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Township Committee Dec. 1, 2008

Public Hearing for 2009 Community Development Block Grant Application:

This is for streetscape/drainage improvements on Poplar between Franklin and Union . It will cost \$97K, we expect to get \$75-\$80K.

Township will have to pay planning and engineering fees. Some large trees will have to be removed; trees will be replanted. All voted in favor of applying.

Ordinance 2008-10 Adding traffic control provisions to Newton 's Landing

There were substantive changes to this ordinance (prior to the meeting) so it must be re-advertised for the 12/15 meeting. The amended ordinance will be on the website and posted.

Ordinance 2008-13 Regulating the placement of portable storage units on residential properties

The township was going to require permits for all storage units (\$25 for sixty days, one renewal of thirty days) in an attempt to limit the amount of time they are on our streets and lawns. One resident pointed out that people moving in to Delanco would have no idea that they would need a permit (it is unusual) and would be "welcomed" to Delanco with the news that they were in violation of Township ordinances. Not a good first impression. Committee members said they were unaware that these "pods" were used for moving: they thought they were for homes undergoing renovation. Another Committee member pointed out that these Pod units were expensive, and thus

unlikely to be held for extended periods. Another member of the public said that to discourage their use, you don't issue an inexpensive permit from day one, you fine someone a higher amount when they keep a unit around too long. (There would be exceptions for hardship cases.) The ordinance was not passed. It will be rewritten to reflect these new ideas.

Presentation of a Solar Energy Efficiency Audit for the municipal and public works buildings.

Presentation only: no action taken or required.

Comments from professionals:

Engineer: Got the grant for Richards Avenue . We requested \$151K and got \$150K. Township will pick up \$16K in engineering and design fees. Drainage from the municipal building roof needs to be routed underground. \$15-\$20K. Parking lot is too flat and doesn't drain. \$10K. Recommends doing the roof downspouts first.

Public Works: Leaf collection continues. Likes the new recycling buckets so far. Will get some smaller ones eventually. Ms Fitzpatrick requested installation of holiday flags.

Correspondence:

Police needed a resolution (2008-154) for over-the-limit/under arrest crackdown to get a grant. Passed unanimously.

Historical commission asked for an ordinance to require that prior to

a demolition permit's issuance, notify the Historical Preservation

Committee so that they can try to get out and take pictures.

Emergency permits (fire damage, etc.) excepted. Property owner is not required to give access, just requested. First reading. Second hearing 12/15.

Discussion Items:

We have resolved the Recycle Bank contract issues. We are looking into getting Township Administrator services on a parttime/consulting basis. At least for next six months or so. Templeton is meeting with Green Acres Monday to finish the ROSI list. (Open space list)