

**BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
WASHINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES – September 16, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey was held in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall at 8:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Cioni, Oakley, Van Deursen, Higgins, Woykowski, - Present  
Turner – arrived at 9:00 p.m. Housel - Absent

Also Present: John Corica, Borough Manager  
Judy Kopen Esq. Municipal Attorney  
Kristine Blanchard, RMC Borough Clerk

Mayor Van Deursen led everyone in the flag salute.

Mayor Van Deursen read the following Statement into the Record:

“The requirements of the ‘Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, Chapter 231 have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Star Gazette and posted on the Bulletin Board of Borough Hall stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law.

**COUNCIL APPEARANCE**

Andrew Holt, Borough Engineer

**DPW - Garage**

Mr. Holt discussed with the Mayor and Council the proposed change orders for the DPW Garage. He also updated the Council on the progress being made at the garage. The concrete foundation will be ready to pour in the next several weeks. He stated it will be early 2009 before it is ready for occupancy. Regarding change order number 1; there is a slight reduction in the contract price. He stated his firm is comfortable with their recommendation to implement change order number 1. He explained the circumstances regarding change order number 2. This change order involves the additional site work that is needed. The Borough did receive bids on the additional site work; however the bids were higher than anticipated. The additional site work includes grading, paving, curbing, and utility services. Mr. Holt stated that they went back to the contractor for some additional prices. The recommendation is to have the current contractor do the additional site work for \$132,000.00. Councilman Cioni asked if the additional \$132,000 will bring the project over budget. Manager Corica stated that the Borough has \$292,000 remaining in the budget, not including any change orders. Manager Corica recommended a vote and then a Resolution will be prepared for the October 7, 2008 Council meeting.

Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Cioni to approve Change Order number 1 and Number 2 for the additional work on the DPW Garage with Resolutions to be prepared for the October 7, 2008 Council Meeting.

Roll Call: Higgins, Cioni, Van Deursen, Woykowski, Oakley

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

### **Parking Lot**

Mr. Holt gave an update to the environmental work being performed at the parking lot site. Mr. Holt summarized the findings outlined in his letter to the Mayor and Council. The boring results showed that the PCE and TCE results were relatively good. Some PAAHS were found but they are not as great a concern. No PCE or TCE levels were found above the soil. The PAAHS and lead are above clean up standards and can remain on site and be capped. Our recommendation is to submit a remedial work plan to the State of NJ. A deed restriction on the parking lot property would need to be maintained. The remediation and the over site would be approximately \$10,000 to \$11,000. We are requesting approval to send the plan to the DEP

A motion was made by Oakley, seconded by Higgins to authorize the first \$10,000 for the site remediation plan to be submitted to the DEP.

Roll Call: Oakley, Higgins, Van Deursen, Woykowski, Oakley

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Mr. Holt also reviewed the downtown parking lot with Council. Phase I of the project includes the municipal owned property and the Rossi property. We will be able to preserve and maintain the access alley out to School Street. The Modern Valet acquisition is moving along. At this time we can rely on that as part of the project.

The Mayor and Council discussed the use of optional materials in lieu of conventional asphalt pavement. Mr. Holt stated it is possible to consider a millings and tar and chip surface be used. Mayor Van Deursen asked if that will cap off any contaminates. Mr. Holt stated he does need to check with the DEP, if the DEP accepts it then it turns into an economic decision for Council.

Mayor Van Deursen asked for more information on how the tar and chipping option was proposed. Councilman Cioni stated his proposal was to combine phase 1 and 2. The BID was favorable to that option but it was cost prohibitive if we went with asphalt for paving. There

is an additional maintenance component to the tar and chipping but there is a cost savings. Councilwoman Woykowski stated the prices need to be defined. Mr. Rossi stated that the original negotiations did not contain the acceptance of a site that was contaminated. The BID needs to be careful that we don't enter into an agreement that could be detrimental to us. The BID wanted a clean remediated site. Mayor Van Deursen stated that Mr. Rossi needs to talk to the BID Board to make sure they are going to accept this property.

Councilman Turner arrived at 9:00 p.m.

Councilman Higgins asked when Council will be advised of the BID's decision. Mr. Rossi stated that they will meet as a board and would like to meet again with the parking lot committee.

