

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP
AGENDA**

Thursday, October 15, 2015 – 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 Department

C. Bids

1. Bids for the 2015 Road Reconstruction Project received October 14, 2015.
2. Bids for 2016-2017 Trash Contract received October 15, 2015.

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

E. Ordinances

1. **First reading by title Ordinance 643-** An Ordinance Authorizing Various Road Improvements And Reconstruction Of Roads By Maurice River Township In The County Of Cumberland, State Of New Jersey Appropriating \$1,505,000.00 Therefore And Authorizing The Issuance Of Bond And Bond Anticipation Notes In The Sum Of \$1,205,000.00 For Financing Part Of Such Appropriation.
2. **First reading by title Ordinance 644 -** An Ordinance Of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, Amending Ordinance 232, Chapter XIV, Property Maintenance, Brush, Weeds, Grass, Garbage And Debris And Repealing All Ordinances Previously Adopted The Provisions Of Which Are Inconsistent Herewith

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Engineer
Solicitor

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SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

BILL REVIEW

PAYMENT OF BILLS

ADJOURNMENT

Thursday, October 15, 2015 - 7:30 pm

PRESENT: Andrew Sarclette, Mayor
Patricia Gross, Deputy Mayor
J. Roy Oliver, Committeeman
Frank DiDomenico, Solicitor
Cormac Morrissey, Engineer
Denise L. Peterson, 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; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

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

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Gross made a motion to approve the minutes of prior meetings, seconded by Mrs. Oliver

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

Presentations

1. N.J.S.P.

Officer Doble from the New Jersey State Police provided the following report for September activity in Maurice River Township:

Calls for Service	288
Motor Vehicle Stops	163
Criminal Investigations	11 (4 were burglaries)
DUI	2

Officer Doble stated that the new signal light at Route 47 and Port Elizabeth Cumberland Road will be set to “blink” any day now. Officer Doble added that the busiest day in Maurice River Township is Wednesdays.

Officer Doble indicated that as a follow up to the speed drone a couple details were set up and the speeds were not seen that were detected by the speed drone. Mr. Sarclette stated the excessive speed was pinpointed and addressed. Mr. Sarclette expressed appreciation for the utilization of the drone.

Mrs. Gross thanked Trooper Doble for being available for the Town Watch program.

Mr. Sarclette inquired regarding the availability of the NJSP for mischief night. Officer Doble was not aware of the plans at this point and indicated that generally Laurel Lake is the “hotspot” for this night. He will review where problem areas have been in the past.

Mr. Sarclette advised the public that they could address any concerns or specific issues with Officer Doble.

Mr. & Mrs. Brown advised Officer Doble that there is an ongoing problem on MacDonald Avenue and Taylor Avenue. Speeding and drag racing is taking place; burn out marks are very apparent of this activity. They reported the generally the times are around 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm on the weekends. Mr. & Mrs. Brown also reported that the car shop owner also test drives vehicles, drives on the shoulder and spins around in everyone's driveway. Officer Doble asked if any of these incidents had been reported to the NJSP. Mr. Brown states that the car shop owner is harassing people because of complaints that have been filed. Officer Doble took Mr. & Mrs. Brown's phone number and will contact them to discuss this situation further. Mr. Brown stated that Mr. Gross advised the car shop owner that he can test the cars so long as he is not annoying the neighborhood but he continues to annoy the neighbors. Mr. Sarclette stated that the zoning officer has addressed this problem to the best of his ability. Officer Doble advised that a resident complaint can be filed with the Maurice River Township court.

2. Cumberland County Sheriff's Department – no representative was in attendance.

Bids

Bids for 2015 Road Reconstruction Project received October 14, 2015

Mr. Morrissey acknowledged that one bid proposal was received from South State with a total bid of \$169,498.00. The asphalt fee was stated at \$73.00 per ton which is less than the estimated cost and the unit prices are fair. Mr. Morrissey stated that South State has done previous work for the township. Mr. Morrissey stated his recommendation was that once the bond ordinance is in place it would be okay to award to South State. Mr. Frank DiDomenico will review the bid package for completion of the requested bid documents.

Bids for 2016-2017 Trash Contract received October 15, 2015

Mr. Frank DiDomenico announced that the bid closed at 3:00 pm on October 15, 2015. Three bid proposals were received. Earth Tech's total bid is \$407,770.00, Gold Medal Environmental's total bid is \$927,808.00 and Waste Management's total bid is \$582,156.00. Mr. DiDomenico stated the lowest bid was from Earth Tech and that he would review the bid proposals for completeness of the bid documents requested.

