

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC AGENDA
Thursday, September 18, 2014 – 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 Sarclette.

Roll Call

A. Approval of Minutes of prior meetings.

B. Presentations

1. N.J.S.P.
2. Cumberland County Sheriff's Dept.

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

D. Ordinances

1. Second reading by title, Ordinance 633, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER AMENDING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR BLOCK 230, LOT 30 KNOWN AS THE SAPELLO FOUNDRY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN.
2. First ready by title, Ordinance 634, AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AMENDING § 7-13 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER, PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS

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Other Resolutions

E. Township Committee Reports

F. Professional Reports

Engineer

Solicitor

OLD BUSINESS

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3. Annual Light House Challenge to be held October 18th and 19th. East Point Light House will be open for tours.
4. Disability Awareness Day will be held Sat., 10/18/14, 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at Cumberland County College and is sponsored by Cumberland County Disabled Advisory Council. Registration is required.
5. Last day to register to vote for the 2014 General Election is October 14, 2014.

H. Correspondence

1. Deerfield Township Resolution 14-118 Opposing Senate Bill S-1801 and Assembly Bills A-2621 and A-2495, Seeking To Authorize County Government To Create County Tax Assessment While Abolishing Tax Assessment At A Local Municipal Level.
2. NJDEP letter dated August 21, 2014 denying Maurice River Township's Municipal Public Access Planning and Municipal Coastal Vulnerability Assessment Report Grant.
3. NJ Transit Public Hearing Notice received September 2, 2014. Public hearings are being conducted to gather information and receive comments from interested parties concerning programs developed pursuant to the Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Act.
4. Notice of Public Hearing and filing by Atlantic City Electric notice dated September 2, 2014 of proposed recovery through its Basic generation service charges of costs resulting from statewide auction for basic generation service.
5. Cumberland County Board of Chosen Freeholders Resolution 2014-391 Supporting Senate Bill S1370 and Assembly Bill A1786; State songs.

6. Emergency Street Opening for Gas Repair in Port Elizabeth, 238' S cl on Fox Street and 7' W cl of Second Street. *Application & fees pending.*

NEW BUSINESS

I. Correspondence

1. 2014 Pine Barrens 500 letter dated August 28, 2014 requesting permission for the Pine Barrens 500, which takes place November 14 through the 16th to pass through the municipality.
2. Luanne Fisher submitted a Facility Use Request form dated August 27, 2014. The Request is to change the yoga classes, which are currently held on Monday nights, to Wednesday nights from 5:45 pm to 7:15 pm beginning on October 8, 2014.
3. USDA letter dated August 19, 2014 stating approval of SEARCH grant for Port Elizabeth in the amount of \$30,000.
4. USDA letter dated August 29, 2014 stating approval of SEARCH grant for Leesburg and Dorchester area in the amount of \$30,000.
5. NJDOT letter dated August 11, 2014 regarding the acceptance of NJDOT 2015 State Aid program.
6. Donald Boyd Application for Certificate of Registration dated 9/4/14 at the Veteran's Vending Park. NJDEP has issued a Special Permit to Mr. Boyd covering from September 5, 2014 until October 15, 2014.
7. Copy of Waterfront Development Permit Application by Urban Engineers on behalf of Dorchester Shipyard for floating drydock.
8. Letter from Cyndy Hetzell, Cumberland County 4-H requesting to participate in the Clean Communities Roadside Program on 11/8/14.
9. Municipal Alliance submitted a Facility Use Request" for use of Leechester Hall on October 10, 2014 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Co-sponsored event with PTA and Recreation for a MRTES student dance grades 4th through 8th.

J. Other New Business

REPORTS

Treasurers Report – Receipts August 2014 \$2,065,697.48

Road Dept. Report August 2014

Ron's Animal Control Monthly Reports August 2014

PAYMENT OF BILLS

SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Thursday, September 18, 2014 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Andrew Sarclette, Mayor
Patricia Gross, Deputy Mayor
Kathy Ireland, Committeewoman
Frank DiDomenico, Solicitor
Cormac Morrissey, Engineer
Linda L. Costello, Acting Municipal Clerk

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

Mayor Sarclette called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

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

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to approve the minutes of prior meetings, seconded by Mrs. Gross.
Roll Call: Ayes –Ireland, Gross, Sarclette Nays – None

Presentations - None

First Public Comments Session

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the first public comment session at 7:40 PM, seconded by Mrs. Gross.

