

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
BILL & AGENDA REVIEW MEETING  
Monday, May 16, 2011– 7:30 P.M.**

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

**Call to Order**

**Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Ireland**

**Roll Call**

A. Public Review of Defeated School Budget

Motion to adopt resolution certifying amount of school budget as determined by Township Committee.

Resolution #65-2011     A Resolution Certifying The Tax Levy Of The Maurice River School District For School Budget Year 2011-2012.

B. Presentation

Gordon Gross, OEM Coordinator

Ken Strait, PSEG – Estuary Enhancement Project

C. Discussion Items

1. Public Sale of Block 247, Lot 11

D. Review of Agenda for May 19, 2011

E. Public Comment

Motion to open public comment.

Motion to close public comment.

F. Review of Bills

G. Adjournment

**Monday, May 16, 2011, 7:30 P.M.**  
**Bill & Agenda Review Meeting**

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

**PRESENT:** Kathy Ireland, Mayor  
Andrew Sarclette, Deputy Mayor  
Kevin Langley, Committeeman  
Frank DiDomenico, Solicitor  
Sharon E. Lloyd, C.M.F.O.  
Linda L. Costello, Deputy Municipal Clerk  
J. Roy Oliver, Township Clerk

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

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

**Public Review of Defeated School Budget**

The Clerk read Maurice River Township Resolution #65-2011 in full. "A Resolution Certifying The Tax Levy Of The Maurice River School District For School Budget Year 2011-2012." Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adopt Resolution #65-2011, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

(See end of minutes for Resolution #65-2011.)

**Presentations:**

1. Mr. Gordon Gross stated he has sent out 25 property maintenance letters, mainly for high grass. Over the past few weeks he issued two summonses for tire dumping; both parties have appeared in court. Mr. Gross received assistance from Steve Clark of the CCIA with the tire dumping investigations.

In other matters, the Township received \$11,636.34 from FEMA as reimbursement for expenses incurred during the snowstorm of December 26 – 27, 2010. To date, no word has been received as to funding from FEMA for last month's storm/flood.

Mr. Gross stated that Mr. DiDomenico will be having a title search done on the Salloway property on East Point Road in preparation for the demolition hearing to be held on June 13, 2011.

Mr. Sarclette thanked Mr. Gross and the OEM staff for exceptional performance during last month's storm/flood.

2. Mr. Ken Strait, PSEG, next gave a power point presentation on the boat launch site at Thompson's Beach and dredging in that area. Mr. Strait explained that PSEG's Estuary Enhancement Program started in 1993 to offset fish kill occurring at the Salem Nuclear Plant's cooling towers. This gave rise to 20,000 acres of fish habitat being created. Seven restoration sites were involved, one of which was at Thompson's Beach. A community involvement committee had been established in 1994 to provide a forum for local citizen's input.

Mr. Strait said that when PSEG had purchased the Thompson's Beach tract, the dike had been breached. The USACOE nixed the raising of Thompson's Beach Road. Consequently, PSEG placed money in escrow to either raise the road or purchase the surrounding properties. One upland dike was created near the Charles Thompson residence and the elevation of the road was also raised. The idea was to prevent normal tidal flooding, however, the enhancement program would not protect against a "100 year" storm.

Restoration was completed in 1998 at which point the property management phase ended which required ecological engineering. Mr. Strait advised The Nature Conservancy performs the general maintenance and educational programs. PSEG periodically checks-out the upland dike and monitors the dike flow and does maintenance when required.

The east and west boating ramps near the parking area are experiencing silting problems. PSEG cannot reverse the flow without destroying the parking lot. PSEG is proposing to dredge the eastern channel and has obtained a NJDEP permit (but not a USACOE permit.) At low tide the boat launch is not acceptable. There is a launch "window" at high tide.

Mr. Strait added that details of the Estuary Enhancement Program may be found in the Deed Consolidation and Consent dated May 15, 1997 and Maurice River Township Ordinance #455.

Mr. Strait commented that, in the future, PSEG wants to do "something" with the boat ramp site at the Mauricetown causeway.

The Thompson's Beach site is included in the Coastal Heritage Trail. The main problem experienced is vandalism.

At present PSEG wants to proceed with dredging on the west side of the boat ramp. Mr. Strait acknowledged that it is a losing battle with the east side of the boat ramp.

Mr. Sarclette stated that PSEG had hired consultants to take care of the boat ramps. He feels PSEG was hesitant in pressing for the enforcement of the maintenance. Also, Mr. Sarclette is upset that the dikes and ditches are not properly maintained. Maurice River Township officials must be kept in the loop when it comes to keeping the ditches open. The Township tries to do the right thing but comes up short because other agencies have

dropped the ball. We must all work together to come up with a better plan to keep the ditches open.