### **MINUTES:**

Mayor Van Deursen entertained additions or corrections to the minutes of the Executive Session of September 2, 2008, and the Regular Meeting of September 2, 2008.

Hearing no comments it was moved by Higgins, seconded by Cioni that the minutes be approved.

Roll Call: Cioni, Woykowski, Van Deursen, Higgins, Turner, Oakley.

Motion Carried

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

The following communications were entered into the record:

1. Washington Township Land Use Board

It was moved by Higgins, seconded by Cioni that the communications be acknowledged, received and filed.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.  
Motion carried.

### **AUDIENCE:**

#### **Candy De Phillips – 116 Broad Street**

Ms. De Phillips explained her disappointment with Council regarding her request to speak with Council during Executive Session. Ms. De Phillips stated she feels the Recreation

Committee has been treated disrespectfully. Mayor Van Deursen confirmed that Ms. De Phillips will be placed on the agenda for the next Executive Session.

**Bob Cammarato - 47 Alvin Sloan**

Mr. Cammarato explained that the Fire Department is 95% percent sure that they will be receiving the Homeland Security grant for the purchase of their fire truck. The grant will be for about \$500,000.00 and the Fire Department is willing to pay the 5% match.

Councilman Higgins stated that Homeland Security needs to see the certification that the Borough does have the money. Councilman Higgins made a motion to have a Bond Ordinance prepared for the next Council meeting. This truck needs to be in place by next year. Councilman Higgins stated that the Borough will need to bond for 5% of the grant amount.

Councilman Higgins motioned for a Bond Ordinance be prepared for the October 6 meeting for the matching funds of the anticipated Homeland Security Grant to be used for the purchase of the aerial truck, seconded by Councilwoman Woykowski.

Ayes: 6  
Nays: 0  
Motion Carried

Hearing no further comments from the audience a motion was made by Higgins, seconded by Cioni to close the audience portion of the meeting.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion Carried

**ORDINANCES:**

None

**REPORTS:**

1. Highway Department
2. Fire Prevention
3. Municipal Court
4. Issues and Details Report
5. Police Activity Report

It was moved by Higgins, seconded by Oakley, to receive and file the reports.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Redevelopment Committee:** No Report

**DPW Garage:** No Report

**Sewer Committee:** No Report

**Streets Committee:** No Report

**Finance Committee:** No Report

**Shared Services Committee:** No Report

**Senior Services:** No Report

**Website Committee:** No Report

**Curfew Committee:** No Report

**Pedophile Ordinance Committee:** No Report

**BID:** No Report

**Recreation Report –** No Report

**Parking Lot Committee –** Councilman Cioni requested that this topic be added under Committee Reports.

**VOUCHERS AND CLAIMS**

Mayor Van Deursen entertained questions or additions to the vouchers and claims for payments that were not previously addressed before the meeting. Motion made by Cioni, seconded by Woykowski to pay the vouchers and claims in the amount of \$1,334,416.85.

Councilman Higgins inquired about the bill from Gebhardt and Kieffer regarding the Port Colden Mall meter. He asked what has been done and what is the status. Attorney Cushing stated that he did have a brief conversation with their attorney yesterday. It seems they have a buyer for the property and they are dragging their feet on this. Councilman Higgins asked if the Borough can do the work and put a mechanics lien on the property. Attorney Cushing stated that he will

research and give Council his recommendation. Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Turner to give the Borough Manager the latitude to install a meter and place a mechanics lien on the property once confirmed with Attorney Cushing.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion Carried

Roll Call: Woykowski, Cioni, Oakley, Higgins, Turner, Van Deursen.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Approval of Bingo License Application – St. Joseph’s Church Knights of Columbus**

Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Cioni to Approve the Bingo License Application for the Knights of Columbus.

Roll Call: Cioni, Higgins, Woykowski, Turner – Yes  
Oakley, Van Deursen – Abstain

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Motion Carried

**Approval of Bingo License Application – St. Joseph’s Church**

Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Cioni to approve the Bingo License Application for St. Joseph’s Church.

