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March 21, 2007

A Special Meeting of the Kingwood Township Committee was called to order at 6:10 P.M. with Mayor Burke presiding.

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Mayor Augustine, Committeewoman Niemann, Auditor William Colantano, C.F.O. Diane 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 Express Times on March 19, 2007 and by telefaxing copies of the notice to the Delaware Valley News, Courier News and Star Ledger on March 16, 2007. Copies of the notice were also posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building and Baptistown Post Office on March 16, 2007.

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.

### **2007 MUNICIPAL BUDGET - Worksession**

Auditor W. Colantano and C.F.O. D. Laudenbach distributed a worksheet. There was a lengthy discussion on the line items. Mr. Colantano explained to all members present how he prepared the budget. There was discussion about assessments, farmland preservation, rollback taxes not collected, heating and fuel oil, unpaid bills from the previous year and capital budget and the capital improvement fund and how to build surplus. He also discussed the surplus projection is at \$600,000.00, and reviewed his surplus analysis.

It was discussed that the fire department, the rescue squad may be able to have some of their items as Capital items for next year's budget. A resolution will be prepared for next months Twp. Meeting.

There was a brief discussion on several issues concerning the park director and his salary. Committeewoman Niemann asked questions about the grass cutting and trimming. She also stated that the municipal court could be out of the CAP if we were regional.

Mayor Burke noted meeting with the local school and reported they have no budget increase.

The employees with a 90 Day appointment were discussed. It was agreed to reappoint the 911 Coordinator, Recycling Coordinator, Dog License Official and the Park Director for an additional 60 days. An evaluation will take place at the end of the 60 days. The Committee has decided to appoint the Zoning Officer for a permanent position until the end of the year 2007.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mrs. Niemann, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M. **All** voted **Aye** on **Roll Call Vote**.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Cynthia L. Brown, RMC  
Deputy Clerk**