

PRINCETON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
January 27, 2009

A joint meeting of Township Committee and Borough Council was held on this date at 7:30 p.m. in the main meeting room at Princeton Borough Hall, 1 Monument Drive.

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Clerk read the following statement.

The following is an accurate statement concerning the providing of notice of this meeting and said statement shall be entered in the minutes of this meeting.

Notice of this meeting as required by Sections 4a, 3d, 13 and 14 of the Open Public Meetings Act has been provided to the public in the form of a written notice. On January 21, 2009 at 11:30 a.m., said schedule was posted on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, transmitted to the Princeton Packet, the Trenton Times, the Trentonian, and the Town Topics, and filed with the Township Clerk.

**ROLL CALL**

The Township Clerk then called the roll.

Present for Princeton Township: Mayor Miller and Mesdames Lempert and Nemeth and Messrs. Goerner and Liverman..

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Pascale

The Borough Clerk Called the roll.

Present for Princeton Borough: Mayor Trotman, Medames Karcher and Trelstad, Messrs. Goldfarb, Koontz, Martindell and Wilkes.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Bruschi.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION**

**TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION  
(Open Public Meetings Act Sec.3)**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Princeton:

1. This body will now convene into a closed session that will be limited only to consideration of an item or items with respect to which the public may be excluded pursuant to section 7B of the Open Public Meetings Act.
2. The general nature of the subject or subjects to be discussed in said session is as follows:

Personnel

3. Stated as precisely as presently possible, the following are the time when and the circumstances under which the discussion conducted at said session can be disclosed to the public:

Within 90 days or upon settlement of litigation, if applicable

**Municipal Court Judge**

Township Committee and Borough Counsel discussed candidates for the position of Municipal Court Judge.

At 7:40 p.m. both governing bodies resumed into Open Session.

**Sustainable Princeton Community Plan**

Mayor Trotman opened the discussion by saying that through a \$60,000. "building liveable communities" grant from the Municipal Land Use Center at the College of New Jersey a steering committee was charged with developing a plan for a sustainable Princeton. This plan is being presented here tonight.

Lee Solow, Princeton Regional Planning Board Director said that the committee has been working on the plan for over a year and input has been received from local residents, businesses, schools and government.

Wendy Kaczerski, Chair of the Princeton Environmental Commission, said that tonight was about leadership and how to govern through the lens of sustainability.

Matthew Wasserman, Environmental Commission presented a power point program to the governing bodies detailing the Sustainable Princeton plan. He said that there are six goals that include Greening the Built Environment; Improving Transportation; Building a Local Green Economy; Protecting Health and Natural Resources; Curbing Greenhouse Gases and Fostering Community.

Ms. Kaczerski said that the presentation will be posted on the municipal websites beginning tomorrow. She said that the committee was a meeting this evening to ask the governing bodies to endorse the goals and action plans. Ms. Kaczerski said that the plan is to hire a part-time sustainability

coordinator in March, to institutionalize sustainability into municipal operations, to finalize plans in April, to monitor progress through April of 2010 and to make the first report to the public in June 2010.

Randy Solomon, Executive Director of the New Jersey Sustainable State Institute offered some examples of what other municipalities are doing with sustainability and how they have saved money, energy and resources through measures including installing LED traffic lights, enacting a green purchasing program, reducing mowing and establishing pesticide free zones.

In speaking about the plan, Ms. Kaczerski said that it will reside online and will be updated continuously as it is interactive.

Ms. Kaczerski said that there is a Sustainable City Certification Program through the New Jersey League of Municipalities that Princeton would qualify for which would open us up to various avenues for money.

Ms. Nemeth asked who one would take feedback to. It was determined that feedback should go to Mr. Solow.

Heidi Fichtenbaum said that there was a temporary website at [sustainableprinceton.org](http://sustainableprinceton.org).

Ms. Lempert asked if the draft report was on the website. Mr. Solow said that draft 3 should be online by the end of the week.

On behalf of Borough Council, Ms. Trelstad offered a motion to endorse the goals and plans as outlined in the Sustainable Princeton report. Mr. Martindell seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

On behalf of Township Committee, Mr. Liverman offered a motion to endorse the goals and plans as outlined in the Sustainable Princeton report. Mr. Goerner seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

On behalf of Borough Council, Ms. Trelstad offered a motion to endorse a municipal action plan after review of items as found acceptable. Mr. Koontz seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

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On behalf of Township Committee, Ms. Lempert offered a motion to endorse a municipal action plan after review of items as found acceptable. Mr. Goerner seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

On behalf of Borough Council, Ms. Trelstad offered a motion authorizing continuation of the plan. Mr. Koontz seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

On behalf of Township Committee, Ms. Nemeth offered a motion authorizing continuation of the plan. Ms. Lempert seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

There being no further business the joint meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Linda S. McDermott  
Township Clerk