Roll Call: Higgins, Cioni, Woykowski, Turner – Yes  
Oakley, Van Deursen - Abstain

Ayes: 4, Nays: 0  
Abstain: 2

**Workshop Items for September 30, 2008**

Council discussed the workshop items for the upcoming September 30 meeting. Items to be discussed include:

Shared Services, 2009 Budget, and Redevelopment

**Midtown at Washington – Tax Agreement**

Mr. Van Cleef discussed the tax agreement with Council. He is looking to begin the pilot program on the first building in 2009. The signed tax agreement needs to be in place in order for the Assessor to implement the program. Mayor Van Deursen stated she is comfortable with what was presented this evening. Council concurred. Motion made by Turner, seconded by Cioni to sign the Tax Agreement and allow for the pilot program to begin on building number 1.

Roll Call: Turner, Higgins, Woykowski, Cioni, Van Deursen, Oakley

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion Carried

**Letter of Request – Support of Lets Celebrate Housing**

Susan Wagner Glaser requested a letter of support be sent to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders stating that the Borough Council supports affordable housing. Lets Celebrate Housing has applied for a \$150,000.00 loan with the Freeholders. Councilman Higgins asked if these units are specifically reserved for Warren County. Ms. Glaser stated that preference is given to Warren County residents. Councilman Cioni stated he was still waiting for some of his questions to be answered. Ms. Wagner stated those questions can't be answered until the property assessment is completed done. She further stated a property management plan would be presented to the governing body during the negotiations for the pilot program.

Roll Call: Higgins, Cioni, Van Deursen, Woykowski, Oakley, Turner

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion Carried

**Resolution 192-2008 TDR Feasibility Study**

Manager Corica noted that the submission of the application does not obligate the Borough in any way.

Motion made by Turner, seconded by Woykowski and adopted.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Cioni, Van Deursen, Turner, Oakley – Yes  
Higgins – No

Ayes: 5, Nays: 1  
Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION # 192 -2008**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NJ**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have had discussions with representatives of the Highlands Council regarding the benefits of considering TDR's for the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to explore the benefits of utilizing TDR's under the Highlands Council; and

WHEREAS, there are Planning Assistance Grants to do TDR Feasibility studies available from the Highlands Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that a Planning Assistance Grant Application to complete a TDR Feasibility study be submitted to the Highlands Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign the grant application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution and the grant application be forwarded to the Warren County Planning Board.

**Resolution 193-2008 Planning Assistance Grant**

Motion made by Turner, seconded by Cioni and adopted.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Turner, Cioni, Van Deursen, Oakley – Yes  
Higgins – No

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0  
Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION # 193 -2008**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NJ**



WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have had discussions with representatives of the Highlands Council regarding the benefits conducting an Initial Assessment for the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to conduct an Initial Assessment under the Highlands Council; and

WHEREAS, there are Planning Assistance Grants to do Initial Assessments available from the Highlands Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that a Planning Assistance Grant Application to complete an Initial Assessment be submitted to the Highlands Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign the grant application.

Resolutions 195-2008 through 197-2008 were moved on a motion made by Oakley, seconded by Turner and adopted.

Roll Call: Turner, Oakley, Woykowski, Cioni, Van Deursen, Higgins

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

**Resolution 195-2008 Cancel Sewer Capital Ordinance Balance**

**RESOLUTION # 195 -2008**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NJ TO CANCEL**  
**SEWER CAPITAL ORDINANCE BALANCE**

WHEREAS, Ordinance # 6-97 was adopted on 17 June 1997 appropriating \$13,300,000 as a supplemental appropriation for "Improvement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant"; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant for which the appropriation was made are completed and no further funding is needed; and

WHEREAS, there is an unfunded balance of \$1,209,742.98.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the balance of \$1,209,742.98 remaining in Ordinance # 6-97 is hereby cancelled.

**Resolution 196-2008 Cancel Sewer Capital Ordinance Balance**

**RESOLUTION # 196 -2008**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NJ TO CANCEL**  
**SEWER CAPITAL ORDINANCE BALANCE**

WHEREAS, Ordinance # 12-97 was adopted on 21 October 1997 appropriating \$4,400,000 as a supplemental appropriation for “Improvement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Sewerage Collection System”; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Sewerage Collection System project for which the appropriation was made are completed and no further funding is needed; and

WHEREAS, there is an unfunded balance of \$2,815,000.80.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the balance of \$2,815,000.80 remaining in Ordinance # 12-97 is hereby cancelled.

