

Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council – December 19, 2011  
Town Hall Council Chambers, 100 Central Avenue  
Executive Session 6:00 P.M.  
Public Session 7:00 P.M.

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Present  
Esposito - Present  
Gribbin - Absent  
Pullia - Present  
Rodio - Present  
Torrissi - Present  
Mayor DiDonato - Present

PRESENT ALSO

Brian Howell, Town Solicitor

#R122A -2011 Enter Into Executive Session

#R 122A-2011

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton that, in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act," an Executive Session is authorized on this below adopted date, for the purpose of discussing and/or acting upon:

1. Administrative Law Decision-layoff case
2. Tort claims notice: airport death
3. Government Records Council Case involving Stockton Records
4. Complaint filed with Local Finance Board alleging Failure to File Financial Disclosure Form
5. Berenato Landfill
6. Cavuto
7. Weiss
8. Amend Salary Ordinance Secretary to Board
9. Winery Usage Complaint
10. Rescue Squad Vehicle

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of any matters discussed in Executive Session shall be released to the public as soon as reasonably possible after Mayor and Council conclude that the basis for exclusion of the public ceases to exist.

Motion by Councilperson Rodio, seconded by Councilperson Esposito, resolution to enter executive session is adopted.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:  
Barberio - Yes  
Esposito - Yes  
Gribbin - Absent  
Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes  
Torrissi - Yes  
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

RESUME REGULAR MEETING-ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:  
Barberio - Present  
Esposito - Present  
Gribbin - Present  
Pullia - Present  
Rodio - Present  
Torrissi - Present  
Mayor DiDonato - Present

PRESENT ALSO

Brian Howell, Town Solicitor  
Bob Vettese of ARH, Town Engineer

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting has been posted and given to official newspapers. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exits to the right and rear of the Council Chambers. Please do not proceed beyond the front benches without invitation from the Mayor to do so.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

No one desired to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Executive Session – November 28, 2011  
Regular Session – November 28, 2011

Motion by Councilperson Gribbin, seconded by Councilperson Barberio, the minutes are approved.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:  
Barberio - Yes  
Esposito - Yes  
Gribbin - Yes  
Pullia - Yes  
Rodio - Yes  
Torrissi - Yes  
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Mayor Presentation – Honor Councilman Barberio
2. Mayor Presentation – Honor Councilman Gribbin

2 Minute Recess

Mayor DiDonato called a two minute recess.

3. Presentation Remington & Vernick

Mr. Anthony D'Onofrio advised Mayor and Council concerning sample soil borings taken at Blueberry Ridge Drainage Basin.

Mr. Ken Ressler advised Mayor and Council as to Remington & Vernick's proposed remediation plan for the Drainage Basin.

Mr. Brian Howell, Town Solicitor, posed questions to which Remington & Vernick Representatives responded.

Mayor DiDonato then opened the discussion to the public for their questions.

Rock Colasurdo – Former Councilman

Mr. Colasurdo, who was previously involved in this issue during his term as Councilman for the Town of Hammonton, made a suggestion to place an aerator in the basin.

Charles Perna – Washington Street

Mr. Perna corrected a statement made by R&V reps and questioned how could the test borings be different from 1989? He gave an opinion that R&V's recommendation will require much more maintenance. He believes, based on his line of work, that he can get the basin to drain properly.

John Adolph – Traditions at Blueberry Ridge Board Member

Mr. Adolph advised he read R&V's report and can understand why they came to the opinion that they did. As a member of the Board at Traditions at Blueberry Ridge, he advised that he is agreeable to maintaining the drainage basin as a pond. He posed additional questions and suggestions.

Mr. Howell, Town Solicitor, pointed out that the aeration that R&V proposing is not the same system presently being used at Hammonton Lake which is the Clean Flo System.

Mark Santora – Old Forks Road

Mr. Santora stated he and others previously allowed the Pulte construction to continue with the promise that the silt will be removed and the drainage basin will work as originally planned. He posed additional questions and stated that he felt the Town should have tried to acquire the 6 acres that went to tax sale so they could use it for additional drainage area.

After inquiries were made concerning Mr. Santora's suggestion of the use of the 6 acres, Mayor DiDonato advised the ground has not been sold and the original owner should still have possession of same. Mayor agreed with Mr. Santora but stated we cannot go back in time, we can only go forward.

4. Presentation School Board-Fair School Funding

Dr. Dan Blachford, Superintendent, gave a presentation concerning Fair School Funding. He advised of state funding reductions and advised on a number of items that Hammonton Schools are in need of that the Fair School Funding would help them to acquire.

Mr. Joseph Giraldo, School Board President, introduced School Board Members John Lyons and Sam Mento as well as Barbara Prettiman, Administrator, who were also present this evening. He reviewed several school projects and curriculum, accomplishments made, current and future needs and upgrades to facilities, reinstated sports, substantial cost savings to taxpayers. He stated Hammonton Schools are leading in grade average for reading and math. Thanked Mayor and Council for their support and especially Councilman Gribbin who served on the School Board.

5. Hammonton Municipal Airport Update

Mr. Rock Colasurdo, Airport Administrator, requested Mayor and Council to extend the closure of aerobatic box indefinitely.

