

**East Amwell Township Committee  
1070 Route 202/31, Ringoes, NJ 08551  
OCTOBER 14, 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. General Election Day is Tuesday, November 2, 2010 from 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. All East Amwell polls are located at the municipal building.

B. Day Light Savings Time Ends on Sunday, November 7, at 2 a.m. – set your clocks back one hour.

C. Municipal Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 11, in observance of Veteran's Day. There will, however, be a regular Township Committee meeting that evening.

D. Hunterdon County Utilities will hold a hazardous waste cleanup day on Saturday, November 13, 2010, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the County Complex. Call 908:788-1110 for details.

**5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. September 9, 2010, Regular Minutes

B. September 9, 2010, Executive Minutes (Attorney Advice)

C. September 27, 2010, Special Minutes (Public Hearings for Capital Ordinances)

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

**7) PUBLIC HEARINGS/INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

Public Hearings:

A. 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

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

Introduction of Ordinances

A. ORDINANCE 10-18 AN AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP

OF EAST AMWELL, CHAPTER 75, FEES, INCLUDING ARTICLE I, MISCELLANEOUS FEES, ARTICLE II, TAX COLLECTION FEES, AND ARTICLE IV, VITAL STATISTIC FEES

**8) SPECIAL DISCUSSION**

- A. Appeal from Girl Scout Troop 209 to Use Clawson Park for Night Event – see Denied Application of 9/22/10

**9) SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**10) STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Farmland/Open Space Preservation

- 1) 10/7 Memo from J. Conard re: Scibilia Requirements for Bank Subordinations

B. COAH

- 1) 10/8 Emails from Planner Banisch and Attorney Cushing with COAH Appellate Decision

**11) UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Township Administrator's Update

- 1) Parking at Point in Ringoes – 10/1 DOT Letter from Michael Mihalic & Request for Township Resolution in Support of No Stopping/Standing
- 2) DOT approval for Pedestrian Walk Signs on Route 179/579
- 3) Energy Efficiency Measures at the Municipal Building
  - a) 10/6 Letter from NJ Clean Energy re: Implemented Measures  
3 Month Extension Granted
- 4) 10/7 Zoning Officer Inter-Office Report on Abandoned Vehicles-Dutch Lane
- 5) Raritan Township – September 2010 Traffic Enforcement Report
- 6) Mayor's Signature on Change Orders for Back Brook & Lindbergh Road Improvements – see 10/6 Request from Engineer O'Neal
- 7) Other

- B. Resolution to Enter Executive Session to Receive Advice from Township Attorney, if applicable

**12) NEW BUSINESS**

**13) OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**14) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

A. TREASURER LUHRS:

- Bills of the Evening and Statement of Cash on Hand
- Appropriations Summary
- September 2010 Revenues Report
- Possible Resolutions

**B. TAX COLLECTOR HYLAND:**

- September 2010 Municipal Receipts and Disbursements Report
- Possible Resolutions

**C. COURT ADMINISTRATOR HOOVEN: September 2010 Municipal Court Report**

**D. DPW SUPERINTENDENT KADEZABEK: September 2010 Road Activities Report**

**15) CORRESPONDENCE**

**A. NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES:**

- 10-8 Court Strikes Down COAH 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Regulations
- October 2010 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Elected Officials Hall of Fame
- 10/7 NJ Health Care Quality Institute – 10/14 Program in West Trenton
- 10/5 Federal Early Retirement Reinsurance Program Accepting Applications
- October League Bulletin – Copy in Office or access at [www.njslom.org](http://www.njslom.org)
- 10/4 Funding Available to Municipalities for Hepatitis Inoculation of Public Safety Responders; Federal Update for Period Ending October 1; Important Conference Sessions Emergency Management and Response
- 10/1 Recap of Thursday's Senate and Assembly Voting Session and Survey Measures Impact of Declining Property Values on Local Budgets
- 10/1 Sustainable Jersey in Top 8 National Finalists
- 9/30 October 2010 Mayor's Newsline
- 9/30 New Content on DLGS Website
- 9/29 Governor Unveils New education Reforms and Assembly Committee Advances Some Mandates Relief Measures
- 9/28 Disaster Management Reimbursement
- 9/28 2010 Conference Resolutions
- 9/28 Best Practices Checklist Deadline
- 9/28 Call for Nominations for 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Innovation of Governance Awards
  - Deadline is 10-13-10
- 9/27 Comments Sought on Draft SADC Regulations
- 9/27 Proper Perspective on Pension Problems
- 9/24 Government Efficiency & Best Practices Forum & League Urges Action On Arbitration Reform
- 9/24 FY 2011 Pension Contributions Estimated Billing
- 9/24 Homestead Benefit Application Begins
- 9/23 Government Efficiency Forum – October 22, Forsgate Country Club
- 9/20 COAH Reform; Arbitration Reform & Civil Service Reform
- 9/17 Shaping NJ: State Partnership for Nutrition, Physical Activity & Obesity Prevention
- 9/16 School Report Card by NJ Spotlight
- 9/16 Civil Service Adoption of Amended Rules Selection & Appointment Transfers

