

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington was called to order by Mayor Short at 6:35 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, \*Walsh, Mayor Short, \*\*Attorney Jansen, Chief Financial Officer Lifer, Administrator/Clerk Gallets, Assistant Administrator Burd, Recording Secretary Madden

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

\*Comm. Walsh arrived at 6:40 p.m.

\*\*Attorney Jansen arrived at 6:50 p.m.

Adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Observer Tribune and the Morristown Daily Record on January 4, 2005 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on the same date. This meeting is being held at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey. Notices of this meeting were sent as there were requests.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**BUDGET DISCUSSION**

The Township Committee discussed anticipated 2005 revenue, surplus and budget summaries provided by Chief Financial Officer Kevin Lifer.

The Township Committee preliminarily approved the Environmental Commission and Senior Citizen budgets for 2005.

**EAGLE SCOUT AWARD** – Mayor Short, on behalf of the Washington Township Committee, presented Scout Christopher Draghi with a plaque in recognition of his achievement of the rank of Eagle Scout.

**RO-01-05 – AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN POSITIONS, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING.**

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**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN POSITIONS, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY be read by title upon second reading and a hearing held thereon.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**Mayor Short opened the meeting to the public. There being no comments or questions, Mayor Short closed the meeting to the public.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN POSITIONS, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY be adopted upon final reading and that said ordinance be published in the Observer Tribune according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**RO-02-05 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 159, SITE PLAN REVIEW, AND CHAPTER 175, SUBDIVISION OF LAND, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON REGARDING STORMWATER MANAGEMENT – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 159, SITE PLAN REVIEW, AND CHAPTER 175, SUBDIVISION OF LAND, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON REGARDING STORMWATER MANAGEMENT be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 159, SITE PLAN REVIEW, AND CHAPTER 175, SUBDIVISION OF LAND, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON REGARDING STORMWATER MANAGEMENT be adopted upon first reading.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on February 21, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full in the Observer Tribune according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**RO-03-05 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT, OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO AMEND FEES FOR COPIES OF POLICE RECORDS – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT, OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO AMEND FEES FOR COPIES OF POLICE RECORDS be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT, OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON TO AMEND FEES FOR COPIES OF POLICE RECORDS be adopted upon first reading.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on February 21, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full in the Observer Tribune according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**RO-04-05 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING CERTAIN SPEED LIMITS ON RESERVOIR ROAD – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING CERTAIN SPEED LIMITS ON RESERVOIR ROAD be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING CERTAIN SPEED LIMITS ON RESERVOIR ROAD be adopted upon first reading.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on February 21, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full in the Observer Tribune according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**RO-05-05 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING CERTAIN SPEED LIMITS ON SPRING LANE – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING CERTAIN SPEED LIMITS ON SPRING LANE be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING CERTAIN SPEED LIMITS ON SPRING LANE be adopted upon first reading.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on February 21, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full in the Observer Tribune according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**RO-06-05 – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONVEYING OF AN EASEMENT ON CERTAIN LAND AND PROPERTY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONVEYING OF AN EASEMENT ON CERTAIN LAND AND PROPERTY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONVEYING OF AN EASEMENT ON CERTAIN LAND AND PROPERTY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON be adopted upon first reading.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on February 21, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full in the Observer Tribune according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**RO-07-05 – AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 28, LOT 18.03 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

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**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 28, LOT 18.03 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY be introduced and read by title on first reading by the Township Committee.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington that an Ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 28, LOT 18.03 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY be adopted upon first reading.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee on February 21, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk be authorized to advertise said Ordinance in full in the Observer Tribune according to law.

Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**\*ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS**

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Ralph Hatcher – Regular Member, Zoning Board of Adjustment, effective January 3, 2005

Geoffrey B. Price – Class IV Regular Member, Planning Board, effective January 7, 2005

**\*RESOLUTION #R-22-05 – ACCEPT DEVELOPMENT ON TO MAINTENANCE – MIDDLESWORTH FARMS – TOLL NJ III, LP**

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**\*RAFFLE APPLICATIONS**

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Applications have been received for the following raffles:

HSA Everett Academy School	Tricky Tray	03/05/2005
HSA Everett Academy School	Fifty-Fifty	03/05/2005
Soroptimist International of Hackettstown	Fifty-Fifty	03/05/2005
Soroptimist International of Hackettstown	Tricky-Tray	03/05/2005
Long Valley Middle School PTA	Fifty-Fifty	04/20/2005

Noted that the Chief of Police has signed the Findings and Determination Forms and all forms are in order.

That the foregoing raffle application be approved, subject to the Mayor signing the Findings and Determination Forms.

**\*AUTHORIZE SPECIAL ABC PERMIT – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

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An application has been received from the Washington Township Educational Foundation for permission to dispense alcoholic beverages at a fundraising event to be held on April 30, 2005 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge on Schooley's Mountain, Camp Washington, Long Valley, New Jersey. Noted that the Chief of Police has signed the permit application.