Capt. George Kumor recommended we focus on the silting problem. It is a small price to pay to dredge the ditch, but we should come up with an alternative plan. There is a big benefit in having PSEG live up to its obligations. When the ditch silts in, fish roe die because the water becomes too hot. Perhaps we can take some action outside of that which is authorized by permit. He added that new people are involved now and should be educated as to the situation.

Per Mr. Kumor, PSEG's obligation was to dredge both sides of the boat ramp. The Township could live with just one side being dredged. He stated the Township shouldn't waste their money on lawyers and legal fees; we should look at the original intent of the program.

Mr. Kumor advocated "going after" engineering firms which, in the past, had given out bad information which led to problems with the Estuary Enhancement Program.

#### **Discussion Items:**

1. Public Sale of Block 247, Lot 11 - Mr. Sarclette made a motion to put the above property up for public sale at the June 16, 2011 meeting at an opening bid of \$35,000.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

#### **Agenda Review**

The clerk next reviewed the agenda for the May 19, 2011 meeting.

#### **Public Comment**

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

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

Mr. Jud Moore, Grant Coordinator, and former fire chief of Port Elizabeth Vol. Fire Co., advised the Township committee that the NJDOT is ready to go with the new traffic signal at the intersection of Route 47 and Port Elizabeth-Cumberland Road. He has been working with the State for some time on this project. Now we have matching funds. The NJDOT does not want the school flashing light in too close a proximity to the traffic light. The State insists we move the school flashing light along the southbound lane of Route 47 further north and has asked for a letter from the Township approving the move and willingness to pay for 25% of the cost for relocation. The Township share should be in the neighborhood of \$4,600.00.

Mr. DiDomenico advised this issue should be discussed with the School Board. Mrs. Ireland stated that the School wants the flashing light and recommended the sign be relocated nearer to the Camp property.

Mr. Sarclette clarified that last year the Township agreed to pay only for the electricity to operate the traffic light.

Mr. Moore asked for a copy of a letter of consent to move the school light and an accompanying resolution so that he can take it to the State.

Mr. Tom Swayne, Heislerville, asked if the Township committee is approving both the school budget and the school debt service? Mr. Sarclette and Mrs. Ireland state that the Township Committee is at a "window" wherein the Township Committee has no latitude to decrease the school tax levy.

In other matters, Mr. Kumor stated he did not like the way the public meeting on May 10, 2011 was conducted. Citizen's United owes the Township a better presentation next time.

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

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to review of the bills to be presented for payment on May 19, 2011.

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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J. Roy Oliver, Township Clerk

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 65-2011

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE TAX LEVY OF THE  
MAURICE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL  
BUDGET YEAR 2011-2012

WHEREAS, the voters of Maurice River Township have defeated the general fund tax levy for the base budget of the Maurice River Township School District for the 2011-2012 school year; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 18A:7F-5 requires a local share which results in a minimum tax levy in the amount of \$2,528,781.00 for the Maurice River School District; and

WHEREAS, the original general fund tax levy on the ballot for the base budget for 2011-2012 was in the amount of \$2,545,856.00; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 18A:7F-5 does not permit the Township to reduce the general fund tax levy which is at the minimum amount required by law; and

WHEREAS, the original general fund tax levy, as reflected on the ballot, is six-tenths of one cent above the minimum tax levy required; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has reviewed the Board of Education's base budget.

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

1. There shall be no reduction in the general fund tax levy and Maurice River Township hereby certifies the amount of the general fund tax levy to be \$2,545,856.00.
2. Maurice River Township hereby certifies that as there are no line item reductions and as the school district budget is not being reduced, that the school district budget is sufficient to provide a thorough and efficient education.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
CLERK'S AGENDA  
Thursday, May 19, 2011 – 7:30 P.M.**

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**Call to Order**

**Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Ireland**

**Roll Call**

**A. Approval of Minutes of prior meetings.**

**B. Presentations**

1. N.J.S.P.
2. Proclamation – Nelson Klein, Bob Whildin, Pat Phillips

**C. First Public Comment Session (Limit 30 Minutes Total)**

**D. Ordinances**

1. Second reading Ordinance #608 by title, " AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AMENDING ORDINANCE, RESOURCE EXTRACTION REGULATIONS ."
2. Second reading of Ordinance #609 by title, "AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AMENDING ORDINANCE 215, SEPTIC TANK CLEANER LICENSES."
3. Second reading of Ordinance #610, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROVAL TO FUND ENGINEERING FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE THOMPSON BEACH RESTORATION BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$25,000.00 THEREFORE TO BE PAID FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND."
4. Second reading of Ordinance #611, " AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROVAL FOR THE EAST POINT SHORE LINE EROSION CONTROL PROJECT BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$110,000.00 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND AND BOND

ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE SUM OF \$100,000.00 FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION."

