

Monday, February 8, 2010, 7:00 P.M.
Special Meeting – Budget Work Session

PRESENT: Andrew Sarclette, Mayor
Kathy Ireland, Deputy Mayor
Sharon E. Lloyd, CMFO
Raymond Colavita, Auditor
J. Roy Oliver, Township Clerk

This meeting has been advertised in accordance with the statutes of the State of New Jersey.

Mayor Sarclette called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Sarclette, present
Mrs. Ireland, present
Kevin Langley, absent

Maurice River Township Auditor, Ray Colavita, stated he wished to propose some options for the 2010 budget. He noted the levy cap can only be increased by \$20,000.00. At present we are \$9,000.00 over the levy cap. At present we need to either defer \$100,000.00 in school taxes to surplus or have a large decrease in expenditures. We have the same cash surplus now as last year (\$826,000.00 last year). If the Township Committee chooses to defer \$100,000.00 in school taxes, this will increase the total amount of deferred school tax to \$883,000.00. The maximum we can defer would be \$1.3 million. We must find a way to cut expenditures, or obtain prison funding from the state. This year we will be starting out with a 23¢ increase not counting the impact of state aid (if any). The Township must receive a waiver to exceed the cap levy. (Mr. Colavita doubted if the state would permit this.)

Mr. Colavita stated that, with luck, we might get back \$200,000.00 in discretionary aid. At present we have \$79,000.00 in the capital fund now. If the worst-case scenario presents itself, we could float a bond for up to \$3.8 million over a twenty-year period.

On the bright side, we have only \$109,000.00 in debt.

Mr. Colavita surmised the state may require a 7¢ increase in taxes. This may reduce extraordinary aid.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adopt Resolution #32-2010 – Deferred School Tax Resolution, seconded by Mr. Sarclette.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Sarclette Nays – None

(See end of minutes for Resolution #32-2010.)

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the public comment session, seconded by Mr. Sarclette.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Sarclette Nays – None

There being no public comment, Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the second public comment session, seconded by Mr. Sarclette.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Sarclette Nays – None

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Sarclette. *MS*

J. Roy Oliver
Roy Oliver, Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

RESOLUTION NO. 32-2010DEFERRED SCHOOL TAX RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Township of Maurice River is permitted to defer local school district taxes up to fifty (50) percent of the school levy; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee if the Township of Maurice River finds it necessary to increase the amount of deferred local school district taxes in the amount of \$100,000, which will result in a total amount of deferred local district tax of \$883,182.88 (Eight Hundred Eighty-three Thousand One Hundred Eight-two Dollars and Eighty-eight cents); and

WHEREAS, the total amount of deferred local school district tax is within the maximum permitted amount of \$1,304,117.50 (One Million Three Hundred Four Thousand – One Hundred Seventeen Dollars and Fifty Cents);

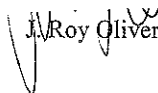
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, assembled in public session this 8th day of February, 2010, do hereby increase the deferral of local school tax herein to the total amount of \$883,182.88.

There being no public comment, Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the second public comment session, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes –Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

The remainder of the meeting was dedicated to reviewing the bills prior to the meeting of February 18, 2010.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Sarclette.

 J. Roy Oliver, Township Clerk

Thursday, February 18, 2010, 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Andrew Sarclette, Mayor
Kathy Ireland, Deputy Mayor
Kevin Langley, Committeeman
Frank DiDomenico, Solicitor
Kent Schellinger, Engineer
J. Roy Oliver, Clerk

This meeting has been advertised in accordance with the statutes of the State of New Jersey.

Mayor Sarclette called the meeting to order; the flag salute followed.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Sarclette, present
Mrs. Ireland, present
Mr. Langley, present

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to approve the minutes of January 18, 2010 and January 21, 2010.
Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Presentations

1st Sgt. Kuhar, NJSP, reported the following statistics for January 2010.

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| 803 | Service Calls | 181 in Maurice River Township |
| 18 | Criminal Investigations | |
| 58 | Motor Vehicle Accidents | 16 in Maurice River Township (Most of these were the result of heavy snows) with 0 fatalities. |
| 384 | Motor Vehicle Stops | 384 in Maurice River Township, mostly on Routes 347 and 55. |
| 12 | DWI's | 3 in Maurice River Township |
| 5 | Drug Investigations | |
| 4 | Assaults | |
| 2 | Break-ins | With personal property stolen |

Mr. Sarclette inquired if the recent motor vehicle break-ins have been solved. Sgt. Kuhar responded that they had.

