

TOWNSHIP OF HARDWICK  
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

March 24, 2011

Work Agenda Meeting Minutes

The monthly work agenda meeting of the Hardwick Township Committee was held on this date at the Municipal Building, 40 Spring Valley Road, Hardwick New Jersey. This meeting was called to order at 7:09 PM by Township Clerk Judy Fisher. Mrs. Fisher noted that this meeting was being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act". Present were Mayor Duffy and Committeeman James Perry. Also present were CPWM Thomas Campbell, and Attorney Michael Lavery. Absent was Deputy Mayor Alfred Carrazzone.

The draft agenda for the April 6, 2011 meeting was reviewed. Added to this agenda will be the resolution for COAH Reform that the Township Clerk will prepare.

Mayor Duffy updated the Committee of the COAH project that Habitat for Humanities is working on jointly with the Land Conservancy and the Nature Conservancy. He noted that the COAH money can be used for major work on this rehab project (Schuler Property). The problem now is that the property will need to be subdivided to cut this piece (house) out. They discussed with the Township Attorney if the fees for doing the subdivision could be waived and if not then could this cost come out of the COAH fund. Mayor Duffy will keep the Committee updated on this project.

**Desiree Dunn – Arbor Day**

Ms. Dunn updated the Committee noting that the insurance policy for the Vass Farmstead will be dropped off at the Town hall tomorrow. Next issue was a discussion on the renovations that have been ongoing at the Vass house. The Historical Society has open permits for these renovations and the question come down to whether or not they have gotten their certificate of occupancy for both locations yet. Ms. Dunn noted that if this issue is not resolved soon, the event would need to be either cancelled or Camp Mason has offered to be the host facility. Funding for this project is a \$1000.00 grant that the Township received from Wal-Mart again.

The Land Conservancy has offered the Township another Open Space Project on Spring Valley Road. The location is the McConnell Property, Block 1003, Lot 2. Proposed appraisal quotes have been sent to the Township to review. Mayor Duffy will discuss this project with the Open Space Committee's next meeting.

Mayor Duffy informed the Committee that the Planning Board is working on a Solar Ordinance that will be presented to us soon.

The Municipal Alliance Coordinator Beth Dwyer will be asking Camp Mason for Family Swim dates for this summer. As soon as we get this, she will send out an e-blast with the dates.

The Committee discussed the Levy Cap Referendum that the resident will be voting on April 27<sup>th</sup>. The polls will be open from 7am to 9pm. Mayor Duffy is working on a draft letter that will be sent to the residents. The Clerk will be emailed this draft for distribution to the Committee. They also discussed having extra meetings for the public for April 27<sup>th</sup> to answer any questions that they might have. The extra dates will be Saturday April 16 and then again Wednesday April 20. The Clerk will contact the Assessor for mailing labels and Mayor Duffy offered to pay for the mailing.

Mayor Duffy reviewed two complaints he received on Sand Pond Road.

Public Participation - There was no public present at this meeting

**Adjournment**

Mr. Perry made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Duffy seconded the motion at 9:12PM. A voice vote of the Committee was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith M. Fisher, RMC  
Township Clerk