5. Second reading of Ordinance #612, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROVAL FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT ON THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING-SOUTH BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$60,000.00 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE SUM OF \$50,000.00 FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION."
6. First reading of Ordinance #613, "AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CODIFYING AND ADOPTING THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS."

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#### **E. Consent Agenda Resolutions**

- \* 1. Resolution #62-2011      A Resolution Transferring The 2010 Homestead Rebate For Carol Hanson From Block 120 Lot 26 Assessed To Dominick Rose To Block 120 Lot 25 Assessed To Carol Hanson.
- \* 2. Resolution #63-2011      A Resolution Authorizing Refund Of Overpayment Of Taxes Paid By Bank Of America Against Block 277, Lot 4 Assessed To Robert & Nancy Hamilton.
- \* 3. Resolution #64-2011      A Resolution Authorizing Redemption Of Tax Lien Monies Be Placed In Escrow, Block 309 Lot 4 Tax Sale Certificate #08-06, Property Assessed To Dawn Sewell, Lien Held By Bela Properties.
- \* 4. Resolution #66-2011      A Resolution Authorizing Transfer Of Overpayment Of Taxes From Block 124 Lot 13 To Block 124 Lot 11 Assessed To Whibco Inc.

- \* 5. Resolution #67-2011 A Resolution Requesting Approval Of Items Of Revenue And Appropriation (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87).  
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**Other Resolutions**

**F. Township Committee Reports**

**G. Professional Reports**

**Engineer**

**Solicitor**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**H. Announcements**

1. Primary Election - June 7, 2011, 6:00 am to 8:00 pm
1. Receipt of NJDEP Update on Southern Pine Beetle.
2. Public Sale of Block 247, Lot 11 will be held at the June 16, 2011 meeting which will be advertised in The News on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 7<sup>th</sup>.

**I. Correspondence**

**Other Old Business**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**J. Correspondence**

**K. Other New Business**

**REPORTS**

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Thursday, May 19, 2011, 7:30 P.M.

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

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

Mayor Ireland called the meeting to order; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

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

#### Approval of Minutes

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to approve the minutes of prior meetings, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

#### Presentations

The Township Committee presented proclamations to Nelson Klein and Robert Whildin for heroic efforts during the recent storm which resulted in exceptional flooding along the bay, rivers and tributaries. Mr. Pat Phillips also received a proclamation honoring his efforts but he could not attend the meeting. According to Gordon Gross, OEM Coordinator, Mr. Klein, Mr. Whildin, and Mr. Phillips risked their lives to rescue several local residents who were trapped by the flood waters.

An officer of the New Jersey State Police barracks at Port Norris made the following report of activities within Maurice River Township during the month of April:

12 Alarms  
2 Burglaries  
3 Domestic Disputes  
4 Juvenile complaints  
17 Motor Vehicle Accidents  
209 Motor Vehicle Stops  
34 Property Checks

## **First Public Comments Session**

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

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

Mr. Jud Moore, Grant Coordinator, advised the Township Committee that the school flashing light in the southbound lane of Route 47 in Port Elizabeth has to be moved to accommodate the traffic signal which the state will be installing at the intersection with Port Elizabeth Cumberland Road. The NJDOT requires a letter from the Township approving the relocation of the light and that the Township will agree to pay 25% of the relocation. The Township portion has been estimated to be around \$4,000.00. Once the relocation is complete, the traffic light will be installed. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to send a letter to NJDOT approving the relocation and cost sharing. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mr. Dom Zanghi, Milmay, stated he has mining pits on Taylor Avenue. He has renewed his resource extraction license but has not mined any sand recently. He cannot afford the taxes based on the new assessment. Accordingly, he is trying to sell the pits. Mr. Sarclette stated he is in sympathy with Mr. Zanghi's plight, but tax assessments must be fairly determined and administered. Mr. Zanghi noted he owns 55 acres. Mr. Langley asked if all 55 acres are mineable? Mr. Zanghi replied he is not making a profit due to the high taxes. Mr. Sarclette said he would check his complaint out with the tax assessor's office, but all comparable mining areas must be treated equally. Mrs. Ireland concurred that the Township Committee will review his assessment.

Mr. Joe Haney, Port Elizabeth, asked if spraying had been done for mosquitos? Mr. Sarclette advised him that spraying took place last week. This matter was an item of agenda for last month's meeting.