First Public Comments Session (Limit 30 Minutes Total)

Mrs. Gross made a motion to open the first public comment session at 7:51 pm; seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

Mr. Lawrence Burke of 172 Main Street, Heislerville stated that there is a feral cat problem in his area. Mr. Burke asked what could be done about this problem expressing concern about rabies and the small children in the area. Mr. Sarclette stated that discussions have taken place regarding the feral cat problem and some want the cats eradicated and others want the trap-spay/neuter and release program. Mr. Sarclette stated that the Township Committee will address this problem with our Animal Control officer. Residents who feed the feral cats need to be addressed as this encourages the cats to be in the area. Mr. Sarclette will also check on the availability of live traps which could be used to trap and residents can take to SPCA. Mr. Burke does not want the cats put down and prefers the trap-neuter-release program. Mr. Sarclette stated the TNR also creates a problem in that the use property as litter box and cats kill birds, etc.

Mr. Oliver added that there is a grant funds through Pet Smart for the trap-neuter-release program but funds will not be available until 2016. Commercial Township has a program in place, using the Pet Smart grant funds. The Commercial Township program has a volunteer who picks up feral cats that are caught; transports them to the facility for spay/neutering and brings them back to Commercial Township for release. The fee for spay/neutering is \$250 each and it cannot be justified to increase the tax rate to have cats fixed. To institute the program we would need a volunteer to transport the cats and secure a grant through Pet Smart. Mr. Burke indicated again that rabies is a concern. Mr. Sarclette indicated the township will look into the problem.

Mrs. Gross made a motion to close the first public comment session at 7:58 pm; seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

Ordinances

The Clerk gave first reading by title Ordinance 643 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AND RECONSTRUCTION OF ROADS BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$1,505,000.00 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE SUM OF \$1,205,000.00 FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION.

Mrs. Gross made a motion to approve Ordinance #643 on first reading and set the second reading, public hearing and possible adoption for November 19, 2015 at 7:30 pm. Motion seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

The Clerk gave first reading by title Ordinance 644 - AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AMENDING ORDINANCE 232, CHAPTER XIV, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, BRUSH, WEEDS, GRASS, GARBAGE AND DEBRIS AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH

Mrs. Gross made a motion to approve Ordinance #644 on first reading and set the second reading, public hearing and possible adoption for November 19, 2015 at 7:30 pm. Motion seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

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Mrs. Gross made a motion to adopt Resolutions 123-2015 through 125-2015; seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

Township Committee Reports

Mr. Oliver stated the Wall of Honor project is coming along nicely. There are several local historians coordinating the names. The plaques will be placed in the Leechester Hall and the dedication ceremony is scheduled for May 14, 2016. Additionally, Beck's Band will be performing at the ceremony. Currently there have been over 700 names accumulated. Mr. Sarclette suggested sending a "save the date" to any dignitaries that are being invited to the event. Mr. Oliver will do this upon confirmation of Beck's Band attendance.

Mr. Oliver said that the pipe for the sluice gate project has been received and the collar and gate have been installed. Next week Port Norris Construction will be doing the installation. Public works will be checking with Boat World Marina to limit interruption to their business.

Mrs. Gross announced that on November 19 will be hosting a business meeting. Email reminders and flyers will be posted in the Post Offices.

Mrs. Gross stated she is part of a small subcommittee for the county and they are working on the open space funding issue. She stated that possibly next year the open space subject may be added to the ballot to change the uses for the money. Currently there are five municipalities and five towns in Cumberland County that have contributed to the fund since 1998. Maurice River has contributed approximately \$430,000 and never received a penny of the money from the fund. The goal is have it on the ballot that the funds can be used not only for open space but for recreational and historical.

Professional Reports

Engineer

Mr. Morrissey provided the following report on projects:

MRT School Drive Ponding Mr. Morrissey stated that the repairs are pending the acceptance of contractor qualifications.

Roadway Improvements Bids have been received. Once the bond is adopted the bid can be awarded and hopefully get the project started before winter hits.

SEARCH Grant Mr. Morrissey provided a draft of the SEARCH grant to the Township Committee this afternoon. This document is not complete; input is requested. Mr. Morrissey would like to set up for a presentation of the report. Mr. Sarclette stated a presentation would be beneficial. It was suggested that this presentation should be for both the Township Committee and the Land Use Board. Mr. DiDomenico added that once the date is set that the meeting would need to be advertised.

