

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC AGENDA
October 18, 2012 – 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. Approval of Minutes of prior meetings.

B. Presentations

1. New Jersey State Police

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

D. Ordinances

1. Second reading by title, Ordinance #619 “An Ordinance Fixing Salaries And Compensation Of Certain Officers And Employees Of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey.”
2. Second reading by title, Ordinance #622 “An Ordinance of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, State of New Jersey Establishing a Speed Limit on Bay Ave.”
3. First reading by title, Ordinance #621 “An Ordinance Of The Township Of Maurice River, County Of Cumberland, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing Acquisition Of Real Property And Equipment In The Amount Of \$100,000.00.”

E. Consent Agenda Resolutions

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- * 5. Resolution No. 143-2012 A Resolution Authorizing Assessment Correction Due To Acreage Error Block 296 Lot 47.
- * 6. Resolution No. 144-2012 A Resolution Cancelling Taxes And Lien Balance On Property Acquired By Maurice River Township.
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- * 8. Resolution No. 146-2012 A Resolution Provisionally Appointing John Garton As The Fire Official Of Maurice River Township.
- * 9. Resolution No. 147-2012 A Resolution Authorizing Employee Contract for Harper Ewing, Municipal Court Administrator for a Two-year Period.

Other Resolutions

F. Township Committee Report

G. Professional Reports

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I. Correspondence

NEW BUSINESS

J. Correspondence

K. REPORTS

L. PAYMENT OF BILLS

M. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Thursday, October 18, 2012, 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Kathy Ireland, Mayor
Andrew Sarclette, Deputy Mayor
Kevin Langley, Committeeman
Frank DiDomenico, Solicitor
Cormac Morrissey, Engineer
Allen Foster, CMFO
Linda L. Costello, Acting Municipal 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 table approval of minutes of September meetings, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Presentations

New Jersey State Police - The new Station Commander, Sgt. Babinshock provided a report on NJSP activity in Maurice River Township and questioned if the Municipality has a local crime watch in place. Mr. Sarclette advised the local crime watch is not active at this time.

Sgt. Babinshock provided the following statistics for the month of September:

- 127 Calls for Service
- 103 Investigation of Incidents noting no domestic violence
 - 1 Simple Assault
 - 1 Sexual Assault
 - 1 Theft of ATV on private property
 - 1 Theft of Cash from unlocked car
 - 1 Drug Related Offense
- 18 DUI's – 2 MRT residents, others transient
- 48 Motor Vehicle Accidents – 13 MRT residents

Sgt Babinshock also advised 14 people will be working Halloween with 1 car allotted to each township.

Mr. Sarclette thanked Sgt. Babinshock for assisting with speed control awareness on Port Elizabeth Cumberland Rd.

First Public Comments Session

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to open the first public comment session at 7:44 pm, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Jack Kontes, Port Elizabeth area, stated that the last couple meetings the one thing stressed was not enough money and the limits of revenue coming in. He advised noted he had advised Mayor Ireland of an economic development meeting to be held by the Cumberland County Freeholders. Mrs. Ireland replied that notification of the meeting had been forwarded to all Economic Development Committee members. Mr. Kontes advised he is interested in being involved and attend the next Economic Development Committee meeting since he is curious what items have been brought to the committee and he feels it is important to maximize possibilities. Mrs. Ireland advised a report from the APA grant has been received.

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:49 PM, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Ordinances

1. Mrs. Costello gave second reading by title, Ordinance #619 “An Ordinance Fixing Salaries And Compensation Of Certain Officers And Employees Of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey.”

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance #619 at 7:50 PM, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

There being no public comment, Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close public hearing on Ordinance #619, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adopt Ordinance #619, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

2. Mrs. Costello gave second reading by title, Ordinance #622 “An Ordinance of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, State of New Jersey Establishing a Speed Limit on Bay Ave.”

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance #622 at 7:51 PM, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

There being no public comment, Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close public hearing on Ordinance #622, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to adopt Ordinance #622, seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes –Sarclette, Langley, Ireland Nays – None

3. Mrs. Costello gave first reading by title, Ordinance #621 “An Ordinance Of The Township Of Maurice River, County Of Cumberland, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing Acquisition Of Real Property And Equipment In The Amount Of \$100,000.00.”