Sgt. Kuhar thanked Gordon Gross for his assistance with OEM during the recent blizzards.

First Public Comments Session

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the first public comment session, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Mr. Joe Haney asked what had been resolved regarding his prior questions about sick-time buy-back? Mr. Sarclette replied this is a contractual issue until next year. The Township is capped out at \$9,000.00. This is a negotiating point with the union.

Mr. Haney asked the Clerk about access to his property record card. The clerk replied that certain aspects of his property record card are available through the Assessor's office.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the first public comment session, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Ordinances

The Clerk gave the second reading of Ordinance No. 597 by title, "2010 'CAP' ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)."

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance #597, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

There being no public comment, Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance #597. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adopt Ordinance #597, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

The Clerk next gave the second reading of Ordinance No. 599 by title, "AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NJ."

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance #599, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

There being no public comment, Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance #599, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adopt Ordinance #599, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

The Clerk next gave first reading of Ordinance No. 598 by title, "AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY MANDATING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP."

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to pass Ordinance #598 on first reading and set the date of March 18, 2010 for second reading, public hearing and final adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

(See end of minutes for Ordinance No. 598.)

Consent Agenda Resolutions

CONSENT AGENDA: All matters listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Township Committee and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- * 1. Resolution #29-2010 A Resolution Authorizing Refund Of Overpayment Of Taxes By Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Against Block 311, Lot 107 Assessed To Susan Lawson.
- * 2. Resolution #30-2010 A Resolution Of The Township Of Maurice River, County Of Cumberland, In Opposition To Proposed Senate Bill S-458 That Would Require Holding A Binding Statewide Referendum By

County On Whether Responsibility For Certain Municipal Functions Should Be Assumed By County Government.

- * 3. Resolution #31-2010 A Resolution Approving Submission Of Coin Drop Solicitation Permit Application To The County Of Cumberland By Port Elizabeth Volunteer Fire Co.
- * 4. Resolution #33-2010 A Resolution Approving Submission Of Coin Drop Solicitation Permit Application To The County Of Cumberland By Leesburg Volunteer Fire Co.
- * 5. Resolution #34-2010 A Resolution Appointing Linda L. Costello To The Title Of Deputy Municipal Clerk.
- * 6. Resolution #35-2010 A Resolution Authorizing Emergency Temporary Appropriations Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adopt the resolutions contained in the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

(See end of minutes for Resolutions #29-2010 through #31-2010, #33-2010 to #35-2010.)

Other Resolutions

- Resolution #36-2010 A Resolution Accepting Completion Of Construction For Carlisle Place Road State Aid Surfacing Phase Two Construction Contract And Approving Change Order Number One Final.

The Clerk gave the reading of Resolution #36-2010 in full. Mr. Schellinger commented that a slight reduction in the amount of materials resulted in a reduction of 1 1/2% of the total contract amount. Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adopt Resolution #36-2010, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Township Committee Reports

Professional Reports

Engineer

1. Status of Carlisle Place Road Phase II – Mr. Schellinger advised the contractor has signed the final change order which was the subject of Resolution #36-2010 adopted earlier. The Township has also secured \$170,000 for the next phase of Carlisle Place Road.
2. Status of East Point Berm – Mr. Schellinger stated a teleconference was held between him and the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers and NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection. Questions are now being answered concerning a gabion design as opposed to a berm. If a bulkhead design is decided upon, the Township is looking at a \$120,000.00 local share for the project. The bulkhead design will eliminate the cost of relocating utility poles and the need for signed easements. If the NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection agrees to the bulkhead design, the permits must be revised.
3. Status of New Fuel Tanks – Mr. Schellinger advised he has received no reply from the letter sent to the Robinsons asking if they would be willing to sell a strip of land on which the fuel tanks sit. Mr. Sarclette commented that the Township should be looking into buying new tanks. Mr. Schellinger added we should advise CCIA of our plans.
4. Status of Thompson's Beach Restoration – Mr. Schellinger advised that Bill Dixon said we can add on any concerns into an easement agreement.
5. Erosion of Bank behind Schwenke Property – Mr. Schellinger stated bad weather has precluded any further investigation to date.