Motion by Councilperson Rodio, seconded by Councilperson Barberio, authorize an unlimited extension of closure of aerobatic box until Council takes further action.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Mr. Colasurdo then continued his report on Hammonton Municipal Airport by advising of current leases, rescue facilities and revenue generated which is approximately \$80,000 annually. He requested council terminate a current lease. He hopes to have the restaurant finalized by spring 2012. He thanked Mayor and Council for his appointment to Airport Administrator.

6. Ordinance #025-2011 Hearing Amend Chapter 48 Personnel Policies

Motion by Councilperson Barberio, seconded by Councilperson Esposito, the ordinance be taken up for second reading and public hearing. Motion carried.

No one desired to be heard.

Motion by Councilperson Barberio, seconded by Councilperson Esposito, the hearing be closed, the ordinance pass second reading and be adopted.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

7. Ordinance #026-2011 Hearing Bond Ordinance NW Water Main Project

Motion by Councilperson Pullia, seconded by Councilperson Torrissi, the ordinance be taken up for second reading and public hearing. Motion carried.

No one desired to be heard.

Motion by Councilperson Pullia, seconded by Councilperson Torrissi, the hearing be closed, the ordinance pass second reading and be adopted.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

8. Ordinance #027-2011 Hearing Bond Ordinance Various Road Improvements

Motion by Councilperson Esposito, seconded by Councilperson Rodio, the ordinance be taken up for second reading and public hearing. Motion carried.

No one desired to be heard.

Motion by Councilperson Esposito, seconded by Councilperson Rodio, the hearing be closed, the ordinance pass second reading and be adopted.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration -Councilperson Barberio

No Administration report this evening.

Councilman Barberio stated he's proud to have served on council the last four years. He enjoyed the opportunity to help the town and thanked his supporters, past and present council members, and thanked April, Audrey, Frank, Cheryl, Lance and Monica, most importantly he thanked his family, his in-laws, his parents, his wife Teresa and his son Joe.

Business & Industry-Councilperson Gribbin

Welcome yet another new business, Aftermath Public Adjusters, which opened their doors in Downtown Hammonton last week.

Councilman Gribbin stated that over the past two (2) years, while Chairman of the Business and Industry Committee, he had the privilege of announcing that well over 40 new businesses opened their doors in our town. He believes that this is an amazing figure, given the state of our national economy, and he thanked the business owners for their investment in our community and wished them many years of growth and success.

Education-Councilperson Gribbin

Councilman Gribbin reported on the 2010-2011 audit results of the Hammonton Board of Education. The report showed that our school district is financially sound and operating with an over \$6 million surplus.

Councilman Gribbin stated that he truly enjoyed his time as the Council representative to the Board and thanked Mr. Giraldo for his kind words. He also thanked the Board Members for their hard work and their dedication to the students of the Town of Hammonton.

Councilman Gribbin concluded his final report as a Councilman by thanking his wife and daughter for their love and support, as well as his parents, in-laws and extended Hammonton First Family.

Public Works & Transportation-Councilperson Rodio

Councilman Rodio stated it's been a pleasure working with Councilmen Gribbin and Barberio and wished them luck. Reported on 3 action items which he will defer to Engineer report  
Update on highway department leaf pickup. Thanked residents for their patients in leaf pickup.  
2<sup>nd</sup> leaf pickup to take place as well.  
Weather permitting, brush pickup will continue the next few weeks as well.  
Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Law & Order-Mayor DiDonato

Congratulated Chief Jones on one year as Chief and thanked him for his hard work and dedication to the Town.

Quality of Life – Councilperson Esposito

No action items  
Wished Councilmen Gribbin and Barberio luck in the future and he enjoyed working with them both  
Wished everyone a happy holiday

Water & Sewer – Councilperson Pullia

Bids for NW Water Main Extension on Dec 29  
Radium plans will be submitted and construction to begin in April 2012  
Solar project to begin spring 2012 as well  
Thanked everyone for making Christmas Parade a success  
Reported on Firefighters dinner and awards for service

Will miss Councilmen Tom and Jerry  
Wished all a good holiday

ENGINEER REPORT  
SEWER & WATER ACTION ITEMS

**NO ACTION ITEMS AT THIS TIME**

PUBLIC WORKS ACTION ITEMS

**1. Boyer Avenue Recreation Complex (ARH #11-75003):**

*Contract #1: As previously reported;* bids were received on November 17, 2011; the Town had nine bidders submit prices for this project. The low bid was approximately \$1.5 Million. It was our understanding the Town had \$1.05 Million available in the form of a low interest loan from the Green Acres Program.

*Currently;* we recommend rejection of all the bids unless additional funds are available. Attached is an example resolution for Mayor and Council's approval.

*Since the last reporting period;* the Green Acres Program has asked for the Town to adopt a resolution that will be attached to the official ROSI on file with their office. The Green Acres Program has within their regulations that no utilities shall be installed on park land. In the case of the Boyer Avenue Site, the primary use on the site is a public utility. Adoption of the attached resolution will give the Town the ability to continue the primary use on the site, without violation to the Green Acres rules and regulations. We have attached the resolution. As of this writing it is being reviewed by the Green Acres Program. If they request any modifications, we will report the change and discuss with the solicitor prior to this meeting.

*Contract #2:* Irrigation will be bid as part of Contract #2. Our office is preparing a design/build approach to this contract. Irrigation originally was not part of our contract. We will prepare a proposal for the preparation of plans and specifications for the public bid and construction management of Contract #2. Once prepared, this will be discussed with PWTC.

