

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
JUNE 28, 2011 MINUTES**

The Tewksbury Township Committee met in a work session on the above date at the Municipal Building, Mountainville, NJ.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM, roll call held and a quorum established. Mayor Peter Melick presided.

Other officials in attendance were Township Committee members Dana Desiderio, Louis DiMare, Shaun Van Doren and William Voyce.

Jesse Landon, Township Administrator was in attendance.

There were approximately four members of the public in attendance.

**1. Open Public Meetings Statement**

The Open Public Meetings Statement was read by Mayor Melick.

**2. Flag Salute**

Those present stood and pledged allegiance to the American flag.

**3. Public Participation**

There were no comments from the public.

**4. Actions to be taken**

➤ **Consent Agenda**

Mayor Melick requested that the authorization to have the Clerk sign the OFC application be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Dr. Voyce moved adoption of the Consent Agenda as amended, seconded by Ms. Desiderio. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None.

**RESOLUTION #71-2011  
TAX REFUND**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the following payments for the refund of 2011 tax.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
14	30-04	KNABE, HENRY JR & ROSARIA 9 MARIGOLD LANE CALIFON NJ 07830	2011	2855.09

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Peter Melick  
Mayor

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**RESOLUTION #72-2011  
TO CANCEL BALANCE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the following cancellation to the Reserve for Debt Service effective July 1, 2011.

<b>FROM</b>		
	Ord# 14-2006	\$141,859.75
<b>TO</b>		
	Reserve for Debt Service	\$141,859.75

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Peter Melick  
Mayor

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- Claims as submitted by the CFO
- Regular and e/s minutes of 06/14/11
- Auth. to have Mayor sign Amended Mortgage – release of mortgage Block 38 lot 9

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Dr. Voyce made a motion authorizing the Clerk to sign the OFC application for Sean Smith, seconded by Ms. Desiderio. The motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None. Abstain: Melick.

- Authorization to have Municipal Clerk sign application for Sean Smith - OFC

Dr. Voyce made a motion to adopt Resolution #73-2011, seconded by Ms. Desiderio.

Mr. Van Doren questioned the terms of Resolution #73-2011 and why the payment for the agreement would not occur until 11/15/11.

Mr. DiMare questioned if any additional costs would be incurred regarding travel reimbursement.

The above noted motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None.

**RESOLUTION 73-2011**

**AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO THE UNIFORM SHARED SERVICES ACT 40A:65-1 BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF TEWKSBURY AND THE**

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**TOWNSHIP OF EAST AMWELL FOR A TEMPORARY SHARED CHIEF FINANCIAL  
OFFICER**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Tewksbury (hereby referred to as “Tewksbury”) and the Township of East Amwell (hereby referred to as “East Amwell”), in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, are desirous of achieving cost savings and efficiencies by having Tewksbury be the lead agency for the establishment of a temporary shared Chief Financial Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, East Amwell is in the process of searching for a Chief Financial Officer to replace their retiring CFO; and

**WHEREAS**, Tewksbury is agreeable to sharing their CFO for a temporary period not to exceed ninety (90) days from July 2011 through September 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 40A:65-5 allows for two (2) or more municipalities to enter into an agreement for the establishment of a shared position by resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, Tewksbury has a documented history of providing cost effective service through shared services to other municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, this attached contract is open to public inspection at the offices of both municipalities.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township of Tewksbury and the Township of East Amwell hereby agree to the sharing of the Tewksbury Township CFO for 90 days and enter into a contract for this shared service.

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Peter Melick  
Mayor

**5. Township Committee Comments**

Dr. Voyce noted that there have some break ins in the Township and warned residents to keep their doors locked and hide their personal belongings.

He noted that drivers need to be aware of bicycles and motorcycles on the road.

It was noted that Ron Peterson was appointed as principal at Voorhees High School.

Ms. Desiderio noted that the Land Use Board heard the Wood case, which will be continued to 09/07/11.

Mr. Van Doren stated that he had issues regarding the work being done on the sidewalks in Oldwick specifically with regard to signage. He stated that the signs were not installed properly, were sloppily nailed onto utility poles and did not meet the uniform traffic control devices standards. He added that the contractors should be held to the same standards as all contractors.

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Mr. Van Doren also noted that there is new legislation that would designate \$500,000.00 to Tewksbury for future PIG projects. He added that he may have projects to discuss at another meeting.

Mayor Melick noted that the local Board of Education (BOE) has had contentious meetings with regard to ratifying the salary guide. Additional comments were made regarding the matters related to pension benefits.

Mayor Melick stated that he would like to schedule a "town hall" type meeting with BOE representatives with Senator Doherty in the near future. Mr. Van Doren suggested waiting until September to convene the meeting.

Discussion followed regarding employee's performance evaluations.

Mr. Van Doren questioned if the matter of employee raises was finally decided. Mr. Landon stated that he did not budget for any raises in the 2011 Budget. Ms. Desiderio stated that she could not justify employee raises in the current economy. Further discussion followed regarding Police benefits with regard to pension and health matters.

Discussion followed regarding three applications for volunteer positions. It was the consensus of the Committee that the three applicants come to the 7/12/11 meeting at 7:30 pm for the purpose of an interview.

Ms. Desiderio noted that she missed the meeting to discuss the James Street garage and would like to schedule a new date.

**6. Executive Session**

At 8:30 PM Ms. Desiderio moved adoption of the following Resolution, seconded by Dr. Voyce. The motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None.

**RESOLUTION #74-2011  
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE TEWKSBURY  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 and 10:4-12 that the Tewksbury Township Committee hold a closed session to discuss Contract Negotiations.

It is expected that the discussion undertaken in closed session can be made public at the time official action is taken.

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Peter Melick  
Mayor

**7. Reconvened**

The meeting reconvened at 8:36 PM.

**8. Adjournment**

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Roberta A. Brassard  
Municipal Clerk