



**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
AGENDA
MOUNTAINVILLE MEETING HALL
60 WATER STREET
NOVEMBER 14, 2023 @ 7:30PM**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jean Frankel - Mayor
Dana Desiderio
Andrea Maranca
Peter Melick
William Voyce

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- Roll Call
- Open Public Meetings Statement
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

2. PUBLIC NOTICE:

- Resilient Community Project Grant

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

When addressing the Township Committee, please state your full name and address. Time limited to 5 minutes per speaker.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Council request specific items to be removed for separate action.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Claims as submitted by the CFO.
- Best Practices for 2023
- Minutes for approval: 10/10/2023 & ES 10/10/2023
- Correspondence.

5. REPORTS:

- Township Committee
- Township Engineer
- Township Attorney
- Township Administrator
- Chief of Police

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:12 and 13, the public shall be excluded from the Executive Session of the Township Committee which is being held for the discussion of the following subject matters: 1. Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation; 2. Personnel matters; 3. This Executive Session shall continue for an indefinite period of time and upon termination of the Executive Session, the Township Committee may choose to resume the public portion of the meeting. The discussion, which shall be conducted in closed session, shall be disclosed upon termination of litigation or contractual matter, upon resolution of the personnel matter with consent of said person or persons and as provided by N.J.S.A. 4-12 but in no case later than two (2) years from this date. These minutes shall be available as soon as the matter is resolved or not later than two years hence.

- Personnel
- Contract Negotiations

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Additional items may be added to this agenda. Final action may be taken on all matters listed or added to this agenda. This agenda was prepared 11/09/2023 with all available information as of this date.

Jennifer Ader, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk.

Township of Tewksbury Notice of Public Comment Period for Resilient Community Project

The Township of Tewksbury invites the public to review and provide comments on the proposed allocation of funds under the Resilient Communities Grant Program. This \$3,426,390.00 project aims to address critical flood management issues exacerbated by extreme weather events, such as Hurricane Ida, and the ongoing challenges posed by climate change in our township.

A. Type of Projects:

1. Installation of Retaining Walls:

The construction of a reinforced cast-in-place concrete retaining walls adjacent to the existing roadway, to retain the roadway and address embankment erosion adjacent to the neighboring waterways. The retaining walls will vary in height from 10 feet to 15 feet high which will require reconstruction of the roadway to provide proper anchoring of the new walls, therefore road closures and detours will be required. New w-beam guide rail will be mounted along the top of the retaining walls and extend onto the roadway at both ends, with standard end terminals. The embankments along the front face of the retaining wall and the ends, will be restored to existing conditions, with stabilization materials and/or stone rip rap placed as needed for soil stability. Due to the proximity of the projects to the adjacent waterways, permits and coordination with NJDEP will be performed as required.

2. Culvert Replacement:

The existing culvert will be replaced with a larger elliptical pipe with flared end sections to improve the flow conditions upstream of the crossing. Channel stabilization will be performed upstream and downstream to correct the bank erosion caused by successive storms. Finally, Palatine Road will be paved in the vicinity of the culvert crossing to provide additional stabilization.

3. Installation of BMP's in Oldwick Park

The Township of Tewksbury utilized a planning grant from the Highlands Council to develop a Green Infrastructure Implementation Plan which includes the installation of several swales and bio-retention basins within Oldwick park to control stormwater runoff. The goal is to convert impervious cover into stormwater mitigation strategies which can be introduced throughout the Township.

Site Location: The project sites are located at the Oldwick Park and Sawmill, Guinea Hollow, Black River and Palatine Roads in the Township of Tewksbury.

Source of Funds: This project will be submitted under the Resilient Communities Grant Program, administered by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA). The source of funds for this project is the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program, administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Public Hearing: The Township of Tewksbury will hold a public hearing to provide an opportunity for the community to learn more about the projects and ask questions. The public hearing will take

place on November 14, 2023, at 7:30 PM at the Mountainville Meeting Hall, 60 Water Street, Lebanon, NJ 08833. We encourage all interested parties to attend and participate.

Comment Period: The public comment period for this funding allocation begins on November 8, 2023 and will conclude on December 1, 2023. All comments must be submitted by 3:30 PM on the closing date.

Primary Contact: For more information or to obtain a copy of the proposed application, please contact:

Name: Stanley J. Schrek, P.E. Township Engineer

Email: sschrek@vancleefengineering.com

Written comments may be submitted to the above contact person and emailed to sschrek@vancleefengineering.com. All comments received by the specified deadline will be considered as part of the decision-making process for the allocation of funds.

The Township of Tewksbury values the input of its residents and stakeholders in shaping the resilience efforts in our community. Your comments and suggestions are essential in helping us build a more resilient and sustainable future.

Please note that all projects funded under the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program are subject to compliance with HUD regulations and requirements. Accessibility accommodations can be provided upon request for individuals with disabilities.