Solicitor

1. Mr. DiDomenico advised he had received two requests to quit claim parcels to the Township – Tierney and Corbidge. He has prepared the quitclaim deeds accordingly. There is a problem with the Corbidge matter in that they need to probate the estate.

OLD BUSINESS**Announcements**

1. Rabies Clinic will be held at Leesburg Fire Hall on Saturday, Feb. 27th, 9:00 am – Noon.

Correspondence

1. Letter from Dorothy Dayton for Township to adopt Trap, Neuter & Release practice (tabled from last month). Mrs. Ireland advised she is still working on this matter. She made a motion to table this matter until next month. Motions seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None
2. Update on flooding along Newell Road & Hartem property – The Clerk updated the Township Committee and audience on his conversations with Heather Lomberk of the County Mosquito Division. Based on testimony from Township CPW Director, Barry Creamer, the County had installed a sluice gate on the pipe beneath the berm beside Boat World Marina many years ago. The gate has since disappeared and has led to flooding along Newell Road. According to Ms. Lomberk, since the County had installed the gate they would be inclined to replace it.

As to flooding along a ditch in front of the Hartem's property, Ms. Lomberk related how the County had submitted a request for a permit to clear out all the ditches in Heislerville. The NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection responded that the request was denied due to possible infringement on the barred owl habitat in the area. Ms. Lomberk stated the County is taking a different tact in that they are submitting requests for permits to clean out ditches in Heislerville in stages rather than trying to procure one all encompassing permit. Ms. Lomberk feels the County would have a better chance of success by doing so.

3. Memo to Township Committee from Louann Karrer dated 01/29/10 re: Joe Cox Baseball Clean-up day stipend. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to inform Mr. Cox that his stipend for this time only would be \$500.00 based on last years allocation of money. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None
4. Letter to Joe Haney from Frank DiDomenico dated 01/28/10 re Ellen Lane.
5. Letter to Mayor from Vincent Masciandaro, NJDOT, dated 01/25/10 re: Agreement for grant of \$170,000 for Carlisle Place Rd Phase III.
6. Memo to Township Committee from Clerk dated 12/14/09, re: OLS study and request to include prison acreage for Garden State Preservation Funding.
7. Memo to Township Committee from Steve Hagemann, re: Newell Road/Flooding-Lorenzo property. Mrs. Ireland made a motion to approve Mr. Hagemann's proposal to remedy this situation. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

NEW BUSINESS**Correspondence**

1. Request from Mary Hagemann dated 02/01/10 to use Leechester Hall on 04/10/10 for Senior Dance and every second Saturday thereafter. Mrs. Ireland made a motion to approve the senior dances per Mrs. Hagemann's request. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None
2. Letter to Township Committee from Jud Moore dated 02/02/10 re: Clean Communities Clean-up day.
3. Letter from Louann Karrer dated 02/05/10 re: Jud Moore request for Port Elizabeth Vol. Fire Co. Clean-up day. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to approve the Port Elizabeth Vol. Fire Co. clean-up date for a stipend of \$300.00. Motion seconded by Mrs. Ireland.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None
4. Memo to Township Committee from Steve Hagemann re: Recommended equipment for sale. Mr. Sarclette commented that we should investigate the possibility of selling surplus equipment to local entities or through Gov Sale.
5. Receipt of application for Certificate of Registration to sell bait from George Kumor. Recommend approval. Mrs. Ireland made a motion to approve Mr. Kumor's Certificate of Registration, motion seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None
6. Memos to Gordon Gross from Steve Hagemann dated 02/10/10 and 02/15/10, re: Expenses incurred during blizzards.
7. Membership application, NJ State Fireman's Assoc., James Camp Jr. – Request approval. Mrs. Ireland made a motion to approve Mr. Camp's application, motion seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Other Old Business

Mr. Sarclette expressed his appreciation to Gordon Gross and the Road Department for their efforts during the recent snowstorms.