Fuel Tank Canopy Mr. Morrissey stated the estimate for the modified canopy with pad is \$19,800. Mr. Sarclette added that verification from Mr. Foster is needed regarding the funding but the Township Committee does support proceeding with the project. Mr. Sarclette inferred that Mr. Foster, CMFO, needs to check on the balance of the funds under the ordinance for the fuel tank.

Matts Landing Bike Path Mr. Morrissey is going to check with the Environmental Consultant to verify the permit process and the requirements for the General Permit. Mr. Sarclette questioned was Laurie Pettigrew the only NJDEP representative who viewed this site. Mr. Morrissey affirmed this statement.

Leechester Hall Drainage Mr. Morrissey confirmed that downspout improvements were partially installed by Public Works. Mr. Sarclette received input from the Steve Hagemann, Supervisor of Public Works that the improvements were working well. Mr. Sarclette stated that now they can work on the next step.

Mr. Oliver stated that 2-3 weeks ago he met with the architect regarding the chimney problem at the Port Elizabeth library and he determined that the chimney is not part of the original structure. Mr. Oliver asked if it would be appropriate at this point to get a statement from the architect regarding the status of the chimney and go out for bids due to the chimneys bad condition and also regarding installing a new heater without a chimney. Mr. Oliver asked for Mr. Morrissey's recommendation. Mr. Sarclette stated that at the very least the top of the chimney should be removed and "button" up the hole. It was further discussed that the chimney has no historical value. Mr. Morrissey added that bids can be prepared and encouraged proceeding forward as the chimney is crumbling to dust. Mr. Morrissey suggested removing not only the chimney at the roof but also within the room area due to safety issues. Mrs. Gross added that Matt Pisarski can help to get this building added to the historical registry as well as funding opportunities.

Mr. Morrissey stated that Mr. Gross should be advised to keep an eye on the sluice gate during storm situations. Mr. Sarclette added that also public works should be advised to check this gate on a regular basis to keep clean and functioning.

Mrs. Gross asked for Mr. Morrissey's input regarding adding playground equipment to the playground behind the municipal building. Mr. Morrissey stated that no time needs to be vested in this and he will help with the planning.

Solicitor

Mr. DiDomenico that there were three pending tax appeals and two were settled in the last two weeks. The two settled were Cape Mining and Brian Griffiths.

Mr. DiDomenico will review both the trash contract and road improvements bids received and will submit a letter to the clerk.

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Mrs. Gross made a motion to approve the use of a township tent. Mr. Sarclette stated that use of the tent is contingent on public works determination that it was safe for human occupation. Seconded by Mr. Oliver based on the contingency as stated by Mr. Sarclette.

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

2. A letter from 2015 Pine Barrens 500 organizer, Jack O'Connor dated September 26, 2015 advising that the event is scheduled for November 13, 2015 and will run through the Township of Maurice River.

Mr. Sarclette asked the clerk to forward a letter to the organizer, Jack O'Connor requesting that all necessary traffic controls and safety procedures be instituted for the event as last year there were a few complaints received.

Mrs. Gross made a motion to approve the request to run the 2015 Pine Barrens 500 through a portion of Maurice River Township; seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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8. Mr. Sarclette advised that Maurice River Township has entered into a Shared Services Agreement with Cumberland County along with other municipalities. This Shared Service is in opposition to Verizon requesting to abandon maintaining their land lines. Mr. Sarclette asked if anyone from the public had a personal experience with Verizon regarding their maintenance. Items of concern may include hanging wires and junction boxes that are just left.

9. Mr. Oliver announced that Yank Marina is being featured on a reality show regarding boat manufacturing. It is believed the show will air on Discovery or A&E.

REPORTS

Treasurers Report \$488,609.10

Road Dept. Report (September 2015)
Ron's Animal Control Monthly Reports September 2015

Mrs. Gross made a motion to accept the above reports, seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

Second Public Comment Session

Mrs. Gross made a motion to open the second public comment session; seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

Mr. Haase commended Mr. Gross and the public works on the pre-storm preparedness during the recent storm. Mr. Haase thanked the township for their support for the waterway clean-up despite the NJDEP coming out to do a cleanup just prior to the event. Mr. Sarclette is going to communicate with Mr. Golden regarding this issue as well as the marina acquisition project. Mr. Haase added that NJDEP drained the ponds just prior to the recent storm and they have not let the water drain back into the ponds. Mr. Sarclette stated that the NJDEP have also discouraged the motorcycle groups from doing cleanups and is not quite sure what the problem is.

