

**East Amwell Township Committee
1070 Route 202/31, Ringoes, NJ 08551
AUGUST 12, 2010 - 7:30 p.m.**

1) CALL TO ORDER Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

3) AGENDA REVIEW BY CLERK

4) ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Municipal Offices will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2010, in observance of Labor Day.

5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. July 8, 2010, Regular Minutes

6) OPEN TO THE PUBLIC Comments pertaining to topics not on tonight's agenda (limited to total of 15 minutes)

7) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES/PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearings:

ORDINANCE 10-13: AN AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF EAST AMWELL TOWNSHIP, TO AMEND CHAPTER 24 (OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES), ARTICLE IV, TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR, TO CHANGE THE AMOUNT OF UNPAID BALANCE OF SALARY UPON REMOVAL

1) Proof of Publication; 2) Public Hearing; 3) Action on Ordinance

Introduction of Ordinances:

ORDINANCE 10-14: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST AMWELL TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 129, TREE HARVESTING, TO PROTECT FOREST RESOURCES AND PROVIDE CONSISTENCY WITH SOURLAND MOUNTAIN ZONING DISTRICT ORDINANCES

8) SPECIAL DISCUSSION

9) SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Clawson Park

1) Proposal to Eliminate Deposit Requirement for Non-Profit Groups – P. Cregar

10) STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Farmland/Open Space Preservation

- 1) 7/15 Request from County for Mayor's Signature on Cost Share Agreement for Block 3, Lots 3 & 3.04 (Furrow's End Farm/Rynearson)
- 2) Update on Gutowski/Paulson Property, Block 35.01/Lot 37
- 3) Zoffinger, Block 37/Lot 15: Second Appraisal by Tom Rodriquez
- 4) Zuegner Property, Block 17/Lot 34: Request for Final Funding Approval for Easement – see 8/9 Memo from G. Robbi
- 5) Resolution to Enter Executive Session to Discuss Land Acquisition- Thompson Property/Cider Mill Road
- 6) Request for Second Appraisal on Thompson Property, Cider Mill Road (See Background Material from FOSPC, including 7/27 letter to appraisers)

11) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Township Administrator's Update

- 1) Zoning Office Update – Richard McManus returned to service on August 1, 2010
- 2) NJ DOT Grant Application for Sidewalks in the Village of Ringoes – Request for Resolution of Support
- 3) Raritan Township Police Department – June/July 2010 Reports
- 4) Resolution to Acknowledge Receipt of Audit
- 5) East Amwell Township School Shared Services Agreement
- 6) OEM Grant Application
- 7) 2010 Benefits Schedule – Change Mileage Allowance from .505 to .50 cents Per mile
- 8) 7/15 County Engineer Letter to Jennifer Bausmith re: Route 514
- 9) Professional Services for Auditor
- 10) Back Brook Road Improvements - Core Sample Testing to be Done By Craig Testing Laboratories
- 11) Request to West Amwell Township Mayor Molnar for Traffic Control Assistance on Rocktown Hill and Rocktown Roads
- 12) 2010 Salary and Wage Resolution to Add Peter Buchanan as a Substitute For Smoke Detector Inspections
- 13) Other

B. Refinancing Bonds: Resolution Determining the Form and Other Details of Not to Exceed \$2,650,000 Principal Amount of Refunding Bonds of the Township of East Amwell, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey and Providing for the Sale and the Delivery of Such Bonds

C. Resolution for Executive Session to Receive Advice from the Township Attorney, If applicable

12) NEW BUSINESS

A. Raffle License #10-04 for the Coalition for Animals, Inc., 20 Peterson Rd., Hillsborough, NJ 08844 for 9/26 Event to be held at Unionville Vineyard (Rain

date 10-3-10)

- B. 4H Agricultural Fair Games, If Applicable
- C. Amwell Valley Fire Company Special ABC License for One Day Event on 9/11/10
For the Harvest Fest (Rain date: 9/12/10)
- D. Amwell Valley Fire Company Request for Fireworks Display at Harvest Fest on
9/11/10 (Rain date- 9/12/10)
- E. Release of Performance Bond- B. 8/L. 26.01 – MidAtlantic Equine Center – see 8/10
Memo from Engineer Dennis O’Neal
- F. Hunterdon County Municipal Alliance Renewal Application for 2011

13) OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

14) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- A. TREASURER LUHRS:
 - Bills of the Evening and Statement of Cash on Hand
 - Possible Resolutions
 - July 2010 Budget Summary
 - July 2010 Revenue Report
- B. TAX COLLECTOR HYLAND:
 - July 2010 Municipal Receipts and Disbursements Report
 - July 26, 2010 Affidavit of Tax Bill Mailing on July 22, 2010
 - Possible Resolutions
- C. COURT ADMINISTRATOR HOOVEN: July 2010 Municipal Court
Report
- D. DPW SUPERINTENDENT KADEZABEK: July 2010 Road Activities Report
- E. HUNTERDON HUMANE ANIMAL SHELTER, Second Quarter Report 2010

