Dear Fellow Residents,

It is with a great sense of accomplishment that I write this letter to my fellow Township residents.

As Mayor, my goal is to improve the quality and leadership of both elected and appointed public officials entrusted to serve the residents of Washington Township. In so doing, I will promote the highest standards of ethics and accountability to enhance the quality of life in our community.

My first order of business was to adopt a fiscally responsible budget for 2013. I, along with my fellow Committee Members, have recently completed our budget process and have adopted a budget that resulted in the lowest local tax increase in over 10 years! We live in an era where we need to change the “business as usual” mindset while maintaining the core services and recreational opportunities which make Washington Township a desirable place to live and work.

For 2013 the effect of projected tax rate is as follows: Effect of projected tax rate on a house assessed at $250,000:

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<td>$1,403</td>
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<td>$1,453</td>
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*See also the accompanying chart to see the allocation of your total tax disbursement.

There are several opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for our Township in the upcoming year. We are completing tasks to consider adoption of the Highlands Plan conformance for Washington Township. While the Township Committee has made great progress toward improving the financial condition of the Township, there is still work to be done to sustain long term financial stability. One way we can accomplish this goal is to focus our attention in the area of business attraction and expansion that will assist in keeping local businesses in the community. The Township Committee has recently adopted an ordinance to establish an Economic Development Committee. In the very near future I will appoint local business leaders to serve in an advisory capacity to offer information, insight, and advice regarding economic growth and stability for Washington Township.

In closing, I would like to thank the residents of Washington Township for the support you have shown to your Township. I, along with the other members of the Township Committee and administration, look forward to serving you in 2013.

Respectfully,

Robert Klingel
Mayor, Washington Township
Washington Township Committee

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Tax Collector
Evan B. Howell, CTC 689-1975
e-mail: taxoffice@washington-twp-warren.org
(Hours: Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon & 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

Tax Assessor
Lydia Schmidt, CTA 689-8862
Hours: Wednesday 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
e-mail: taxassessor@washington-twp-warren.org

Deputy Treasurer
Suzanne Heewagen 689-7203
e-mail: treasurer@washington-twp-warren.org Fax 689-9131
(Hours: Monday 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

Chief Financial Officer
Kevin McCarthy 689-7912
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Escrow Management Coordinator
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Motor Pool Garage
835-9681
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Board of Health
475-7960
9-1-1

Environmental Commission
Chairman, Al Ivany 689-9137

Emergency Squad
Dispatch 9-1-1

Fire Department
Dispatch 9-1-1

Fire Inspector/Official (Hours by Appointment Only)
William Heewagen 689-1208
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www.washington-twp-warren.org
Police Department
Dispatch 9-1-1
Non-Emergency 689-1111
Police Chief, James McDonald 689-1630
Secretary, Adele Cortellesi 689-1630
(Mon – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

Court
Municipal Court of the Township of Washington 689-7066
100 Port Murray Road
Port Murray, NJ 07865
www.mansfielddowntown-nj.gov/municipal-court.html

Emergency Management
Thomas Cicerele 689-1630
Dispatch

Historic Preservation Commission
Chairman, Brian Wilcox 689-7923

Zoning Officer
Joseph Rossi 689-1851
e-mail: zoning@washington-twp-warren.org
Hours: Tues & Thurs 12:30-4:30 pm; Wed 12:30-7:30 pm; Fri by Appt

Animal Control Officer
Gary Wysccki 689-6657
(Dog licenses are due by January 31st of each year.
Rabies vaccination must be good through November 1st of the current year)

Recreation Commission
Chairman, Walter Godfrey 689-2853
Administrator, Anna C. (Nancy) Godfrey 689-7200
e-mail: secretary@washington-twp-warren.org

Parks & Recreation Building 689-7652
Fax 689-7654

Land Use Board
Chairman, Erich Sodtalbers 689-0920
Attorney, Steven Gruenberg, Esq. 788-9000
Secretary, Eileen Parks 689-7209
(Wed 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. & Thurs 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
e-mail: landuseboard@washington-twp-warren.org

Recycling Coordinators
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Township Attorney
Michael B. Lavery 852-2600

Township Engineer
Finelli Engineering 835-9500

Welfare/General Assistance
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Building Code & Construction Office 835-1732

Technical Assistants, Susan Berger / Terry Ferguson
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Construction Official, Joseph Rossi 835-1804
e-mail: cojoseph.rossi@washington-twp-warren.org

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Ralph Price (Fire)
Carl Dieffenbach (Plumbing)
Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evenings until 7:30 p.m.