Mr. Haase added that NJDEP was going to leave electric on and do repairs but this was not followed through with. Mr. Sarclette stated that he will talk to the liaison, Cindi Randazzo regarding these issues. Mr. Sarclette thanked Mr. Haase for his input and acknowledgement of the situations. Mr. Haase stated that he has heard that the state wants to shut the area down and let the bird watchers have the area. Mrs. Gross stated that they are also trying to shut down Wharton State forest. Mrs. Gross stated she attended a meeting in that area recently and there was standing room only; she was told that what is happening at Wharton is going to also happen in Maurice River Township. Mr. Haase is still using the cameras to catch illegal dumping; but the state is not being proactive.

Mr. Stowman in relationship to the topic discussed by Mr. Haase that this goes against the Bayshore 26 plans. This affects the entire areas viability. Mr. Stowman added that clarification is needed to see if this is a NJDEP management problem.

Mr. Sarclette included that the state put emphasis on the Public Access plan. Mr. Stowman stated that he was posed with the question by the state representative regarding Maurice River Township submitting the Waterway access points. However, recent actions are in opposition to these plans.

Mr. Stowman inquired regarding keeping a list of the elderly and disabled. Mr. Sarclette stated that the fire companies are responsible for keeping track of these persons.

Mrs. Gross made a motion to close the second public comment session; seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS

ANJR	115.00
Acu-Print Corp	148.68
Atlantic City Electric	683.34
Atlantic City Electric	1,003.34
AFLAC	285.00
B.W. Stetson Co.	51.00
Buonadonna & Benson, PC	803.00
Buonadonna & Benson, PC	154.00
Buonadonna & Benson, PC	1,969.00
Buonadonna & Benson, PC	500.00
Brittney Adams	54.33
Bayshore Center At Bivalve	1,600.00
Bob Dubois	200.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	38,126.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	26,588.00
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Belleplain Emergency Corps	5,625.00
Comcast Cable	242.38
Comcast Cable	242.38
Comcast Cable	492.34
Comcast Cable	136.66
CM3 Building Solutions	625.00
C J Dorrington Refrigeration I	496.62
Cumberland County Treasurer's	879,335.45
Central Jersey Equipment, LLC	376.95
Cole Construction Services LLC	2,600.00
Capital Contractors, Inc.	360.00
Caprioni Portable Toilets Inc.	72.00
C and S Signs	2,385.00
Coded Systems, LLC	2,850.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	100.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	8,273.70
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	67.50
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	67.50
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	1,755.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	202.50
Docuvault Delaware Valley, LLC	675.00
J.C. Ehrlich Co., Inc.	83.50
Edward F. Duffy, Esquire	992.22
Eastern Door Co.	950.00
Frank DiDomenico	44.00
Frank DiDomenico	167.21
Frank DiDomenico	88.00
Gramco Business Communications	189.00
Gordon L. Gross	158.00
Gordon L. Gross	15.46
HD Supply Waterworks, LTD	2,180.75
Health Mats Co.	90.70
Heritage Business Systems, Inc.	28.00
Heritage Business Systems, Inc.	41.25
Heislerville Volunteer Fire Co.	78.29
Jack's Auto Service, LLC	111.56
Kaeser and Blair, Inc.	639.96
Long Marmero & Associates, LLP	465.00
Lisa R. Fisher	55.20
Lisa R. Fisher	330.00
Mainero's Inc.	40.00
Maurice River Township BOE	188.38
Maurice River Township BOE	234,340.00
Maurice River Township BOE	1,278.44
Mercer & Burlington County	15.00
Michelle L. Behm	173.00
New Jersey SHBP	9,770.15
New Jersey SHBP	12,127.17
New Jersey Shade Tree Federation	330.00
NJ State Dept. of Health & Sr.	6.60
New Jersey Casualty Insurance	2,086.61
New Jersey Casualty Insurance	2,191.83
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NAPA (Genuine Parts Company)	147.47
New York Life Insurance Co.	124.18
New Jersey State League of	55.00
New Jersey State League of	220.00
New Jersey State League of	21.00
NJ Civil Service	320.00
Power of Production Studio	100.00
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	47.59
Prudential	67.07
Riverview Plumbing, Inc.	16,900.00
Riggins Inc.	2,120.20