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to approve Ordinance #621 on first reading and set the public hearing to be held on November 15, 2012 at 7:30 PM. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes –Sarclette, Langley, Ireland Nays – None

Consent Agenda Resolutions

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

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

Township Committee Report

Mr. Langley asked Mrs. Gross if she would be interested in holding a debate regarding issues in Maurice River Township. Mrs. Gross replied she would consider it.

Mrs. Ireland reported a Sustainable Jersey grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 has been awarded to Maurice River Township.

Mrs. Ireland reported per conversations with Bill Dixon of NJDEP the Thompson's Beach restoration project will be started in early November and an anticipated three to six weeks for project completion. He also advised that the bids came in low and funding for additional rubble removal may be possible.

Mrs. Ireland advised Municipal Alliance Against Drug & Alcohol Abuse is hooking up with the Township calendar for 2013 and drug prevention awareness will be printed on each month.

Professional Reports

Engineer

Cormac Morrissey of Dixon Associates Engineering provided an update on pending projects. A synopsis of his report is provided at the end of the minutes.

Mr. Morrissey advised the contract for the Thompson's Beach project was awarded to Wickberg Marine at just under \$300,000.00.

Mr. Morrissey advised the bid form for Carlisle Place Road has been submitted to NJDOT and he anticipates a November start date.

Mr. Morrissey advised the NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant applications for Estell Manor Road and River Road have been submitted.

Mr. Morrissey reported that different levels of road improvements are being looked at with a scoring system of 1-5 to prioritize township roads in need of resurfacing. Key elements

include population per mile, connection with another neighborhood, and core roads which are more heavily travelled. The evaluation process is approximately 10% complete. Mr. Sarclette suggested a place for comments on safety issues relative to road repairs.

Mr. Morrissey advised an Open Space grant has been awarded to the Township which will provide funding for administration by the Planner to get a head start on Open Space planning.

Solicitor

Status on Ordinance on Schooner Landing Road Project – Mr. DiDomenico stated he is still waiting on a reply by the New Jersey State Police.

Status of Salvage Title of 69 Ford Pumper - Mr. DiDomenico stated there are four different vehicle ID numbers and he was provided an improper evidence package by the Motor Vehicle Commission noting this is a twelve step process.

Quit Claim Status – Mr. DiDomenico advised he received the necessary documentation from the Ricciardone estate along with payment of outstanding tax balance.

OLD BUSINESS

Announcements

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Correspondence

1. Email from Ben Keiser dated 10/11/12 re: Thompson's Beach Restoration Project Bid Results.
2. Copy of letter dated 10/12/12 from NJDEP to Wickberg Marine advising award of base bid contract for the Thompson's Beach Restoration Project.
3. Renewal Application for Certificate of Registration – Capt. George Kumor to sell bait. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to approve renewal of Captain Kumor's Certificate of Registration to sell bait for a ninety-day period. Motion seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes –Sarclette, Langley, Ireland Nays – None
4. Letter from NJ Bureau of Fire Code Enforcement dated 10/09/12 re: Vacancy of Fire Official.
5. Letter from New Jersey Courts dated 10/10/12 re: Pending review of Private Collection of Outstanding Municipal Court Debt.

6. Thank you letter from Port Elizabeth Church of the Nazarene dated 09/19/12 for use of tents during recent event.
7. Memo to Township Committee from Louann Karrer dated 10/05/12 re: LGEAP Audit – Energy Incentives and Alternatives. Mr. Sarclette made a motion to authorize pursuit of a free energy audit for municipally owned buildings, seconded by Mr. Langley.
Roll Call: Ayes –Sarclette, Langley, Ireland Nays – None
8. Email from William Dixon dated 10/15/12 re: East Point and Thompson’s Beach updates and advisement of consideration of additional rubble removal west of current work area and scheduled pre-construction meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Correspondence

1. Letter from MRT Fire Commissioners Dst. #1 rec’d 09/26/12 re: Water problem between Leechester Community Hall and Leesburg Fire House.
2. Fax from Catherine Paton dated 10/01/12 re: Opposition to Shore Cycling Club’s, Bicycle event at East Point Lighthouse.
3. Copy of Notice of Public Hearing re: Major Site Plan approval & variance for construction of bio-medical laboratory in Dennis Twsp.

