

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY

Special Meeting
December 1, 2011

A special meeting of the Township Committee was held on this date at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 211 Route 31 North, Washington, N.J. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Samir Elbassiouny.

SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE – The Mayor noted that this meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of 1975 in as much as a notice had been published in the Star-Gazette and transmitted to the Express-Times, posted at the Municipal Building and a copy is on file in the Clerk's office. This agenda is subject to change by order of the Washington Township Committee before and/or during the scheduled meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Elbassiouny, present; Finke, present; Klingel, present; Kovacs, present; Marks, present.

STAFF PRESENT

Anna C. Godfrey, Acting Township Clerk and Peter deBoer, Township Administrator/Certified Public Works Manager were also present.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

AWARD OF BID

Mayor Elbassiouny explained four bids were received for the Pleasant Valley Road Section 2 project. Mr. deBoer stated it is the recommendation of the Township Engineer to award the bid to the low-bidder, Reivax Contracting Corporation. Work will begin upon approvals. Weather permitting, paving will be done in the Spring. A motion was made by Klingel, seconded by Kovacs, to award the bid to Reivax Contracting Corporation at an amount of \$353,584.01. Mayor Elbassiouny stated he spoke to the Township Engineer regarding Item #8 of the contract where it states soil will be replaced if needed.

ROLL CALL: Klingel, yes; Kovacs, yes; Finke, yes; Marks, yes; Elbassiouny, yes

RESOLUTION

A motion was made by Klingel, seconded by Marks, to approve Resolution #11-162, Resolution to Authorize and Approve Salaries and Wages for Certain Employees (C. Dieffenbach). Mayor Elbassiouny explained Code & Construction salaries are paid from fees collected.

ROLL CALL: Klingel, yes; Marks, yes; Finke, yes; Kovacs, yes; Elbassiouny, yes

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Klingel, seconded by Marks, to approve the payment of the bills.

ROLL CALL: Klingel, yes; Marks, yes; Finke, yes; Kovacs, yes; Elbassiouny, yes

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

A motion was made by Kovacs, seconded by Finke, to open the meeting to the public. All were in favor. Hearing no one, a motion was made by Klingel, seconded by Marks, to close the public portion of the meeting. All were in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Kovacs, seconded by Marks, to approve Resolution 11-163, Resolution Authorizing Executive Session for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance With the Provisions of the NJ Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 at 7:35 p.m. All were in favor. Mayor Elbassiouny explained the Committee will be discussing the Township's contract with the Oxford Police Department.

A motion was made by Kovacs, seconded by Marks, to come out of Executive Session at 8:12 p.m. All were in favor. Mayor Elbassiouny stated the Committee discussed the Township's contractual obligation with the Oxford Township Police Department. No official action was taken. Copies of these minutes will be available at such time the Committee determines there is no harm to the public interest.

REPORTS

Mayor Elbassiouny stated he attended a Highlands Council meeting earlier this evening and they approved our petition for the second phase. The Township will be receiving grant money to continue with our master and sewerage treatment plans. Mayor Elbassiouny also stated he received an e-mail from Green Acres. He feels the autogiro property would be an excellent opportunity in applying for this grant. A motion was made by Kovacs, seconded by Klingel, to allow Mayor Elbassiouny and Peter deBoer to work with the Township Engineer to begin preparation of a grant application to receive funds from Green Acres for the autogiro property. Mayor Elbassiouny will provide feedback at the December 20th meeting.

ROLL CALL: Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes; Finke, yes; Marks, yes; Elbassiouny, yes

ADJORNMENT

Hearing no further business to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Klingel, seconded by Marks, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna C. Godfrey
Acting Township Clerk