 27, POLICE DEPARTMENT, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENT - 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 AMEND CHAPTER 27, POLICE DEPARTMENT, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENT be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee and that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full or by summary in the Official Newspaper 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 December 21, 2015 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 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

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

- \*RESOLUTION #R-150-15      APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO NAUGHRIGHT ROAD PROJECT
- \*RESOLUTION #R-151-15      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 NEW JERSEY BODY ARMOR GRANT
- \*RESOLUTION #R-152-15      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 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT



RESOLUTION 159-15

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND THE TOWNSHIP  
OF MANSFIELD FOR THE PROVISION OF SMOKE DETECTOR AND  
CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR INSPECTIONS TO THE TOWNSHIP  
OF MANSFIELD

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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. LiaBraaten, Murello, Vice Mayor Short, Mayor Roehrich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

**Administrator Coppola** requested two members of the Committee to interview a candidate for Recreation Committee. **Comm. LiaBraaten** and **Vice Mayor Short** volunteered and will meet with the Candidate before the December 16 meeting at 6:30 PM

**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 160-15

EXECUTIVE SESSION: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING: DPW

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

AYES: Comm. LiaBraaten, Murello, Vice Mayor Short, Mayor Roehrich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

*The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:09 P.M.*

*The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 8:14 P.M.*

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

*The meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.*

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Nina DiGregorio, Municipal Clerk

\*Denotes Consent Agenda