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

Paul Bijacsko of 7 Bay Avenue, Cathy Paton of 7 Bay Avenue, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Nelson of 75 Bay Avenue, and Howard Langley of 81 Bay Avenue, East Point complained about the condition of Bay Avenue and inappropriate use of the road and the waterfront area by the public. A pail of metal, rebar and wire picked up on Bay Avenue from the repressed concrete was presented by Cathy Paton. She stated the metals are causing flat tires and more metal surfaces after every rain storm. The group also noted the concrete is dusty, not good for breathing and infiltrates their homes. Mr. Sarclette acknowledged the crushed concrete can cause a problem but the clam shells wash away with every high tide. Ms. Paton stated the concrete should just be used as a base then paved on the surface. Mr. Bijacsko stated the bulkhead is working well and the area doesn't flood as often. Mr. Nelson stated there is no way to control the speed on Bay Avenue. People travel the road at 30 to 35 mph and clouds of dust get inside their house.

Mr. Sarclette advised Bay Avenue is a public road paid for with public funds and we cannot prevent public use. Mr. DiDomenico advised installation of speed bumps would require NJDOT approval.

Ms. Paton also complained that people trespass on private property to collect sea glass noting they walk thru private yards with a pick ax and take the glass. She stated the bulkheads are being undermined and have gotten worse since (Hurricane) Sandi. Mr. Sarclette asked if the trespassers are repetitive, noting they are stealing public property which the township has put there for shore protection. He suggested getting tag numbers so violators may be prosecuted. Mr. Langley advised out of state people are taking red brick.

Mr. Bijacsko asked if speed limit signs can be posted. Mr. Morrissey thought this was already approved and will check into it. Mr. Bijacsko stated there is no cul-de-sac at the end of the road and people should actually be backing out the road. He noted Mr. Mosier had given an easement for township trucks and the trash hauler to turn around. Mr. Bijacsko stated Howard Langley owns lots on both side of Bay Avenue at the end. Mr. Sarclette noted that the Township Road Department had put in a parking area at the end of Bay Avenue.

Mr. Bijacsko asked if the residents agree to maintain the road can they own it and gate it off. Mr. Sarclette advised legalities would need to be checked into.

Mr. Morrissey suggested fencing and signage for private property.

Mr. Sarclette stated he will look into the steel, dust and speed limit signage. He suggested getting tag numbers of individuals stealing township property.

Ms. Paton asked if there is a time limit at the public parking area stating people party and park there with motorhomes. Mr. Bijacsko stated Fortesque has a curfew.

Jim Yondura of Leesburg asked if a cost in return on redevelopment has been studied regarding the town of Leesburg. Mr. Sarclette advised the redevelopment study approved is to investigate the area for redevelopment potential and the Land Use Board will be doing the review. Mr. DiDomenico advised a cost in return on development is not part of the criteria for redevelopment planning. Mr. Sarclette stated the goal is to utilize a viable property.

Mr. Yondura stated NJDEP is advising marina owners at Matts Landing they cannot sell properties when they retire and asked if the Township is working to keep the marina area alive. Mr. Sarclette responded the properties at Matts Landing have always been in a lease agreement and the Township is working to negotiate with NJDEP.

Mr. Yondura commented that he does not want to see traffic increased thru town and does not believe the people that the Township wishes to attract to the area will bring a lot of revenue. He also commented that Leesburg and Heislerville are not places to bring business and thinks businesses should be kept out on Route 47. Mr. Sarclette advised redevelopment planning is in the preliminary stages and the planner is working under a grant to look into what can be done economically to make businesses more viable.

Mr. Sarclette clarified the SEARCH grants are to investigate wastewater treatment in the five communities due to new NJDEP rulings regarding septic systems to see if it is feasible to make a small wastewater treatment center in the villages.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the first public comment session at 8:20 PM, seconded by Mrs. Gross.

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

Ordinances

The Acting Clerk gave second reading by title of Ordinance #633, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER AMENDING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR BLOCK 230, LOT 30 KNOWN AS THE SAPELLO FOUNDRY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the public hearing for Ordinance #633, seconded by Mrs. Gross.