15) CORRESPONDENCE

- A. NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES:
 - 8/9 Ethics Training Available from NJLM
 - 8/6 Annual Audit Statement
 - 8/4 Governor Signs S-1804- Permitting Special Emergency Appropriations
for Accumulated Absence Payout upon Retirement or Layoff
 - 8/5 Pension Training for Certifying Officers
 - 8/5 Refrigerator/Freezer Recycling Program in the Community
 - 8/2 Bind Arbitration Reform & Other Toolkit Reform -Action Request
 - July Legislative Bulletin

- 7/28 New Content on DLGS Website (Part 2)
 - 7/27 New Content on DLGS Website (Part 1)
 - 7/27 Mayoral Toolkit Task Force Work Progresses
 - * - 7/27 DCA, August 26, 2010 as Women's Equality Day
 - 7/26 Legislative Alert- COAH/Affordable Housing Reform
 - 7/22 Speaker Oliver Appoints Assemblyman John McKeon to Lead Mandates Relief Effort
 - 7/22 Toolkit Management Reforms
 - 7/20 Sustainable Jersey Networking Events in August
 - 7/20 Senate Committee Considers Toolkit Initiatives
 - 7/19 New Date for Submission of Wastewater Management Plans
 - 7/19 Consumer Product Safety Commission Recall of Light Poles
 - 7/14 SHBP Costs to Climb 11.7%
 - 7/14 Governor Signs S-29 (Tax Levy Cap from 4% to 2%)
 - 7/8 Filibuster of Continued FMAP Funding Measure Could Cause State Budget Gap
 - 7/8 Senate Concurs with CAP Conditional Veto
- B. UNITED STATES:
- C. STATE OF NEW JERSEY:
- 7/27 DOT, Long Life Pavement Markings Contract
 - 8/3 Congressman Holt invitation to Sustainable Communities Program on 8/10; Program was subsequently postponed until a later date.
 - 8/3 Assemblywoman Grace Spencer, Major Taylor Cycling Club of NJ on 8/8 (rain date 8/17)
 - 7/26 DEP No Further Action Letter, 45 Linvale Road
 - 7/16 DEP Notice of Hazardous Substance Discharge – 69 Snyderstown Road
 - 6/23 Dept. of Children & Families NJ Safe Haven Infant Protection Act
- D. HUNTERDON COUNTY:
- 7/26 County Engineer re: Cooperative Purchase 2010-11 Winter Season Snow and Ice Control Materials
 - 7/15 County Engineer Letter in Support of DOT Grant Application for Sidewalks in Ringoes
 - 7/19 Health Dept. Rabies Incident in East Amwell in area of Lindbergh Road
 - 7/14 Board of Taxation, 2010 Tax rate Detail for East Amwell Township
 - 7/13 Hunterdon Drug Awareness Letter of Appreciation
 - 7/15 Division of Senior Services Letter of Appreciation
 - 7/16 Soil Conservation District, Letter of Conditional Certification for B. 24/L. 3.01 & 7/28 Report of Compliance
 - 7/20 Planning Board Planning & Design Awards 2010
- E. EAST AMWELL TOWNSHIP:
- 7/30 Summer Playground Report
- F. BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, 7/13 Resolution in Support of Legislative Action on the Governor's Proposed 2.5% Constitutional Cap on Property Tax Levies, with Modifications and Clarifications, and after Passage of the Governor's Toolkit Reforms and mandates relief

- G. HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, public hearing notice, re: B.5/Lot 12 & 12.01 Lot Line Adjustment – hearing on 7/22/10 at 7:30 p.m.
- H. MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP, Fair Share Plan Hearing on 7/26/10 at 7:30 p.m.
- I. HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP, public hearing on 8/5 re: Housing Plan Element And Fair Share Plan (7:30 p.m.)
- J. RARITAN TOWNSHIP, 7/22 public hearing notice for 8/17 at 7 p.m. re: General Ordinance to Allow Shed as Accessory Structures in Non-Residential Zones
- K. AUTISM NJ, 7/6 Copy of “Connecting with Autism: A Blueprint for Lifetime Support.”
- L. SOURLAND PLANNING COUNCIL Summer 2010 Newsletter – Download at www.sourland.org
- M. PSE&G., Notice of Tree Removal as Part of Vegetation Management Work, Near John Ringo and Toad Lanes
- N. PSE&G., Public Hearing Notice for Rate Changes
- O. ELIZABETHTOWN GAS, Public Hearings Notice on Rate Changes
- P. D&R GREENWAYS Summer 2010 Newsletter
- Q. COMCAST:
 - * - 7/23 Check in the Amount of \$15,000 in Accordance with Franchise Renewal
 - 8/2 Closing of Somerset Office at 100 Randolph Road
- R. JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT, Public Notice for Rate Changes
- S. PLAN SMART NJ, Annual Dinner Notice for October 27 in New Brunswick

16) ADJOURNMENT

CC: Township Committee
All Officials
Bulletin Board

Hunterdon County Democrat
Times of Trenton
Star Ledger
Courier News