Other Old Business

REPORTS

Treasurer’s Report	1,575,302.56
Road Dept. Report (Sept. 2012)	
Complaint Report	
Ron’s Animal Shelter Monthly Report – September 2012	
Cumberland County Summation of Activities August 2012	
MRT OEM Quarterly Report – 3 rd Qtr.	

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

Allonardo Bros. Garage	237.78
AGR Builders LLC	4,170.65
AFA Protective Systems, Inc.	67.95
Atlantic City Electric	3,958.57
Atlantic City Electric	770.35
Buonadonna & Benson, P.C.	110.00

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Bayshore Discovery Project	725.00
Barbara D. Sutton	157.00
Belleplain Emergency Corps	5,625.00
Custom Graphics Inc.	300.60
Cumberland Valve, Inc.	322.03
Comcast Cable	236.02
Comcast Cable	587.27
CM3 Building Solutions	75.21
CM3 Building Solutions	589.00
CASA Payroll Services	127.25
CASA Payroll Services	108.75
Cumberland County Treasurer	848,085.92
Caprioni Portable Toilets Inc.	70.00
C.C.I.A.	21.19
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	2,821.50
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	1,500.00
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	230.00
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	1,743.75
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	202.50
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	1,075.00
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	833.75
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	210.00
Dixon Assoc Engineering, LLC	67.50
Emergency Software Products	620.00
Edward F. Duffy, Esquire	992.22
Frank DiDomenico	991.25
Frank DiDomenico	1,155.00
Garden State Investments	507.47
Hess Corporation	495.65
Hess Corporation	4.44
Hess Corporation	521.70
Health Mats Co.	77.05
Kathryn L. Karrer	111.78
Kmart	93.72
Keen Compressed Gas Co.	34.20
Laurel Lawnmower Service, Inc.	359.30
Lisa R. Fisher	107.00
Mainiero's Inc.	48.00
M.R.T. Current Fund	6,466.14
Millville Automotive, Inc.	90.31
Millville Automotive, Inc.	178.07
M.R.T. Tax Title Lien Account	2.70
Maurice River Township BOE	161.48
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Maurice River Township BOE	224,701.00
M.R.T. Payroll Account	28,955.26
M.R.T. Payroll Account	28,878.28
MGL Printing Solutions	63.00
Mary C. Hagemann	71.46
NEXTEL Communications	201.79

New Jersey SHBP	6,872.96
New Jersey SHBP	12,749.20
NJ State Dept. of Health & Senior	3.60
NJ Division of Fire Safety	846.00
Prudential	62.27
QC Laboratories	150.00
QC Laboratories	491.00
R.S. Animal Shelter, Inc.	300.00
Riggins Inc.	2,436.08
Riggins Inc.	2,354.66
Riggins Inc.	1,647.50
Riggins Inc.	2,676.44
Ricoh USA, Inc.	40.26
Ricoh USA, Inc.	116.74
Ronald L. Sutton, Sr.	950.00
South Jersey Newspapers Co.	37.40
South Jersey Newspapers Co.	1,489.00
South Jersey Newspapers Co.	17.00
South Jersey Newspapers Co.	68.68
South Jersey Newspapers Co.	48.28
South Jersey Newspapers Co.	23.12
South Jersey Newspapers Co.	40.80
South Jersey Gas Company	1,415.45
South Jersey Gas Company	122.50
Sheppard Bus Service, Inc.	550.00
Seashore Asphalt Corp.	276.10
Stephen P. Kernan	333.33
Staples Advantage	40.28
Selective Insurance Co.	2,621.00
Steered Straight, Inc.	450.00
Tiffany A. Cuviallo, PP, AICP	1,228.42
Tiffany A. Cuviallo, PP, AICP	1,092.50
Tiffany A. Cuviallo, PP, AICP	570.00
Treasurer, State of New Jersey	100.00
Treasurer, State of New Jersey	370.00
Tri City Paper Co.	27.80
Tri City Paper Co.	112.40
The Home Depot	220.12
The Home Depot	93.59
The Home Depot	172.03
The Home Depot	92.46
The Home Depot	13.44
Universal Computing Services	358.70
US Bank Custodian for Pro Capital I	5,331.83
US Bank Custodian for Pro Capital I	1,377.96
U.S. Postal Service	1,000.00
Verizon Wireless	466.75
Verizon	32.42
Waste Management of NJ Inc.	7,921.23
Waste Management of NJ Inc.	13,430.00
WPCS International, Inc.	300.00
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	55.77
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	142.91