REPORTS

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| Treasurer's Report | 135,225.60 |
| Tax Collector's Report | 582,355.31 |
| Construction Office | 1,147.00 |
| Land Use Board | .00 |
| Housing Officer | 1,200.00 |
| Municipal Court | 4,032.20 |
| Clerk's Report | 894.75 |
| Zoning Officer | 60.00 |
| Dog Licensing Agent | 573.75 |
| Fire Official | |
| Road Dept. Report (January 2010) | |
| Complaint Report | |

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to accept the above reports, seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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| NJ STATE DEPT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES | 258.00 |
| AARP HEALTH CARE OPTIONS | 280.00 |
| COMCAST | 95.00 |
| CM3 BUILDING SOLUTIONS INC. | 540.00 |
| CASA PAYROLL SERVICES | 99.00 |
| CASA PAYROLL SERVICES | 330.00 |
| EDWARD F. DUFFY, ESQUIRE | 176.00 |
| GARY F. SIMMERMAN, TREASURER | 686966.71 |
| GARY F. SIMMERMAN, TREASURER | 32529.47 |
| GARY F. SIMMERMAN, TREASURER | 8106.32 |
| MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOE | 216928.00 |
| NEW JERSEY SHBP | 4801.36 |
| NEW JERSEY SHBP | 11797.94 |
| POWER OF PRODUCTION STUDIO | 100.00 |
| R.S. ANIMAL SHELTER INC. | 300.00 |
| RONAL L. SUTTON SR. | 1075.00 |
| SHARON LLOYD | 44.00 |
| SHIRLEY A. GOFF | 90.00 |
| SOUTH JERSEY NEWSPAPERS CO. | 44.80 |
| UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE | 1000.00 |
| CCIA | 650.00 |
| SOUTH STATE INC. | 2644.44 |
| BUONADONNA & BENSON, P.C. | 572.00 |
| KENT W. SCHELLINGER | 47.50 |
| KMART STORE #3222 | 67.44 |
| MARY HAGEMANN | 59.92 |
| SHEPPARD BUS SERVICE INC. | 500.00 |
| GORDON L. GROSS | 41.25 |
| GORDON L. GROSS | 1181.25 |
| LINDA L. COSTELLO | 166.00 |
| LISA R. FISHER | 100.00 |
| TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY | 50.00 |
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| AFA PROTECTIVE SYSTEMS INC. | 262.61 |
| AFA PROTECTIVE SYSTEMS INC. | 1365.00 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 45.72 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 63.94 |
| C AND S SIGNS | 265.00 |
| GARDEN STATE HIGHWAY PRODUCTS | 608.00 |
| KENT W. SCHELLINGER | 522.50 |
| KENT W. SCHELLINGER | 332.50 |
| KENT W. SCHELLINGER | 142.50 |
| KENT W. SCHELLINGER | 142.50 |
| KENT W. SCHELLINGER | 1615.00 |
| MAURICE RIVER TWSP BOE | 965.67 |
| PEDRONI FUEL COMPANY | 447.32 |
| PEDRONI FUEL COMPANY | 1621.79 |
| ROLAND R. HOFFMAN | 157.00 |
| RIGGINS INC. | 248.75 |
| RIGGINS INC | 511.98 |
| SIR SPEEDY PRINTING #7057 | 126.00 |
| STAPLES | 64.66 |
| SWANSON HARDWARE SUPPLY | 95.76 |
| VINELAND AUTO ELECTRIC | 196.80 |
| VINELAND AUTO ELECTRIC | 216.26 |
| WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NJ INC. | 15002.00 |
| WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NJ INC. | 1415.81 |
| WILLIAM R. MINTS AGENCY | 11302.00 |
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| ALLEN STEEL CO. INC. | 370.43 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 32.14 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 3551.59 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 459.87 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 101.08 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 56.24 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 415.81 |
| BELLEPLAIN EMERGENCY CORPS | 5625.00 |
| CUMBERLAND COUNTY MUNICIPAL | 120.00 |
| CM3 BUILDING SOLUTIONS | 10346.00 |
| CM 3 BUILDING SOLUTIONS | 136.99 |
| DELL MARKETING L.P. | 919.28 |
| DIGITAL RIVER INC. | 942.28 |