Our office has been working to submit to the following agencies:

- Pinelands for approval to drip irrigate (submitted)
- TWA for approval to drip irrigate - to be submitted as soon as prepared.

***Action Requested:***

1. Adopt below resolution rejecting all bids received for the Boyer Avenue Recreation Phase III Project

RESOLUTION #134-2011  
RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS FOR THE BOYER AVENUE RECREATION SITE  
AND RE-BID THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton received bids for the next phase of the Boyer Avenue Recreation Site; and

WHEREAS, the Town has \$1.05 Million from the Green Acres Program to use on this project; and

WHEREAS, nine (9) bids were received on November 17, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Eagle Construction Services, Inc. is the apparent low bidder with a value of \$1,497,514.00; and

WHEREAS, the pricing exceeded the Town's budgetary expectations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer has recommended to the Mayor and Town Council to reject the bids received for the reasons stated; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer has further recommended that the Town rebid the contract as soon as possible due to Green Acres funding constraints; and

WHEREAS, within the rebid, items such as scope and time requirements will be modified with the goal of producing a more favorable bid result; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton reject the Boyer Avenue Recreation Complex Phase III bids as received on November 17, 2011 in accordance with the Town Engineer's recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton that the Town Engineer is hereby authorized to rebid the contract as soon as practical as to maintain the availability of funds from the Green Acres Program.

Motion by Councilperson Rodio, seconded by Councilperson Gribbin, resolution 134 is adopted to reject and re bid project.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

2. Adopt below resolution to be attached to the official ROSI on file with the Green Acres Program

RESOLUTION R#131-2011

RESOLUTION ENDORSING CONDITIONS TO THE RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE INVENTORY (ROSI)

WHEREAS, The Town of Hammonton is in the process of adopting the Recreation and Open Space Inventory to be officially filed with the Green Acres program; and

WHEREAS, the Green Acres Program has regulations that prohibit the installation of public utilities on park lands; and

WHEREAS, the Town purchased the Boyer Avenue site with the primary intent that same would be utilized for a public use-specifically, as a site for disposal of treated effluent; and

WHEREAS, it was concluded during the initial site layout that the Town of Hammonton would seek to maximize the uses on the site by incorporating recreational uses within the primary utility use of the site; and

WHEREAS, the Town has repeatedly been directed by the Pinelands Commission to optimize the disposal of the treated effluent on this property; and

WHEREAS, the Town intends to dispose of the treated effluent with a drip irrigation system; and

WHEREAS, the proposed drip irrigation system will have two components: an upper system which will primarily service the athletic field maintenance and upkeep, and; a lower system to be used for groundwater infiltration purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Green Acres Program recognizes the uniqueness of the site; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to install above and below ground utilities on park land to optimize the disposal of the treated effluent; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires the dual use of the Boyer Avenue site, addressing both recreational and effluent disposal needs, subject to the consent of the Green Acres Program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton of the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that the Green Acres Program formally authorizes the installation of public utilities to maximize the disposal of the Town's treated effluent on the Boyer Avenue site.

And that the Mayor and Town Council requests this resolution be part of the adopted Recreation and Open Space Inventory on file with the Green Acres Program.

Motion by Councilperson Barberio, seconded by Councilperson Esposito, resolution 131 is adopted.

Councilman Barberio thanked ARH and Bob Vettese as well as Brian Howell, Town Solicitor, as well for their hard work during his term as councilman.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

2. **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding (ARH #11-40044):**

We have discussed the bids received with representatives from the Atlantic County Improvement Authority (ACIA). It was indicated that they expect to receive their notice regarding funding allotment at any time. The low bid was received from Arawak Paving from Hammonton in the amount of \$268,899.80. At the last Council meeting, an introduction of budget amendments and authorization to re-appropriate \$7,302.86 from Ordinance #6-06 to be used for the 2011 CDBG Program was introduced for first reading. The second reading, public hearing and adoption should occur at the December 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. Assuming that the second reading for the project funding will pass, we would seek Council's action for project award to Arawak Paving Co., Inc. in the amount of \$268,899.80 subject to certain conditions.

**Action Requested:**

- a. Adopted below resolution awarding bid reconstruction various streets

RESOLUTION #132-2011  
RESOLUTION OF PROJECT AWARD FOR 2011 CDBG ROAD PROGRAM,  
RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING OF VARIOUS STREETS

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton desires to complete improvements to various streets within the Town of Hammonton consistent with the guidelines established by the Atlantic County Improvement Authority (ACIA) Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council have adopted an appropriating Ordinance #27-2011 in order to secure the funds necessary to complete the required project improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Town is eligible to use portions of the 2006, 2009 and 2011 Atlantic County Improvement Authority Grant allotments to the Town for the completion of the project; and

WHEREAS, the project was properly advertised in accordance with applicable regulations and bids were received by the Town Engineer on October 21, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the low bid for completion of improvements was received from Arawak Paving Co., Inc. of Hammonton, N.J. for a total bid amount of \$268,899.80; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that an award for the 2011 CDBG Road Program, Reconstruction and Resurfacing of Various Streets be made to Arawak Paving Co., Inc. of Hammonton, N.J. in the amount of \$268,899.80 subject to the following conditions:

- a. Receipt of a formal letter from the Atlantic County Improvement Authority (ACIA) establishing the \$261,767.00 to the Town of Hammonton for use in the 2011 CDBG Road Program.
- b. Review and approval of the award by the Atlantic County Improvement Authority.
- c. Certification of Funding availability from the Town's CFO.
- d. Review and approval of the bid documents by the Town Solicitor.
- e. Receipt of a letter from the contractor indicating that they agree to a delay in starting the roadway paving project until the spring of 2012 at which time a Notice to Proceed will be issued by the Town.