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W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	71.08
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	1,967.50
William R. Mints Agency	1,624.00
William R. Mints Agency	188.00
William R. Mints Agency	1,487.00
William R. Mints Agency	188.00
West	802.00
Whibco of New Jersey, Inc.	151.20
Waste Management of New Jersey	1,758.08

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 at 8:10 PM, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

Mr. Kontes stated he is curious about The Nature Conservancy and State owned lands and if the lands are considered for a better purpose before making them tax exempt, suggesting that there be a trade-off of area for area to designate lands for conservation, residential, commercial or something else. He asked if there is a transfer tax if someone wants to move suggesting if property designation is lost in one location it be replaced from another section and documentation referencing same values. Mr. DiDomenico advised this is not permitted. Mr. Kontes noted he has property on the river and part is wetland and part upland. He believes there should be a mechanism in place to make land values equal.

Mr. Sarclette stated the Township does not have authority over private sales. He noted that in the past the governing bodies have been unsuccessful in getting legislation to cap the number of exempt acres.

Mr. DiDomenico noted that there is a realty transfer tax but that money goes directly to the state.

Mr. Morrissey asked Mr. Kontes if he was meant that the value of a property being sold should have the ability to make up amount of “lost” value someplace else? Mr. Kontes suggested that sale of large parcels of property should be made less appealing for Nature Conservancy to “hawk up the ground” and if we are giving up parcels, “The Nature Conservancy should have to give something to makeup the hole”.

Mr. DiDomenico advised that taxing authority is regulated by the State and no matter who owns the land, the Township cannot impose additional or unfair taxes.

Mr. Sarclette noted that if a situation requires Land Use Board approval there may be some bargaining that can be done through a variance.

Mr. Kontes asked if Township representatives meet with the twenty largest land owners or visit the properties? Mr. Sarclette advised sand mining are the only properties which are reviewed regularly.

Mr. Sarclette stated the forestry program also creates a loss of ratable; although large landowners, little revenue.

Mr. DiDomenico advised the Township is not permitted to spot zone based on land uses, noting there is a process for reviewing and rezoning.

Mr. Morrissey advised there are also CAFRA regulations as well as Pinelands noting the current proposed growth district is along Route 347. He stated the larger conversation is the fact that Pinelands must approve all changes in that area. Mr. Kontes questioned if we have a master plan why does the state have to approve and why are things out of our control? Mr. Morrissey commented that Mr. Kontes' argument is logical but the fact is the State of New Jersey doesn't want development in rural areas. Mr. Sarclette stated we need to try to maintain what we have.

George Kumor of Heislerville stated he believes there are 1000's of acres that are out of the scope of exempt property and there should be real dialogue to have status of exempt properties revised. Mr. Kumor suggested communicating with the environmental community to sell plots of exempt land to owners who would pay a "tax" to compensate for loss of revenue. He also stated the real industry in Maurice River Township is now the Prison and a stronger effort needs to be made to seek that money.

Mr. Sarclette made a motion to close the second public comment session 8:40 PM, seconded by Mr. Langley.

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

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

Linda L. Costello, Acting Municipal Clerk

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 139-2012

**A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AWARD OF CONTRACT
FOR THE 2011 STATE AID PAVING OF
CARLISLE PLACE ROAD PHASE 4,
MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Township of Maurice River, has advertised for bids for the paving of Carlisle Place Road, Phase 4, located in Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey, pursuant to a fair and open contract; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee received four (4) bids at the Township Committee meeting of September 27, 2012 and all bid documents have been reviewed by the Township Solicitor and Township Engineer; a determination has been made that the lowest responsible bidder is Jerry & Sons Excavating, Inc. with an address at 5981 Scranton Avenue, Mays Landing, New Jersey 08330 with a bid of ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT DOLLARS and TEN CENTS (\$140,748.10).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township, that award of the 2011 State Aid Paving of Carlisle Place Road, Phase 4, located in Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Jerry & Sons Excavating, Inc. with an address at 5981 Scranton Avenue,