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| FRANK DIDOMENICO | 991.25 |
| G.F.O.A. OF NEW JERSEY | 90.00 |
| IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS | 76.76 |
| KMART | 79.52 |
| MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS | 100.00 |
| MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS | 45.00 |
| PINE HILL PRINTING INC. | 3218.12 |
| PEDRONI FUEL COMPANY | 1650.79 |
| PITNEY BOWES INC. | 180.00 |
| PRUDENTIAL | 67.06 |
| QC LABORATORIES | 125.00 |
| REGISTRARS' ASSOC OF NJ | 75.00 |
| RIGGINS INC. | 295.00 |
| RIGGINS INC. | 598.06 |
| RIGGINS INC. | 701.27 |
| SIR SPEEDY PRINTING #7057 | 144.00 |
| SIR SPEEDY PRINTING #7057 | 64.00 |
| SEASHORE ASPHALT CORP. | 150.00 |
| STAPLES | 163.63 |
| STAPLES | 180.26 |
| STAPLES | 200.51 |
| SWANSON HARDWARE SUPPLY | 388.75 |
| SEELEY LAW OFFICE LLC | 70.91 |
| SEELEY LAW OFFICE LLC | 45.67 |
| TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY | 50.00 |
| TRI CITY PAPER CO. | 12.35 |
| VERIZON | 27.45 |
| VERIZON | 513.81 |
| VERIZON | 119.25 |
| VERIZON | 109.37 |
| WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE | 1677.06 |
| WESTERN PEST SERVICES | 552.96 |
| ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES | 345.96 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 3.19 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 972.63 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 5.14 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 16.26 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 13.72 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 775.53 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 23.78 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 100.21 |
| ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC | 1291.50 |
| COMCAST CABLE | 95.00 |
| EARTHTECH CONTRACTING INC. | 13890.00 |
| EARTHTECH CONTRACTING INC. | 7110.11 |
| FRANK DIDOMENICO | 694.38 |
| HEALTH MATS CO. | 115.57 |
| HANSON AGGREGATES BMC, INC. | 553.14 |
| J. ROY OLIVER | 21.00 |
| KEEN COMPRESSED GAS CO. | 34.52 |
| MID-ATLANTIC SALT, LLC | 1778.11 |
| NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS | 279.60 |
| PEDRONI FUEL COOMPANY | 1639.12 |
| RIGGINS INC. | 512.00 |
| SOUTH JERSEY NEWSPAPERS CO. | 14.70 |
| SOUTH JERSEY NEWSPAPERS CO. | 53.20 |
| SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY | 597.64 |
| SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY | 2556.38 |
| SOUTHERN NJ CHAPTER NIGP | 85.00 |
| TRI CITY PAPER CO. | 315.00 |
| THE HOME DEPOT | 80.67 |
| THE HOME DEPOT | 71.32 |
| THE HOME DEPOT | 48.78 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | 64.01 |

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to pay all properly signed bills, seconded by Mr. Langley.
 Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Second Public Comment Session

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the second public comment session, seconded by Mr. Langley.
 Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Mrs. Sharleen Webb inquired about the tax assessment appeal process. Mr. Sarclette reviewed the procedure for her. She also questioned the protocol for snow removal on Ellen Lane and maintenance of it. Mr. Sarclette noted that it has been determined that this is a private right-of-way. The lane is so narrow that in the past township trucks had problems driving down the lane and there is no turn around at the end of the lane. The Township cannot assume liability for maintenance of Ellen Lane. Mr. Joe Haney, also an Ellen Lane resident, stated he had called The Nature Conservancy about their trees encroaching upon the lane. Mrs. Webb asked if the township could lend a hand with the maintenance. Mr. DiDomenico confirmed this is a private right-of-way. It would be the owners option to convey the lane to the Township and the Township's option to accept the lane if offered.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the second public comment session, seconded by Mr. Langley.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarclette Nays – None

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adjourn, seconded by ~~Mr. Langley~~.

U. J. Roy Oliver, Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

ORDINANCE NO. 598

AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND
COUNTY, NEW JERSEY MANDATING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND
CHECKS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that criminal background checks are necessary to insure the safety of Township employees and residents and necessary for the safeguarding and security of Township property; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Public Officials and Employment Practices liability insurance policy requires the Township to adopt a Criminal Background Check Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of the full membership thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

1. Criminal background checks shall be required for all newly hired Township employees, being those employees hired after the effective date of this Ordinance.
2. The Township Clerk or in the absence of the Township Clerk, the Township Deputy Clerk is hereby authorized to request a criminal history record background check of all said persons noted above.
3. All persons noted herein shall submit to being fingerprinted in accordance with applicable New Jersey and Federal Laws, Rules and Regulations.
4. The Township Clerk (or Deputy Clerk) is hereby authorized to exchange fingerprint data with and receive criminal history record information from the New Jersey State Bureau of Identification in the Division of State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
5. The Township Clerk (or Deputy Clerk) shall submit fingerprint data as collected to the New Jersey State Bureau of Identification.
6. All fees required for a criminal background check shall be submitted by the Township Clerk (or Deputy Clerk) to the New Jersey State Bureau of Identification.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the adoption and publication of notice of adoption as prescribed by law.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 29-2010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES BY WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE AGAINST BLOCK 311, LOT 107 ASSESSED TO SUSAN LAWSON.

