AGENDA

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – REGULAR MEETING
Meeting Date: January 16, 2022
Meeting Time: 7 P.M.

Members Present: _____ Comm. Bill Roehrich
_____ Comm. Kenneth Short
_____ Comm. Richard Wall
_____ Vice Mayor Michael Marino
_____ Mayor Matthew Murello

Others Present: _____ Attorney Dawn Sullivan
Treasurer Monahan
_____ Assistant Treasurer Holzer
_____ Township Administrator Coppola
_____ Township Clerk Probasco

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Daily Record on January 4, 2023 and the Observer Tribune on January 5, 2023 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk. This meeting is being held at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATION – *RADON ACTION MONTH*

PRESENTATION – *GREEN TEAM UPDATE* – *DAN ROSS, CHAIR*

PUBLIC PORTION **-** *Please state your name and address for the record*

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ACKNOWLEDGE RETIREMENT

That the following retirement be acknowledged:

Mark Niemynski – Lieutenant, Police Department, effective February 28, 2023.

Motion to accept the resignations was made by Comm. _____, seconded by Comm. _____.
Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:
NAYS: **ABSENT:** **ABSTENTIONS:**

ORDINANCES

RO-01-23 **CALENDAR YEAR 2023 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14) – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

[SUMMARY – Would increase the cap on specified budget appropriations from 2.5% to 3.5% and any difference between budgeted appropriations for items inside the cap and 3.5% would be added to a cap bank. This cap is separate and distinct from the 2% tax levy cap.]

BE IT RESOLVED, that an Ordinance entitled **CALENDAR YEAR 2023 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14),** be introduced and passed on first reading and considered for final passage at the meeting of the Township Committee on February 15, 2023 at 7:00 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 Municipal Clerk be authorized and directed to advertise this ordinance in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. _____, seconded by Comm. _____ that the foregoing resolution be introduced and passed on first reading. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:
NAYS: **ABSENT:** **ABSTENTIONS:**

RO-02-23 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING GRANT OF EASEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY FOR THE PROPERTY DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 24, LOT 7 ON THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP TAX MAP**

[SUMMARY – grants an easement in Rock Spring Park to Elizabethtown Gas Company for the purpose of providing gas service to the senior center. There is currently gas service to the Public Library in the park and this ordinance would allow that line to be extended to the Senior Center.]

BE IT RESOLVED, that an Ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING GRANT OF EASEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AND ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY FOR THE PROPERTY DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 24, LOT 7 ON THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP TAX MAP,** be introduced and passed on first reading and considered for final passage at the meeting of the Township Committee on February 15, 2023 at 7:00 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 Municipal Clerk be authorized and directed to advertise this ordinance in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. _____, seconded by Comm. _____ that the foregoing resolution be introduced and passed on first reading. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:
NAYS: **ABSENT:** **ABSTENTIONS:**

CONSENT AGENDA

Matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Township Committee and a roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Committee member or a member of the public requests an item be removed from the Consent Agenda.

***RESOLUTION R-32-23**		**VOLUNTEER APPOINTMENTS**
***RESOLUTION R-33-23**		**APPOINTMENTS – LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE – 2023**
***RESOLUTION R-34-23**		**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR OVER 17, 500**
***RESOLUTION R-35-23**		**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION IN THE 1033 PROGRAM (LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE, LESO)**

*APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP – FAIRMOUNT FIRE COMPANY

Applications have been received for membership in the Fairmount Fire Company from the following:

Donovan Schwartz

That the foregoing application for membership be approved and be forwarded to the Fairmount Fire Company.

***APPROVE MINUTES**
Minutes are available to the public after approval by the Governing Body

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***PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS**

That the vouchers be approved and that the Treasurer shall issue warrants in payment when there are sufficient funds to meet them. The bill list is on file in the finance office.

***MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

That the following monthly department reports be accepted and placed on file in the Township Clerk's office:

OEM	Mendham Borough Court
Senior Transportation	Califon Borough Court
Mansfield Twp UCC Permits and Fees	Washington Township Court
Washington Twp UCC Permit and Fees	Washington Township Police
Revenue Report	Appropriation Report

All items proceeded by an (*) were approved as part of the consent agenda on a motion made by Comm. _____, seconded by Comm. _____ on the following roll call vote:

AYES:
NAYS: ABSENT: ABSTENTIONS:

OTHER RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION R-36-23	**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF CERTAIN TAX APPEAL - KINGS HIGHWAY**

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

AYES:
NAYS: **ABSENT:** **ABSTENTIONS:**

RESOLUTION R-37-23	**AUTHORIZE RENEWAL OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE WEST MORRIS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR FUEL**

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

AYES:
NAYS: **ABSENT:** **ABSTENTIONS:**

CORRESPONDENCE NOTED FOR THE RECORD
Morris County 2022 Trail Construction Grant Program Award Letter for $7,760 for Koehler's Pond Loop Trail Design and Permitting.

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Motion to adjourn was made by Comm. _____, seconded by Comm. _____all in favor:

Meeting Adjourned at _____ P.M.