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Riggins Inc.	1,496.43
Rudco Products Inc.	4,150.00
Roesley Well Drilling	1,650.00
Rutgers, The State University	195.00
Ron's Animal Shelter	400.00
Ronald L. Sutton, Sr.	950.00
South Jersey Gas Company	117.94
Shirley A. Goff	435.00
Sheppard Bus Service, Inc.	550.00
Sharon E. Lloyd	170.00
Seashore Asphalt Corp.	280.00
Seashore Asphalt Corp.	331.25
South Jersey Media Group	30.87
South Jersey Media Group	15.85
South Jersey Media Group	14.18
South Jersey Media Group	173.69
Stephen P. Kernan	350.00
Selective Insurance Co.	4,431.00
Selective Insurance Co.	4,431.00
Selective Insurance Co.	3,917.00
Shawn Ronan	48.90
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Sir Speedy Printing	108.00
Sir Speedy Printing	47.00
Treasurer, State of New Jersey	22.00
Tiffany A. CuvIELLO, PP, AICP	95.00
Tiffany A. CuvIELLO, PP, AICP	237.50
Treasurer, State of NJ	250.00
Treasurer, State of New Jersey	713.00
T Slack Environmental Svcs Inc.	250.00
Thompson Maier	18.98
Thompson Maier	75.33
Tri City Paper Co.	188.70
Tri City Paper Co.	227.00
The Home Depot	278.87
The Home Depot	230.23
The Home Depot	58.53
The Home Depot	304.64
U.S. Postal Service	1,000.00
Verizon Wireless	366.65
Verizon	33.84
Wheat Road Cold Cuts	697.86
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	42.15
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	622.20
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Mrs. Gross made a motion to pay all properly signed bills, seconded by Mr. Oliver.

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

Mrs. Gross made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Oliver.

Denise L. Peterson, Municipal Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

ORDINANCE NO. 643

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AND RECONSTRUCTION OF ROADS BY MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$1,505,000.00 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE SUM OF \$1,205,000.00 FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION.

THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. The Township Committee hereby authorizes for the purposes set forth in Section 3 of this Ordinance an appropriation in the aggregate amount of \$1,505,000.00, including the sum of \$300,000 as the down payment for said purposes from the Capital Improvement Fund; said down payment being now available by virtue of a provision in the current or previously adopted budget of the Township and currently available for down payment purposes, as required by the Local Bond Law of New Jersey, N.J.S.A 40A:2-1, et seq.

SECTION 2. For the financing of the cost of said purpose, the Township Committee hereby authorizes the issuance of bonds and bond anticipation notes in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$1,205,000.00 and the issuance of serial bonds not to exceed the amount pursuant to the limitation prescribed by the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 through 40A:2-64, the proceeds of the bonds to be used to retire the notes, (if any). The note shall mature and be renewed as provided by N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8 of the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. The purposes herein referred to and hereby authorized and the purpose of the financing for which said obligations are to be issued are as follows:

Project	Max Estimated Cost	Capital Improvement Fund Down Payment	Max Bonds or Notes	Period of Usefulness
Various improvements to and reconstruction of Township roads	\$1,505,000	\$300,000	\$1,205,000	10 years

SECTION 4. It is hereby found, determined and declared that:

- (a) The purposes described in Section 3 hereof are not a current expense and is a purchase, which the Township of Maurice River may lawfully make as a purchase, and no part of the cost thereof has been made or shall be specifically assessed on property specifically benefited thereby.

- (b) The period of usefulness for this purchase of which the obligations are authorized by this Ordinance are in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:2-22.
- (c) The supplemental debt statement provided for in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-10 has been duly filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Township of Maurice River prior to passage of this Ordinance on first reading, and such supplemental debt statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by \$1,205,000.00 and the obligations authorized by this Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the local Bond Law.
- (d) The aggregate amount included in the estimated cost of the improvements or purposes for the payment of interest on such obligations, accounting engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses architect's fees, cost of authorizing, selling and issuing obligations, preliminary planning, test and survey expenses, and a reasonable proportion of the compensation and expenses of employees of the Township of Maurice River in connection with the construction or acquisition of such improvements or property shall not exceed \$160,000.00.

SECTION 5. The full faith and credit of the Township of Maurice River is hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest on said obligation authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligation shall be direct, unlimited obligation of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation as to the rate of amount.

SECTION 6. The 2015 Capital Budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Clerk and is available for public inspection.

SECTION 7. The Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after publication of Notice of Adoption thereof after final passage as provided by the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 8. The Township hereby declares its intent to reimburse itself for the proceeds of the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by this Bond Ordinance pursuant to Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2(e), promulgated under the internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), for "original expenditures", as defined in Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2(c)(2), made by the Township prior to the issuance of such bonds or bond anticipation notes.

SECTION 9. The Township hereby covenants as follows:

- (a) it shall take all actions necessary to ensure that the interest paid on the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by this Bond Ordinance is exempt for the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income taxation purposes, and will not become a specific item of tax preference pursuant to Section 57(a)(5) of the Code;
- (b) it will not make any use of the proceeds of the bonds or bond anticipation or do or suffer any other action that would cause the bonds or bond anticipation to be "arbitrage bonds" as such term is defined in Section 148(a) of the Code and the Regulation promulgated hereunder;
- (c) it shall calculate or cause to be calculated and pay, when due, the rebateable arbitrage with respect to the "gross proceeds" (as such term is used in Section 148(f) of the Code of the bonds or bond anticipation notes;
- (d) it shall timely file with the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Service Center of the Internal Revenue Service, such information report or reports as may be required by Section 148(f) and 149(e) of the Code; and
- (e) it shall take no action that would cause the bonds or bond anticipation notes to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code.

TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

ORDINANCE NO. 644

AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AMENDING ORDINANCE 232, Chapter XIV, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, BRUSH, WEEDS, GRASS, GARBAGE AND DEBRIS AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Township Committee previously adopted Ordinance No. 232, Property Maintenance, which established regulations for brush, weeds, grass, garbage and debris; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 232 is included as Chapter XIV, Property Maintenance within the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Maurice River; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that said ordinance should be amended to address issues related to bamboo. The Township Committee has determined that certain types of bamboo plants are invasive, extremely difficult to control, and can and have caused significant damage to properties within the

Township of Maurice River. The purposes of this subsection are to preserve and protect both private and public property from the damaging spread of bamboo, to protect indigenous plants within the Township from the invasive spread of bamboo and to maintain the general welfare of the residents of Maurice River Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, does hereby amend Ordinance No. 232, Chapter XIV of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Maurice River as follows:

14-2. BAMBOO PLANTING PROHIBITED; CONTAINMENT AND REMOVAL

It is determined that certain types of the bamboo plant are invasive and often difficult to control, and can and has caused significant damage to properties in the Township of Maurice River. The purposes of this subsection are to preserve and protect private and public property from the damaging spread of bamboo, to protect indigenous and other plant materials from the invasive spread of bamboo, and to maintain the general welfare of the residents of the Township of Maurice River.

14-2.1. a.) **Prohibition:** No owner, tenant or occupant of a property, or person, corporation or other entity, shall plant, install or cause or permit the planting or installation of plant species commonly known as Running Bamboo upon any property located within the Township of Maurice River. For the purposes of this section, "running bamboo" means any bamboo in the genus Phyllostachys, including Phyllostachys aureosulcata.

14-2.2. b.) **Duty to Confine:** In the event any species commonly known as Running Bamboo is located upon any property within the Township of Maurice River, prior to the effective date of this prohibition, the owner and occupant of said property shall jointly and severally be required to confine such species to prevent the encroachment, spread, invasion or intrusion of same onto any other private or public property or public right of way. In lieu of confining the species, the property owner or occupant may elect to totally remove the bamboo from the property, and all affected properties. Failure to properly confine such bamboo shall require removal as set forth below. The cost of said removal shall be at the bamboo property owner's expense.

14-2.3 c.) **Removal:**
(1) In the event Running Bamboo is present on the effective date of this prohibition and a complaint is received by the Township regarding an encroachment of any bamboo plant or root, and the Code Enforcement Officer of the Township of Maurice River after Observation and/or inspection, determines that there is an encroachment or invasion on any adjoining/neighborly private or public property or public right of way (hereinafter "the affected property"), the Township shall serve notice to the bamboo property owner in writing that the bamboo has

invaded other private or public property(s) or public right of way(s) and demand remediation of the encroachment of the bamboo from the affected property and demand approved confinement against future encroachment. Notice shall be provided to the bamboo property owner, as well as to the owner of the affected property, by certified, return receipt requested mail and regular mail. Within 45 days of receipt of such notice, the bamboo property owner shall submit to the Code Enforcement Officer of the Township, with a copy to the owner of the affected property, a plan for the remediation of the encroachment of the bamboo from the affected property, which plan shall include restoration of the affected property after remediation of the encroachment. Within 120 days of the receipt of the Code Enforcement Officer's approval of the plan of remediation and restoration, the remediation and restoration shall be completed to the satisfaction of the Code Enforcement Officer of the Township.