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector's records show recent overpayment of taxes by Wells Fargo Home Mortgage against Block 311, Lot 107 assessed to Susan Lawson, 206 Main St., Heislerville, NJ, and

WHEREAS, the Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Co. has requested refund of same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, MAC X2302 04D, Home Campus, Des Moines, IA 50328 be refunded the amount of \$1,677.06 in accordance with said overpayment.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 30-2010

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED SENATE BILL S-458 THAT WOULD REQUIRE HOLDING A BINDING STATEWIDE REFERENDUM BY COUNTY ON WHETHER RESPONSIBILITY FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS SHOULD BE ASSUMED BY COUNTY GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S-458, if signed into law, would remove the municipality's responsibility for assessing real property within the corporate bounds; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S-458; if signed into law, would remove the municipality's responsibility for collecting property taxes within the corporate bounds; and

WHEREAS, some municipalities within the County will inherit additional costs shifted to them from other municipalities within the same county particularly when costs pertain to the defense of tax appeals; and

WHEREAS, if signed into law, the bill will deprive the municipality's of efficient and diligent control of property taxes and expenditures, which, as has been proven time and again, is best left to municipal government officials; and

WHEREAS, a municipality is a corporate body organized to provide local government services designed to most effectively and efficiently serve the residents of that jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, there exists no empirical data or factual studies showing a transfer of the assessing and collection functions to a county authority will in any way reduce the taxes for the municipality or the county; and

WHEREAS, a basic tenet of American political philosophy is that local governments have the inherent right to exercise authority to provide local services to its constituents and adopt ordinances and regulations for the good of the general public; and

WHEREAS, in New Jersey, municipalities are dubbed creatures of the State with the State exercising its supremacy in granting both implied and express powers to local governments while at the same time reserving unto itself the indispensable right to legislate mandates to be implemented by counties and municipalities; and

WHEREAS, local taxpayers will be at a loss of service they are accustomed to that they would typically receive from the tax assessment and tax collection offices, and

WHEREAS, other municipal departments and the business community will be at a loss of services they are accustomed to receiving from the assessor's and collector's office,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township that:

1. They hereby adopt the facts and determinations as set forth in the preamble of this resolution as if the same were more fully set forth herein at length.
2. They hereby memorialize their vigorous opposition to the pending legislation known as S-458 and the inherent additional costs and dilution of services associated with it.
3. The Municipal Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to Governor Chris Christie; Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney; Assembly Speaker Sheila Oliver, Senator Jeff Van Drew, Assemblyman Nelson Albano and Assemblyman Matt Milam, the Tax Collectors and Treasurers Association of New Jersey (TCTANJ), the New Jersey Association of County Tax Boards (NCACTB) and the Association of Municipal Assessors of New Jersey (AMANJ).

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 31-2010

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING SUBMISSION OF COIN DROP SOLICITATION
PERMIT APPLICATION TO THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND BY
PORT ELIZABETH VOLUNTEER FIRE CO.**

WHEREAS, Port Elizabeth Volunteer Fire Company has submitted a request to hold coin drop solicitations at the intersection of County Routes 347 and 670 during the 2010 calendar year, and

WHEREAS, the County of Cumberland requires acknowledgement and local approval by township resolution which must be submitted with each application for roadside solicitation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that it is acknowledged and approved for Port Elizabeth Volunteer Fire Company to hold roadside coin drop solicitations at County Routes 347 and 670 on the following dates from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

May 29, 2010

July 3, 2010

September 4, 2010

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that immediately following adoption, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Port Elizabeth Volunteer Fire Company, Cumberland County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and Cumberland County Department of Public Works.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 33-2010

