

WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
7:00 PM Closed Session 8:00 PM Regular Meeting

October 27, 2009

The regular meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by Mayor Sidney Camp. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times on January 6, 2009. The flag was saluted and there was a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

Committeeman Adams	Present
Committeeman Daniels	Present
Committeeman Maybury	Absent
Committeeman Robbins	Present
Mayor Camp	Present

Richard Rybak, Solicitor, was present.

Donna Ryan, Clerk/Administrator was present.

The flag was saluted. There was a moment of silence.

Minutes of the October 13, 2009 meeting. These would be held until the next meeting since they had not been completed. Motion to table was made by Mr. Daniels, seconded by Mr. Robbins. Closed Session minutes of October 13, 2009. Motion to approve by Mr. Adams, second by Mr. Robbins. All voted yes.

Open Meeting to Public for Comment on Agenda Items

There were no comments made.

Old Business

Timbuctoo – no updates at this time

Purchase of Sharpless Farm – no updates at this time

Libertarian Party - under NJ State law, loitering is not considered a crime and cannot legally be enforced. A repeal of the ordinance is recommended; it would be introduced at the next meeting.

New Business

Public Works Report - leaf collection has started. The hayride went well. Our dump truck is now back in service. Spring Meadows residents complained about the water level in the pond; a beaver dam was found at the overflow pipe.

Police Report - Mr. Robbins commented about the several letters of thanks to the Police contained in the packet, they are recognized by many people. Mayor Camp commented regarding the amount of motorcycle thefts that occurred this year and how they have risen compared to last year.

EMS Report – no additional comments

Court Report – no additional comments

Fire Official Report - it is time for everyone to change batteries in their smoke detectors. This might be good to put on the Nixle system.

Dept. of Transportation - this is part of the stimulus package. The Township has been awarded a grant of \$180,000 for Holly Lane. This will be in next year's budget.

Resolutions

147-09 Payment of Vouchers – motion to approve by Mr. Adams; seconded by Mr. Robbins. All voted yes. There were several questions about vouchers including the EMS online scheduling system; soliciting quotes for supplies; 2008 audit comments on bonds and capital expenditures.

148-09 Local Government Energy Audit – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Robbins. All voted yes.

149-09 Chapter 159 – motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Robbins. All voted yes.

150-09 Executive Session – to discuss litigation and COAH; motion to approve by Mr. Robbins; seconded by Mr. Adams. All voted yes.

Ordinances

15-2009 Amend Fire Code Fees for Non-Life Hazards - first reading. Motion to approve by Mr. Daniels; seconded by Mr. Adams. Second reading would be held on Nov. 10, 2009.

Correspondence

None

Workshop Items

1. Fernwood Springs Farm – still waiting for funding updates
2. Tarnsfield Pool Lease – nothing set up yet as far as a discussion date

3. Vision Plan – two public sessions would be held on November 4. Committeeman Robbins said he had received comments that the discussions were pushing development and not preservation. He was concerned we were not following the intent of the grant to study all aspects of the township as spelled out in the grant. He did not think we should be focusing on just Route 541. All grant documents would be forwarded to all committee members.

4. County Meeting – EMS/Police expenses

Dates to remember

Am Vets Spaghetti Dinner - 11/14/09 - Rancocas Fire House

Senior Citizen's Holiday Dinner - 12/9/09 5:30 PM

Annual Rabies Clinic – Nov. 21, 2009 9-11 AM

Comments from the Liaisons

Fire Chief Wylie Johnson – Fire Fighter/EMT Matt Davis had a baby girl; our injured employee will be back to work on November 2.

Police Chief Rick Smith – three officers have recently gotten married; the streets have finally been turned over in Deerwood Country Club.

Comments

Mr. Daniels - met with Census representatives; he was hoping our count would be close to 10,000 which might bring us additional state aid.

Mr. Robbins – discussion on the vision grant

Mr. Adams - the Halloween parade was successful, please make sure to get out and vote. Go Phillies!

The meeting was opened to the public for comment.

Tom DiOrio -

Joe Rogers - questions on the Green Acre question and Holly Lane grant

Janet Curran – Asked about the leaf vac schedule; sports complex; Thanksgiving baskets

The meeting was now closed to public comment.

Mayor Camp – Go Phillies! Was concerned how bad all the campaign signs made our township look.

There were no further comments and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Ryan, Clerk