Mays Landing, New Jersey 08330, subject to approval and acceptance by the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

Said award to Jerry & Sons Excavating, Inc. shall be for the sum of ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT DOLLARS and TEN CENTS (\$140,748.10), for the base bid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk of the Township of Maurice River are hereby directed to sign the New Jersey Department of Transportation, Division of Local Aid and Economic Development Recommendation of Award (State Aid Project) agreement with Jerry & Sons Excavating, Inc. for the 2011 State Aid Paving of Carlisle Place Road, Phase 4, located in Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey, subject to acceptance by the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby directed to sign for and on behalf of the Township Committee the contract with Jerry & Sons Excavating, Inc. in the described form for said construction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to seal said contract with the corporate seal of the Township Committee and attest to the same.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

RESOLUTION NO. 140-2012

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT TO THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE CHANGE FUND FOR TAX CLERK NO. 2

WHEREAS, there were deposits of tax receipts made in the Maurice River Township Current Fund; and

WHEREAS, the cash receipts entered were in excess of the actual cash receipts and were as follows:

DATE OF RECEIPT	ACTUAL CASH RECEIVED	AMOUNT DEPOSITED	DIFFERENCE
9/13/2012	\$ 1,087.93	\$ 1,088.00	\$.07
9/20/2012	6,748.39	6,750.00	1.61

WHEREAS, the total excess deposited is \$ 1.68 which created a shortage in the Tax Collector's Office Change Fund for Tax Clerk No. 2 of \$ 1.68;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Municipal Finance Officer be hereby authorized to reimbursement the Tax Collector's Office - Change Fund for Tax Clerk No. 2 the amount of \$ 1.68 which is deemed due and owing.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 141-2012

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSIGNMENT OF TOWNSHIP HELD TAX SALE CERTIFICATE # 12-00039 AT PRIVATE SALE TO AGR BUILDERS LLC

WHEREAS, Rick Spackman of AGR Builders LLC. has requested the Township Committee assign the following tax sale certificate at private sale to AGR Builders LLC, and

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:5-112 and 5-113 allow the assignment of tax sale certificates currently held by the Township to third party investors at private sale which include the full amount of the certificate plus subsequent liens and interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that the following tax sale certificate be assigned to AGR Builders LLC, 912 Queen St., Cape May, NJ 08204 at private sale for the amount indicated at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of Maurice River Township to be held on November 15, 2012 at 7:30 PM.

Owner	Block/Lot	Tax Lien #		
Ruth Crum & E M Fyan	300/3	12-00039	Amount of Certificate	1004.97
			Interest	31.15
			2012 Tax	1780.00
			Interest	<u>91.46</u>
			Amount of Assignment	\$1,871.46

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 142-2012

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEVYING OF FEES FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CONDUCTED BY THE TOWNSHIP AGAINST BLOCK 241 LOT 14, 2 WATER STREET, ASSESSED TO PAUL MCGINTY TRUST.

WHEREAS, Maurice River Township Resolution #104-2012 authorized clean up and assessment of Township expenses for violations cited by the Township Housing Officer, against Block 241, Lot14, 2 Water Street, Bricksboro, assessed to Paul McGinty Trust, and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGinty had failed to correct the cited violations within the stipulated timeframe as noted in correspondence to Mr. McGinty from the Housing Officer, and

WHEREAS, the Township Road Department has mowed, trimmed, and weed whacked said property and removed garbage and construction debris from the property in order to circumvent potential health problems, expending sixty-three (63) man/equipment hours at a rate of \$75.00 per man/equipment hour equaling \$4,725.00, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Maurice River incurred disposal fees in the amount of \$1,758.08.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that a maintenance lien in the amount of \$6,483.08 be placed against Block 241, Lot 14 assessed to Paul McGinty Trust for the clean-up of said property, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if said maintenance lien is not paid within thirty (30) days, the amount of \$6,483.08 will become a lien on the property and will be enforced through inclusion of Block 241, Lot 14 in a future tax sale for unpaid taxes and levies by the Township.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

Resolution No. 143-2012

C. ASSESSMENT CORRECTION DUE TO ACREAGE ERROR

D. Block 296 Lot 47

WHEREAS, the 2011 and 2012 Tax Assessment Lists reflect an incorrect land description of 47 acres on Block 296 Lot 47 assessed to Stephen & Patricia Ann Novakowski. This error causes the tax assessment and tax amounts for each year to be incorrect also.