Motion by Councilperson Rodio, seconded by Councilperson Pullia, resolution 132 is adopted.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

3. Fiscal Year 2012, NJDOT, Federal Aid Safe Routes to School Program:

As authorized by Council at the last meeting, our office is preparing an application to NJDOT for this program for sidewalk improvements along the following streets:

1. *North Street*
2. *Fourth Street*
3. *Walnut Street towards Old Forks Road*
4. *Tilton Street*
5. *Fairview Avenue*

The application will be submitted by December 30, 2011. As a part of the application NJDOT requires a resolution be passed by the municipality authorizing the application. Therefore, the Town will need to approve a resolution for this application at this meeting.

***Action Requested:***

Adopt below resolution approving application for Safe Routes to Schools Program

RESOLUTION: R 133-2011

RESOLUTION APPROVING NJDOT APPLICATIONS FOR  
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey is desirous of requesting funding consideration from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation under the Safe Routes to Schools Program, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hammonton is requesting funding for the projects and priorities as listed in the application packet,

**WHEREAS**, the projects and priorities shall be reviewed by the Public Works and Transportation Committee prior to submission,

**WHEREAS**, the Town Engineer has been authorized to prepare the required Application Forms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that

1. The applications for NJDOT funding is hereby approved.
2. Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the Application Forms.
3. The Town Engineer is authorized to provide all required reports, narratives, estimates and maps required for NJDOT funding consideration.

Motion by Councilperson Esposito, seconded by Councilperson Rodio, resolution 133 is adopted.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:  
Barberio - Yes  
Esposito - Yes  
Gribbin - Yes  
Pullia - Yes  
Rodio - Yes  
Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

**Authorize ARH to forward letter to Atlantic County**

Motion by Councilperson Rodio, seconded by Councilperson Pullia, authorize ARH to forward letter to Atlantic County concerning Chew and Anderson Avenue drainage.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

**SEWER & WATER INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

**4. Hammonton Water System - Radium (ARH #11-30150):**

**Filter Media Re-Bid:**

The contract language presented by Water Remediation Technologies LLC (WRT) has been under review and there remains only minimal disagreement about certain provisions. It is expected that the final version of the contract will be concluded for execution after the first of the year. There is no extreme urgency since the actual need for the media purchase does not take effect until the equipment is installed and operational.

**ACO Status:**

The public hearing was accomplished at the last meeting. We are posting the revised ACO schedule for everyone's convenience:

- a) Submit to the Department's Bureau of Water Systems and Well Permitting an administratively complete permit application for construction of treatment facilities no later than January 1, 2012.
- b) Begin Construction of treatment facilities: no later than April 1, 2012.
- c) Complete construction and commence operation of treatment facilities: no later than April 1, 2013.
- d) Comply with Gross Alpha and Radium 226 & 228 MCLs: no later than May 1, 2013.

**Design Contract:**

At the last meeting, the ARH proposal for the design and permitting of modifications to the Wells #5/#7 site for the equipment and housing of same to address the radium contamination was approved. The Town will adopt an ordinance to appropriate the expenditure for the filter media as well as the capital improvements for the radium treatment. Also included in the upcoming ordinance will be the professional service fees. The ordinance will be introduced after the first of the year. From the existing ordinance associated with radium, a partial coverage of the engineering services contract was the source of the award so that the ACO schedule can be met which is the submission to NJDEP on or before January 1, 2012. The total proposal is valued at \$60,000.00 for design and permitting and \$50,000.00 for construction management for a total of \$110,000.00. The first phase appropriation for the initial design is \$24,000.00.

Immediately following the award, ARH has been working diligently to meet the deadline per the order.

5. **Pine, Basin & Oak Road Water Main Extension, Well Contamination, Cultural Resource Quotes (ARH #11-30138):**

At the last meeting an ordinance was introduced to cover this project. The value of the ordinance is \$4.6 million. The introduction was to retain eligibility in this funding cycle. In so doing, a letter of recommendation concerning the Town's plan to award and to gain NJEIT concurrence must be submitted to the Trust by January 13, 2012. Also at the last meeting, the requisite Professional Service Contracts with the Engineer, Auditor and Solicitor were awarded.

The strategy of moving forward on this project is to take advantage of attractive financing offered to the Town. As a reminder, this project is funded by NJDEP-Wellfield Remediation in the amount of \$770,000.00, which is all grant. The balance, for the most part, is covered by NJEIT which offers 75% of the remaining eligible project costs at zero percent interest and the remaining portion at half of the market rate. Additionally, there is an opportunity at the end of the project that 20% from NJEIT could be eligible for loan forgiveness.

Bids have been advertised and will be received on December 28, 2011.

6. **Water Diversion Permit (ARH #11-30088):**

As all are aware, there are two remaining conditions associated with the increase of monthly and annual diversion rights regarding the Town's allocation. One of the conditions is the passage of a more restrictive water conservation ordinance. Second reading of the amended ordinance and adoption occurred at the November 28, 2011 Council meeting subject to completing some minor revisions as discussed at the public hearing. The second condition involves a modification of a rate schedule which we understand will be introduced after the first of the year.

