

**East Amwell Township Committee**  
**1070 Route 202/31, Ringoes, NJ 08551**  
**JUNE 11, 2015 - 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. East Amwell will have a table at the Hunterdon County Second Annual Community Day on June 13, 2015, at the South County Fairgrounds – the public is invited to attend this family event.
- B. Municipal Offices will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2015, in observance of Independence Day.

**5) UPDATE FROM THE CFO**

- 1) Update
- 2) Corrective Action Plan – 5/15/15
- 3) Resolution Acknowledging Receipt of the 2014 Audit

**6) STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Board of Health – Chair Tracy Carluccio will be present
- B. Recreation Committee
  - 1) Request for Consideration of Charging Fee for Use of Soccer Fields (see 6/2/15 email from Chair Pete Fick)
- C. Farmland/Open Space Preservation
  - 1) Presentation of 2015 Open Space and Preserved Farmland Map and Annual Report for Tax Bill
  - 2) Hunterdon County OSTF Application for Funds for East Jersey Developer's Property
  - 3) 6-9 Email Regarding Resignation of Sande Katz

**7) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- May 14, 2015, Special Meeting Minutes – Resolution for Executive Session
- May 14, 2015, Executive Meeting Minutes – Tax Appeal; COAH; Attorney Advice
- May 14, 2015, Regular Meeting Minutes

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

**9) SPECIAL DISCUSSIONS**

A. COAH (Affordable Housing) Update

- 1) January 28, 2015 Resolution from West Amwell Township to Legislators Asking for COAH to Adopt a New, More Sensible Approach to Affordable Housing
- 2) Draft Materials for Submission for Declaratory Judgment – 6-2 Request from Attorney St. Angelo for Comments Via Email Circulation or Special Meeting
- 3) Resolution for Participation in Joint Alliance for COAH (see 5/19 Letter from J. R. Surenian and Associates, LLC re: Dr. R. Burchell as Municipal Expert on COAH)

**10) CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

A. NORWESCAP Resolution – Amendment to Continue COAH Agreement for Housing Rehabilitation

B. 4H Fair Amusement Games Resolution – Judy Wotasek, AG-15-01 Ball Toss; AG-15-02 Darts; AG-15-03 Fish Pond for August 19-23, 2015

**11) PUBLIC HEARINGS AND INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

**Public Hearings:**

A. ORDINANCE 15-08: 2015 SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE

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

B. 2015 Salary and Wage Resolution for Additional Staff

C. ORDINANCE 15-09: ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE STORMWATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$440,000 THEREFOR CONSTITUTING PROCEEDS OF A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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

**Introduction of Ordinances:**

A. ORDINANCE 15-10: AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN ASPHALT ROLLER AS A GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$36,000 FROM THE CAPITAL SURPLUS FUND

B. ORDINANCE 15-11: AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR PURCHASE OF AND INSTALLATION OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE

UPGRADES FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AS A GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$15,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL SURPLUS FUND

- C. ORDINANCE 15-12: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$11,500 FROM THE CAPITAL FUND BALANCE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A MOWER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
- D. ORDINANCE 15-13: AN ORDINANCE ADDING A SECTION ENTITLED “VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES” TO THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST AMWELL, AS ARTICLE II, GENERAL PENALTY, IN CHAPTER 1, GENERAL PROVISIONS, SECTION 1-15

**12) SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS - None**

**13) UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Township Administrator's Update:
  - 1) Resignation of Sande Katz as FOSPC Administrator, effective June 14
  - 2) Solar Speed Signs
  - 3) Trailer Repair and Utilization
  - 4) 2015 M & R Bids Available for Purchase
  - 5) Other
- B. Continued Discussion on Draft Ordinance for Abandoned and Foreclosed Properties (See 5-14-15 Minutes for Background)
  - 1) Copy of Holland Township Ordinance Provided by Attorney Cushing
- C. Mayor's Update:
  - 1) Speed Changes on Wertsville Road
  - 2) Other

**14) NEW BUSINESS**

- A. National Psoriasis Foundation: Bicycle Event on Saturday, August 15, 2015

**15) OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**16) EXECUTIVE SESSION, If Applicable**

**17) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

- A. TREASURER/CFO PASQUA
  - Bills of the Evening – June 11, 2015 Bill List
  - Resolutions, Chapter 159 for Clean Communities Grant
- B. TAX COLLECTOR HYLAND:
  - May 2105 Disbursements & Receipts Report
  - Resolutions, if applicable

C. MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR HOOVEN:

- May 2015 Court Report

D. DPW SUPERINTENDENT SILVERTHORN:

- May 2015 Monthly Report

E. NJSP – KINGWOOD:

- May 2015 Activity Report

F. WEST AMWELL TWP. POLICE:

- May 2015 Activity Report

**18) CORRESPONDENCE**

A. NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES:

- June 2015 NJ Municipalities Magazine – ask for copy or access on line at [www.njslom.org](http://www.njslom.org)
- 5/12 – Commemoration of 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and retirement of Bill Dressell
- 6/1 Annual Conference information – 11/17-19 in Atlantic City
- 6/1 Mayors Newsline
- 5/18 Proposed Agreement re: Verizon Service
- 5/19 Update on Energy Seminar on 5-27 at Rowan University (emailed on 5-20 to governing body)
- 5/21 Local Authority Limited – FCC Rules regarding Cell Tower Collocation
- 5/15 Weekly Policy Update (BPU/Verizon; Unfunded Mandates; Private Financing of Water Conservation; DLGS Streamlining bil; State Intrusion On Local Discretion
- 5/11 Deptford Challenges Chapter 54 Police Camera Mandate
- 5/29 Pension and Health Roadmap
- 6/5 Weekly Policy Update – OPRA; Public Safety Workers; Spill Act

B. UNITED STATES:

C. STATE OF NEW JERSEY:

- NJ DEP Hazardous Substance Discharge Notices: (ask for copies)
  - 5/6 116 Stoney Brook Road
  - 5/21 190 Mountain Road
- 2015 Recycling Awards Program: July 24<sup>th</sup> deadline for submissions
- NJ DEP 5/19 Black Bear Management Policy Code Amendments Information
- NJ DEP 6/1 Flood Hazard Rules Press Release

D. HUNTERDON COUNTY:

- 5/26 Relay for Life information on Program to be held on June 13 at 2 p.m. At Hunterdon Central High School (sent to governing body on 5/27/15)
- 5/21 Planning Board Notice to D & R Greenway Land Trust re: Plimpton Preservation Project, B. 38/L. 3
- 5/11 Soil Conservation District, Letter of Certification – Underground Conduit Installation on B. 38, L. 30 (Lindbergh Road) – ask for copy
- 5/19 County Engineer's Office, R. Runge re: Traffic Changes
- 5/21 Freeholder's Resolution re: Speed Limit (County Road 602 – Ringoes/Wertsville Road)

- 6/8 Public Services, HC Administered Animal Control Officer Services  
Starting in January 2016
- E. EAST AMWELL TOWNSHIP:
  - Eastern States Environmental Associates, NJ DEP Freshwater Wetlands General Permit Authorization Application for B. 3/L. 3.04 on Dunkard Church Road (Plutnick property) – ask for copy
  - Copy of thank you note from L. Wozniak to Shoprite for assistance in Roadside Clean Up day – ask for copy
  - 5/27 Letter from Resident Jeffrey Bradstreet re: Conditions on Larsen Road
  - 5/26 Email from Frank and Cathy Fasano re: Safety Issues on Lindbergh Road (see 6/09 response from Engineer J. Martin with Map)
  - Garden State Labs, Satisfactory Water Samples from Municipal Building on 5/1/15 – ask for copies
- F. KINGWOOD TOWNSHIP, May 2015 Resolution Establishing Mount Laurel Subcommittee to Assist Addressing Affordable Housing Issues
- G. BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP, 5/7 Resolution supporting Transparent Tax Act of 2015 – ask for copy
- H. NJ BANKERS, 4/24 Bank Contact Information for Vacant Properties
- I. FIRST ENERGY CORPORATION, 5/26 Enhanced Customer Service Reliability Update
- J. PSE&G:
  - Public Notices of 5/14; 5/15; 5/21 service costs – ask for copies
  - 6/1 President/CO R. LaRossa, Update on Important Matters
- K. TOWN OF CLINTON, 7/14 as Day of Remembrance for Women and Girls Killed in the Name of Honor
- L. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, SO. NJ, ET AL., 6/4 Local Efforts to Implement Paid Sick Leave
- M. COMCAST, Comcast Connections Q1 2015 Issue of Newsletter – Ask for copy
- N. TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH, 6/3 public hearing date of 6/23 re: land development ordinance to create and change zoning designations.

**19) ADJOURNMENT**

CC: Township Committee  
All Officials  
Bulletin Board

Hunterdon County Democrat  
Times of Trenton  
Star Ledger  
Courier News