Mr. Haney also inquired if drainage is a problem as reflected in the storm problems last month? He would like a permanent marker on his property by his drainage ditch to delineate his property line.

Mr. James D'Ambrosia, US Silica, inquired how acreage is determined in computing the resource extraction fee?

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

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

## **Ordinances**

1. The Clerk gave the second reading of Ordinance #608 by title, " AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AMENDING ORDINANCE, RESOURCE EXTRACTION REGULATIONS ."

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance #608, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

There being no public comment, Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance #608, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adopt Ordinance #608, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

2. The Clerk next gave the second reading of Ordinance #609 by title, "AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AMENDING ORDINANCE 215, SEPTIC TANK CLEANER LICENSES."

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance #609. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

There being no public comment, Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance #609, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adopt Ordinance #609, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

3. The Clerk next gave the second reading of Ordinance #610 by title, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROVAL TO FUND ENGINEERING FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE THOMPSON BEACH RESTORATION BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$25,000.00 THEREFORE TO BE PAID FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND."

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance #610, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

There being no public comment, Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance #610, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adopt Ordinance #610, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

4. The Clerk next gave the second reading of Ordinance #611 by title, " AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROVAL FOR THE EAST POINT SHORE LINE EROSION CONTROL PROJECT BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING

\$110,000.00 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE SUM OF \$100,000.00 FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION."

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance #611, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

There being no public comment, Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance #611, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adopt Ordinance #611, seconded by Mrs. Ireland.

Roll Call: Ayes –Sarclette, Ireland Nays – Langley

5. The Clerk next gave the second reading of Ordinance #612 by title, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROVAL FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT ON THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING-SOUTH BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$60,000.00 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE SUM OF \$50,000.00 FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION."

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance #612, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mrs. Patricia Gross asked if local contractors can be given the job for repairing the roof? Mr. DiDomenico replied the job must be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance #612, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Following the adoption Mr. Haney asked if the roof damage was covered by insurance? Mr. Sarclette replied the damage was not caused by storms and therefore is not an insurance issue.

6. The Clerk next gave the first reading of Ordinance #613 by title, "AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CODIFYING AND ADOPTING THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS."

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to pass Ordinance #613 on first reading and set the date of public hearing/final adoption on June 16, 2011 at 7:30 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

(See end of minutes for Ordinance #613.)

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## Resolutions

The Clerk read the following resolutions by title:

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Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adopt the resolutions contained in the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

(See end of minutes for Resolutions #62 through #64 and #66 through #72.)

### **Township Committee Reports**

Mr. Langley reported he toured the Thompson's Beach reconstruction site with Capt. George Kumor recently to obtain a better understanding of the work to be done. At present, he has received no word from Terry Caruso, NJDEP with regard to a potential land swap or purchase of township lands.

Mrs. Ireland reported on the various meetings she attended along with staff members over the past month. A copy of her report may be found at the end of the minutes.

### **Professional Reports**

#### **Engineer**

Mr. Morrissey reported on various projects which Dixon Associates is involved in with Maurice River Township. A synopsis of his May report may be found at the end of the minutes.

Mr. Langley asked if the Township could pour the pad for the new fuel tanks?  
Mr. Morrissey responded that whoever pours the pad must be qualified to do so.

Mr. Tom Wiechnik asked who is responsible for the road in front of the Marinas at Matts Landing? Mr. Sarclette responded that the parking area is owned by NJDEP; however, the road itself belongs to the Township. Mr. Wiechnik asked if the Township could repair the section of the road between Popeye's and Fish Tail's marinas as it is gullied. Mr. Sarclette responded that the Township might be able to approach FEMA for repairs. He will discuss this situation further with the road department; perhaps crushed concrete will suffice.

#### **Solicitor**

Mr. DiDomenico advised there will be a demolition hearing for the Salloway property on East Point Road at the agenda/bill review meeting on June 13, 2011.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

## **Announcements**

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## **Correspondence**

1. Receipt of copy of Commercial Twsp., Ordinance "Vacating Portion of Edward's Ave."
2. Copy of letter from NRCS to NJ Div. Fish & Wildlife dated 05/05/11, re: Operation & Maintenance Inspection, Heislerville Wildlife Impoundments.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Correspondence**

