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Rogue GOP Mayoral-Council candidate slate refused to participate in open selection process

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, GLOUCESTER COUNTY, NJ - (February 14, 2012) – A rogue group claiming to be Washington Township Republicans announced a candidate slate that is not endorsed by the Washington Township GOP or the Gloucester County GOP.

The Washington Township GOP holds an open and transparent candidate selection process to give the GOP committee members an opportunity to formally hear any interested candidates present their platform and plans for Washington Township residents. This process is currently underway and is expected to result in an officially endorsed Regular Republican candidate slate for Mayor and two council seats in early March selected by the people, for the people.

“While the WTGOP candidate selection process is based on democratic principles, we acknowledge the right of any individual to run for office, endorsed or not. Despite the fact that this group was afforded the opportunity numerous times, starting in June of 2011 to participate, they have obviously decided to circumvent the process. Their actions tell me that they are disrespectful, unresponsive and irresponsible to the democratic process that we put in place for all Washington Township residents,” said Mike Pascetta, Chairman of the WTGOP.

Any Republican candidate interested in the elected positions of mayor, or the two township council seats that will be vacant in November are encouraged to submit letters of interest and resumes by Feb. 29 to Mike Pascetta, chairman, Washington Township Republican Executive Committee, P.O. Box 8406, Turnersville, NJ 08012. For more information, visit www.wtgop.com.

About WTGOP: The Washington Township GOP is the official Republican Organization in Washington Township. Our mission is to work with the elected officials and residents of Washington Township to further the ideals of our community. We strive to elect officials that will be accessible and accountable to Washington Township residents. For more information visit www.wtgop.com.