## SPECIAL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE BUDGET MEETING January 15, 2011

The regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Answering present to the roll call were: Township Committee members: David Cook, Glenn Johnson, Dan Mulligan, Jay Taylor and Mayor Win Cody. Also present were: Denise Marabello, Township Administrator/Director of Finance and Kathleen R. Cunningham, Assistant Administrator/Clerk. Mayor Cody led in the salute to the flag and Ms. Cunningham gave the following Open Public Meetings Act statement:

In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, it is hereby announced and shall be entered into the minutes of this meeting that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided:

- (1) Posted on December 2, 2010 on the Bulletin Board of the Municipal Office at 23-A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey and remains posted at that location.
- (2) Communicated to the Cranbury Press, Home News Tribune and Trenton Times on December 2, 2010.
- (3) Was filed on December 2, 2010 at the Cranbury Municipal Office, 23-A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey, posted on the Township's web site and remains on file for public inspection, and
- (4) Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

Chief Rickey Varga presented and discussed with the Township Committee his proposed Capital and Operating Budget. Chief Varga explained the police officers works two (2) 12-hour shifts and explained if someone is out there is only one (1) officer left leaving the Chief to bring someone in and pay that officer overtime. At the present time the Department is at minimum staffing. Chief Varga also reported the four (4) new sergeants will be required to go for training and he will have to bring in another officer to cover.

The Township Committee inquired if CERT training is really necessary and Chief Varga explained two (2) officers are needed to train the CERT members.

The Township Committee reviewed and discussed the Public Works Operating and Capital budgets with Mr. Jerry Thorne. Public Works Director.

The Township Committee directed Ms. Cunningham, Assistant Administrator/Clerk to inquire with Helmetta about utilizing Helmetta for animal control as well as housing stray animals for the Township as recently they had sent the Township a draft proposal. Ms. Cunningham will report back to the Township Committee.

Ms. Catherine Frohbieter, Chairperson of the Human Services Board, addressed the Township Committee concerning the Budget for Human Services. She stated the previous Chair prepared the budget and wanted the Township Committee to be aware the present Board feels it can operate with the same amount of money as last year.

## **Public Comment**

The Mayor opened the meeting to public questions and comment. There being no comments, the Mayor closed the public part of the meeting.

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On motion by Mr. Taylo adjourned at 4:07 p.m.	or, seconded by Mr. Mulligan and unanimously carried, the meeting
	Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk