

The Special Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Tobin at 7:00 p.m.

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Morristown Daily Record on December 13, 2006 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on the same date. This meeting is being held at the Washington Township Senior Citizen Center, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Notices of this meeting were sent, as there were requests.

### **BUDGET DISCUSSION**

The following Budget Hearings were scheduled:

- January 11, 2007 – Thursday – Police
- January 18, 2007 – Thursday – Fire/First Aid
- January 22, 2007 – Monday – DPW/B & G/Recreation
- January 29, 2007 – Monday – General Government
- February 05, 2007 – Monday – To be determined
- February 13, 2007 – Tuesday – To be determined

The Township Committee decided that all meetings will be held at the Senior Citizen's Center commencing at 7:00 p.m.

General Budget discussions were held with the Police and Public Works Departments.

The Police Department Captains and Lieutenants were present to briefly discuss the hiring of additional officers to replace those retiring in 2007.

Scott Frech, DPW Superintendent, reviewed his capital improvement budget with the Township Committee. The shared purchase with Mt. Olive of an asphalt reclaiming machine was discussed, as well as the impact of the salt trust on the Operating and Expense budget.

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

**The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.**