

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

Wednesday, April 8, 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 Acquisition of Property; Contracts – Wastewater Management

RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION, if any

MINUTES

March 11, 2009 – Regular Meeting
Motion to approve/amend by _____, 2nd _____

March 11, 2009 – Closed Session
Motion to approve/amend by _____, 2nd _____

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

PROCLAMATION – April 2009 Proclaimed as AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

BLAIRSTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2009-10 BUDGET PRESENTATION by Mark Saalfield, Superintendent and Molly Petty, Business Administrator

NORTH WARREN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 2009-10 BUDGET PRESENTATION by Mary Alice Landis, and Lisa Murphy, Board of Education Reps., and Christina Sharkey, Business Administrator

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-04 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 19, "LAND DEVELOPMENT," SECTION 402B OF THE CODE OF BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP ENTITLED "CHRISTMAS TREE SALES" – Adoption, Second Reading
Committee Discussion
Public Hearing

Motion to adopt/amend/reject by _____, 2nd _____. Roll call.

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-05 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND “AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE POSITION OF MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTERING BLAIRSTOWN’S AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THE FAIR HOUSING ACT”

Introduction, First Reading

Committee Discussion

Motion to adopt/amend/reject by _____, 2nd _____. Roll call.

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-06 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 19-609 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN ENTITLED “DEVELOPMENT FEES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING”

Introduction, First Reading

Committee Discussion

Motion to adopt/amend/reject by _____, 2nd _____. Roll call.

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-07 – AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH CHAPTER 80 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN ENTITLED “CHARITABLE DONATION CLOTHING BINS” –

Introduction, First Reading

Committee Discussion

Motion to adopt/amend/reject by _____, 2nd _____. Roll call.

Public Comment on the Consent Agenda Items Only

CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING RESOLUTIONS

- 1 – R.2009-053** Authorization to Pay Bills
- 2 – R.2009-054** Authorization to Make Emergency Appropriation for Oil Tank Remediation
- 3 – R.2009-055** Approval and Adoption of Notice of Claim Form for PAIC
- 4 – R.2009-056** Redemption Tax Certificate 2008-09
- 5 – R.2009-057** Authorization to enter into agreement with MSI for computer maintenance
- 6 – R.2009-058** Authorization to enter into contract with Warren County to receive 2009 Municipal Alliance Grant Funding in the Amount of \$5,907.00
- 7 – R.2009-059** Honoring Our Troops in “Support our Troops Day”
- 8 – Application for Special Permit for Social Affair** – Rotary Club of Blairstown on April 17, 2009, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- 9 – Application for Special Permit for Social Affair** – American Legion Post on May, 2009, from 10:00 am to 10:00 pm
- 10 – Application for Red Light Permit** – Scott Durlester, Blairstown Ambulance Corps

Motion to approve by _____, 2nd _____ Roll Call

INTRODUCTION OF 2009 BUDGET

R.2009-060A Delayed Introduction of 2009 Municipal Budget

R.2009-060B Special Items of General Revenue

R.2009-060C Introduction of 2009 Municipal Budget by Title Only

Motion to approve by _____, 2nd _____ Roll Call

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Clerk's Office – March Report

Construction – March Report

Finance Office – March Report

Police Department – March Report

Public Works Department – March Fuel Report

Tax Collector – March Report

Warren County Health Department – March 6th Report

Motion to accept by _____, 2nd _____

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1 – Rte. 94 Traffic Concerns – Letter sent to DOT on 8/31 outlining Blaiirstown's major concerns; awaiting State approval for Pedestrian Crossing Signs
- 2 – JCP&L billing – Mr. Lascari in process inputting data
- 3 – Senior Citizen Advisory Committee – Options under consideration
- 4 – Main Street concerns – Informational meeting held on 3/23
- 5 – Review of Noise Control Ordinance – Model ordinance received
- 6 – Cedar Lake Horse Farm – waiting for RFP from State
- 7 – Repairs to Givens Belet building – B. DePuy compiling list of most needed repairs
- 8 – Bear Cave Road traffic – Township Engineer to give input
- 9 – Wastewater Management Plan – requesting revised proposals from Hatch Mott MacDonald, Finelli; draft letter to be sent to DEP
- 10 – Heller Hill Road stone wall
- 11 – Service Electric Cable TV – extension of cable service
- 12 – Digital Maps/Environmental Commission

COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE for information and possible action