7. **Route 54/Bellevue Avenue Utilities (ARH #11-50120):**

*As previously reported;* we have issued a punch list and close out requirements to the Contractor. We are currently waiting for all items to be addressed. Until the Contractor produces the required documentation and finishes the remaining outstanding items we are unable to close out this Contract. *Currently;* since the Contractor has yet to complete the remaining outstanding items, we are preparing a proposed course of action to be discussed with the Town's Solicitor.

8. **Mandatory Sanitary Sewer Connection Waiver Ordinance Modifications (ARH #11-01000):**

We have reviewed the Ordinance modifications as prepared by the Town Solicitor and have made some minor revisions to same which will be reviewed with the PWTC. The Ordinance shall be introduced for one of the early meetings in 2012. Once adopted, the property owners along portions of the White Horse Pike, Moss Mill Road and Boyer Avenue will be notified of the Ordinance revisions and be given one year to connect into the sanitary sewer main if they have not already completed their connection.

9. **Old Forks Road Sanitary Sewer Extension – Phase II (ARH #11-50141):**

We have completed the revisions as requested and have reviewed same with the PWTC. The costs for construction will be reviewed and if accepted, possible funding could be established in the 2012 budget.

10. **Boyer Avenue Land Application and Surface Water Permit Appeal (ARH #11-50058):**

As previously reported, the progress report as prepared by Omni Environmental that outlines the status of max loading of the trenches over the past two years as well as the projection for drip irrigation on the balance of the site including the recreational fields was submitted to Pinelands and NJDEP on November 1, 2011. We still await feedback from these agencies.

**PUBLIC WORKS INFORMATION ITEMS**

11. **Stockton College Parcel Property Remedial Investigation/ Action – Front Street (ARH #11-40042):**  
At the request of the Town, Henry Weigel from the ARH Environmental Staff provided the Mayor, the Solicitor and the Downtown Advocate with a summary report of the environmental work at the Stockton Building Site (formerly Wallace Realty). The report included testing completed to date, timeframe, and an estimate for receipt of results, projections on state reviews and an option for the Town to appoint a Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) for the property and be included in the LSRP program. We will provide further updates as information becomes available.
  
12. **Hammonton Tax Map Revisions, Property Revaluation (P2011.0485):**  
We met with the Mayor, Solicitor and Tax Assessor to discuss the tax map related items and options involved with the upcoming revaluation which is mandated by the courts. The discussion achieved the goal of providing initial information and gathering preliminary feedback from the Town Officials on the issue. We have contacted the County Tax Administrator to inquire about the potential of countywide assessment, and it appeared that, although discussed on occasion, countywide assessment would not happen any time soon. The Solicitor was also going to make inquiries of the County related to this discussion and will advise the Council of his findings. The Mayor asked for a proposal for two tax mapping options that we understand as follows: (1) A new State-certified, digital tax map consistent with new standards presently being considered by the State (2) Completion of minimal work to get the current map certified for the revaluation. As a precaution, this could involve a longer review process by the State and a greater amount of revisions related to their review of present and pending standards. We will present these proposals to the Mayor for consideration and authorization early in 2012. It is our understanding that the revaluation schedule has been discussed and either option should begin very soon in order to meet the deadlines established by the Court while allowing sufficient time for the revaluation process to occur.
  
13. **Multimodal Grant Applications (ARH #11-01053): - No Status Change**  
As previously reported, the NJDOT has announced they will be receiving applications for the Multimodal Grant program. As authorized, our office worked with L.R. Kimball to submit an application for a new taxiway and runway lighting system.  
  
It is anticipated NJDOT will announce award allotments in early 2012.
  
14. **Municipal Aid Applications (ARH #11-40041): - No Status Change**  
As previously reported, the NJDOT has announced they will be receiving applications for Municipal Aid, Bikeway and Safe Streets to Transit programs. As authorized we have applied for the following projects:  
  
Municipal Aid – Pratt Street from Egg Harbor Road to Tilton Street  
  
Bikeways – Phase I to provide a link from NJTRANSIT Train Station to the Lake Park. Phase I would utilize existing ROW and easements to extend from Eleventh Street to the Veterans Place rail road crossing.  
  
Safe Streets to Transit – This would extend decorative sidewalk from Historic Train Station to Peach Street. Along with sidewalk along Front Street between Passmore Avenue and Line Street on the Fire Station side.  
  
It is anticipated NJDOT will announce award allotments early in 2012.
  
15. **Drainage Projects: Anderson Avenue (ARH #11-60208.01), Lakeshore and White Horse Pike (ARH #11-60202.03), Jacobs Street/First Road Intersection (ARH #11-60207.01):**  
The majority of the field data has been collected for the Lakeshore Drive and White Horse Pike, along with the Jacobs Street/First Road intersection. Base plans have been plotted and we are working on some preliminary conceptual design plans. We have generally discussed some of the options with the PWTC

and will be contacting some of the property owners in each of the areas along with the County, where applicable, to discuss these options before continuing work.

16. **Berenato/Cioffi Second Road Property (ARH #11-01083.02): No Status Change**

We will be meeting with the PWTC to review the project status and items for further consideration.