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

There being no public comment, Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance #633, seconded by Mrs. Gross.

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

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adopt Ordinance #633, seconded by Mrs. Gross.

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

The Acting Clerk gave first reading by title of Ordinance #634, AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AMENDING § 7-13 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER, PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adopt Ordinance #634 on first reading and set the public hearing to be held October 16, 2014 at 7:30 P.M. Motion seconded by Mrs. Gross.

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

Consent Agenda Resolutions

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Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adopt Resolutions #119-2014 through #127-2014 as contained in the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes –Ireland, Gross, Sarclette

Nays – None

Township Committee Reports

Mrs. Gross reported a Veteran's vending area has been established through a one-year lease agreement with NJDEP with space for seven vendors. She noted split rail fence will be installed and she is working on getting signage. Mrs. Gross stated NJDEP has been very cooperative and the Veterans are very appreciative.

Professional Reports

Engineer

Cormac Morrissey of Dixon Engineering reported on the engineering projects listed below. See end of minutes for a synopsis of Mr. Morrissey's report.

1. Estell Manor Road - NJDOT Grant, Projected start date is October 6th.
2. Schooner Landing Road Dead End
3. MRT Flood Control

4. Marina Signage at Route 47/Mackey's Lane
5. MacDonald & Cannon Range Curve
6. MRT School Drive Ponding – Scheduled for next week.
7. Public Works Utility Poles – Still getting quotes.
8. Bike path Grant – Preparing resolution for adoption in October re: Alternate route.
9. Leechester Hall Drainage
10. 2015 NJDOT State Aid Program – Grant applications will be filed through SAGE.

Mr. Morrissey advised he anticipates the Township will receive an analysis of the reimbursement due from the East Point project by mid-October and payment by December.

Solicitor

Mr. DiDomenico reported on the following items:

1. Left a messages for Mr. Belland regarding status of Council #18 Contract but has not received a reply.
2. Ordered lien searches and last known owners for 14 Ward Avenue and 6 Oak Hill Road.
3. Demolition hearing on 53 Hands Mill Road has been postponed. Mr. Sarclette asked if there is something that can be done as an emergency situation. Mr. DiDomenico advised the property must be an eminent danger and public hazard, which probably is not the case.
4. Regarding 5 Station Road he communicated with the bankruptcy attorney who advised he was not aware of the status of the property. Mr. Sarclette asked Mr. DiDomenico to do a title search.

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Atlantic City Electric	2,058.64
Actlien US Bank Cust-Actlien Holding	9,766.46
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AFLAC	358.54
B W Stetson Co.	22.00
B W Stetson Co.	29.00
Barry L. Creamer	463.95
Buonadonna & Benson, P.C.	154.00
Brittney Adams	54.33
Brittney Adams	54.33
Barbara D. Sutton	125.00
Comcast Cable	241.90
Comcast Cable	475.16
CM3 Building Solutions	110.12
CM3 Building Solutions	606.00
Caprioni Portable Toilets Inc.	150.00
C.C.I.A.	955.00
C and S Signs	5,925.00
C and S Signs	1,450.00
Cumberland Development Corp.	1,675.00
David B. Gates, Inc.	6,000.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	500.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	842.50
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC.	540.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC.	248.25
Daley's Pit	630.00
Denise L. Peterson	23.68
DocuVault Delaware Valley, LLC.	585.00
EarthTech Contracting, Inc.	6,513.06
EarthTech Contracting, Inc.	16,457.98
J.C. Ehrlich Co., Inc.	83.50
Edward F. Duffy, Esquire	992.22
Enforsys, Inc.	651.00
Frank DiDomenico	55.00
Frank DiDomenico	991.25
Frank DiDomenico	759.00
Garden State Highway Products	547.20
Garden State Highway Products	56.00
Gordon L. Gross	22.13
Gordon L. Gross	24.68
H.A. Dehart & Son	525.93
Health Mats Co.	77.05
Joseph T. Kenney	600.00
Kathryn L. Karrer	163.74
Kaeser and Blair, Inc.	1,308.89
Laurel Lawnmower Service Inc.	309.01
Maurice River Township BOE	161.48
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Maurice River Township BOE	232,945.00
Major Petroleum Industries	27.35
Mary C. Hagemann	133.32
New Jersey SHBP	9,480.04
New Jersey SHBP	12,381.47
NJ State Dept of Health & SR	7.80
New Jersey Casualty Insurance	1,332.36
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New York Life Insurance Company	196.24

