

The Special Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Short at 7:20 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Comm. Tobin, Comm. Cullen, Comm. Kaiser, Comm. Krickus, Mayor Short, Administrator Gallets, Chief Financial Officer Lifer

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Morristown Daily Record on November 17, 2003 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on the same date. This meeting is being held at the Senior Citizens Center, East Springtown Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Notices of this meeting were sent as there were requests.

**TEEN CENTER** – Comm. Kaiser stated that there has been a steady increase in the attendance of teens at the Teen Center. The Township Committee discussed the funds held in trust that could be used to keep the Teen Center open. The Committee discussed the sum to be allocated for salary and wages. Washington Township will continue to fund the Teen Center Program in 2004. The Committee will consider the appointment of Myhelan Cultural Arts Center, Inc. representatives as program coordinators in 2004.

**RECREATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR** – The Township Committee adopted the following resolution to appoint Sharon Twitchell as a part-time Recreation Administrative Assistant at an hourly rate of \$11.00 per hour for twenty hours per week, not to exceed an annual average of twenty-two hour per week, effective February 23, 2004 and Thomas McCloud to a part-time Recreation Specialist at a rate of \$15.00 per hour for twenty hours per week, not to exceed an annual average of twenty-two hours per week, effective February 27, 2004:

**RESOLUTION #R-44-04 – APPOINTMENTS/ADJUSTMENTS**

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Motion was made by Comm. Tobin, seconded by Comm. Cullen that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Krickus, Kaiser, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**SUMMER CAMP** – Administrator Gallets stated that the 2004 Washington Township Summer Camp Program cannot be held at local schools since the buildings will be under renovation. The Township Committee authorized that the 2004 Summer Camp Program be held on property located on West Mill Road owned by St. Luke's Church. The Washington Township Committee authorized the payment of \$600.00 to St. Luke's Church as payment for our use of the property.

**2004 BUDGET DISCUSSION** -

The Township Committee preliminarily approved capital expenditures for the Municipal Building renovation. The Committee decreased preliminarily approved allocations for the Department of Public Works and the Recycling Operating and Expense Budgets. The Township Committee discussed the percentage to be approved for the annual salary increases to be given to municipal employees and the Township Committee.

**Mayor Short opened the meeting to the public. There being no comments or questions, Mayor Short closed the meeting to the public.**

**The meeting adjourned at 9:50 P.M.**

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**Dianne S. Gallets, Township Clerk**