

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
MEETING SUMMARY
January 22, 2008**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Invocation – *Councilwoman Francois*
4. Roll Call
5. Commendations/Proclamations – *Chinese New Year; Black History Month; Benjamin Franklin’s Birthday and Martin Luther King Jr. Day*
6. Mayor’s Report
7. Deputy Mayor’s Report
8. Public Discussion (5 minutes per speaker)
9. Council Comments
- 9.1 Council Discussion Items
 - a) No Conflicting Board/Commission Meetings with Regular Council Meetings
(Vassanella)
 - b) Set Council Retreat Date/Agenda and Choose Date for Anti-Harassment Training
 - c) Request Waiver of Water Hookup Fees – Center for Great Expectations
 - d) Partners for Change (Levine)
10. Approval of Minutes: ***Adopted***
 - a) November 20, 2007 Executive Session
 - b) December 11, 2007 Work Session/Regular Meeting
 - c) December 20, 2007 Special Meeting and Executive Session
11. Approval of Warrants - ***Adopted***
12. Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinances on Second Reading - ***Adopted***

a) *Ordinance No. 3731 – Authorize Acquisition by Purchase an Agricultural Easement for Farm Preservation Purposes and to Provide for the Sale of Said Easement to the State Agricultural Development Committee (Suydam Farm – Skillman Lane – Block 85, Lots 61 & 62.01 and Block 57.01, Lot 32.01).*

13. Introduction of Ordinances on First Reading - *All Introduced*

a) *Ordinance No. 3738 – Amend Traffic Code, Chapter 226, Vehicles and Traffic, Section 226-13 – Parking Prohibited at all Times on Certain Streets – Lakeside Road. Further consideration and public hearing of this ordinance is scheduled for February 26, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.*

b) *Ordinance No. 3739 – Amend Code Chapter 151, Housing Standards, Section 151-7, Housing Fees with an increase of Re-occupancy inspections to \$75.00 and \$50.00 per building for common areas. Further consideration and public hearing of this ordinance is scheduled for February 26, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.*

c) *Ordinance No. 3740 – Amend Code Chapter 112, Land Development, Article XXXV, Renaissance 2000 Redevelopment Plan, Section 112-280-I – Addition of low- and moderate-income housing as a permitted use in the I-P (Institutional/Public) zoning district, to provide bulk requirements for low- and moderate-income housing within the district and to rezone Block 146 and a portion of Block 148 from the R-7 district to the I-P District. Further consideration and public hearing of this ordinance is scheduled for February 26, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.*

14. Consent Agenda Resolutions - *Adopted*

a) *Resolution #08-043 – Authorize Release of Performance Guarantee – Catalent Pharma Solutions (formerly Cardinal Health Inc.) – Docket #P2000-037P – Block 514/Lot 20.01 & 20.03 – 14 Schoolhouse Road – Schoolhouse Road Improvements - \$46,256.50.*

b) *Resolution #08-044 – Award Non-Fair and Open Professional Services Agreement – Township Attorney – January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008 – Leslie G. London, Esq. (McManimon & Scotland, LLC).*

c) *Resolution #08-045 – Award Contract – ESRI, Inc. – Renewal of Maintenance Licenses for the ARCView/GIS Program – March 1, 2008 to February 28, 2009 – Amount Not to Exceed \$9,400.00.*

d) *Resolution #08-046 – Authorize Discharge of Affordable Housing Agreement and Second Repayment Mortgage – 6 Columbus Drive, Franklin Park.*

- e) *Resolution #08-047* – Authorize Discharge of Affordable Housing Agreement and Second Repayment Mortgage – 245 Columbus Drive, Franklin Park.
- f) *Resolution #08-048* – Authorize Grant Application – NJ Dept. of Agricultural Farm Fresh Grant – Provides maximum of \$500 on a dollar-for-dollar match to ensure Jersey Fresh promotional efforts on behalf of Hamilton Street Farm Market.
- g) *Resolution #08-049* – Authorize Insertion in FY08 Municipal Budget – Chapter 159 – NJDEP Green Communities Grant – Update the Forestry Management Plan - \$3,000.00.
- h) *Resolution #08-050* – Authorize Insertion in FY08 Municipal Budget – Chapter 159 – Somerset County Open Space Partnership – Lt. Scalzone Open Space Area - \$275,000.00.
- i) *Resolution #08-051* – Enabling Resolution for Middlebush Park Improvements – Phase I.
- j) *Resolution #08-052* – Award Bid – Beyer Brothers GMC Group – Rack Dump Truck with Snow Plow and Trade-in – Amount: \$47,690.00 less \$2,250.00 for trade, net \$45,440.00.
- k) *Resolution #08-053* – Award Professional Services Agreement – Heyer Gruel & Associates – Canal Access: Vision & Strategic Plan – Amount Not to Exceed \$28,500.00.
- l) *Resolution #08-054* – Award Professional Services Agreement – Orth-Rodgers & Associates – Pedestrian System Feasibility Study – Amount Not to Exceed \$29,400.00.
- m) *Resolution #08-055* – Reject Bids – Route 27 Traffic Study – Project Abandoned.
- n) *Resolution #08-056* – Authorize Interest Rate for 2008 First Quarter Taxes.
- o) *Resolution #08-057* – Authorize Release Performance Guarantee – Weston Canal Associates – Block 517.03/Lot 3.32 – 100 Randolph Road – Site Improvements - \$106,350.02.
- p) *Resolution #08-058* – Authorize Release of Planning and Building Escrows.
- q) *Resolution #08-059* – Authorize Refund of Tax Overpayments.