17. **Myrtle Street Pinelands Application (ARH #11-01000):**

We will be requesting the Commission to allow the Town to consider a postponement on submission of a formal application to them related to this matter until next year. We will also be preparing a proposal for Council's consideration to make the required submission to the Pinelands. We will be discussing same with the PWTC before proceeding further.

18. **Atlantic County Recreation and Open Space Funds (ARH #11-01070):**

There have been some general discussions about possibly requesting the County to allow for the reallocation of the present acquisition funds for use in construction of the fields at the Boyer Avenue site rather than the purchase of additional ground. We will await Council's direction associated with their inquiries with the County and be available to discuss this project with the PWTC and Solicitor as directed at the appropriate time.

**SOLICITOR REPORT**

1. Pinelands Clustering Ordinance
2. Traditions at Blueberry Ridge R&V report (referred to committee for review)
3. Rescue Vehicle transfer should be finalized in 30 days
4. Authorize RFP Airport Restaurants

Motion by Councilperson Rodio, seconded by Councilperson Pullia, authorize Solicitor to prepare and RFP for airport restaurant.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

**Authorize Solicitor Terminate Airport Lease**

Motion by Councilperson Gribbin, seconded by Councilperson Rodio, authorize Solicitor to terminate tenant lease at Hammonton Municipal Airport.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

MAYOR REPORT

Wished everyone a Merry Christmas

TOWN CLERK REPORT

1. Request approval for employees to carry 2011 comp time earned up to 3/31/2012 per handbook
2. Approve Fire Co. #1 junior members:  
Peter C. Berenato  
Bruce Caporale Jr.  
Lucas Puentes  
Andrew Hamilton

Motion by Councilperson Barberio, seconded by Councilperson Gribbin, town clerk report items 1-2 are adopted.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

APPROVE BILL LIST & PURCHASE ORDERS

Motion by Councilperson Gribbin, seconded by Councilperson Rodio, December bill list and purchase order requests are approved.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio – Yes (recused on Triad only)

Esposito - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia – Yes (recused on ML Ruberton only)

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

#R123-2011 Support Fair Share Funding Hammonton School District

#R 123-2011

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HAMMONTON SCHOOL DISTRICT FAIR SHARE IN STATE FUNDING

**Whereas**, the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic believes every child should have equal resources of state aid distributed by the legislature for an education in the State of New Jersey by utilizing a fair funding mechanism; and

**Whereas**, the current distribution of state aid for education to the schools has not been distributed in a fair and equitable manner to provide property tax relief to all citizens of the State of New Jersey; and

**Whereas**, Article III., Paragraph 1, of the New Jersey State Constitution states, "The powers of government shall be divided among three distinct branches, the legislative, executive, and judicial. No person or persons belonging to or constituting one branch shall exercise any of the powers properly belonging to either of the others, except as expressly provided in this Constitution."

**Whereas**, Article VIII, Section IV, Paragraph 1, of the New Jersey State Constitution states, "the Legislature shall provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of free public schools for the instruction of all children in State between the ages of five and eighteen years."

**Whereas**, Article VIII, Section IV, Paragraph 2, of the New Jersey State Constitution states, "the fund for the support of free public schools . . . shall be annually appropriated to the support of free public schools, and for the equal benefit of all the people of the state."

**Whereas**, Article VIII, Section I, Paragraph 7.a. of the New Jersey State Constitution states, the income tax is to be "annually appropriated . . . exclusively for the purpose of reducing or offsetting property taxes;" and

**Whereas**, this body can no longer bear the burden of the continued diversion of its fair share of state school aid for the students between the ages of five and eighteen years of age who reside within this jurisdiction.

**Whereas**, the total tax dollars that would remain in the Town of Hammonton to fund our schools would be approximately 6.7 million dollars under a constitutional, equitable, per pupil funding formula.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton do hereby call upon the Legislature of the State of New Jersey to fulfill its constitutionally assigned duty to distribute the state aid for education to the school districts in the state in a fair manner that is for the equal benefit of all the people of the state and not by means that are prejudiced by the actions of special interests that may have been presented before the Court or other venues

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of this entity is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to Governor Chris Christie, Senate President Stephen Sweeney, Senate Minority Leader Thomas Kean Jr., Assembly Speaker Sheila Oliver and Assembly Minority Leader Alex DeCroce.

#R124-2011 Award Specialized Services Contracts for 2012

#R 124-2011

A RESOLUTION AWARDDING VARIOUS  
SPECIALIZED SERVICE CONTRACTS AND QUOTES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for specialized services for the Town of Hammonton, New Jersey, on an annual basis as follows:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Buildings & Grounds	Clean town hall	Garden State	\$99.92 per clean.
Parks & Rec	Clean canoe club	Garden State	\$62.50 per clean.
Dog Regulations	Animal Control Services	Animal Capture & Control	\$630.00 per month
	Animal carcass removal under 75 lbs (excluding	Animal Capture & Control	\$15.00 per pickup \$30.00 after hrs

	deer & livestock)		
Landfill-Highway- MunUtility-Airport	Lab Testing	QC Labs Inc.	\$35,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	Lab Testing	JR Henderson	\$40,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	Polymer Supply	Polydyne Inc.	\$22,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	VFD Repairs	EMF Control Services	\$19,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	Chlorine / Sulfuric	Univar	\$30,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	Klenphos	Klenzoid	\$20,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	Water Clocks	Rio Supply	\$48,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	Water Meters	USA Blue Book	\$20,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	WWTP Consultant	Omni Environmental	\$50,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	Lime	Helena Chemical	\$6,000.00
Municipal Utility Dept.	IA System Maint/Repair	Invensys/Foxboro	\$7,042.00