1. Receipt of Application for Certification of Registration from Capt. George Kumor for 90 days. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to approve the renewal of the Certificate of Registration for 90-days, seconded by Mr. Langley.  
Roll Call:      Ayes –Sarclette, Langley, Ireland                      Nays – None
2. Request from Dorchester UMC to use Leechester Hall and Kitchen for Senior Luncheon, June 4, 2011, 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to approve the use of Leechester Hall on June 4, 2011. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.  
Roll Call:      Ayes –Sarclette, Langley, Ireland                      Nays – None
3. Letter from Beverly Hughes requesting public sale of Block 221, Lot 25, Port Elizabeth. The Clerk advised the Township Committee that the tax assessor will be providing an opinion on this matter and that the engineer should review the deed to ensure no easements are in place.
4. Letter from Charles Jackson, SJ Sportsmen's Jamboree received 05/10/11 requesting assistance with logistics for event October 1 & 2, 2011. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to assist the Jamboree whenever possible per the "wish" list. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.  
Roll Call:      Ayes –Sarclette, Langley, Ireland                      Nays – None
5. Request from Jeanette Rea-Keywood, County 4-H to use 2-20'x 40' tents during County Fair July 4-9, 2011. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to approve the use of the tents and the installation/taking down of same. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

6. Request from Dr. A. B. Frazier, Bethany Baptist Camp, to waive annual fee for pool at camp. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to waive all township fees associated with the pool. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

7. Letter from Jerry Corson dated 05/05/11 inviting Township Committee to attend Cub Scout promotion to Boy Scouts at Leesburg VFC on 06/15/11 @ 7:00 PM.
8. Letter from Rhonda Garrison received 05/11/11 cancelling hall rental on May 21, 2011.
9. Letter to Mayor from Mayor Albert Kelly, Bridgeton dated 05/02/11 re; Bridgeton's 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

### Other Old Business

### REPORTS

Treasurers Report	315,267.29
Tax Collectors Report	495,618.03
Construction Office - April	1148.00
Construction Office – March	2192.00
Land Use Board	.00
Housing Officer – April	120.00
Housing Officer – March	240.00
Municipal Court	4016.46
Clerk's Report	974.54
Zoning Officer	50.00
Dog Licensing Agent	421.00
Fire Official	60.00

Road Dept. Report (April 2011)  
Complaint Report  
Ron's Animal Control Monthly Reports (April 2011)

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to accept the above reports, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

### PAYMENT OF BILLS

NJ STATE DEPT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES	138.00
NEW JERSEY SHBP	1,322.70
NEW JERSEY SHBP	5,268.16
BOYD & RHONDA JO GARRISON	100.00

GARDEN STATE HIGHWAY PRODUCTS	154.80
BUONADONNA & BENSON, P.C.	759.00
DIXON ASSOC ENGINEERING LLC	2,703.75
DIXON ASSOC ENGINEERING LLC	6,600.00
SHEPPARD BUS SERVICE	500.00
ANACONDA SPORTS INC.	337.70
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	3,276.20
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	403.82
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	370.55
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	51.25
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	57.67
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	27.79
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	17.54
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	58.15
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	16.35
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	9.46
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	219.07
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	106.22
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	30.44
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	469.04
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	862.44
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	7.15
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	173.51
BAC TAX SERVICES CORP.	1,312.75
BARBARA D. SUTTON	110.00
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS	27,137.00
CUMBERLAND VALVE INC.	97.83
COMCAST CABLE	136.60
COMCAST CABLE	95.00
CM3 BUILDING SOLUTIONS	572.00
CASA PAYROLL SERVICES	98.75
CASA PAYROLL SERVICES	102.25
EARTHTECH CONTRACTING INC.	20,903.84
EDWARD F. DUFFY, ESQUIRE	1,984.44
HESS CORPORATION	578.09
HEALTH MATS CO	77.05
IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS	27.82
IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS	101.51
IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS	42.06
IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS	101.51
JEANNETTE'S BLOOMERS	168.00
KATHRYN L. KARRER	421.77
KEEN COMPRESSED GAS CO.	34.20
LAURELL LAWNMOWER SERVICE INC.	294.45
LISA R. FISHER	96.90
MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOE	217,466.00
MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOE	689.31
MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOE	161.48
NJRATI	150.00
NEW JERSEY ST. LEAGUES OF MUNICIPALITIES	55.00
PENNJERSEY MACHINERY LLC	1,919.66
PRUDENTIAL	71.85
QC LABORATORIES	25.00
QC LABORATORIES	125.00
QC LABORATORIES	125.00
RIGGINS INC.	1,574.93
RIGGINS INC.	2,280.33