That the foregoing special permit for a social affair be approved and the Clerk be authorized to sign the permit application and forward it to the applicant for submission to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

**\*RECORDING OF DEEDS**

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That the deeds be accepted and that the Attorney be authorized to record said deeds.

Landmark Enterprises, L.L.C. to Township of Washington	Historic Corridor Buffer Easement Shade Tree Easement Road Dedication Deed Declaration of Covenants	- Block 11, Lot 27
Jose and Rosa Goncalves to Township of Washington	Grading and Sight Easement	- Block 34, Lot s 25.10 and 25.11

**\*APPROVE MINUTES**

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That the following minutes be approved and placed on file in the Township Clerk's office:

June 21, 2004 Regular Meeting

**\*PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS**

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That the vouchers be approved and that the Treasurer shall issue warrants in payment when there are sufficient funds to meet them. The bill list is on file in the finance office.

**\*APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP – NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

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An application has been received for membership in the New Jersey State Firemen's Association from Kevin M. Zimmerman.

That the foregoing application for membership be approved and forwarded to the New Jersey State Firemen's Association.

**\*MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

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That the following monthly department reports be accepted and placed on file in the Township Clerk's office:

Washington Township Board of Health, Washington Township Municipal Court  
Washington Township Police Department, Washington Township Tax Collector

All items preceded by an (\*) were approved as part of the consent agenda on a motion made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser on the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**RESOLUTION #R-14-05 – APPOINTMENTS/ADJUSTMENTS**

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Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin



**RESOLUTION #R-23-05 – CONSENT TO DEPLOYMENT OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT PURSUANT TO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

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Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**RESOLUTION #R-24-05 – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – HISTORIC PRESERVATION CONSULTANTS – DENNIS BERTLAND ASSOCIATES**

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Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**CORRESPONDENCE NOTED FOR THE RECORD**

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Letter from NJDOT Commissioner Jack Lettiere, listing local municipalities selected to receive funding for road improvements from the 2005 Transportation Trust Fund Municipal Aid Formula Program.

Letter from County Tax Administrator Ralph T. Meloro, IV, stating that the County Board of Taxation ordered Washington Township to implement a revaluation of real property to be effective for the 2008 tax year.

Letter from Assistant Board Secretary Carol Lum, enclosing the Morris County Regional High School District 2003/2004 Audit Report.

Letter to Mayor Short from Comcast Area Director Charles L. Smith, presenting a letter forwarded to customers to explain changes to available packages and the .276% decrease in the State Franchise Fees.

Letter from Ms. Dorothy Brahney, on behalf of the Washington Township Historical Society, thanking Mayor Short for his support and leadership in making the 2004 Christmas House Tour a success.

Letter from Julie Lange, thanking the Township Committee for their proclamation acknowledging Julie's contributions to our community.

Letter from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, stating the Bureau of Watershed Regulation has determined the Mountain View Bar & Grill is not exempt from the provisions of the Highlands Act.

Letter from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, stating the Bureau of Watershed Regulation has determined the Bartley Road and South Four Bridges Road homes are not exempt from the provisions of the Highlands Act.

Letter from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, stating the Bureau of Watershed Regulation has determined the Our Lady of the Mountain and Long Valley Presbyterian Churches are not exempt from the provisions of the Highlands Act.

Letter from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, stating the Bureau of Watershed Regulation has determined the Sandt Lane, Rock Road, and East Springtown Road homes are not exempt from the provisions of the Highlands Act.

**DISCUSSION**

**BIDDING PROCEDURE FOR LIQUOR LICENSE** - Attorney Jansen explained the sale process and procedures to the Township Committee. This topic will be further discussed at the February 18, 2005 Work Session.

**Mayor Short opened the meeting to the public.**

**Mr. Lex Crane, Falcon Lane**, stated that, for safety reasons, a fence is needed at the end of Falcon Lane.

**Ms. Kelly Worth, Washington Township Education Foundation**, stated that the Education Foundation is currently in the process of trying to raise money for the new fifth grade library and suggested using the surplus from the Public Library.

**Mr. Bob Malone, Falcon Lane**, stated that the Township needs to prevent access to Falcon Fields from the end of Falcon Lane. He stated that signage and a fence are critical. Mr. Malone stated that they have arranged for a non profit safety organization to help defray the cost of a fence.

**There being no further comments or questions, Mayor Short closed the meeting to the public.**



**The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 8:40 p.m. upon approval of the following resolution:**

**RESOLUTION #R-25-05 – EXECUTIVE SESSION –  
LAND ACQUISITION: MEDINA**

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Motion was made by Comm. Cullen, seconded by Comm. Kaiser that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Comm. Cullen, Kaiser, Walsh, Mayor Short

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ABSENT:** Comm. Tobin

**The Township Committee came out of Executive Session at 8:50 p.m.**

**The meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.**

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Dianne S. Gallets, Clerk