WHEREAS, funds are available under the above listed budget appropriations, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20 provides for an open and fair process through requests for proposals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY that the Town of Hammonton is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with above listed vendors for year 2012; and

#R125-2011 Set 2012 Meeting Dates

#R125 -2011

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act otherwise known as Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 requires that all municipalities adopt a Resolution setting the time, place and date of their meeting; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

1. There shall be an **Organization Meeting at 12:00 o'clock noon on January 1, 2012** at which time Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton will reorganize for the full year and conduct such business, including emergent matters, as is necessary.
2. The following is the list of **council meeting dates for year 2012**. Said meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. with an executive session, if necessary, which will adjourn to the open portion of the meeting at 7:00 p.m., in the Town Council Chambers, Town Hall, 100 Central Avenue, Hammonton, New Jersey 08037:

January 23	July 23
February 27	August 27
March 26	September 24
April 23	October 22
May 21	November 26
June 25	December 17

3. That the council meetings will be open to the public.

4. That the Hammonton News, the Hammonton Gazette and the Atlantic City Press are those newspapers designated as the papers to which all notices are to be sent as to all meetings not specifically provided for in this Resolution to Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975.
5. That minutes shall be kept and provided as required by said statute by the Town Clerk of all the meetings set forth above and shall be available to the public pursuant to the requirements of said law.

#R126-2011 Cancel Unexpended Grant Balances

TOWN OF HAMMONTON  
RESOLUTION NO. 126-2011  
CANCEL PRIOR YEAR AND UNEXPENDED GRANT BALANCES

**WHEREAS**, there is an old inactive grant receivable and prior year unexpended grant balances with off setting reserves that remain outstanding on the books, it is the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer that these balances be canceled; and

**WHEREAS**, the following is the detail of the Current Fund and Sewer Utility Operating Fund grant receivable balances and grant reserve balances to be canceled:

**CURRENT FUND**

**Prior Year Grants Receivable Balances**

	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
2007 Click It or Ticket	\$ 400.00
2005 Buckle Up South Jersey	400.00
2007 Alcohol Driving Prevention Program	6,708.00
2004 Homeland Security Grant	210.29
Prior Years Municipal Alliance Grant	<u>829.25</u>
Total	<b><u>\$ 8,547.54</u></b>

**Prior Year Grant Reserve Balances**

2005 Occupant Protection Program	\$ 5.93
2007 Click It or Ticket	400.00
2005 Buckle Up South Jersey	400.00
2007 Alcohol Driving Prevention Program	2,283.00
2008 Alcohol Driving Prevention Program	5,988.00
2003 COPS In School Award	781.29
2004 Homeland Security Grant	3,871.76
2001 Smart Growth Program	466.33
2001 Hazardous Discharge Remediation Fund	<u>1,318.70</u>
Total	<b><u>\$ 15,515.01</u></b>

**SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND**

**Prior Year Grant Receivable Balance**

Small Cities Grant Receivable	<b><u>\$ 73,620.62</u></b>
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**Prior Year Grant Reserve Balance**

Reserve for Small Cities Grant	<b><u>\$ 72,608.10</u></b>
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**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Current Fund grants receivable and unexpended grant reserve balances listed above be canceled and that the Chief Financial Officer record this action in the books and records of the Town of Hammonton.

#R127-2011 Approve Rider to ACUA Shared Services Sludge Agreement

RESOLUTION #127-2011  
 RIDER TO THE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT  
 DATED OCTOBER 16, 2008 BETWEEN  
 THE ATLANTIC COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY  
 AND  
 THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON  
 FOR SLUDGE HAULING AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

This Rider, made as of the 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011 between the Town of Hammonton (hereafter, the Town), and the Atlantic County Utilities Authority (hereafter, the Authority), to an agreement between them as of October 16, 2008 (the Agreement), with respect to sludge hauling and disposal services:

1. The initial term of this Rider shall be for a three year term beginning January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2014 with an increase in cost on January 1<sup>st</sup> of subsequent years not greater than the percentage increase in the CPI-U for the Philadelphia SMSA of August of the contract year over August of the preceding year. The Authority will advise the Town of any cost revisions on or about December 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. This Rider may be terminated at any time by either party, with or without cause, by 90 days written notice of the other party.
2. All provisions of the Agreement which are not expressly modified in this Rider shall remain in full force and effect.

#R128-2011 Approve Tax and Utility Amendments

#R 128-2011

WHEREAS, Rosemarie Jacobs, Tax Collector, has approved the following cancellations and refunds to the accounts listed below:

B/L Acct	NAME	ADDRESS	AMOUNT	ACCT.	REASON	PER
2495-0	Hornick	789 Woodlawn	0.03	w/s	Tran from water to sewer	Rosie
4653-0	Four Parcels	226 Pratt	13.74	w/s	Tran from sewer to water	Rosie
408-0	tedeschi	222 N WHP	0.23	w/s	sewer acct owes water acct	Rosie
3904-0	NJ Man Ins	896 12th St.	375.00	Sewer	Remove Facilities Operation bill	Rosie
2624-0	Ingemi	762 Central	4.01	Water	water acct owes sewer	Rosie
3403-29.02	Marootian	7 Cara Lane	2,237.19	Tax	Refund GMAC pd in error	Rosie

WHEREAS, the above amounts have been corrected in the utilities screen's and or tax screen to show the correct amount due. However, a requisition form will not be presented for any refunds until approval by Mayor and Council; and

WHEREAS, if any of above referenced are not approved by Mayor and Council a retraction of same will take place.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton authorize and direct the tax collector to take the above said action.