RIGGINS INC.	506.88
RIGGINS INC.	399.67
RIGGINS INC.	477.25
RIGGINS INC.	2,293.13
SOUTH JERSEY NEWSPAPERS CO.	774.90
SOUTH JERSEY NEWSPAPERS CO.	193.90
SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY	106.13
SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY	791.30
SHIRLEY A. GOFF	10.00
SHRED ONE SECURITY CORP.	968.06
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	159.46
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	259.40
STEVEN R. WALSH	265.00
TRICO EQUIPMENT INC.	181.71
TJK MACHINE LLC	231.37
TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	40.75
UNITED ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO. INC.	62.40
VERIZON	115.54
VERIZON	127.02
VERIZON	461.26
VERIZON	31.59
WILLIAM R. MINTS AGENCY	300.00
WILLIAM R. MINTS AGENCY	3,446.00
BELLEPLAIN EMERGENCY CORPS	5,625.00
CRESSE AND CARR	250.00
DIXON ASSOC ENGINEERING LLC	577.50
DIXON ASSOC ENGINEERING LLC	5,921.25
DIXON ASSOC ENGINEERING LLC	1,065.00
DIXON ASSOC ENGINEERING LLC	420.00
DIXON ASSOC ENGINEERING LLC	640.00
DIXON ASSOC ENGINEERING LLC	270.00
FRANK DIDOMENICO	1,252.35
FRANK DIDOMENICO	991.25
MARY C. HAGEMANN	300.00
NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS	527.63
POSTMASTER	2,377.50
R.S. ANIMAL SHELTER INC.	300.00
RIGGINS INC.	445.63
RIGGINS INC.	722.70
RONALD L. SUTTON SR.	950.00
SHARON E. LLOYD	165.00
WHIBCO OF NEW JERSEY INC.	629.09

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

### **Second Public Comment Session**

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

Mr. Jerry Pantelidis asked for details concerning the relocation of the flashing school light in Port Elizabeth. The details of the relocation was explained by Mayor Ireland. Mr. Sarclette

added that the Port Elizabeth Fire Company can control the traffic light to accommodate responses to fires. The township must send a letter of support to NJDOT for the flashing school light and agree to pay 25% of the relocation fee which will be around \$4,600.00.

Mr. George Kumor suggested the Township approach Peter Dunn of the NJ Audubon Society to review the Thompson's Beach restoration plans.

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

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

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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J. Roy Oliver, Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

ORDINANCE NO. 613

AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP,  
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CODIFYING AND  
ADOPTING THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER REVISED  
GENERAL ORDINANCES AND THE TOWNSHIP OF  
MAURICE RIVER LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has approved revised General Ordinances and Land Development Regulations for the Township; and

WHEREAS, the revised General Ordinances dated 1997 include supplements number 1 through 7 with an effective date of October 21, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Land Development Regulations adopted May 18, 2000, by Ordinance No. 491 include supplements number 1 through 3 with an effective date of October 21, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that both the revised general Ordinances and the Land Development Regulations should be codified and adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey adopt the following:

- A. The codification and adoption of the revised General Ordinances of the Township of Maurice River with supplements number 1 through number 7 with an effective of October 21, 2010.

- B. The codification and adoption of the Land Development Regulations of the Township of Maurice River including supplements number 1 through number 3 with an effective date of October 21, 2010.

**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. 62-2011**

**A RESOLUTION TRANSFERING THE 2010 HOMESTEAD REBATE FOR CAROL HANSON FROM BLOCK 120 LOT 26 ASSESSED TO DOMINICK ROSE TO BLOCK 120 LOT 25 ASSESSED TO CAROL HANSON**

**WHEREAS**, the tax collectors office has been advised that, when making application for the 2010 Homestead Rebate Carol Hanson had noted the wrong block and lot on the application. Accordingly, the amount of Homestead Rebate, \$146.02, was applied to 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2011 taxes for Block 120 Lot 26 assessed to Dominick Rose. The correct block/lot assessed to Hanson is Block 120 Lot 25.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that the 2010 Homestead Rebate for Carol Hanson, in the amount of \$146.02 be transferred from block 120 lot 26 to block 120 lot 25.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 63-2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES PAID BY BANK OF AMERICA AGAINST BLOCK 277 LOT 4 ASSESSED TO ROBERT & NANCY HAMILTON.**

**WHEREAS**, Bank of America has overpaid taxes to the account of Robert & Nancy Hamilton, 2 Penny Lane, Dorchester, NJ, Block 277, Lot 4 in the amount of \$1,312.75, and

**WHEREAS**, Bank of America has requested refund of same.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that Bank of America Tax Services Corp., MS: CA6-913-LB-01, P.O. Box 10211, Van Nuys, CA 91499-6089, be reimbursed the amount of \$1,312.75 in accordance with said request.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 64-2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF TAX LIEN MONIES BE PLACED IN ESCROW, BLOCK 309, LOT 4, TAX SALE CERTIFICATE #08-061 PROPERTY ASSESSED TO DAWN SEWELL, LIEN HELD BY BELA PROPERTIES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector's records show receipt of monies for the redemption of Tax Lien #08-061 held by Bela Properties, P.O. Box 658, Mays Landing, NJ 08330 against Block 309, Lot 4 Assessed to Dawn Sewell in the amount of \$2,933.74, and