Boards of Education
TOWNSHIP

Superintendent 689-1119 Ext. 602
Roger Jinks
Board Secretary 689-1119 Ext. 606
Jean Flynn

Schools
Brass Castle Elementary - Grades K, 4, 5 & 6 689-1188
Port Colden Elementary - Grades 1, 2 & 3 689-0681

WARREN HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Superintendent 689-3050 Ext. 1045
Dr. Thomas Altonjy
Business Manager 689-3050 Ext. 1046
Maureen Joyce

Schools
Warren Hills Middle School - Grades 7 & 8 689-0750
Warren Hills Regional High School
- Grades 9, 10, 11, & 12 689-3050

MEETINGS
All meetings are held at the Municipal Building at 211 Route 31 North, unless otherwise noted.

Township Committee
Third Tuesday of every month - 7:30 p.m.
(Except November - Third Monday at 7:30 p.m.)

Board of Health
Third Tuesday of every month - 7:15 p.m.
(Except November - Third Monday at 7:15 p.m.)

Environmental Commission
Second Tuesday of every month - 7:30 p.m.

Historic Preservation Commission
Third Monday of every month - 7:30 p.m.

Land Use Board
Regular Meeting - Last Wednesday of every month - 7:30 p.m.
Workshop Meeting - Second Wednesday of every month - 7:30 p.m.

Recreation Commission
First Tuesday of every month - 7:30 p.m.
Meetings are held at Park & Recreation Bldg., 33 Little Philadelphia Rd.

Washington Township Youth Association
First Wednesday of every month - 7:30 p.m.
Web-site: www.WTYA.org
President: David Rettino – 268-5606
Meetings are held at Park & Recreation Bldg., 33 Little Philadelphia Rd.

www.washington-twp-warren.org
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DISASTER INFORMATION

OEM Coordinator - Thomas Cicirelle
Phone (908) 689-1630
Dispatch 9-1-1

Deputy OEM Coordinator - Peter H. deBoer, Jr.

- We strongly urge that you avoid all unnecessary travel during the duration of any storm and/or emergency situation.

- All residents should plan on a long period of being without power. In the case of power outages, the following link will allow you to see the outages and report them from a smartphone or the internet: http://outages.firstenergycorp.com/nj.html.

- If you live near a river or stream, continually monitor for rising water and flooding.

- If anyone needs assistance, or needs to be evacuated in an emergency, dial 9-1-1.

- A shelter will be available if needed for those residents that absolutely have to be evacuated for life safety issues. Residents should bring with them a sleeping bag, blankets and a pillow. Residents should also bring with them a several day supply of any necessary medications. Pets are welcome. All cats and small dogs should be in a carrier, and all other dogs should be on a short leash. Don’t forget the pet’s food for several days.

- A regional American Red Cross shelter may be open in Warren County during an emergency situation. The American Red Cross website can also be checked for other shelters that may be open.

- Everyone should continually monitor the National Weather Service of Philadelphia - Mt. Holly, The Weather Channel, and WRNJ (1510 AM) for important information regarding any storm and/or emergency situation.

- During Storm Warnings and/or Emergency Situations, notices will be posted on the Township website www.washington-twp-warren.org. Residents can also go to www.twitter.com/WTPDNEWS if they have a twitter account and “follow” the Police Department for up-to-date information. Residents that have Facebook accounts can go to www.facebook.com/WTPDNEWS and “like” the Police Department’s page to follow police related activity that the department posts.
A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in our water.

Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey’s greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that’s why we’re all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it’s dirty.

As part of New Jersey’s initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.

As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.

**Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides**

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.

Properly use and dispose of hazardous products

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.
If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.

- Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.
- Recycle used motor oil.
- Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations of hazardous-waste disposal facilities.

**Clean up after your pet**

- Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.
- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people’s property.
- Make sure you know your town’s or agency’s requirements and comply with them. It’s the law. And remember to:
  - Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.
  - Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or unwrapped in a toilet.
  - Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

**Dispose of yard waste properly**

- Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains.
- If your municipality or agency has yard waste collection rules, follow them.
- Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.
- Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.

**Keep pollution out of storm drains**

- Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.
- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.

**Don’t litter**

- Place litter in trash receptacles.
- Participate in community cleanups.

**Don’t feed wildlife**

- Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.
- Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.

**Contact information**

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit www.njstormwater.org or www.nonpointsource.org

Additional information is also available at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater or www.epa.gov/nps

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water Quality Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program (609) 633-7021

www.cleanwaternj.org