New Jersey State League of	21.00
NJ Civil Service	480.00
Pogue, Inc.	290.00
Power of Production Studio	100.00
PennJersey Machinery LLC.	358.43
PennJersey Machinery LLC.	803.72
Prudential	67.07
Port Elizabeth Public Library	1,700.00
Quantum Electric	100.00
Quantum Electric	90.00
Quantum Electric	90.00
Quantum Electric	155.00
QC Laboratories	152.50
Riggins Inc.	939.54
Ricoh Americas Corp.	35.86
Richland Flooring, Inc.	1,105.81
Rufus and Marian Molette	406.00
Ron's Animal Shelter	300.00
Ronald L. Sutton, Sr.	950.00
South Jersey Gas Company	23.81
South Jersey Gas Company	31.82
South Jersey Gas Company	89.28
South Jersey Media Group	193.44
South Jersey Media Group	13.68
Staples Advantage	47.57
Staples Advantage	696.52
Selective Insurance Co.	2,425.00
Selective Insurance Co.	4,085.00
Selective Insurance Co.	4,085.00
Selective Insurance Co.	2,425.00
Shawn Ronan	48.90
T&F Camera Shop, Inc.	699.00
Tri-County Sportsmen	30.64
Tri City Paper Co.	471.15
Tri City Paper Co.	106.55
The Home Depot	945.36
Universal Computing Services	377.25
US Bank Cust/Sass Muni VI dtr	57,748.45
US Bank Cust/Pro Cap II, LLC	3,921.34
US Bank Cust/Pro Cap II, LLC	4,816.64
US Bank Cust/Pro Cap II, LLC	1,500.00
US Bank Custodian, Empire VI	2,719.62
US Bank Custodian, Empire VI	2,900.00
Verizon Wireless	407.45
Verizon	33.32
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	467.36
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	1,471.36
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	623.75
Western Pest Services	170.00

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

Second Public Comment Session

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to open the second public comment session at 8:42 P.M., seconded by Mrs. Gross.

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

Roy Oliver of Dorchester stated he has been reading a topic in the press regarding curfew laws on the books which have been found unconstitutional. He noted Egg Harbor Township and Buena Vista Township are rescinding their curfew ordinances. He suggests Maurice River Township review existing curfew regulations and consider rescinding. Mr. Oliver said the gist revolves around anticipation of doing wrong. Mr. Sarclette commented that he thinks people have to be out of their vehicle and questioned if it can be pursued if it is a designated park with permitted uses posted during certain hours. Mr. DiDomenico will do research.

Ben Stowman of Delmont asked if the ordinance covering no parking on Schooner Landing Road is the entire length of the road or just from Route 55 to the cul-de-sac. Mr. DiDomenico responded that it is drafted as the entire length of Schooner Landing Road, noting the ordinance may be amended if the intent is for a particular section.

Mike Froelich of Hall Road in Dorchester stated he has concerns regarding dead trees hanging over Leesburg Belleplain Road going out to the Carlisle fields. Mr. Sarclette advised he will be meeting with the County Road Dept. Supervisor and there are trees in a couple other areas which are also of concern.

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to close the public comment session at 8:50 P.M., seconded by Mrs. Gross.

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

Mrs. Ireland made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Linda L. Costello, Acting Municipal Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

ORDINANCE 633

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER AMENDING
THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR BLOCK 230, LOT 30 KNOWN AS THE
SAPELLO FOUNDRY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN.**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee, Township of Maurice River, New Jersey by Resolution, adopted September 19, 2013 did determine that referenced properties (the "Area") are determined to be an area in need of redevelopment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e); and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board, Township of Maurice River, New Jersey has considered and did approve by Resolution 2014-04 on March 5, 2014 a Redevelopment Plan for the Sapello Foundry dated February 19, 2014 (the "Redevelopment Plan") in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e); and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Maurice River, New Jersey adopted Ordinance 629 implementing the Redevelopment Plan on March 20, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Plan was sent to the Pinelands Commission for certification and recommendations relating to the permitted uses were requested for inclusion in the Redevelopment Plan by the Pinelands Commission before the plan would be certified; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board, Township of Maurice River, New Jersey has

considered and did approve by Resolution on September 3, 2014 a copy of which is annexed hereto, an amended Redevelopment Plan for the Sapello Foundry dated February 19, 2014 and amended August 21, 2014 (the "Redevelopment Plan") in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e).