- r) *Resolution #08-060 – Award Contract – Center for Information Age Technology – IT Disaster Recovery Plan, Phase I – Amount Not to Exceed \$13,500.00.*
 - s) *Resolution #08-061 – Oppose Revisions to the Wrongful Death Statute.*
 - t) *Resolution #08-062 – Authorize Tax Remittals.*
 - u) *Resolution #08-063 – Authorize Tax Title Lien Redemptions – Outside Buyers.*
 - v) *Resolution #08-064 – Resolution in support of a Peace and Non-Violence Memorial at the Municipal Complex between the main entrance and Amwell Road (alongside the Municipal Library) to be determined by a Memorial Subcommittee of the Township Council.*
15. Resolution, Voted on Separately - ***Adopted***
- *Resolution #08-065 – Authorize Release of Winter Bonds – Canal Walk Associates - \$3500 – Various Locations.*
16. Board and Commission Appointments
- A. *Advisory Board of Health*
 - 1. Nominations for One (1) Regular Member of the Advisory Board of Health, for a three-year term ending December 31, 2010. ***Chris Kelly appointed***
 - 2. Nominations for One (1) Student Non-Voting Member of the Advisory Board of Health for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008.
 - B. *Advisory Recreation Council*
 - Nominations for One (1) Teen-Age Public School Non-Voting Female Member of the Advisory Recreation Council, for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008. ***- Rebecca Michaele appointed***
 - C. *Agricultural Advisory Committee*
 - Nominations for Three (3) Regular Members of the Agricultural Advisory Committee, each for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008. ***- Berit Marshall appointed.***
 - D. *Business & Industry Advisory Committee*
 - 1. Nominations for One (1) Board of Adjustment Member of the Business & Industry Advisory Committee, for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008.

2. Nominations for One (1) Retail Business Owner with More than 25,000 sq. feet to the Business Industry Advisory Committee, for a four-year term ending December 31, 2011.
- E. *Cable Television Advisory Committee*
- Nominations for Four (4) Regular Members of the Cable Television Advisory Committee, each for a two-year term ending December 31, 2009.
- F. *Environmental Commission*
- Nominations for Chairman of the Environmental Commission, for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008. *-Arnold Vernick appointed.*
- G. *Historic Preservation Commission*
- Nominations for One (1) Regular Member of the Historic Preservation Commission, for a two-year term ending December 31, 2009. *Jean Ambrose appointed*
- H. *Joint Advisory Committee/Kingston Village*
- Nominations for One (1) Regular Members of the Joint Advisory Committee/Kingston Village, for a three-year term ending December 31, 2010.
- I. *Municipal Cross-Acceptance Committee*
- Nominations for One (1) Planning Member to the Municipal Cross-Acceptance Committee, for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008. *- Cecile MacIvor appointed*
- J. *Open Space Advisory Committee*
- Nominations for One (1) Planning Board Member of the Open Space Advisory Committee for a term concurrent with their Planning Board term. *- Ted Chase appointed.*
- K. *Senior Citizen Advisory Committee - All appointed*

The following appointees are recommended to be appointed to the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (these appointees were elected by their Senior Citizen Club to serve on this committee):

Term: One-Year 02/01/08 to 01/31/09

<i>Parkside Club</i>	Dale Woltz - Member
	Gloria Taylor - Alternate Member

Franklin Township Club Charles Seigel – Member
Tom Allaway – Alternate Member

Franklin Park Club Margaret Rumph – Member
Jean Doyle – Alternate Member

L. *Senior Affordable Housing Advisory Committee*

- Nominations for Two (2) Regular Members of the Senior Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, each for a three-year term ending December 31, 2010.

M. *Trails Advisory Committee*

1. Nominations for Two (2) Regular Members of the Trails Advisory Committee, each for a four-year term ending December 31, 2011.
2. Nominations for One (1) Open Space Advisory Committee Member of the Trails Advisory Committee, for a term concurrent with Open Space Advisory Committee term.

17. Council Liaison Appointment

I. *Hamilton Street Business & Community Corporation Council Liaisons*

- Nominations for One (1) Council Liaison to the Hamilton Street Business & Community Corporation for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008.

18. Executive Session:

Litigation – Other Litigation Update
Labor Negotiations – PBA and SOA

19. Adjournment