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor wishes to correct the acreage and assessment for the 2011 and 2012 tax years.

FURTHERMORE, the Tax Collector wishes to correct the tax amounts for the 2011 and 2012 tax years based on these corrections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township that the following changes be made:

Block 296, Lot 47

2011 TAX LIST				
AC	Land Assess	Imp Assess	Total Assess	2011 Taxes
47	\$95,000	\$151,000	\$246,000	\$5,676.14

CORRECTED 2011				
AC	Land Assess	Imp Assess	Total Assess	2011 Taxes
5.9	\$52,400	\$151,000	\$203,400	\$4,832.78

2012 TAX LIST				
AC	Land Assess	Imp Assess	Total Assess	2012 Taxes
47	\$95,000	\$151,000	\$246,000	\$5,978.72

CORRECTED 2012				
AC	Land Assess	Imp Assess	Total Assess	2012 Taxes
5.9	\$52,400	\$151,000	\$203,400	\$5,082.97

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

Resolution No. 144-2012

**CANCELS TAXES and LIEN BALANCES ON PROPERTIES
ACQUIRED BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the property listed below was acquired by Maurice River Township and by virtue of ownership, has attained tax exempt status.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township that the 2012 taxes and tax lien balances in the amounts indicated, be hereby cancelled.

BLK	LOTS	HOW ACQUIRED	DEED BK/PG	DEED DATE	PRIOR OWNER	TOTAL ASSESS	LIEN #	LIEN BAL to be CANCELLED	2012 TAXES to be CANCELLED	FIRE DIST
263	38.35	Quitclaim	4092/4301	5/3/12	Chapman	\$300	90-52	\$ 809.00	\$ 7.50	F01

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 145-2012

**A RESOLUTION PERMANENTLY APPOINTING RONALD L. SUTTON JR. TO THE
CLASSIFIED POSITION OF MUNICIPAL COURT ATTENDANT WITH THE
MUNICIPAL COURT OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Maurice River Township previously approved Resolution No. 96-2011 appointing Ronald L. Sutton Jr. as a municipal court attendant, a classified N.J. Civil Service Commission position, and

WHEREAS, Ronald L. Sutton Jr. has satisfactorily completed the required probationary period, the Township Committee of Maurice River Township wishes to designate this prior appointment as a permanent appointment pursuant to and in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the New Jersey Department of Personnel and to make said appointment effective October 18, 2012, and;

WHEREAS, Ronald L. Sutton Jr. desires to be appointed to said position as a permanent appointee; 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:

- (a) Ronald L. Sutton Jr. is hereby permanently appointed as a municipal court attendant, a classified N.J. Civil Service Commission position, effective October 18, 2012; and
- (b) Said individual shall be compensated at an hourly rate of \$16.00 to be paid in semimonthly pay periods and providing for a minimum of three-hours per court session; and
- (c) Said hire is in conformance with the certification of eligibles list promulgated by the N.J. Civil Service Commission #OL121268 dated September 26, 2012.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION NO. 146-2012**

**A RESOLUTION PROVISIONALLY APPOINTING JOHN GARTON
AS THE FIRE OFFICIAL OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Maurice River Township has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to provisionally appoint John Garton as the Fire Official of Maurice River Township; 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) Linda L. Costello, as the designated appointing authority of the Township, may employ and hire John Garton as the part-time (as needed) Fire Official of Maurice River Township to commence effective October 22, 2012;

(2) Said individual shall be compensated at a pro-rated salary of \$2,964.00 for calendar year 2012;

(3) Said individual is subject to a criminal background check including fingerprinting through the New Jersey State Bureau of Identification;

(4) Said individuals shall not be governed by the terms and conditions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township and its Collective Bargaining;

(5) This hire is not in conformance with the Township's Residency Ordinance;

(6) This hire is subject to approval by the Director of the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 147-2012

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH HARPER EWING AS MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, Harper Ewing is the full time Municipal Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the current employment agreement between Maurice River Township and Harper Ewing expires October 11, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Maurice River Township has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to extend said employment contract.