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING SUBMISSION OF COIN DROP SOLICITATION
PERMIT APPLICATION TO THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND BY
LEESBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE CO.**

WHEREAS, Leesburg Volunteer Fire Company has submitted a request to hold coin drop solicitations at the intersection of County Routes 347 and 670 during the 2010 calendar year, and

WHEREAS, the County of Cumberland requires acknowledgement and local approval by township resolution which must be submitted with each application for roadside solicitation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that it is acknowledged and approved for Leesburg Volunteer Fire Company to hold roadside coin drop solicitations at County Routes 347 and 670 on the following dates from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

May 28, 2010

July 2, 2010

September 3, 2010

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that immediately following adoption, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Leesburg Volunteer Fire Company, Cumberland County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and Cumberland County Department of Public Works.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 34-2010

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING LINDA COSTELLO TO THE
TITLE OF DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Maurice River Township employs Linda L. Costello as a Principle Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Maurice River Township desires to appoint Linda L. Costello to the position of Deputy Municipal Clerk (unclassified title code #01509) which is deemed appropriate for the job qualifications, and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Maurice River Township has determined that reasonable and appropriate funds are available in the budget of the Township for said purpose.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP
COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP AS FOLLOWS:**

- (1) J. Roy Oliver, as the designated appointing authority of the Township, shall provisionally appoint Linda L. Costello to the title of Deputy Municipal Clerk of Maurice River;
- (2) Said individual shall be compensated at an annual salary of \$6,305.00 to be paid semimonthly for a total of 26 pay periods;
- (3) This hire is in conformance with the Township's Residency Ordinance.

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

2010 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET

RESOLUTION NO. 35-2010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20.

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen with respect of the need to provide additional budgetary funds for 2010 and no adequate provision has been made in the 2010 temporary budget for the aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of emergency temporary appropriations for the purpose above mentioned; and

WHEREAS, the total temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2010 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$ 770,703.76; and

WHEREAS, it is considered necessary for the health and welfare of the community to continue to provide necessary services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with N.J.S. 40A:4-20,

1. Emergency temporary appropriations be and the same are hereby made for:

Monday, March 15, 2010, 7:30 P.M.
Bill & Agenda Review Meeting

PRESENT: Andrew Sarclette, Mayor
Kathy Ireland, Deputy Mayor
Kevin Langley, Committeeman
Frank DiDomenico, Solicitor
Kent Schellinger, Engineer
Sharon E. Lloyd, Treasurer
J. Roy Oliver, Township Clerk

This meeting has been advertised in accordance with the statutes of the State of New Jersey.

Mayor Sarclette called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Sarclette, present
Mrs. Ireland, present
Mr. Langley, present

Presentations:

Gordon Gross, OEM Coordinator, referred to a memo he wrote to the Township Committee on March 11, 2010 indicating an application for federal aid has been submitted and approved by the County, State and FEMA for expenses incurred during the snowstorm of December 19-21, 2009. Maurice River Township's expenses were \$23,420.43. Mr. Gross anticipates we will receive 75% of this.

Mr. Gross went onto say that the paperwork is in order pertaining to the snowstorm of February 5 & 6, 2010. This storm has been declared an emergency and the Township will be applying for reimbursement. The third snowstorm of February 9 - 11, 2010 has not yet been declared, but if it is, Mr. Gross will be applying for reimbursement for expenses also.

Also, Mr. Gross reported FEMA has given us new equipment costs to use in calculating expenses.

In other matters, Mr. Gross said that, following the demolition hearing for 42 Quail Street, the County OEM wants to hold a drill at this site in September. Following the drill, the County will take care of the clean up, (C.C.I.A). This property is currently boarded and secured.

Mr. Gross also stated there was a partial collapse of a building on Newell Road. The owner has picked up a demolition permit. Mr. Gross will send him a letter ordering him to clean-up the debris.

Mr. Gross reported he has checked out the roof of the former Delmont firehouse. The Road Department could try to patch the roof in a piecemeal fashion. Mr. Sarclette said this would be okay if the roof was safe to walk on.

Mr. Gross next gave a copy of a quote from Scalfo Electric Inc. for a generator for the Township Hall in the amount of \$82,000.00. He noted that, during the last snowstorm, we were one-hour away from opening a shelter. Had this occurred, the Municipal Hall would have been designated as the shelter even though it is not Red Cross certified. It would have been open to township residents only. Mr. Gross indicated the generator quoted operates on natural gas.