**Resolution 197-2008 Cancel Sewer Capital Ordinance Balance**

**RESOLUTION # 197 -2008**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NJ TO CANCEL**  
**SEWER CAPITAL ORDINANCE BALANCE**

WHEREAS, Ordinance # 15-2002 was adopted on 6 August 2002 appropriating \$750,000 as a supplemental appropriation for “Improvement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Sewerage Collection System”; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Sewerage Collection System project for which the appropriation was made are completed and no further funding is needed; and

WHEREAS, there is a balance of \$750,000; and

WHEREAS, there is a funded balance of \$247,761.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the balance of \$750,000 remaining in Ordinance # 15-2002 is hereby cancelled, and the \$247,761.00 be returned to the

sewer fund balance.

**Resolution 198-2008 Cancel Rent Receivership Account**

Resolution 198-2008 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Roll Call: Higgins, Oakley, Turner, Van Deursen, Woykowski, Cioni

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION # 198 -2008**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NJ**

WHEREAS, there exists a “Rent Receivership Account” in trust which was established to receive rent payments from tenants at Vicon Tile; and

WHEREAS, as of 31 August 2008 there was \$15,479.99 in the account; and

WHEREAS, there is no further need to maintain this as a separate account; and

WHEREAS, the Auditor has determined that this account can be cancelled and the money transferred to the current fund account; and;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer recommends that this account be terminated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to cancel the Rent Receivership Account and to transfer the money to the current fund account.

Resolutions 199-2008 – 200-2008 were moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Roll Call: Higgins, Oakley, Woykowski, Turner, Cioni, Van Deursen

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

**Resolution 199-2008 Overpayment Sewer Service Charge**

**RESOLUTION #199-2008**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING OF AN**

**OVERPAYMENT OF THE BOROUGH'S SEWER SERVICE CHARGE**

**WHEREAS**, according to the Treasurer's records, there is an overpayment showing on the following property; and

<b><u>BLOCK/LOT</u></b>	<b><u>PROPERTY OWNER/ PROPERTY LOCATION</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED</u></b>
2.11/16	Elizabeth Marsh 51 Alvin Sloan Ave.	\$ 45.00

The former owner made an overpayment during the closing procedures on the above property location. A refund of \$45.00 should be mailed to:

Elizabeth Marsh  
26 Mt. Lebanon Road  
Port Murray, NJ 07865

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Treasurer's office has received a written request that the above amount be refunded.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Borough Treasurer is authorized to refund the above overpayment amount.

**Resolution 200-2008 Overpayment Sewer Service Charge**

**RESOLUTION #200-2008**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING OF THE**  
**BOROUGH'S SEWER SERVICE CHARGE**

**WHEREAS**, according to the Treasurer's records, there is an overpayment showing on the following property; and

<b><u>BLOCK/LOT</u></b>	<b><u>PROPERTY OWNER/ PROPERTY LOCATION</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED</u></b>
9.02/6	Dennis & Briane Jarvis 13 Grand Avenue	\$ 44.36

The former owner made an overpayment during the closing procedures on the above property location. A refund of \$44.36 should be mailed to:

Dennis & Briane Jarvis  
54 Deer Path Drive  
Flanders, NJ 07836

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Treasurer's office has received a written request that the above amount be refunded.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Borough Treasurer is authorized to refund the above overpayment amount.

**Resolution 201-2008 Cancel Public Assistance Account**

This Resolution was tabled.

**Resolution 202-2008 Professional Services Agreement Suburban Engineering**

Resolution 202-2008 was moved on a motion made by Higgins with the requirement that the amount be changed to \$10,140.00, seconded by Turner and adopted.