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

1. The employment contract of Harper Ewing is hereby extended for a period of two (2) years from October 12, 2012 through October 11, 2014.

2. Harper Ewing shall be compensated at an annual salary of THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$33,800.00). Said salary being unchanged from the current contract.

3. Said compensation shall be paid in semi-monthly payments for twenty-six (26) pay periods.

4. Said employee shall be eligible for those benefits provided to full time employees of the Township and subject to the provisions of the written contract between Maurice River Township and Harper Ewing.



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**Township of Maurice River
Engineer's Report
October 18, 2012**

Item	Project Name	Project Number	Status	Budget
1	East Point Shoreline Erosion Control Project	MR11007	Construction anticipated to begin 1 st week of November. 3-6 weeks of construction after contractor mobilization.	\$86,372.72
2	Thompson Beach Restoration	MR11008	NJDEP awarded project to Wickberg Marine for a contract price of \$297,416. Pre-construction meeting is to be scheduled for week of 10/22. Additional \$300,000 available for extra work on the project. DEP has asked if additional rubble is desired to be removed from the beach.	
3	Thompson Beach Dredging	MR11008	Presentation from PSE&G to the Committee concerning dredging success pending.	
4	Carlisle Place Road – Phase 4	MR11009	Pending NJDOT authorization. Project forms submitted to NJDOT for approval. Anticipate construction to begin in October.	\$170,000 Grant
5	Matts Landing Bike Path Grant Application	MR11037	DA has requested meeting with NJDOT to discuss revision to project scope and possible extension of timeline based on dike reconstruction. Dike reconstruction to be part of Thompsons Beach contract.	\$190,000 Grant
6	Public Works Storage Shed	MR11041	Design sketch prepared for siting of new material storage building at Public Works yard.	
7	Green Acres Trails Program	MR11132	Awaiting completion of feasibility study for Port Elizabeth spur of MRT Trail. Trail length approximately 1.7 miles from Rt. 670 to Weatherby Road on Port-Cumberland Road.	
8	NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant	MR12001	NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant applications for roadway improvements to Estell Manor Road and River Road submitted via NJDOT's SAGE program on 10/8/12.	
9	MRT Bikeways Signage Grant	MR11132	\$11,457 grant from Green Acres Recreational Trails program for trail signage. Sign locations determined. DA pursuing quote from local contractor for way-finding installation..	
10	Fuel Tanks	MR11010	Design sketch attached for siting of new fuel tanks at Public Works yard.	

11	MRT Roadway Inventory	MR11001	Roadway inventory approximately 10% complete. Evaluation on-going.	
12	FEMA Letter of Intent	MR12001	Letter of Intent to pursue FEMA funding for River Road submitted on 1/27/11.	
13	River Road Outfall/Newell Road Flooding	MR12001	Lomax report prepared evaluating environmental considerations for improvements in this area. Culvert replacement on Newell Road required. DA exploring possibility of FEMA funding for roadway reconstruction.	
14	MRT 911 Fire District Map	MR12017	911 addresses being reviewed prior to map completion.	\$3,000
15	Schooner Landing Road Dead End	MR12001	Request for Dead End sign still pending with NJDOT	
16	Playground Shade Structure	MR12001	OSK Architects authorized for design of shade structure. Public Works to construct.	\$500.00
17	Waterfront Access Plan	MR12001	Township has identified 20 sites for access to tidal waters. Matrix to be prepared regarding functionality (i.e. – boat ramp, fishing, wildlife viewing, etc.). Plan to be adopted by Land Use Board. Application to Sustainable Jersey to fund plan. Work is being coordinated by Township Planner.	
18	ATV Park	MR12018	Township to submit 3 alternatives to Pinelands for ATV Park siting. Meeting TBD.	
19	Hands Mill Road Playground	MR12001	County has indicated that “Children at Play” signs will be installed by playground.	