# READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 18, 2014 AGENDA

A. Mayor Allen *calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.* announcing that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

#### **B.** EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel / Building and Grounds

Personnel / Department of Public Works

Contract Negotiations / Developers Agreement / Nagle (Block 40, Lot 1)

Contract Negotiations / NJ Conservation Foundation / Cole Farm

Attorney-Client Privilege / Executive Session Minutes

- January 23, 2014
- January 29, 2014

Litigation / Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; Block 56, Lots 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 39, Lot 24 and Block 67, Lot 2 (Solberg Aviation)

- C. SALUTE TO FLAG
- D. REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION
- E. CONSENT AGENDA:

All items listed with an asterisk "\*" are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Committee member or citizen requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- F. \* APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of meeting of January 23, 2014 and January 29, 2014
- G. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC for items listed on the agenda only (Note: The Committee will take public comment on the ordinance(s) listed under Section H during the public hearing portion)

## H. PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. An Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance of an Agricultural Development Rights Easement on Property Known as Block 94, Lot 19 to the County of Hunterdon for Farmland Preservation
  - ♦ *Ordinance* #01-2014

- 2. An Ordinance Amending Portions of a Previously Adopted Ordinance by the Township of Readington on December 6, 1982 Governing Sewer Charges for the Township of Readington
  - ♦ *Ordinance #02-2014*

## I. CORRESPONDENCE / OTHER INFORMATION

- 1. Letter dated January 21, 2014 from Frank X. Simpson, Manager, Rates and Regulation, NJ American Water, regarding *Public Notice of the filing of a Petition to change the level of purchased water and purchased wastewater* (sewerage) treatment adjustment clauses, which could result in an increase or decrease to existing water and sewer rates.
- 2. Memorandum dated January 14, 2014 from Sharon Brienza, Municipal Clerk, Township of Branchburg regarding An Ordinance Amending the Land Development Ordinance of the Township of Branchburg by Amending Subsection 6-5.9 Entitled "Improvement Guarantees Required; Surety; Release" to Require that Maintenance and Performance Guarantees be from Banks with in New Jersey and the Borough Manhattan, New York City.
- 3. Memorandum dated January 28, 2014 from Sharon Brienza, Municipal Clerk, Township of Branchburg regarding An Ordinance Amending the Land Development Ordinance of the Township of Branchburg by Amending Subsection 6-5.9 Entitled "Improvement Guarantees Required; Surety; Release" to Require that Maintenance and Performance Guarantees be from Banks with in New Jersey and the Borough Manhattan, New York City.

## J. OLD BUSINESS:

1. *Foothill Road Reconstruction* – letter with petition dated January 10, 2014 from Wayne Borella

#### K. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Release of Performance Bond / Country Classics Legacy at Readington (Block 36, Lots 93, 94 & 95) letter dated January 29, 2014 from Rob O'Brien, Township Engineer
- 2. Emergency Services
  - ◆ Equipment Replacement / Whitehouse Fire Company # 1
  - ♦ Presentation of Vehicle Rotation Recommendation
  - ♦ 2014 Budget Request
- 3. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 148 of the Land Use Ordinance of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey Revising Definition of "Application for Development"

- 4. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 148 of the Land Use Ordinance of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey Pertaining to Renewable Facilities
- 5. An Ordinance Amending the Boundaries of the Village Commercial (VC) and Village Residential (VR) Zones as Depicted on the Zoning Map of Chapter 148 of the Land Use Ordinance of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey to Incorporate the Entirety of Block 32, Lot 9 and Block 31, Lot 46 within the Village Residential (VR) Zone
- 6. **Abandoned Diner on Route 22** memo dated January 23, 2014 from Planning Board
- 7. **Amendment to Deer Fencing Ordinance** memo dated January 30, 2014 from Planning Board
- 8. **Black River & Western Railroad** letter dated January 24, 2014 from Ken Burenga, President & General Manager, Black River & Western Railroad requesting a resolution endorsing track improvement project
- 9. Application for Special Events Permit / Mane Street Inc April 4 to April 6, 2014, 14 Holland Brook Road (Block 53, Lot 5)
- 10. **Request Permission to Hold 2014 Annual Coin Toss Event Fundraisers** Letter dated February 3, 2014 from Bob Spielberger, Whitehouse Rescue (April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> with alternate rain dates April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> and September 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> with alternate rain dates September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>)
- \* 11. Resolution in Recognition of Charlie Wilson Marking his 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Active Service as a Volunteer Firefighter
- \* 12. Resolution Authorizing the Special Tax Counsel for the Township of Readington to Enter into Stipulations of Settlement Relative to the Tax Appeals Captioned: <u>LR Farms vs. Readington Township</u>, Tax Court of New Jersey, Docket No. 009058-2011 and <u>Lamington River Farms vs. Readington Township</u>, Docket Nos. 003370-2012 and 2309-2013.
- \* 13. Resolution Commending the Hunterdon County Land Trust in their Efforts to Preserve Two Wooded Parcels on Round Mountain
- \* 14. Release of Soil Witness Fees / Block 43, Lot 19 (Soucy)
- \* 15. Release of Soil Witness Fees / Block 67, Lot 29 (Drazinakis)

- \* 16. Release of Escrow / Block 88, Lot 7 & 7.01 (Broad Street Properties)
- \* 17. Release of Board of Health Escrow / Block 70, Lot 22.01 (Connor)
- \* 18. Blue Light Permit / Andrew Pottorf
- \* 19. Report on Variance Applications (2013)
- \* 20. Resolution for Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (Fiscal Grant Cycle July 2014-June 2019)
- L. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
- M. ATTORNEY'S REPORT
- M. ENGINEER'S REPORT
- N. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
  - 1. Julia Allen

Planning Board County Agricultural Development Board Liaison Farmland / Open Space Preservation / Land Projects Liaison Sewer Advisory Committee

#### 2. Thomas Auriemma

Liaison to Fire Companies & Rescue Squad Recreation Department Library Services

## 3. Betty Ann Fort

Planning Board Zoning Engineering, Roads, Maintenance & Recycling

• Engineer's Report
Historic Preservation/Museums
Municipal Court

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# 4. Frank Gatti

Finance Department

\*Payment of Bills

\*Lien Redemption

Police Department School Crossing Guards

## 4. Beatrice Muir

Board of Health Code Enforcement Department / Construction Code Department Senior Services Animal Control

## O. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

## P. COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

# Q. ADJOURNMENT