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**February 22, 2010
Township Committee
Special Meeting Minutes**

A Special Meeting of the Kingwood Township Committee was called to order at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor James L. Burke.

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Mayor Lubitz, Committeewoman Niemann, C.F.O. Laudenbach, Clerk MacConnell, and Deputy Clerk Keller. 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 Hunterdon County Democrat and Courier News on February 18, 2010 and by telefaxing copies of the notice to the Express Times and Star Ledger on February 16, 2009. Copies of the notice were also posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building and Baptistown Post Office on 16, 2010.

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.

Resolution No. 2010-12 – 2009 Budget Appropriation Transfers

RESOLUTION

The following Resolution was introduced:

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 - 12

2009 BUDGET RESERVE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to make the following transfers within the 2009 Budget Reserve Appropriations:

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FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
119-1300-440	119-1300-400	2500.00
119-1300-440	119-1300-420	100.00
119-1300-440	119-0004-299	15.00
119-1300-440	119-0050-299	1400.00
119-1300-440	119-0010-299	390.00
119-1300-440	119-0651-299	300.00
TOTAL TRANSFERRED:		\$4705.00

It was moved by Mrs. Niemann, seconded by Mr. Lubitz and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye	-	Lubitz, Niemann, Burke
Nay	-	None
Absent	-	None
Abstain	-	None

BILLS AND CLAIMS

It was moved by Mrs. Niemann, seconded by Mr. Lubitz and carried to approve and pay all bills and claims in the amount of **\$ 934,083.58** that are in order and attached as **Bill List** for February 2010.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye	-	Lubitz, Niemann, Burke
Nay	-	None
Abstain	-	None
Absent	-	None

Resolution No. 2010-13 – 100th Anniversary of Boy Scouts of America

RESOLUTION

The following Resolution was introduced:

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 13

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America was established February 8, 1910 and has created a strong foundation of leadership, service and community for millions of America's youth for one hundred years; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America provides a program that builds character, trains members in the responsibilities of participating citizenship and develops personal fitness; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scout Oath "On my honor I will do my best, to do my duty, to God and my Country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight" inspires members to become good citizens, encourages high ethical standards, and promotes good will and service in their community; and

WHEREAS, with every rank advancement comes new challenges, new adventures and new friends for members and for those members who accompany them along the way; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America has nurtured and honored over two million Eagle Scouts; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America alumni share memories that last a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, Scouting celebrates its legacy and reaffirms its commitment to inspire and prepare future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that the Boy Scouts of America and its Kingwood Township Pack 251 - Tiger, Wolf, Bear Cubs and Webelos and Troop 251 – Boy Scouts, their leaders and sponsoring organizations, are hereby honored for making a difference in Kingwood Township by their dedication of Scouting's core values of leadership, character, community service, achievement and stewardship of the environment.

It was moved by Mr. Lubitz, seconded by Mrs. Niemann and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Roll Call Vote:	Aye	- Lubitz, Niemann, Burke
	Nay	- None
	Abstain	- None
	Absent	- None

Resolution No. 2010-14 – Award of Bid for Solar Panel Project

RESOLUTION

The following Resolution was introduced:

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 14

RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID FOR SOLAR PANEL PROJECT

WHEREAS, Kingwood Township advertised for and received bids for the Kingwood Garage Solar Project; and

WHEREAS, the bids were reviewed by the Township Engineer as is reflected in his report of February 5, 2010, and were also reviewed by the Township Attorney; and

WHEREAS, according to the report of the Township Engineer dated February 5, 2010, and attached hereto as Exhibit A, as well as the review of the Township Attorney, the lowest responsible bidder is EMSA Construction;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that:

The contract for the 33.63KW Solar Renewable Energy System for the Kingwood Township Garage be awarded to EMSA Construction, 300 Raritan Avenue, Highland Park, NJ 08904 for the bid amount of \$184,464.00.

It was moved by Mrs. Niemann, seconded by Mr. Lubitz and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Lubitz commented on the Engineer’s note, which stated that the Township may receive an additional grant of \$33,000.00 to help bring the cost down for the solar panel project.

Roll Call Vote:	Aye	-	Lubitz, Niemann, Burke
	Nay	-	None
	Absent	-	None
	Abstain	-	None

Resolution No. 2010-15 – Tax Sale Redemption Bl 2 L 10

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 - 15

TAX SALE REDEMPTION

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received redemption monies in the amount of \$31,194.71 to redeem Tax Sale Certificate No. 2007-01 on Block 2, Lot 10.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$31,194.71 to Plymouth Park Tax Services, PPTS Lockbox, P.O. Box 5822, New York, New York, 10087-5822 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2007-01, and

It was moved by Mr. Lubitz, seconded by Mrs. Niemann and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Roll Call Vote:	Aye	-	Lubitz, Niemann, Burke
	Nay	-	None
	Absent	-	None
	Abstain	-	None

Resolution No. 2010-16 – Farmland Preservation Property Bl 14 L 23

RESOLUTION

The following Resolution was introduced:

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 - 16

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Kingwood Township has previously resolved to participate in the preservation of a property in the Township, which has been in conjunction with the State of New Jersey, the County of Hunterdon and with non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, Kingwood Township has provided for the funding of this acquisition by virtue of the authority in Ordinance No. 15-12-2008;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that the following is the property and the amount:

Felix – Block 14, Lot 23 - \$ 176,768.80

The Resolution, the terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the Township of Kingwood, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey on February 22, 2010 and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the publication of this statement.

Purpose(s): Acquisition and/or preservation of open space
Appropriation: \$176,768.80
Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$176,768.80
Grants (if any) Appropriated: \$0
Section 20 Costs: \$0
Useful Life: 40 years

It was moved by Mr. Lubitz, seconded by Mrs. Niemann and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Roll Call Vote:	Aye	-	Lubitz, Niemann, Burke
	Nay	-	None
	Absent	-	None
	Abstain	-	None

PUBLIC COMMENT – PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No Comments.

Bridge Commission to Okay Grant

Mayor Burke noted that the Township’s Engineer Thomas Decker contacted him to give him good news. He stated that the Joint Bridge Commission approved our grant to pave Tumble Falls Road, and that they will be paying for the full cost.

Service Electric Cable TV

Mr. Lubitz reported that Service Electric is moving ahead. They are hopeful to have high speed internet up and running ahead of schedule, possibly by January 1, 2011.

Financial Matters

C.F.O. Laudenbach addressed the Township Committee regarding an e-mail she received from Andrea Kahn at McManimon & Scotland, L.L.C. She stated Ms. Kahn was asking for a decision the Township Committee would like to make, as far as, rates for permanent financing. The Committee members requested that Ms. Laudenbach check the most recent rates, and to proceed with a roll over in March for six months.

Land Use Community Survey

Committeewoman Niemann briefly reported on the tabulation progress of the survey, and also stated that there have been many wonderful volunteers that have given their time to help out, which is greatly appreciated.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mrs. Niemann, seconded by Mr. Lubitz and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:20P.M. **All voted Aye on Roll Call Vote.**

Respectfully submitted,

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