

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 22, 2008 CAUCUS MEETING OF THE  
HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF MT.  
EPHRAIM**

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Wolk called the meeting to order.

**SALUTE TO FLAG:**

All present pledged their allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**ROLL CALL:**

	<b><u>PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>ABSENT</u></b>
Commissioner Gilmore	___x___	_____
Commissioner Greenwald	___x___	_____
Mayor Wolk	___x___	_____

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

None

**“OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW” ANNOUNCEMENT:**

Mayor Wolk announced this Meeting has been advertised and notices posted in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act.”

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

None

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS:**

There was a discussion about the Fire Department and how the plans to bring them under one roof came to be. The conclusion had been that the best way to finance the project was through the Camden County Improvement Authority (CCIA). On February 13, 2008 we will be appearing before the Local Finance Board for approval. Solicitor Platt recommended there be two tracks, one being an acquisition track and a governing track. The items in those tracks would include such things as title searches, surveys and a phase 1 environmental search. Chief Scullan will be in communication with the Solicitor to provide him with necessary documents the Fire Dept. may already have in their possession. Mayor Wolk requested that the Clerk notify the CFO and request that he accompany them to Trenton for the aforementioned Local Finance Board meeting.

**Police:**

Chief Dobleman reported that former police officer Emmett is officially no longer on the force due to his inability to perform the duties of police officer. He will be meeting with

the Solicitor to review the counter proposal for contracts. Chief Dobleman also advised that he is working on updating Chapter 94 of the Code of M.E.

Emergency Management:

No report at this time.

Fire:

No report at this time.

Public Works:

No report at this time, however Mayor Wolk asked that we send a basket or other token of concern for Ken Jones father.

Engineer:

Mr. Federici gave a brief report on the various projects in progress in the Borough. He indicated that the Phase 1 portion of the Kings Highway Streetscape is complete and Phase II has been sent to the State, but since we may a bit over budget, we also sent an alternative plan. As for the lights on Kings Highway, the first step is to set up a time meter, then figure out which PSE & G lights to take down. Aesthetically, the poles may look unattractive, but for safety the more light the better. He indicated we will take a look and see how much light we have and go from there. Mr. Federici then spoke about Green Avenue, indicating they did a one square foot spot and they are waiting until the spring to see if it will be ok or need a re-do. They went about 30 feet into Gloucester City because it was so bad. Also, at this time they are getting quotes for inlets on Thompson Ave., and for the speed humps.

Commissioners:

Mayor Wolk indicated he would be meeting soon with the Delaware Valley Port Authority to see if we can possibly get grant monies for Shining Star Park. He also announced the 2<sup>nd</sup> Town Watch meeting to be held on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mayor Wolk opened the floor to the public for the public portion. Hearing no comments, Mayor Wolk closed the Public Portion.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Greenwald and seconded by Mayor Wolk to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

