

**TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN  
REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

**Wednesday, January 14, 2009, 6:30 PM**

**A G E N D A**

*Regular meeting agenda begins at 7:30 PM or immediately after the close of Closed Session, whichever comes last.*

**OPENING; ROLL CALL; FLAG SALUTE**

**SUNSHINE STATEMENT**

Notice of this meeting has been sent to three 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 – Possible Lease of Municipal Property; Possible Acquisition of Land; Personnel**

**RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION, if any**

**MINUTES**

December 10, 2008 – Regular Meeting  
Motion to approve/amend by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

December 10, 2008 – Closed Session  
Motion to approve/amend by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

December 22, 2008 – Special Meeting  
Motion to approve/amend by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

January 5, 2009 – Reorganization Meeting  
Motion to approve/amend by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

**PUBLIC COMMENT (up to 5 speakers/3 minutes each)**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2009-01 – AN ORDINANCE TO RELEASE, VACATE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL OF BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP’S PUBLIC RIGHTS IN AND TO AN UNNAMED ANCIENT ROAD RECORDED IN SUSSEX BOOK A, PAGE 117 ON OCTOBER 6, 1781 – Introduction, First Reading**  
Committee Discussion

Motion to adopt/amend/reject by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Roll call.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2009-02 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN TO ENTER INTO A LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY TO THE BLAIRSTOWN AMBULANCE CORPS INCORPORATED – Introduction, First Reading Committee Discussion**

Motion to adopt/amend/reject by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Roll Call

**ORDINANCE NO. 2009-03 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, “AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF SNOW PLOWING AND ICE REMOVAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY QUALIFIED PRIVATE COMMUNITIES SITUATE WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP ENTITLED ‘CHAPTER 172 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN’ ” – Introduction, First Reading Committee Discussion**

Motion to adopt/amend/reject by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Roll Call

**Public Comment on the Consent Agenda Items Only  
CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING RESOLUTIONS**

- 1 – R.2009-017 Authorization to Pay Bills
- 2 – R.2009-018 Redemption Tax Certificate 2008-06 in the amount of \$3,481.85
- 3 – R.2009-019 Authorization to Transfer Funds
- 4 – R.2008-020 In Support of County Route #616 Safety Improvement Project Funded through NJTPA High Risk Rural Road Program
- 5 – Applications for Blue Light Permits – Dian Sherman and Robert Sherman, Blairstown Ambulance Corps

Motion to approve by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Call

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- Clerk’s Office – December Report
- Construction – December Report
- Finance Office – December Report
- Police Department – December Report
- Public Works Department – December Gasoline Report
- Tax Collector – December Report
- Zoning Official – 2008 Report
- Warren County Health Department – December 8, 2008 Report; January 9, 2009 Report

Motion to accept by \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 1 – Municipal Code Book Adhoc Review Committee – Department Heads submitting input into their sections of the code book. **T. Tamburro finalizing report**
- 2 – Rte. 94 Traffic Study – Letter sent to DOT on 8/31 outlining Blairstown’s major concerns. **180 signs on Rt. 94 have been installed.**
- 3 – JCP&L billing – Need to check master bill to see what lighting the Township pays for and the requirements for street lights at any particular area

- 4 – Warren County Mosquito Control – Desnagging – **Permit application received and will be reviewed by Committee and Township Engineer (copy of permit requirements provided to Township Committee)**
- 5 – Senior Citizen Advisory Committee – **Options under consideration**
- 6 – Pedestrian Crossing Signs – **look into purchase; awaiting approvals from State**
- 7 – Main Street traffic flow
- 8 – Review of Noise Control Ordinance
- 9 – Cedar Lake Horse Farm – **waiting for RFP from State**
- 10 – Old Mingle Road – **being reviewed by Mr. Rodman and Mr. Benbrook**
- 11 – Repairs to Givens Belet building – **B. DePuy compiling list of most needed repairs**
- 12 – Bear Cave Road traffic

**COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE for information and possible action**

- 1 – from Patricia Sagan, Recreation Director, regarding request from American Cancer Society to hold “Relay for Life” event in Blairstown
- 2 – from Theresa Tamburro, resigning as Recreation Secretary effective 12/31/08
- 3 – from Cheryl Lewis, requesting permission to use fire house for Girl Scout father/daughter dance in March
- 4 – from Anthony Ardito, of Ardito & Co., regarding analysis of COAH account
- 5 – from Helen A. Lehner, re: Senior Citizen Recreation Program
- 6 – from NJ State, Dept. of Agriculture, regarding gypsy moth egg mass survey
- 7 – from NJ State, Dept. of Transportation, Div. of Aeronautics, re: Compliance with Air Safety and Zoning Act of 1983 – Air Safety and Zoning
- 8 – from NJ State, DEP, re: Economic Recovery Program for 2009
- 9 – from NJ State, DEP, Div. of Parks and Forestry, re: Annual Accomplishment Report
- 10 – from Victor Camporine, County Recycling Coordinator, re: Certification of Recycling Coordinators

**GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE (See attached sheet)**

**FROM THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY**

**FROM THE TOWNSHIP CLERK**

**FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**

COMMITTEEMAN ANDERSON

Subcommittee Member of

Public Safety (Police Commissioner)

Personnel

Finance (alternate)

Liaison To

Recreation Committee

Historic Preservation Commission

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee

COMMITTEEMAN LANCE

Subcommittee Member Of

Finance (primary)  
Buildings & Grounds/Streets & Roads (alternate)  
Water Department

Liaison to

Open Space Committee  
Public Education – Blirstown Elementary

COMMITTEEMAN LASCARI

Subcommittee Member of

Personnel  
Public Safety – Deputy Police Commissioner  
Service Electric Cable TV

Liaison To

Public Education – North Warren Regional High School  
Environmental Commission

COMMITTEEMAN SEAL

Member of Planning Board – Class III

Subcommittee Member of

Buildings & Grounds/Streets & Roads (primary)

Liaison To

Construction, Subcode, Zoning

MAYOR MACH

Member of Planning Board – Class I

Subcommittee Member Of

Public Welfare/Municipal Alliance  
Small Cities/COAH

Liaison To

County & Municipal Officials  
Inter-Municipal Government  
Office of Emergency Management  
Public Education – Blair Academy  
Shade Tree Committee

**FROM THE PUBLIC**

**ADJOURN at \_\_\_\_\_ PM on motion of \_\_\_\_\_, 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.**

**General Correspondence**  
**January 14, 2009**

1. a. NJLM, re: Important New Information from the Division of Local Government Services
- b. NJLM, re: Affordable Housing/COAH Update
- c. NJLM, re: Professional Development Seminar
- d. NJLM, re: Census Preparation Begins Today
- e. NJLM, re: Legislative Status Update – I. Traffic control Initiatives, II. Energy Savings Improvement Program (ESIP)- III. Direct Appeal to Tax Court & IV. Lifetime Survivor Benefits
- f. NJLM, re: S-7 (Pension payment Deferral Option)
- g. NJLM, re: S-7 Hearing Tomorrow (Pension Payment Deferral)
- h. NJLM, re: S-7 (Pension Payment Deferral Option) Advances
- i. NJLM, re: Municipal Stimulus Package Survey
- j. NJLM, re: Division of Local Government Services News
- k. NJLM, re: Census Opportunities
- l. NJLM, re: COAH Deadline Extension Denied
- m. NJLM, re: Seminar – Orientation for Municipal Officials that are newly Elected, Re-Elected, or Experienced
- n. NJLM, re: S-7 Pension Deferral
- o. NJLM, re: Federal Stimulus News
- p. NJLM, re: Agendas for Stakeholder Meetings on Draft GWRA Recommendations
- q. NJLM, re: Pinelands Commission Pinelands Model Septic System, Management Ordinance
2. a. NJ Department of Environmental Protection – 30 day extension Pending Application – Block 703 Lot 4.06
- b. DEP Communications Notification Report
3. NJ Transit Corporation – FY 2009 Request for Federal Financial Assistance
4. Blairstown Township
  - a. Letter from Frank Cook, re: Retirement reimbursement expenses
  - b. Letter from Herman Shoemaker, re: Reappointment of Planning Board Members
  - c. Letter from Walter Orcutt, re: Expiration of term from Planning Board
5. Correspondence from Other Townships
  - a. Hardwick Township Planning Board, re: Master Plan Amendment-Housing Plan and Fair Share Plan
  - b. Hope Township, re: Master Plan Amendment-Housing Plan and Fair Share Plan
  - c. Knowlton Township, re: Master Plan Hearing on the Knowlton Township COAH Plan and Fair Share Plan-Dec. 2008
6. JCP&L, re: Proposed New Solar Financing Program
7. PERISCOPE, re: Vol. 11, No 4 dated Dec. 2008
8. Municipal Excess Liability – Joint Insurance Fund