- 1 – from NJ Dept. of Transportation, re: Benton Road, 2009 Municipal Aid
- 2 – from Marvin Hilts, Parade Committee Chairman, regarding 64th Annual Memorial Day Parade
- 3 – from Robert Goltz, Warren County Chamber of Commerce, to Committee and Police Director, regarding Fourth of July Spirit of Americana Celebration on July 4, 2009
- 4 – from Edward Smith, Co-Chair, Blaiirstown Rotary, regarding Fourth of July fireworks display

- 5 – from John A. Scocoza, President, Mingle Road Association, requesting rating adjustment for private road
- 6 – from Blairstown Historic Preservation Commission, requesting a meeting with Committee regarding preservation of Historic Blairstown District
- 7 – from Thomas Palmieri, President, North Warren Democratic Club, regarding tree planting in memory of Frank Kelly
- 8 – from NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection, regarding Blairstown's 2009 Clean Communities Entitlement of \$12,937.63
- 9 – from David P. Gallant, Warren County Dir. of Public Safety, regarding award of COPS grant
- 10 – from Patricia Sagan, Recreation Dir., regarding use of Footbridge Park for Farmers Market
- 11 – from Kevin Doell to Jim Chenard, Chairman, Environmental Commission, seeking appointment to Environmental Commission
- 12 – from Alex DeCroce, Assembly Republican Leader, regarding FY2010 State budget

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 – Blairstown 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 _____, 2nd _____.

General Correspondence

April 8, 2009

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

1. League of Municipalities
 - a. NJLM, re: Governor Corzine Announces Economic Recovery Website
 - b. NJLM, re: Governor Signs Law Officers Suspension Bill
 - c. NJLM, re: New Pension Deferral Bill
 - d. NJLM, re: League Professional Development Seminar “Health Cost Containment”
 - e. NJLM, re: Affordable Housing Update Local Mandates Ruling in Medford Township Challenge
 - f. NJLM, re: Governor Welcomes Budget Comments
 - g. NJLM, re: False Claims Acts Amendments Threaten Local Governments
 - h. NJLM, re: Pension Deferral Signed
 - i. NJLM, re: COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP)
 - j. NJLM, re: “Blight: To Revitalization” Seminar
 - k. NJLM, re: Governor Corzine’s Budget Message
 - l. NJLM, re: Support our Troops
 - m. NJLM, re: Legislative Alert
 - n. NJLM, re: Governor Corzine’s Preliminary Budget Analysis
 - o. NJLM, re: COBRA Continuation Requirement in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
 - p. NJLM, re: Legislative Bulletin 2008-2009 Legislative Session
 - q. NJLM, re: Mayor’s Newsline
 - r. NJLM, re: Proposed Re-Adoption Police Training Commission Rules
 - s. NJLM, re: League Professional Development Seminar-Health Cost Containment
 - t. NJLM, re: Workshop on “Green Schools” Scheduled
 - u. NJLM, re: Furloughs Permitted by Civil Service Commission Emergency Rules
 - v. NJLM, re: League Update on “Joining a Health Insurance Fund”
 - w. NJLM, re: Binding Arbitration Reform Needed Now
 - x. NJLM, re: League Budget Testimony
 - y. NJLM, re: Local Finance Notice on Pension Deferral Law
 - z. NJLM, re: NJ Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony Scheduled
 - aa. NJLM, re: League Professional Development Seminar – Tax Appeals
2. Department of Environmental Protection

- a. DEP, re: Grants for Recycling Program Development
- b. DEP, re: Annual Spring Adopt a Beach Program
- c. DEP, re: Communication Center Notification Report – 40 Route 521
- 3. NJ State, Council on Affordable Housing (COAH), re: Petition for substantive certification
- 4. **WARREN COUNTY**
 - a. WC, re: Preliminary Equalization Table Year 2009
 - b. WC, re: Human Relations Commission, 15th Annual Awards Celebration
 - c. WC, re: Assemblyman John DiMaio takes Oath of Office Ceremony
- 5. **BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP**
 - a. Zoning Board of Adjustment, re: Minutes Feb. 10, 2009 Meeting
 - b. Planning Board, re: Minutes Feb. 16, 2009 Minutes
 - c. Letter from Township Attorney Benbrook, re: Blairstown adv. Bernadette Foley
 - d. Letter from Herman Shoemaker, Blairstown PB, re: Abolish COAH Obligations
- 6. **OTHER CORRESPONDENCE**
 - a. NJ Council on Special Transportation, re: Joining the Association