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP
COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER, NEW JERSEY
THAT:**

Section 1. It is hereby found and determined that the amended Redevelopment Plan conforms to the Master Plan of the Township of Maurice River.

Section 2. It is hereby found and determined that the amended Redevelopment Plan gives due consideration to the provision of appropriate allowable uses of the Areas as is desirable for improvement, with special consideration for the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Areas and the Township of Maurice River.

Section 3. It is hereby found and determined that the amended Redevelopment Plan will afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the locality as a whole, for the redevelopment of the area.

Section 4. The amended Redevelopment Plan for the Area, having been duly reviewed and considered, is hereby approved, and the Township Clerk is hereby directed to file a copy of the Redevelopment Plan with the minutes of this meeting.

Section 7. All ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 8. To the extent that any part or parts of this Ordinance are repealed or otherwise modified or voided by State statute or case law, the remaining portions or sections of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. If any section, sentence or any part of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of the Ordinance, but shall be confined in its effect to the section, sentence or other part of this Ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which judgment shall have been rendered.

Section 10. That this Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Governing Body for the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, that a certified copy of this ordinance is forwarded to the Pinelands Commission for certification.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed the first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, held on August 21,

2014 at 7:30 pm, and said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing to be held at the Municipal Building located at 590 Main Street, Leesburg, NJ 08327, on September 18, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 119-2014

**A RESOLUTION REMOVING INACTIVE MEMBERS TO THE
MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Maurice River Township wishes to remove inactive members of the Maurice River Township Municipal Alliance Committee, and

WHEREAS, the following appointments are in addition to the appointments to the respective committees as authorized by Maurice River Township Resolution #01-2014 adopted January 2, 2014, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP
COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that the following volunteers be removed from the Maurice River Township Municipal Alliance Committee due to inactivity.

Municipal Alliance

Steven Hagemann

William Eller

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 120-2014

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL A-366 AND
SENATE BILL S-1713 LEGISLATION TO PROTECT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY
TAXPAYERS FROM THE LOSS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS TAX SUPPORT**

WHEREAS, in 1997, at the request of incumbent utilities, the laws regarding State taxation of telecommunications corporations were amended in response to technological and market innovations, in order to increase competition; and

WHEREAS, the amendments sought to preserve revenues to local governments by providing that local exchange telephone companies subject to the New Jersey Franchise and Gross Receipts Tax on April 1, 1997 would continue to be subject, annually, to the Business Personal Property Tax (“BPPT”); and

WHEREAS, the statute defines local exchange companies as those telecommunications carriers “providing dial tone and access to 51% of a local telephone exchange”; and

WHEREAS, Verizon’s self-serving interpretation of the statutory definition has led it to claim exemption from the BPPT in any municipality where the corporation unilaterally determines, in any given year, that it no longer supplies dial tone and access to at least 51% of the local telephone exchanges; and

WHEREAS, Hopewell Borough’s challenge to that claim was upheld by the Mercer County Board of Taxation in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Verizon’s appeal of that determination to the Tax Court resulted in a June, 2012 trial court decision accepting the corporation’s self-serving interpretation of the law; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill A-366 and Senate Bill S-1713 have been introduced by Assemblyman Ralph Caputo and Senator Bob Smith to protect taxpayers, and to provide clear direction to the courts regarding the legislature’s intent when the laws regarding State taxation of telecommunications providers were reformed in 1997; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of Maurice River Township commends Assemblyman Caputo and Senator Smith and strongly supports A-366 and S-1713, which would clearly identify the telecommunications carriers subject to taxation on their business personal property and remove the budget uncertainty caused by Verizon’s obfuscation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge our State Senator and our representatives in the General Assembly to join as co-sponsors of A-366 and S-1713; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Governor Chris Christie, the Honorable Speaker of the General Assembly Vincent Prieto, the Honorable President of the State Senate Stephen M. Sweeney, the Honorable Assembly Republican Leader Jon Bramnick, the Honorable Senate Republican Leader Thomas H. Kean, Jr., Senator Jeff Van Drew, Assemblyman Robert Andrzejczak and Assemblyman Samuel Fiocchi, and to the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 121-2014