Roll Call: Higgins, Turner, Cioni, Woykowski, Oakley, Van Deursen

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION # 202 - 2008**

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN ENGINEER AS A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE WITHOUT SEEKING COMPETITIVE BIDS.**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional engineering services to prepare environmental reports to submit to the NJDEP and to provide environmental clean up oversight for the construction phase of the Borough Parking Lot on Rt. 57; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et. seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, Suburban Consulting Engineers of Mount Arlington, New Jersey has agreed to perform professional engineering services, as outlined in their proposal for Proposal for Environmental Engineering Services dated 28 August 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$10,140.00; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided by, Suburban Consulting Engineers constitutes professional services that need not be bid pursuant to the Public Contract Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et. seq.); and

WHEREAS, funds are available in Ordinance # 5-2008 Account # C-04-08-005-000-002 per the attached Certification of Funds by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Suburban Consulting Engineers to provide environmental engineering services per the proposal submitted on 28 August 2008 and annexed hereto in an amount not to exceed \$10,140;
2. That said contract is awarded without competitive bidding as professional services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-5; and
3. A certification of funds by the Chief Financial Officer is attached hereto;
4. Notification of the contract award shall be printed in the Star Gazette.
5. That an executed copy of the contract between the parties be on file with the Office of the Clerk and be available for public inspection in accordance with the law.

**Resolution 203-2008 Professional Services Agreement Nossovicia and Co.**

Resolution 203-2008 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Roll Call: Higgins, Oakley, Turner, Cioni, Woykowski, Van Deursen.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION # 203 - 2008**  
**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN ACCOUNTING FIRM TO PREPARE**  
**A FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY STUDY**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional accounting services to conduct a financial feasibility study for the proposed merger of the Washington Borough and Washington Township Police Departments; and

WHEREAS, Requests for Proposal were sent to several accounting firms on 7 August 2008; and

WHEREAS, Nisivacia & Company, Randolph, New Jersey was the only firm that submitted a proposal in the amount of \$19,500; and

WHEREAS, the proposal was submitted to the Department of Community Affairs for approval as part of a SHARE grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Subject to the approval from the Commissioner NJDCA, The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Nisivaccia & Company to perform a Financial Feasibility Study per the proposal submitted on 15 August and annexed hereto in an amount not to exceed \$19,500.
2. That said contract is awarded without competitive bidding as professional services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-5; and
3. Notification of the contract award shall be printed in the Star Gazette.
4. That an executed copy of the contract between the parties be on file with the Office of the Clerk and be available for public inspection in accordance with the law.

**Resolution 204-2008 Requesting a Change in Text, Title, or Amount of Appropriation**

Resolution 204-2008 was moved on a motion made by Cioni, seconded by Oakley and adopted.

Roll Call: Cioni, Oakley, Turner, Van Deursen, Woykowski – Yes  
Higgins – No

Ayes: 5, Nays: 1  
Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION # 204-2007**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, REQUESTING**  
**CHANGE IN TITLE, TEXT OR AMOUNT OF**  
**APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:4-85**

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-85, provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may, at the request of, or with the consent of, a governing body of any municipality, make such correction of the title, text or amount of any appropriation appearing in the budget as may be necessary to make said item appropriation available for the purpose or purposes required for the needs of any municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey in accordance with the provisions of NJSA 40A:4-85 hereby requests that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to make the following correction the 2008 budget:

FROM:  
Financial Administration Salary and Wages \$3,600  
Insurance General Liability Other Expenses \$9,900

TO:  
Financial Administration Other Expenses \$13,500

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing correction is, in the opinion of the governing body, warranted and authorized by the statute referenced above, and is necessary for the orderly operation of the municipality for the reasons set forth:

To provide continued funding for contractual services to provide the funding for an Temporary Chief Financial Officer while the Manager and Governing Body seeks and reviews applications for the full time CFO position. The vacancy of the CFO position was not anticipated when the budget was adopted.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilwoman Woykowski – No Comments

Councilman Cioni – Would like to close on the Khourie property as soon as possible but no later than October 30, 2008. It was noted that the closing is contingent upon the tank being tested.

Councilwoman Oakley – No Comments

Councilman Higgins – Suggested moving the Executive Session portion of the meeting to 7:30 p.m. Council should also be given an agenda for Executive Session. Councilman Higgins also stated that the Police Chief's car needs the transmission fixed. Manager Corica stated he will look into this.

Councilman Turner – No Comments

Mayor Van Deursen – No Comments

Hearing no further business to come before Council, it was moved by Higgins, seconded by Cioni that the meeting be adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.  
Motion carried.

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Mayor Marianne Van Deursen

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Kristine Blanchard, RMC Borough Clerk