**WHEREAS**, after repeated correspondence which has been returned as undeliverable, Bela Properties has failed to return the original tax sale certificate endorsed for cancellation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that the amount of \$2,933.74 be placed in escrow to the credit of Bela Properties until such time as the original tax sale certificate endorsed for cancellation is returned by Bela Properties in accordance with N.J.S.A. Title 54 Ch.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 66-2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES FROM BLOCK 124, LOT 13 TO BLOCK 124, LOT 11 ASSESSED TO WHIBCO INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector's records show a credit balance of \$1,338.27 against Block 124, Lot 13 for 2011 assessed to WHIBCO Inc., and

**WHEREAS**, Block 124, Lot 13 has been combined with Block 124, Lot 11 QFarm for 2011 and will no longer be a line item by itself, and

**WHEREAS**, WHIBCO Inc. has requested the credit of \$1,338.27 be transferred from block 124, Lot 13 to Block 124, Lot 11.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that the amount of \$1,338.27 be transferred from Block 124, Lot 13 to Block 124, Lot 11.

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER  
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

**RESOLUTION NO. 67-2011**

RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE  
AND APPROPRIATION  
(**N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87**)

**WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87** provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

**WHEREAS,** said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY** hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2011 in the sum of \$11,759.39, which item is now available as a revenue from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, State of New Jersey, as Clean Communities Grant in the amount of \$11,759.39.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the like sum of \$11,759.39 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

**Clean Communities Grant**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the above is the result of a state grant of \$11,759.39 from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

**TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER  
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 68-2011**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE  
AND APPROPRIATION  
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87)**

WHEREAS, **N.J.S.A.** 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River in the County of Cumberland, New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2011 in the sum of \$5,700.00, which item is now available as a revenue from the Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse, County of Cumberland, in the amount of \$5,700.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$5,700.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

**Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of a state grant of \$5,700.00 from the County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 69-2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES FOR  
BLOCK 311 LOT 46.01 ASSESSED TO PHILLIP & CAROLYN BENNETT.**

**WHEREAS**, the Bennett's paid 2011 taxes on May 3, 2011 by check #362 in the amount of \$593.09, and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Banking System misread the written amount of the check as nine-hundred ninety-three dollars and 09 cents, therefore overcharging the Bennett's \$400.00 which amount was subsequently credited to Maurice River Township Tax Collector's bank account, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that Philip and Carolyn Bennett, 128 Main Street, Heislerville, NJ 08324 be refunded the \$400.00 overpayment which had been credited to Maurice River Township by the Federal Banking System.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 70-2011**

**A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL NO. 1351**

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill No. 1351 (hereinafter referred to as S-1351) would amend the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq., to include many new requirements that are unnecessary to protect the public's interest in open and transparent government, and which would unduly burden municipalities; and,

**WHEREAS**, S-1351 would impose new procedural requirements on municipalities which will be time consuming and costly, at a time when municipalities are facing unprecedented financial constraints; and,

**WHEREAS**, S-1351 would impose new procedural requirements on municipalities that are impractical and wasteful, and which would result in longer meetings and less efficient governance; and,

**WHEREAS**, among the time consuming, costly, impractical and wasteful new requirements of S-1351 are the following:

- A. new requirements pertaining to subcommittees, including notice of subcommittee meetings and the preparation of minutes, which would, among other things, necessitate

additional administrative support for all meetings of subcommittees so that minutes can be prepared; and,

- B. new requirement that agendas provide a description of all agenda items, including the names of the parties to and approximate dollar amounts of any contracts to be acted upon, which would increase preparation time for agendas; and,
- C. new requirement that agendas include estimated starting times for the public portion of the meeting and the portion of the meeting from which the public is to be excluded, though this information would be purely speculative and unreliable; and,
- D. new requirement that no public body be permitted to act upon or discuss a matter that is not listed on the agenda except in emergencies, which requirement would be impractical and unnecessarily inhibit the operations of municipal government, as it is often necessary for the effective and efficient administration of municipal governmental purposes to discuss or act on matters for which three business days' notice may not be possible; and this would effectively prevent discussion of items brought forward by the public; and,
- E. new requirement that a public body provide for public comment on emergency items that are added to a meeting agenda, adding unnecessary and time-consuming process to meetings; and,
- F. new requirement that a public body provide for public comment before taking final action on any matter at any meeting of at least three minutes per person, which requirement, as written, would result in an unworkable series of public comment periods on every action of the governing body, from appointments to resolutions to approval of minutes, thereby adding substantial time to every meeting of the public body; and,
- G. new requirement eliminating attorney-client privilege as a basis for excluding the public from a portion of the meeting, which will inhibit the public body's ability to obtain needed legal advice, which is contrary to the public interest; and,