- 9/15 Best Practices Checklist Clarifications
- 9/14 Legislative Session Update; Toolkit Resolution/Request for Help; A-2911- Library Bill Conditionally Vetoed; S-837 Sex Offender Residency
- 9/14 Deadline for Sustainable Jersey Certification Applications – 9/15/10
- 9/14 Governor Unveils New Public Employee Pension & Benefits Reform
- 9/14 Update on Tool Kit Developments
- 9/10 Verizon to Claim More Person Property Tax Exemptions
- 9/9 Governor Christie's New Reform Agenda
- 9/8 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Everything Jersey: Business Statewide Conference & Expo
- 9/9 NJ Alert, State's New Mass Text & Email Emergency Notification
- 9/7 Division of Pensions & Benefits Group Counseling Sessions

**B. UNITED STATES:**

**C. STATE OF NEW JERSEY:**

- 10/5 DOT Local Aid Grants Resume & News Release on Resumed Work
- 10/4 DCA Commissioner Grifa re: DCA Sessions at League Conference
- 10/1 DOT Clarification – NJ Halts TTF Projects
- 10/1 DCA NJ DOT Halts Projects Funded by the TTF
- 10/1 DOT Local Aid Grants
- 9/22 COAH re: James Robbins as Municipal Housing Liaison
- 9/24 DEP, 2010 Clean Water Council Public Hearing
- 9/21 DEPT, Sustainable Jersey Workshops
- September 2010 OPRA Alert, Vol. 3, Issue 1

**D. HUNTERDON COUNTY:**

- 10/4 Soil Conservation District – B. 6/L. 6 – District Plan Not Required
- 10/4 Polytech Breakfast Showcase on 10/28/10 at 8:30 a.m.
- 9/30 Email from John Glynn re: Public meeting on Bridge E-174 on October 20 at 4 p.m. at the project site.
- 9/30 HART Request for Pedestrian Safety Resolution
- 9/24 Keller & Kirkpatrick re: Hunterdon County Bridge E-142-M and Approach Roadway of County Route 518 Over Tributary to Stony Brook (Plans on File in Clerk's Office)
- 9/27 Freeholders Letter on County Resources
- 9/23 Planning Board re: Open Space, Farmland, and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Program Manual and Resolution
- 9/16 Planning Board List of Towns Applying for 2010 Sustainable Jersey Designation
- 9/14 Engineer's Office, Construction Schedule for Wertsville Road Culvert Area Construction
- 9/22 Attorney DeSapio Letter to D & R Greenway Land Trust, Thompson/Lanwin Application, B. 20/L.17.01& B. 21/L.1
- 9/14 CADB Notification of 2012 PIG Application

**E. EAST AMWELL TOWNSHIP:**

- 9/17 Attorney/Client Privilege Letter from Attorney Eric Harrison re: McGee v. Twp. of East Amwell, et al.
- 10/4 Attorney/Client Privilege Letter from Attorney Richard Cushing re: Fiscor Property, B. 40/L. 51.05

- 9/16 Email from Attorney Cushing with New Legislation re: OPRA Fees
- 9/22 Farmland/Open Space Preservation Administrator Conard Memo to Tim Mathews re: Questions Regarding Comprehensive Farmland Plan
- 9/30 Letter from Resident Linda Whited re: Ridge Road Drainage
- 9/30 Inquiry from Resident re: COAH Requirements/Write Down/Buy Down
- Hopewell Valley Engineering:
  - 9/21 DOT re: Back Brook Road Improvements – Phase 2
  - 9/22 DOT re: Roadway Reconstruction & Drainage Improvements At Spring Hill Road
  - 9/23 Clerk re: Back Brook Road Improvements – Phase 2 Maintenance Bond and Final Payment
  - SWAC Report for September 2010 from Will Harrison
- F. TOWNSHIP OF MONTGOMERY, 9/13 Master Plan public hearing on 9/27 at 7:30 p.m. on Housing Plan Element and Fair Share Plan
- G. TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON, 9/9 Resolution #109-10-Requesting Hunterdon County Freeholders Do an Analysis of all Police, Fire, Rescue and Educational Services
- H. HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, 10/1 Public Hearing on 11/8 at 7 p.m. for land use and development ordinance (Permitted Signs)
- I. SOMERSET COUNTY FREEHOLDERS, public notice of variance hearing on B. 169/L.60 in Hillsborough on 10/6/10 at 7:30 p.m.
- J. WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP: public hearing on Master Plan Elements on 10-19-10 at 7:30 p.m., including Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan
- K. 2010 PLANSMART NJ Annual Dinner Invitation
- L. NJ ASSN. FOR FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference Announcement in Somerset on 10/14 & 15/10
- M. COMCAST:
  - 9/27 HD Technology Fee
  - 10/7 Internet Security Efforts/ Constant Guard Bot Detection & Notification
- N. RARITAL VALLEY RAIL COALITION, 8/9 Meeting Summary & 10/18 Meeting Announcement
- O. NJBIA, 9/28 Information on 2010 Awards Dinner on October 19 – ask for copy
- \* P. 9/27 Request from Attorney J. Douglas Orr for Re-Zoning of B. 42/L. 12.01 from Sourland Mountain District to Highway-Office and Local Business.

## 16) ADJOURNMENT

CC: Township Committee  
All Officials  
Bulletin Board

Hunterdon County Democrat  
Times of Trenton  
Star Ledger  
Courier News