

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Short at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short, Attorney Jansen, Administrator/Clerk Gallets, Recording Secretary Madden

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Morristown Daily Record on January 4, 2005 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on the same date. This meeting is being held at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Notices of this meeting were sent as there were requests.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INTRODUCTION OF NEW POLICE OFFICER – PATROLMAN PETER R. CECERE II

Mayor Short introduced Patrolman Peter R. Cecere II to the members of the Township Committee.

PUBLIC HEARING – SOIL DISTURBANCE PERMIT APPLICATION – MISSION RIDGE

A Proof of Service was presented. Mayor Short opened the meeting to the public for comments or questions on this soil disturbance application. There being no questions or comments, Mayor Short closed the meeting to the public.

The Township Committee will consider a resolution to allow Landmark Enterprises to remove 7,000 cubic yards of soil from Parker Road and Mission Ridge Road to Panther Valley in Allamuchy Township, after receiving recommendations from the Township Engineer and the Environmental Commission. Administrator Gallets informed David Brooks, a representative of Landmark Enterprises, that he has to submit three copies of the latest revised plans, along with payment of the required fees.

RO-21-05 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF \$103,000 FROM THE "RESERVE FOR OPEN SPACE" OF THE CAPITAL ACCOUNT – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF \$103,000 FROM THE "RESERVE FOR OPEN SPACE" OF THE CAPITAL ACCOUNT be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

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

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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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RO-22-05 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A PORTION OF BLOCK 32, LOT 22 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY - SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A PORTION OF BLOCK 32, LOT 22 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

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

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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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RO-23-05 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 172, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 172, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

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

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 172, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON be adopted upon final reading and that said ordinance be published in the Observer Tribune according to law.

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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

**RO-24-05 - AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY -
SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

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

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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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RO-25-05 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 17, LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON - INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 17, LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

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, Kaiser, Welsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 17, LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON be adopted upon first reading.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on July 18, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full in the Observer Tribune according to law.

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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion was made by Comm. Kaiser, seconded by Comm. Cullen to add the appointment of Kathy Huber as a member of the Library Board for a 5 year term to Resolution #R-116-05 before it is acted upon. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Comm. Tobin, Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION #R-116-05 - APPOINTMENTS ADJUSTMENTS – AS AMENDED

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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

PALMER PARK PLAYGROUND LOCATION

Comm. Tobin stated that he and Eleanora Murfitt-Hermann found a nice location for the playground equipment which was donated by the Junior Women's Association. Mr. Tobin stated that the area is safe from fowl balls; it is right in the area near the parking lot and playing fields.

FALL FESTIVAL AND HARVEST PARADE

Comm. Walsh stated that this year the Fall Festival will include a 2K Run, which will start with people parking at the middle school, being bused to the Middle Valley Community Center to register and pick up their shirts and have a glass of orange juice and then running down the railroad bed, provided the Township Committee gets permission from the County to do so. The run/walk will end up right in the center of Long Valley and the parade will be starting right around the same time. Mayor Short stated that it is the consensus of the Township Committee not to have a beer tent at the event.

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

The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 10:10 p.m. upon approval of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #R-137-05 - EXECUTIVE SESSION:
LAND ACQUISITION: COVALESKY
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING: HEALTH BENEFITS SURVEY
TACTICS AND TECHNIQUES UTILIZED IN PROTECTING THE SAFETY
AND PROPERTY OF THE PUBLIC: TRAFFIC SAFETY

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, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 10:19 p.m.
The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Diane S. Gallets, Clerk