

**TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN
REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
Wednesday, October 13, 2010, 6:30 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 –Possible Litigation; Sale of Township Property; Personnel – Police Department

RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT – up to 5 speakers/3 minutes each

MINUTES

September 8, 2010 – Regular Meeting and Closed Session (Mr. Seal absent)

Motion to approve/amend by _____, 2nd _____.

PRESENTATION by Monika Hamburger – Viridian Energy

PRESENTATION by Jason Kalafut, Grizzly Electric, LLC – Proposals for Energy Efficient Lighting at DPW and Stillwater Road Fire Station

Public Comment on the Consent Agenda Items Only

CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING RESOLUTIONS

- 1 – R.2010-129** Authorization to Pay Bills
- 2 – R.2010-130** Redemption of Certification of Sale No. 2010-10
- 3 – Approval of Applications for Blue Light Permit** – Allen P. Bickhardt and Thomas S. Gleason of Blairstown Ambulance Corps; Matthew Lambert of Blairstown Hose Company No. 1

Motion to approve by _____, 2nd _____ Roll Call

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- Clerk – September Report
- Finance – September Report
- Police Department – September Report
- Public Works Department –September Fuel Report

Motion to accept by _____, 2nd _____

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1 – Route 94 traffic concerns – State approval received for left hand turn signal at Lambert Rd
- 2 – JCP&L billing – Mr. Lascari has completed input of data; to go to Environmental Commission for input
- 3 – Main Street concerns – road striping; feral cats; sidewalks
- 4 – Review of Noise Control Ordinance – model ordinance received from county
- 5 – Cedar Lake Horse Farm – RFP results under review
- 6 – Service Electric Cable TV – extension of cable service
- 7 – Letter from DOT, Division of Aeronautics, regarding Hazardous Obstructions at Blairstown Airport

COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE for information and possible action

- 1 – from Bob Resker, Warren County Department of Land Preservation, re: Comprehensive Farmland Plan
- 2 – from Robert Van Wettering, Blairstown Rotary Club, requesting permission to hold “Annual Halloween Parade” on Sunday, October 31, 2010
- 3 – from Patricia Sagan, Recreation Director, regarding request for reimbursement by participating municipalities in Blairstown sports programs
- 4 – from Patricia Sagan, Recreation Director, re: Dog Park
- 5 – from Planning Board, “Ordinance to Amend the Land Development Ordinance of the Township of Blairstown, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, Section 19-601E
- 6 – from Planning Board, Resolution in the matter of recommendation for Township Planner
- 7 – from Theresa Tamburro, Municipal Housing Liaison, re: S1 – COAH
- 8 – from Gina Trish, East Avenue, regarding proposed *Village Green* on Community Center lot
- 9 – from Elliott J. Gott, Division of Parks and Forestry, regarding *Trail Crossing* signs and speed limit signs at trail crossings

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: Environmental 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 – Dep. Police Commissioner/Fire Commissioner
Service Electric Cable TV

Liaison To: Public Education – North Warren Regional High School
Historic Preservation Commission

COMMITTEEMAN SEAL

Member of Planning Board – Class III

Subcommittee Member of: Buildings & Grounds/Streets & Roads (primary)

Liaison to: Zoning
Recreation Committee

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
Construction, Subcode
Public Education – Blair Academy
Shade Tree Committee

FROM THE PUBLIC

ADJOURNMENT

General Correspondence
October 13, 2010

1) NJ State – League of Municipalities

- a) re: Moody's Downgrade of Westfield Causes Budget CAP Concern
- b) re: Opportunities to Protect and Enhance Trees in Sustainable Communities – Free of Charge
- c) re: Division of Pensions & Benefits Group Counseling Sessions
- d) re: 2010 Conference Resolutions
- e) re: Reminder – Conference Pre-Registration Deadline is October 1, 2010
- f) re: League Professional Development Program – Understanding Municipal Liens and Primer on Foreclosures for Public Officials
- g) re: League Professional Development Program – Labor Negotiations
- h) re: League Professional Development Program – Taking the Mystery out of Applying for Grants
- i) re: NJLM Educational Foundation – Save the Date: Moving Up in a Downturn
- j) re: 4th Annual Everything Jersey: Business Statewide Conference and Expo
- k) re: Verizon to Claim More Personal Property Tax Exemptions
- l) re: NJ Alert, the State's New Mass Text and Email Emergency Notification System
- m) re: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
- n) re: Governor Christie's New Reform Agenda
- o) re: Attend Sustainable Jersey Luncheon at the League Conference on November 16th
- p) re: DCA Checklist Clarifications Forthcoming
- q) re: Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards
- r) re: 2010 League Conference Session CEU Procedures
- s) re: Reminder – Midnight, Sept. 15th is Deadline for 2010 Certification Applications
- t) re: I. Legislative Session Update; II. Toolkit Resolution – We Need Your Help; III. A-2911, Library Bill, Conditionally Vetoed; IV. S-837 – Sex Offender Residency
- u) re: Best Practices Checklist Clarifications
- v) re: *School Report Card* published by NJ Spotlight
- w) re: Civil Service Adoption of Amended Rules Selection & Appointment Transfers
- x) re: Shaping NJ: The State Partnership for Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity Prevention
- y) re: Free Event – Government Efficiency and Best Practices Forum on Friday, October 22 at Forsgate Country Club in Monroe Township
- z) re: COAH Reform, Arbitration Reform and Civil Service Reform
- aa) re: League Professional Development Program – Labor Negotiations
- bb) re: League Professional Development Program – Understanding Municipal Liens and Primer of Foreclosure for Public Officials
- cc) re: League Urges Action on Arbitration Reform
- dd) re: FY 2011 Pension Contributions Estimated Billing
- ee) re: Homestead Benefit Application Begins
- ff) re: Proper Perspective on Pension Problems
- gg) re: Deadline Reminder – October 13 – Call for Nominations Ninth Annual Innovation in Governance Awards
- hh) re: Best Practices Checklist Deadline
- ii) re: Reminder – 2010 Conference Resolutions
- jj) re: Disaster Management Reimbursement
- kk) re: Sustainable Jersey Names Finalist in National Strong Communities Competition
- ll) re: I. governor Unveils New Education Reforms; II Assembly Committee Advances Some Mandates Relief Measures
- mm) re: New Content on DLGS Website

- nn) re: League of Municipalities' Survey Measures Impact of Declining Property Values on Local Budgets
- oo) re: Recap of Thursday's Senate and Assembly Voting Session
- pp) re: Important Conference Sessions Emergency Management and Response
- qq) re: League Professional Development Program – Class Action Lawsuits: How Will They Impact Your Municipality?
- rr) re: Federal Update for the Period Ending October 1, 2010

2) Federal Offices

None

3) NJ State Offices

- a) Department of Environmental Protection, re: Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification, 5 Cedar Glen Drive
- b) Department of Transportation, re: NJ State League of Municipalities Annual Conference – seminars presented by NJDOT

4) Warren County

- a) WC Planning Department, re: Mobile Paper Shredding Event Announced
- b) WC Purchasing Department, re: WC1059 Deer Carcass Removal

5) Blairstown

Blairstown Planning Board – August 16, 2010 minutes

6) Other

- a) From Community Alliance Pool, re: Return of Surplus
- b) from PS&S, re: Flood Hazard Area Individual Permit – Yard's Creek
- c) from Kleinschmidt Associates, re: Preliminary Licensing Proposal – Yards Creek Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project