The Special Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Tobin at 8:20 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comm. Short, *Cullen, Nedd, Walsh, Mayor Tobin, CFO Lifer, Administrator/Clerk Gallets, Assistant Administrator Burd

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

*Commission Cullen arrived at 8:35 p.m.

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Morristown Daily Record on December 29, 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 Parks & Recreation Offices, 50 Rock Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. The location was changed from the Senior Center on East Springtown Road which had no hot water. Notices of this meeting were sent as there were requests.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

The following operating expense budgets were presented by their Department Heads:

Administration	Transportation of Pupils
Mayor & Committee	Liability Insurance
Municipal Clerk	Worker's Compensation
Legal	Group Insurance
Engineering	Community Services Act
Senior Citizens	

These budgets were tentatively approved as presented with the exception of Administration which was reduced by $2,000, Mayor & Committee which was reduced by $4100 and Liability Insurance which was reduced by $13,000.

The Township Committee had a brief discussion on what the across-the-board increase should be for non-contracted employees.

The Township Committee then began the Form IV review process. During the first go round, the Township Committee reviewed $611,972 in Form IV requests. They tentatively approved $445,781 and rejected $165,191.

Mayor Tobin opened the meeting to the public.

Mr. Geoff Price, Planning Board member, 82 Zellars Road – stated that in the private sector it is hard to put a price tag on service. You have to pay for quality service and that there should be a review process.

Mr. Ted Ehrenburg, Former Washington Township Chief of Police – stated that good employees should be rewarded, especially Judy Madden and Diane Laracuente – Minutes Typist.

There being no further comments or questions, Mayor Tobin closed the meeting to the public.

The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. upon approval of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #R-33-06 – EXECUTIVE SESSION – ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE: LIQUOR LICENSE**;**

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

AYES: Comm. Nedd, Short, Cullen, Walsh, Mayor Tobin
NAYS: None **ABSTENTIONS:** None **ABSENT:** None

The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 2:23p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

Dianne S. Gallets, Clerk