

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COMMITTEE OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE, HELD AT THE WANTAGE TOWNSHIP
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 888 STATE HIGHWAY 23, WANTAGE, N.J.
ON THE DATE OF OCTOBER 28, 2010**

Mayor Clara Nuss called the regular meeting of the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Wantage to order, and requested the Clerk to call the roll. Upon roll call, the following members of the governing body were present: Mayor Nuss, Committee members DeBoer and Gaechter. The following member was absent: None

Also present Township Attorney Michael Garofalo

Mayor Nuss stated, "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Public Laws 1975, Chapter 231. It has been properly noticed and posted to the public, and certified by the Clerk."

Mayor Nuss led the assembly in the Salute to the Flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Nuss requested that the members of the Committee Review the Consent Agenda.

There being no Committee member present wishing to comment on the proposed Consent Agenda, Mayor Nuss requested approval of the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Gaechter moved to approve for filing, a Letter dated October 12, 2010 from NJ Department of Agriculture, reporting that no major infestations of Gypsy Moth caterpillars were found within Wantage Township during the Fall gypsy moth egg mass survey.

The motion was seconded by Mr. DeBoer. Upon roll call,

Ayes: DeBoer, Nuss, Gaechter **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

Mr. Gaechter moved to authorize a correction due to data entry error, resulting in a double assessment on Block 23 Lot 6.03. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeBoer. Upon roll call,

Ayes: DeBoer, Nuss, Gaechter **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

Mr. Gaechter moved to authorize renewal of deer carcass removal contract with Space Farms, for time period November 1, 2010 through October 31, 2011, at cost of \$40 per deer (current 2010 rate). The motion was seconded by Mr. DeBoer. Upon roll call,

Ayes: DeBoer, Nuss, Gaechter **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

Mr. Gaechter moved to authorize Kevin Kervatt to act in the capacity of Temporary Acting Construction Official of Wantage Township during the dates November 12 – 17, 2010, December 9 – 15, 2010, and December 27 – 30, 2010, representing dates upon which Acting Construction Official Patrick Stefanelli will be on vacation and unavailable for duty.

The motion was seconded by Mr. DeBoer. Upon roll call,

Ayes: DeBoer, Nuss, Gaechter **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Doherty reported that a school bus driver has suggested that an official Stop Intersection be established at the intersection of for this purpose.

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

Final Adoption of Ordinance 2010-13: Fee Amendment

Mr. DeBoer moved to adopt on final hearing, Ordinance 2010-13, entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER XXI, SECTION 21 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE ENTITLED 'FEES' BY PROVIDING FOR REVISED FEES OR REQUESTS FOR COPIES OF GOVERNMENT RECORDS UNDER THE OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT". The motion was seconded by Mr. Gaechter. Prior to final roll call vote, Mayor Nuss opened the meeting to the public. There being no one wishing to address the governing body on this proposed ordinance, Mayor Nuss requested a roll call vote. Upon roll call,

Ayes: DeBoer, Nuss, Gaechter **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

NEW BUSINESS, continued

Final Adoption of Ordinance 2010-14: Planned Commercial Development

Mr. Gaechter moved to adopt on final hearing, Ordinance 2010-14, entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER XIII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE, BEING THE ZONING CHAPTER". The motion was seconded by Mr. DeBoer. Prior to final roll call vote, Mayor Nuss opened the meeting to the public for any questions or comments with respect to this proposed ordinance. There being no one wishing to address the governing body on this proposed ordinance, Mayor Nuss requested a roll call vote.

Upon roll call,

Ayes: DeBoer, Nuss, Gaechter **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

Approval of Minutes

Mr. DeBoer moved to approve the Regular Session minutes of October 7, 2010.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Gaechter. Upon roll call,

Ayes: DeBoer, Nuss, Gaechter **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

Mayor Nuss opened the meeting to the public for any questions or comments.

William Gettler, Gemmer Road, stated that a newspaper report about a Franklin Borough meeting was interesting. Mr. Gettler stated that a Franklin resident expressed his dissatisfaction with the Franklin Borough Council's efforts to adopt a property maintenance code by offering a Nazi salute. Mr. Gettler repeated this Nazi salute, and stated his belief that this was appropriate for Wantage Township as well. Mr. Gettler then stated that he has heard rumors that Mr. Doherty would be retiring at the end of this year, and asked if that was true.

In response to the rumor that Mr. Gettler expressed, Mr. Doherty stated "no".

In response to Mr. Gettler's comments regarding property maintenance, Mr. DeBoer stated that only one Wantage Township resident has ever had a problem with the property maintenance code in Wantage Township, and that is Mr. Gettler. Mr. Doherty stated it was appropriate to respond further, taking exception to Mr. Gettler's comparison of Wantage Township with Nazi Germany, and stating that Mr. Gettler should be ashamed of himself for making such a remark.

There being no one else present wishing to address the governing body, Mayor Nuss closed the meeting to the public.

As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. DeBoer moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Gaechter seconded the motion. Upon roll call,

Ayes: DeBoer, Nuss, Gaechter **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

Mayor Nuss declared this meeting to be adjourned.