

**TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS
DENNISVILLE, NJ
MARCH 06, 2012**

7:00 P.M. (PREVAILING TIME) TWP. COMMITTEE WORKSESSION MEETING

Mayor Glembocki opened the meeting in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act requirements.

Mayor Glembocki presided with Committeemembers: DiCicco, Murphy, Germanio and Teefy present.

Also present was the Municipal Auditor, Leon Costello.

The Committee announced that they are switching the regular meeting and the worksession meeting so that the worksession meeting will be conducted first and in the event that an issue requires formal action they will be able to address it at the regular meeting which will immediately follow.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS OR DISCUSSIONS:

Leon Costello, Municipal Auditor was present and reviewed some 2012 Budget issues with the Committee. Deputy Mayor Teefy asked that Mr. Costello outline the budget deadlines. Mr. Costello indicated that you have to introduce the budget by March 30th, you can make changes and that the Public Hearing will be on May 1st at which time you can adopt it or amend it and depending on the extent of the amendment, you would have to re-advertise it. Deputy Mayor Teefy and Mr. Costello commented on the Committee meeting individually to discuss ideas and he commented on possibly increasing various fees such as Campground Licenses, Liquor Licenses, Dog Licenses and Mercantile Licenses. Mr. Costello stated that any ordinances to amend fees would have to be in place by May 1st to anticipate the added revenue. Committeeman Germanio indicated that he has ideas for various cuts that would effect every department and that is unable to go into details at this time. Deputy Mayor Teefy commented on possible savings with the Township's Health Insurance and indicated that he was meeting with our consultant next week.

The Committee discussed the following:

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND PROJECT UPDATES:

Administration & Finance:

The Committee discussed the Green Team and the Environmental Commission and Mayor Glembocki commented on possibly joining the two and Committeeman Germanio voicing concerns that the Environmental Commission may be another level of bureaucracy. The Committee discussed abolishing the Zoning Board and having a combined Planning and Zoning Board which would save money.

The Committee discussed the Township's Health Benefits with the State Health Benefits Program and Deputy Mayor Teefy reiterated that he would be meeting with the insurance consultant, Mr. Senior, next week.

The Committee discussed the correspondence from American Tower regarding the Lease Agreement and possible buyout. The Committee indicated that Deputy Mayor Teefy and Committeeman DiCicco would contact the company to discuss this issue further.

The Committee discussed the Electric Deregulation project and the authorization needed for South Jersey Power Cooperative documents. The Committee instructed the Clerk to add a resolution on tonight's regular agenda to authorize this.

Public Works & Engineering:

The Engineer explained and commented on the Form Based Code Grant and the remaining funds available. He commented on possible changes that would reduce the density and indicated that the Master Plan would also have to be changed. He indicated that the TAC Committee was tied together with this and he would look into having Kate Mead attend a meeting.

The Committee discussed the status of the Plan Endorsement Process and the correspondence from State Office for Planning Advocacy which alluded to the Plan Endorsement process being phased out under the new State Strategic Plan.

The Committee discussed the status of the Pinelands Clustering Ordinance and indicated that they would be having a joint meeting with the Planning Board where the Pinelands representatives would be present to discuss this and other Comprehensive Management amendments.

Committeeman Germanio indicated that he had received correspondence from the School regarding a Shared Service with respects to the Township's Mechanic. They indicated they needed a mechanic to work on buses maybe 3 times a week. The Committee discussed possible required certifications to work on buses and Deputy Mayor Teefy would look into what requirements were necessary.

RESOLUTIONS:

Authorizing Professional Services Agreement with Alternate Engineer(s).

Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Cape May County Municipal Utilities Authority for the Review and Submission of the Township of Dennis' 2011 Annual Recycling Tonnage Report.

ORDINANCES:

(Scheduled for Public Hearing on 03/20/2012)

An Ordinance of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 80 of the Code of the Township of Dennis Entitled, "Construction Codes, Uniform".

An Ordinance of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, and State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 88, Article I, Section 4(D) (C) of the Code of the Township of Dennis, Entitled "Dogs".

An Ordinance of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Appointment of a Municipal Engineer.

Motion was made by Murphy, seconded by DiCicco, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST _____ ATTEST _____
Jacqueline B. Justice, RMC/Clerk Eugene L. Glembocki, Mayor