- H. new requirement that public bodies be permitted to exclude the public from discussion of personnel matters only with the written consent of the potentially affected employee, thereby inhibiting the public body's ability to take necessary actions on personnel matters; and,
- I. new requirements for more extensive minutes of public body meetings, such as the inclusion of each member's stated reasons for his or her actions or vote, the identity of each member of the public who spoke and a summary of what was said, which shall cause the preparation of minutes to be more time consuming and costly; and,
- J. confusing new requirements pertaining to disclosure of recordings of meetings, including making recordings promptly available after meetings, and somehow incorporating such recordings with meeting minutes; and,
- K. new requirements that minutes would include electronic communications concerning public business among an effective majority of the members that occurred prior to a meeting, which would be an unworkable and ineffective imposition on municipalities, and would purport to make pre-meeting communications somehow become part of the meeting itself, an unprecedented expansion of the meeting concept; and,
- L. new requirements for maintaining on the municipal website schedules of meetings, agendas, notices of emergency meetings, minutes, resolutions and ordinance to the extent not already set forth in the minutes, and closed meetings resolutions, for a period of at least five years, which would result in additional costs for posting and maintaining website information;

**WHEREAS**, there is no justifiable basis for the imposition of the burdensome and cost generative provisions of S-1351; and,

**WHEREAS**, portions of S-1351 place financial, time, manpower and other burdens on municipalities at a time when municipalities are constrained to layoff municipal employees, impose furloughs, and reduce

departmental budgets so that municipalities can meet strict CAP requirements even when revenues are decreased and operating costs continue to climb; and,

**WHEREAS**, the cost generative provisions of S-1351 are unfunded mandates that violate the “State Mandate, State Pay” amendment to the New Jersey Constitution;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of Maurice River Township, County of Cumberland, and State of New Jersey, for the reasons stated above, does hereby oppose Senate Bill No. 1351 in its current form, and urges the New Jersey State Senate and Assembly to oppose this Bill; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to State Senator Loretta Weinberg, State Senator Stephen Sweeney, the members of the Senate and Budget Appropriations Committee, the legislators of the First State Legislative District, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, and the Municipal Clerks’ Association of New Jersey.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 71-2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF DEPOSIT TO USE LEECHESTER HALL BY  
BOYD GARRISON.**

**WHEREAS**, the Clerk’s records show receipt of a deposit of \$100.00 from Boyd Garrison on March 23, 2011 in the amount of \$100.00 to reserve use of Leechester Hall on May 21, 2011 which request was subsequently approved by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township, and

**WHEREAS**, the Garrison’s have sent a letter to the Clerk stating they wish to cancel use of the hall.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF**

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that Boyd & Rhonda Jo Garrison, 220 Carlisle Place Road, Dorchester, NJ 08316, be reimbursed the amount of \$100.00 in accordance with their request.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND  
RESOLUTION NO. 72-2011**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PERMISSION TO CHANGE THE TITLE, TEXT, AND  
AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO NJS 40A:4-85 FOR MATCHING SHARE  
FOR GRANTS**

**WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-85 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may, at the request of, or with the consent of, the governing body of any county or municipality, make such correction of the title, text or amount of any appropriation available for the purpose or purposes required for the needs of any such county or municipality;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-85, the Township of Maurice River, in the County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to make the following corrections in the budget year 2011:**

**That the appropriation provided for in the approved budget entitled:**

**Operations Excluded from CAPS:  
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues  
Matching Share for Grants be reduced by the sum of \$1,425.00**

**And an appropriation in the like amount of \$1,425.00 be added to the budget entitled:**

**Operations Excluded from CAPS:**

**Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse – Local Share**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing correction is, in the opinion of the governing body, warranted and authorized by the statute above referred to, and is necessary for the orderly operation of the Township of Maurice River for the reasons hereinafter set forth:**

*The Township of Maurice River provided for the possibility of receiving an added grant after adoption of the 2011 budget by providing a line item "Matching Share for Grants." The amount of grant and the related match requirement are now becoming known after passage of the budget. In order to accept the Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Grant, legal provision for the required match must be made. The above correction will provide for the said legal provision.*

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.**