

Township of Washington
Gloucester County
March 10, 2010
Washington Township Municipal Building
7:00 P.M

Council President Timmons called the meeting to order. He asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Council President Timmons delivered the Sunshine Law and the awareness to the town.

Roll Call: Mr. Timmons- present, Mr. Newman- present, Mr. Frattali – present Mr. MacDowell – present, Mrs. Martin – present, Mr. Chell- present, Mrs. Breslin- present, Mayor Lyons- present, Mrs. Bileci- present.

RESOLUTION #51-2010: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REDUCTION OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND OF STONEY BROOK COURT BLOCK 110.07, LOT 10.02

Mr. Chell read Resolution.

Motion to Move Resolution #51-2010: Mrs. Martin, 2nd Mr. Newman
Roll call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #52-2010: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR YOUTH SOCCER UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT

Mr. Chell read Resolution.

Motion to Move Resolution #52-2010: Mr. Newman, 2nd Mr. MacDowell
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #53-2010: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND OF MANOR CARE HEALTH SERVICES, LOCATED AT 378 FRIES MILL ROAD, BLOCK 86, LOT 8

Mr. Chell read Resolution.

Motion to Move Resolution #53-2010: Mrs. Martin, 2nd Mr. Frattali
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #54-2010: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND OF COMMERCE (AKA) TD BANK, 491 HURFFVILLE-CROSSKEYS ROAD, BLOCK 81, LOT 1.06

Mr. Chell read Resolution.

Motion to Move Resolution #54-2010: Mr. Newman, Mr. MacDowell
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #55-2010: RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R-29-2010
AND APPROVING THE RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND OF PARKE
PLACE SECTION 4 CONDOMINIUMS-RED CROSS PROFESSIONAL BUILDING,
BLOCK 51, LOTS 1 & 2 (ROUTE 47& BETHEL LAKE DRIVE)

Mr. Chell read Resolution.

Motion to Move Resolution #55-2010: Mrs. Martin, 2nd Mr. Newman
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #56-2010: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF
WASHINGTON TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR LAWN SERVICES

Mr. Chell read Resolution.

Motion to Move Resolution #56-2010: Mr. Newman, 2nd Mrs. Martin
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #57-2010: RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R-41-2010
AND AWARDING ROOF REPLACEMENT CONTRACT

Mr. Chell read Resolution.

Motion to Move Resolution #57-2010: Mr. Newman, 2nd Mrs. Martin
Roll Call 5 yes votes

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 27, 2010 MINUTES

Motion to Move: Mrs. Martin, 2nd Mr. Newman
Roll Call 5 yes votes

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST #1

Motion to Move: Mrs. Martin, 2nd Mr. MacDowell
Roll Call 5 yes votes

REPORTS

Mr. Frattali deferred to next meeting.

Mr. MacDowell stated that he didn't have any reports at this time.

Mrs. Martin reported on Earth Day will be on April 17, 2010 at 10:00 am and the rain date of April 18, 2010 at 10:00 am. Mrs. Martin reported that stream sampling will be held at Orchard Valley Middle School on April 10, 2010.

Mr. Newman stated that if any residents had any family members or friends with children who would be on Township playing fields please give Public Works a chance to make the fields playable. Mr. Newman stated that the fields are in need of more care than usual due to the snow.

Mayor Lyons reported that the Business Administrator and Department Heads are in the process of preparing the budget. He stated that he is waiting to see the Governors report on the budget next week. Mayor Lyons explained that he is anticipating cuts out of Trenton and insurance increases. Mayor Lyons also stated he would like to thank Congressman Andrews' office on their diligence for helping us secure the stimulus money for the roof replacement. He also stated that they were helpful in our pursuit of the snow removal cost. He explained that the Township is seeking to recoup some of the funds as a result of the snow being declared a "State of Emergency". Mayor Lyons asked Council to forward any budget saving measures to the Business Administrator.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Motion to Open: Mr. Frattali, 2nd Mrs. Martin
All in Favor

MR GROSSO


Mr. Grosso stated that he had concerns with Resolution 4-2010. With the penalties on the late fees for real estate taxes. He also stated he had concerns with the six percent discount and not receiving the discount if you pay your taxes early. Mr. Timmons explained that he did some research he spoke to Mr. Driscoll with the League of Municipalities and that there are no other municipalities in the state of New Jersey that waives late fees or gives a six percent discount. Mr. Grosso also stated his concerns with the Ordinance 28-2009 regarding the application of fertilizer. He also had concern with the foreclosures and the title of it in the paper he feels that it is misleading. Mr. Timmons also tried to reassure Mr. Grosso that it was a tax sale not a foreclosure.

Motion to Close: Mrs. Martin, 2nd Mr. Frattali
All in Favor

Announcements: The next Council meeting will be on March 24, 2010 at 7 PM.

Motion to Adjourn: Mrs. Martin, 2nd Mr. Frattali
All in Favor

Respectfully Submitted,


Jennica Bileci, Township Clerk