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACTING COURT SECURITY
PERSONNEL**

WHEREAS, the Township of Maurice River presently employs Ronald Sutton Jr. as its local Municipal Court Attendant and William Sutton acts as the Municipal Court Attendant in Ronald Sutton's absence, and

WHEREAS, there are times that Ronald Sutton Jr. and William Sutton are unavailable due to vacation, sick time or other valid reasons, and

WHEREAS, Shawn Ronan is available to fill in for Ronald Sutton Jr. and William Sutton, on an as-needed basis as the Court Security Personnel for the Municipal Court of Maurice River, and

WHEREAS, Shawn Ronan holds this position in the Township of Commercial and is willing to perform the service on an as-needed basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that in the event the Maurice River Township Municipal Court Attendant is unavailable to perform his duties and responsibilities due to any of the above listed reasons, Shawn Ronan shall be authorized to perform such duties in the absence of the aforementioned official. This authorization shall be valid as long as Shawn Ronan holds all the appropriate credentials required to perform the duties of court security, or until such time as this authorization is withdrawn by appropriate resolution.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 122-2014

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT OF ERIC K. WOOD ON A
TEMPORARY/SEASONAL BASIS.**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Maurice River Township had adopted Township Resolution #118-2014 determining the need to hire a full-time employee on a temporary/seasonal or full-time basis to perform routine maintenance and chores related to township property and/or duties consistent with civil service job spec code #02248 titled Laborer 1, and

WHEREAS, Eric K. Wood was interviewed for the position of temporary/seasonal building service worker/groundskeeper on August 27, 2014, 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 Eric K. Wood to the position of temporary/seasonal building service worker/groundskeeper effective September 15, 2014;
- (2) Said individual shall be hired on a full-time basis working forty (40) hours per week;
- (3) Said individual shall be compensated at a rate of \$11.00 per hour;
- (4) As a full-time seasonal or temporary employee, said individual shall not be governed by the terms and conditions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township and its Collective Bargaining Unit;
- (5) Said individual is subject to a criminal background check including fingerprinting through the New Jersey State Bureau of Identification;
- (6) This hire is in conformance with the Township's Residency Ordinance.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 123-2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEVYING OF FEES FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CONDUCTED BY THE TOWNSHIP FOR VIOLATIONS AGAINST PROPERTY AT 49 HIGH STREET, LEESUBRG.

WHEREAS, the following property had been cited by the Township Housing Officer, Gordon Gross for violations of the Property Maintenance Code and deemed an unsafe structure, and

WHEREAS, Maurice River Township Resolution #91-2014 authorized demolition and property maintenance cleanup of Block 290, Lot 9 assessed to Katherine Murphy, and

WHEREAS, the Township Road Department has demolished and removed the unsafe structure and removed trash and debris from said property in order to circumvent potential

health and safety problems and curtail vandalism, expending man/equipment hours in the process to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that a maintenance lien in the amounts listed below be placed against the respective block/lot for the demolition and cleanup of said property at a rate of \$75.00 per man/equipment hour, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township reserves the right to assess additional costs and charges associated with disposal of debris and additional property maintenance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all vested and interested parties shall be notified of the assessment of a maintenance lien due to the authorized property maintenance of said properties and if said maintenance lien is not paid within thirty (30) days the amount(s) reflected below will become a lien on the property which will be enforced through inclusion in a future tax sale for unpaid taxes and levies by the Township.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Owner of Record</u>	<u>Time Expended</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Block 290, Lot 9	49 High Street	Katherine Murphy	34.0 man/equipment hours	\$2,550.00
Total				\$2,550.00

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 124-2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEVYING OF FEES FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CONDUCTED BY THE TOWNSHIP FOR VIOLATIONS AGAINST PROPERTY AT 14 WARD AVENUE, LEESBURG.

