

**East Amwell Township Committee
November 23, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.
Special Budget Meeting Agenda**

- 1. Compliance Statement**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Discussion on 2011 Budget**
- 4. Resolution to Enter Executive Session to discuss Personnel issues and/or positions, if Applicable.**
- 5. Open to the Public for Comments**
- 6. Adjournment**

**East Amwell Township Committee
Resolution Authorizing Closed Session**

WHEREAS, Section VII of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b.(1) et seq.) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

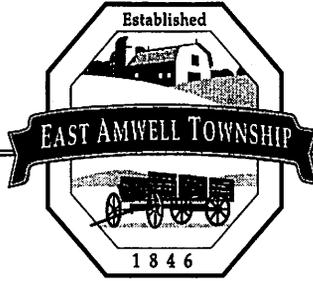
WHEREAS, the East Amwell Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the East Amwell Township Committee as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from the Executive Session portion of the meeting in which Personnel issues and/or positions will be discussed.
2. Action may or may not be taken.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the East Amwell Township Committee at a meeting held on November 23, 2010.

Carolyn Fritsch, Deputy Clerk
East Amwell Township



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RESOLUTION # 146a-10

WHEREAS East Amwell Township and D&R Greenway Land Trust have participated in several successful open space preservation projects and the township supports the preservation of Block 21, Lot 1, (88.6 acres more or less) and Block 20 Lot 17.01 (50x100x100) hereafter referred to as “the property”; and

WHEREAS East Amwell Township intends to participate with the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey Green Acres Program and the Department of Environmental protection natural Resources Damages Program, Conservation Resources Inc. and D&R Greenway Land Trust in the preservation of the property; and

WHEREAS preservation of the property would complete a large contiguous assemblage of preserved properties in the eastern part of East Amwell Township; and

WHEREAS the New Jersey Natural Heritage program identified the property as a prime grasslands bird habitat as part of its Amwell Valley bird macro site, and is furthermore ranked as an important Grassland Bird Habitat Parcel in a study by New Jersey Audubon as part of the Raritan Piedmont Wildlife Habitat Partnership; and

WHEREAS the property is a part of the Neshanic River recharge and water protection initiative and New Jersey Water Supply Authority has a special initiative in the Neshanic Basin; and

WHEREAS the property by virtue of this preservation technique would be accessible to the public for walks and bird observation; and

WHEREAS the property would continue to be managed consistent with the goal of maintaining grassland bird habitat; and

WHEREAS the property contains a high percentage of prime farmland soils and contains a tributary of the Neshanic River; and

WHEREAS provided the purchase price of the property is equal to or less than the certified market value as determined by review appraisers at Green Acres based on two independent appraisals; and

WHEREAS all properties eligible to use grant funds awarded to the Township under the Green Acres program must be in the Project Area as defined in the East Amwell Township Planning

Incentive Acquisition Grant Application Plan submitted to New Jersey Environmental Protection, Green Acres dated March 31, 2003 with one amendment dated February, 2005 approved by the East Amwell Township Planning Board by resolution dated February 2, 2005 and by the East Amwell Township Committee by resolution dated January 27, 2005.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of East Amwell, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, that the Committee hereby authorizes the use of funds available to the Township, in the amount of \$400,000.00, from the Green Acres Grant Program for the use of the acquisition of Block 21, Lot 1, and Block 20 Lot 17.01, and approve the addition of Block 21, Lot 1 and Block 20, Lot 17.01 to the East Amwell Project Area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Deputy Mayor is hereby authorized to sign any necessary documents in order to complete this transaction.

By Order of the Township Committee,

Linda Lenox, Deputy Mayor

This is a certification of a true
Resolution adopted on November 11, 2010.

Carolyn Fritsch, Deputy Clerk