

DECEMBER 20, 2011

A Special Meeting of the Kingwood Township Committee was called to order at 5:00 P.M. with Mayor Burke presiding.

Also present at the meeting were Committeepersons Lubitz and Niemann, Chief Financial Officer and Tax Collector D. Laudenbach and Clerk MacConnell. Following the salute to the flag, Mayor Burke read aloud the following:

NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by publication of the notice in the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News on December 16, 2010 and by telefaxing copies of the notice to the Express Times and Star Ledger on December 14, 2010. Copies of the notice were also posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building and Baptistown Post Office on December 14, 2010.

In order to ensure full public participation in this meeting, all members of this Committee or Board, and also members of the public are requested to speak only when recognized by the Chair so that there is no simultaneous discussion or over talk, and further, all persons are requested to utilize the microphones which are provided for your use by the Township. Your cooperation is appreciated.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – RESOLUTION NO. 2010-130A

At approximately 5:01 P.M. the following Resolution was introduced to enter into closed session:

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 130A

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975 (R.S.10:4-13) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting or a portion of a meeting of this public body in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from the meeting or a portion of a meeting at which this public body discusses the hereinafter specified subject matter.

2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

**Contract Negotiations – Discuss DPW Union Agreement
Habitat for Humanity**

3. The time when the circumstances under which the discussions conducted in closed session of this public body can be disclosed to the public is as follows:
The minutes of the closed session will be made public upon conclusion, dismissal or settlement of litigation; or final resolution of agreements or personnel matters; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and 13.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
5. The Township Committee may take additional action upon returning to regular session.

It was moved by Mr. Lubitz, seconded by Mrs. Niemann and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution. **All** voted **Aye** on **Roll Call Vote**.

At approximately 5:30 P.M., Mark Petro and Michael Ewing, representatives of the DPW arrived at the meeting and participated in the closed session.

At approximately 6:30 P.M. Mark Petro and Michael Ewing left the meeting.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

It was moved by Mrs. Niemann, seconded by Mr. Lubitz and carried to return to regular session at 6:45 P.M. **All** voted **Aye** on **Roll Call Vote**.

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF CONSTRUCTION FEE

Mayor Burke reported that the Kingwood Township Volunteer Fire Company is requesting a waiver of their Construction Permit fee, which is approximately \$1200. Some discussion followed on what was done last year with a similar request from the Kingwood Township First Aid & Rescue Squad. It was agreed to check back to last year, and to check with the Construction Official, and place back on the agenda for January 6th, 2011.

DISCUSS AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 15-11-2009

The Township had received information and an estimate from Gilmore & Associates, Inc., who conducted the aquifer testing on Bl 19 L 5 for the Township in regard to the feasibility of possible affordable housing. Following a review of the hydrogeologic report by the Township's professional, a change order would need to be approved for the additional work. It was agreed to prepare an Ordinance for introduction at the January 6, 2011 meeting. It was also agreed that in addition to the electronic copy the Township would only request one hard copy.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Lubitz, seconded by Mrs. Niemann and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 P.M. **All** voted **Aye** on **Roll Call Vote**.

Respectfully submitted,

**Mary E. MacConnell, RMC
Township Clerk**