#R129-2011 Enter into JIF Retrospective Program

A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO THE RETROSPECTIVE PROGRAM WITH THE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is a member of the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Insurance Fund has offered the Town of Hammonton a Retrospective Program for 2012; and

WHEREAS, entering the Retrospective Program is in the best financial interest of the Town; and

WHEREAS, to enter into the program the Town must execute a contract with the Joint Insurance Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Hammonton that the Town Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said contract with the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

#R130-2011 transfer resolution

#R 130-2011

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN TOWN OF HAMMONTON MUNICIPAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey, that there be and hereby is authorized the following transfers from the budget appropriations:

FROM: IN CAP		
Social Security OE (1-01-36-145-200)		\$20,830.56
TO: IN CAP		
Collection of Taxes OE(1-01-20-105-200)		\$830.56
TO: IN CAP		
Gasoline OE (1-01-31-11E-200)		\$14,000.00
TO: IN CAP		
Telephone OE(1-01-31-139-200)		\$4,000.00
TO: IN CAP		
Public Bldg. Grds (1-01-26-108-200)		\$1,000.00
TO: IN CAP		
Legal OE(1-01-20-106-200)		\$1,000.00
FROM: IN CAP		
Radio S&W (1-01-25-120-100)		\$6,899.30
TO: In CAP		
Police S&W (1-01-25-119-100)		\$6,700.00
TO: In CAP		
Mun. Court S&W (1-01-43-201-100)		\$138.00
TO: In CAP		
Group Ins (1-01-23-114-200)		\$61.30

FROM: IN CAP	
Water SS(1-05-55-609-200)	\$100.00
TO: IN CAP	
Water S&W(1-05-55-601-100)	\$100.00
FROM: IN CAP	
Sewer SS (1-07-55-709-200)	\$500.00
TO: IN CAP	
Sewer S&W(1-07-55-701-100)	\$500.00

#R135-2011 Authorize Bond Counsel Application Local Finance Board NJ EIT

#R135-2011

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY MAKING APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:2-26(e), N.J.S.A. 58:11B-9, AND N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c)

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, New Jersey (the "Town") desires to make application to the Local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-26(e), N.J.S.A. 58:11B-9, and N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) for its review and approval of (i) a bond ordinance to provide for the funding of various sewer system improvements located in the Town in the amount of \$4,600,000 (the "Project"); (ii) financing the Project through the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program; (iii) a non-conforming maturity schedule in connection with such proposed financing; and (iv) a waiver of the requirement to make a down payment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town believes that:

- (a) it is in the public interest to accomplish such purpose;
- (b) the purpose is for the health, the welfare, the convenience or the betterment of the inhabitants of the Town;
- (c) the amounts to be expended for the purpose are not unreasonable or exorbitant;
- (d) the proposal is an efficient and feasible means of providing services for the needs of the inhabitants of the Town and will not create an undue financial burden to be placed upon the Town;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** The application to the Local Finance Board is hereby approved, and the Town's Bond Counsel, along with other representatives of the Town, are hereby authorized to prepare such application and to represent the Town in matters pertaining thereto.

**Section 2.** The Clerk of the Town is hereby directed to prepare and to file copies of the proposed bond ordinance with the Local Finance Board as part of such application.

**Section 3.** The Local Finance Board is hereby respectfully requested to consider such application and to record its findings, recommendations and approvals as provided by the applicable New Jersey Statute.

**Section 4.** The resolution adopted by the Town Council on December 19, 2011 authorizing application to the Local Finance Board is hereby superseded by this resolution.

Motion by Councilperson Barberio, seconded by Councilperson Gribbin, resolutions 123-130 and 135 are adopted.

ROLL CALL  
Councilpersons:

Barberio - Yes  
Esposito - Yes  
Gribbin - Yes  
Pullia - Yes  
Rodio - Yes  
Torrissi - Yes  
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARD

Mark Santora – Old Forks Road

Mr. Santora once again posted questions concerning Pulte Development and his opora request to which the Town Solicitor responded.

Joseph Ingemi – Pleasant Street

Mr. Ingemi thanked Councilmen Barberio and Gribbin for their years of service. He questioned Engineer Report informational item to which Mr. Vettese responded.

Larry Delaney – Broadway

Mr. Delaney thanked Mayor and Council for voting for Fair Share Funding for the School Resolution on the agenda this evening. Questioned contractually sick time and vacation time buyout upon retirement.

Clerk responded sick time for 25 year employees only is bought out at 75% not to exceed \$12,000. Vacation time carries over one year only and any accumulated time, not taken will be bought out at the time the employee terminates employment.

Mr. Delaney then questioned longevity.

Clerk responded originally \$100 per year per employee. New Hire clause caused longevity to begin at 5<sup>th</sup> year. Recent contract settlements capped longevity at \$1500.00.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion by Councilperson Gribbin, seconded by Councilperson Barberio, the meeting is adjourned.  
Motion carried.

April Boyer Maimone, Municipal Clerk