Lastly, Mr. Gross addressed the Township Committee and Mr. DiDomenico regarding the voluminous OPRA requests submitted by one person. The Township has been turned in to twelve state and county agencies for alleged selective enforcement of zoning laws.

Mr. Gross noted the scribbled notes and comments along with requested records submitted on OPRA forms by this person is difficult to decipher as to which records are actually needed. Mr. DiDomenico opined that, if discernable, Mr. Gross should give her the records she asks for if they exist.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the public comment session, seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarlette Nays – None

Mr. Robert Dick, a volunteer associated with Maurice River baseball, thanked the Township Committee for their generosity toward the recreation program. He asked that dumpsters be placed at the concession stand which can be locked. Also, the bating cage needs a new pole. Mrs. Lloyd will contact Mr. Hagemann on this request.

Mr. Dick indicated April 10th is opening day. He thought it would be nice if craft tables were set up to enhance the impact of opening day. Perhaps the Township Committee could waive any fees associated with this event.

Mr. Dick thanked Mr. DiDomenico for his assistance in establishing Maurice River Township baseball as a tax-exempt organization. This information has been passed on to our auditor, Ray Colavita.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the public comment session, seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes – Ireland, Langley, Sarlette Nays – None

Our township engineer, Mr. Kent Schellinger, next addressed several issues which have been ongoing. Mr. Schellinger noted the existing concrete pad for the gas tanks behind the Township garage measures 16' x 32'. He stated that the following tank sizes are available for purchase:

| <u>Size</u> | <u>Capacity (Gallons)</u> |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 4 x 12 | 1,000 |
| 4 x 24 | 2,000 |
| 6 x 10 | 2,000 |
| 6 x 20 | 4,000 |
| 8 x 12 | 4,500 |

Initially he had spoken with C.C.I.A about possibly purchasing one or two of their concrete tanks which are not being used. A crane would be required to move these and it would be expensive. They had one 2,000 gallon and one 8,000 gallon tank. All required plumbing would need to be replaced. Their price two-years ago was \$144,000.00. Also we had received two quotes for steel tanks in 2008 which included a pad and fencing. The quote for a 2,000 gallon split tank was \$22,800.00 and \$36,296.00 for a 4,000 gallon split tank. These quotes also included removal of the old pad and tanks. Mr. Schellinger felt confident we could salvage the card system to be used with these tanks. Mrs. Lloyd opined we should be looking at a split tank with a 2,000/2,000 gallon capacity.

In other matters, Mr. Schellinger advised that a professional roof consultant should conduct an evaluation of the roof of the former Delmont firehouse. The cost for this might be around \$7,000.00 - \$8,000.00 depending on the number of inspections. Mr. Schellinger estimated that it would cost \$18.00/square ft. for a membrane; if the roof had to be torn off we should add another \$20,000.00 the cost. Mr. Gross added that the roof joists are in good shape and the decking appears to be okay.

Mr. Schellinger advised the township may want to check for any asbestos problems. Mayor Sarlette asked that Mr. Schellinger obtain an inspection and cost estimate.

Mr. Schellinger also addressed the need for a new pole building at the convenience center to house equipment. He noted a rule of thumb cost estimate would be \$50.00 - \$60.00 per square foot which would include the foundation and the building. Mr. Sarlette noted the existing pad might suffice if the building were to be used to keep vehicles out of the rain.

Mr. Sarlette also inquired if Mr. Schellinger had heard from Bill Dixon of NJDEP regarding the East Point or Thompson's Beach projects? Mr. Schellinger replied that he had not.

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After some discussion the Township Committee directed the Clerk to advertise a meeting for Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 7:00 pm for the purpose of a budget workshop and possible introduction of the 2010 budget.

Also, we need to send a letter to the County Public Works Dept. asking the County to elevate Glade Road once the reconstruction of the bridge at Riggin's Ditch begins. In addition, we should request a standpipe at the bridge for use by the local fire companies.

Finally, the Township Committee asked the Clerk to send a letter to our legislators regarding Senator Lesniak's proposed changes to the OPRA law.

The balance of the meeting was devoted to a review of the agenda for Thursday night's meeting and a review of the bills to be authorized at same.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. LaFagley.

J. Roy Oliver, Township Clerk