

**TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN
REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 7 PM**

A G E N D A

Regular meeting begins at 7:30 pm or immediately following Closed Session, whichever comes last.

OPENING; ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

Notice of this meeting has been sent to two newspapers of general circulation in which notice was given of the date, time, place and general agenda in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

CLOSED SESSION – Contract Negotiations – North Warren Court; Litigation

RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT – up to 5 speakers, 3 minutes each

MINUTES

March 12, 2014 – Regular Meeting and Closed Session Minutes

Motion to approve; second. Roll call vote.

NORTH WARREN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 2014-15 BUDGET PRESENTATION by Dr. Brian Fogelson, Superintendent

ORDINANCE 2014 – 02 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DELETING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 17 OF THE CODE OF BLAIRSTOWN, “JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT,” IN ORDER TO CREATE A NEW JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT, Adoption, Second Reading

Public Hearing – Open/Close

Motion to adopt; second. Roll call vote.

ADOPTION OF 2014 BUDGET

R.2014 – 050 Resolution Authorizing Budget to be Read by Title Only

Motion to approve by _____; Second _____; roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARING – Copies of the budget have been made available to the public requesting same and a copy has been filed with the library as well as the synopsis being published in the New Jersey Herald on March 20, 2014. Open/Close

R.2014 – 051 Resolution of Self-Examination of 2014 Budget

Motion to approve by _____; Second _____; roll call vote.

R.2014 – 052 Final Adoption of 2014 Budget

Motion to approve by _____; Second _____; roll call vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1 – R.2014 – 053 Authorization to Pay Bills
- 2 – R.2014 – 054 Redemption of Certification of Sale No. 2013-006
- 3 – R.2014 – 055 Authorizing the Submission of 2013 Tonnage Grant Application
- 4 – Approval of Application for Red Light Permit – Scott Durlister, Blairstown Ambulance Corps

Motion to approve; second. Roll call vote.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- Clerk – March Report
- Finance – March Finance and Fuel Reports
- Fire Department – March Report
- Police Department – March Report
- Tax Collector – March Report
- Municipal Court of North Warren – February Report
- Warren County Health Department – March 7, 2014

Motion to accept; second.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1 – Service Electric Cable TV – SECTV is preparing draft ordinance for franchise renewal

COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE for information and possible action

- 1 – from James P. Fox, Morris, Downing & Sherred, LLP, re: Proposed Amendment to R-5 Zone or in the Alternative an Amendment to the School Property's Zoning
 - 2 – from Robert F. Glowacky, Chief School Administrator, Warren County Technical School, requesting the donation of a fire vehicle for use by the Fire Science Program
 - 3 – from Radka Pieroni, Fundraising Chair of MOM's Group, re: Sycamore Park Playground Project
 - 4 – from Michael Mihalic, Supervisor, Traffic Investigations, DOT, re: No Passing Zone, Route 94
- Motion to approve NJDOT resolution of support; second. Roll call vote.

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

FROM THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

FROM THE TOWNSHIP CLERK

FROM THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEMBER ANDERSON

Subcommittee Member of: Budget & Finance (primary)
Public Safety – Police Commissioner
Personnel (primary)
Liaison to: Public Welfare/Municipal Alliance
Construction, Subcode, Zoning

COMMITTEE MEMBER AVERY

Member of Land Use Board: Class III
Subcommittee Member of: Water Department (alternate)
Roads/Buildings & Grounds (alternate)
Recreation (alternate)
Liaison to: Environmental Commission
Senior Citizen Advisory Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBER LANCE

Subcommittee Member of: Budget & Finance (primary)
Water Department (primary)
Public Safety – Deputy Police Commissioner
Liaison to: Historic Preservation Committee
Public Education – North Warren Regional High School

COMMITTEE MEMBER PRICE

Subcommittee Member of: Small Cities/COAH
Service Electric Cable TV
Budget & Finance (alternate)
Liaison to: Open Space Committee
Public Education – Blairstown Elementary School

MAYOR SHOEMAKER

Member of Land Use Board: Class I
Subcommittee Member of: Roads/Buildings & Grounds (primary)
Recreation (primary)
Personnel (secondary)
Budget & Finance (alternate)
County Officials
Inter-municipal Government
Public Information
Liaison to: NJ League of Municipalities
Office of Emergency Management
Public Safety – Fire & Ambulance
Blair Academy

FROM THE PUBLIC

ADJOURNMENT

General Correspondence

April 9, 2014

1. Federal Offices
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
2. NJ State – League of Municipalities
 - a) re: 22nd Annual Mayor’s Legislative Day has been Rescheduled for March 12, 2014
 - b) re: Urge Your Legislators to Support A-1021/S-268, Energy Receipts Property Tax Relief Initiative
 - c) re: League Professional Development Seminar – Budget, Ethics, and Procurement Updates
 - d) re: League Professional Development Seminar – Implications of Social Media
 - e) re: US Senator Booker Provides Useful Income Tax Information for NJ Mayors
 - f) re: NJ Resources for Small Business
 - g) re: Sustainable Jersey Announced the 34 Towns Selected to Receive Grants for Community Based Sustainability Projects
 - h) re: I. NJ Supreme Court Stays Appellate Order of COAH; II. Commercial Development Fee
 - i) re: 2013 Pension Valuation Report
 - j) re: NJ Supreme Court Vacates Appellate Order on COAH
 - k) re: Urgent Legislative Alert – Extension of 2% Cap on Interest Arbitration Awards
 - l) re: League Professional Development Webinar – User Friendly Budgets
 - m) re: National Agriculture Day Just One Week Away
 - n) re: Police and Fire Interest Arbitration Task Force Report Issued
 - o) re: Upcoming Sustainable Jersey Workshops and Webinars Which May be of Interest to Your Municipality
 - p) re: League Professional Development Seminar – A Review of the Open Public Records Act
 - q) re: Press Conference on Deadline on the 2% Cap on Interest Arbitration Awards
 - r) re: Reduced Public Employee Pension Bills Posted Online
 - s) re: March National Ethics Awareness Month
 - t) re: Technology Education Conference
 - u) re: President Walters Delivers League Outlook on Governor’s Budget Proposal
 - v) re: Interest Arbitration 2% Cap
 - w) re: Urgent Legislative Alert – Need Action on Interest Arbitration Cap
 - x) re: Legislative Bulletin, March 2014
3. NJ State Offices
 - a) Dept. of Environmental Protection
 - i) DEP’s Division of Fish and Wildlife Moves to Address Disease Affecting the Pequest Trout Hatchery’s Raceway System
 - ii) DEP Hosts Pequest Trout Hatchery Free Open House
 - iii) DEP to Announce Statewide Crackdown on Illegal Dumping in State Parks and Natural Lands
4. Warren County
 - a) Warren County Mosquito Control Commission, re: Annual Information Packet
5. Blairstown Township
None.
6. Other
None.