WHEREAS, the following property had been cited by the Township Housing Officer, Gordon Gross for violations of the Property Maintenance Code, and

WHEREAS, Maurice River Township Resolution #116-2014 authorized property

maintenance cleanup of Block 286, Lot 7 assessed to Jacqueline Blaydes, and

WHEREAS, the Township Road Department has mowed and cleaned up the property in order to circumvent potential health and safety problems, expending man/equipment hours in the process to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that a maintenance lien in the amounts listed below be placed against the respective block/lot for the cleanup of said property at a rate of \$75.00 per man/equipment hour, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township reserves the right to assess additional costs and charges associated with disposal of debris and additional property maintenance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all vested and interested parties shall be notified of the assessment of a maintenance lien due to the authorized property maintenance of said properties and if said maintenance lien is not paid within thirty (30) days the amount(s) reflected below will become a lien on the property which will be enforced through inclusion in a future tax sale for unpaid taxes and levies by the Township.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Owner of Record</u>	<u>Time Expended</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Block 286, Lot 7	14 Ward Avenue	Jacqueline Blaydes	12.0 man/equipment hours	\$900.00
Total				\$900.00

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 125-2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEVYING OF FEES FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CONDUCTED BY THE TOWNSHIP FOR VIOLATIONS AGAINST PROPERTY AT 3575 ROUTE 47, PORT ELIZABETH.

WHEREAS, the following property had been cited by the Township Housing Officer, Gordon Gross for violations of the Property Maintenance Code, and

WHEREAS, Maurice River Township Resolution #115-2014 authorized property maintenance cleanup of Block 229, Lot 1.01 assessed to Esther Puttergill, and

WHEREAS, the Township Road Department has mowed and cleaned up the property in order to circumvent potential health and safety problems, expending man/equipment hours in the process to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that a maintenance lien in the amounts listed below be placed against the respective block/lot for the cleanup of said property at a rate of \$75.00 per man/equipment hour, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township reserves the right to assess additional costs and charges associated with disposal of debris and additional property maintenance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all vested and interested parties shall be notified of the assessment of a maintenance lien due to the authorized property maintenance of said properties and if said maintenance lien is not paid within thirty (30) days the amount(s) reflected below will become a lien on the property which will be enforced through inclusion in a future tax sale for unpaid taxes and levies by the Township.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Owner of Record</u>	<u>Time Expended</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Block 229, Lot 1.01	3575 Route 47	Esther Puttergill	15.0 man/equipment hours	\$1,125.00
Total				\$1,125.00

Maurice River Township

Resolution No. 126-2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF ESTELL MANOR ROAD PROJECT- PHASE III.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Township of Maurice River formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2015 Maurice River Township-00253 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Maurice River.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Maurice River and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

My signature and the Clerk's seal serve to acknowledge the above resolution and constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement as authorized by the resolution above.

Maurice River Township

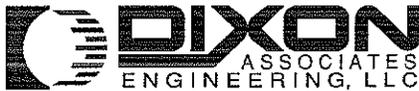
Resolution No. 127-2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF NEWELL ROAD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Township of Maurice River formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2015 Maurice River Township-00255 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Maurice River.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Maurice River and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.



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**Township of Maurice River
Engineer's Report
September 18, 2014**

Item	Project Name	Project Number	Status	Budget
1	Estell Manor Road - NJDOT Grant	MR11133	Construction scheduled to begin week of October 6 th .	
2	Schooner Landing Road Dead End	MR12001	No Parking Ordinance being amended to include Schooner Landing. DOT signage improvements pending.	
3	MRT Flood Control	MR12150	U.S. Army Corps is reviewing project for possible funding.	
4	Marina Signage at Route 47/Mackey's Lane	MR13001	DOT signage installation pending.	
5	MacDonald & Cannon Range Curve	MR13001	Engineer's Certification and municipal ordinance to be prepared for adoption at October Committee Meeting.	
6	MRT School Drive Ponding	MR14001	Utility mark-out complete. Hand auger evaluation to be coordinated with S.J. Gas.	
7	Public Works Utility Poles	MR14001	Quotes for utility work pending	
8	Bikepath Grant	MR11037	Resolution required for alternative bike route.	
9	Leechester Hall Drainage	MR14001	Survey of existing grades pending.	
10	2015 NJDOT State Aid Program	MR14001	Applications for improvement grants to be filed electronically by October 14 th . Support resolution adopted for remainder of Estell Manor Road & Newell Road.	