The "affected property" owner shall not be required to remediate the encroachment of bamboo from an adjoining property. As noted above, that obligation shall be the obligation of the bamboo property owner.

(2) If the bamboo property owner does not accomplish the remediation of the encroachment from such other private or public property or public right of way in accordance herewith, the Code Enforcement Officer of the Township Maurice River shall cause a citation to be issued with a penalty up to \$100.00 for each day the violation continues, enforceable through the Municipal Court of the Township of Maurice River. The Administrative Officer may request and the Municipal Court may grant, a specific performance remedy. The Township may also institute civil proceedings for injunctive or civil relief.

(3) Nothing herein shall be interpreted as limiting the rights of a private property owner to seek civil relief through a Court of proper jurisdiction nor the institution of civil proceedings against the proper parties.

(4) When an encroachment is upon public property or public right of way and the bamboo property owner and/or occupant has not complied with the written notice provided as set forth above, the Township of Maurice River, at its discretion, may remove or contract for the removal of such bamboo from the Township property or public right of way. The cost of such said removal from the Township owned property and/or public right of way shall include the installation of an appropriate barrier to prevent future bamboo invasion.

- 14-2.4 d.) **Replanting Prohibited:** Any Running Bamboo either planted or caused to be planted or existing on the effective date of this regulation, may not be replanted or replaced once such bamboo is or has become dead, destroyed, uprooted or otherwise removed.

Section 2 All ordinances or portions thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3 All other provisions of Ordinance No. 232 shall remain in full force and effect except as amended by this ordinance.

Section 4 Severability: Should any section, sentence, clause or provision or a portion of this Ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect or impact upon any other section, sentence, clause or provision or portion of this Ordinance and the remainder of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

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
Cumberland County**

Resolution No. 123-2015

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A STRATEGIC RECOVERY PLANNING REPORT

WHEREAS, the Township of Maurice River, New Jersey and its neighboring communities experienced a major devastation as a result of Hurricane Sandy that struck the area on October 29, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Maurice River is committed to rebuilding in a manner that anticipates and responds to future storm events and sea level rise and helps the community to be more resistant to damage from such events and is more sustainable for future generations; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 99-2013, the Township of Maurice River requested that New Jersey Future assign a Local Recovery Planning Manager to work with the municipality to help municipal staff develop and implement its long-term recovery and rebuilding process; and

WHEREAS, part of the scope of services New Jersey Future has provided to the Township of Maurice River to assist in the recovery and rebuilding process is the preparation of a Strategic Recovery Planning Report (SRPR) which describes the impacts of Hurricane Sandy, evaluates the Township of Maurice River's present vulnerabilities and risk related to future storm events and sea level rise, and helps to identify recovery and rebuilding strategies; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Maurice River's Township Committee is satisfied that all of the post-Sandy concerns have been identified and addressed in the Strategic Recovery Planning Report, dated May 2015, prepared for the Township of Maurice River by New Jersey Future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey hereby approves and adopts the May 2015 Strategic Recovery Planning Report prepared by New Jersey Future.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 124-2015

A RESOLUTION CANCELING UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS.

WHEREAS, the Township of Maurice River, County of Cumberland, did adopt various ordinances in prior years; and

WHEREAS, all purchases and agreements have been completed and there remains unexpended balances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Maurice River that the unexpended balances of Capital Ordinances be canceled as follows:

<u>Ordinance</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Canceled To:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
626	Various Capital Improvements (Purchase & Const. of Salt Shed)	Capital Improvement Fund	\$98.04
632	Purchase of Loader	Capital Improvement Fund	\$35,198.00
TOTAL			\$35,296.04

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 125-2015

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A MOTORCYCLE EVENT TO BE HELD BY COMPETITION DIRT RIDERS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY OCT. 17TH & 18TH , 2015.

WHEREAS, Maurice River Township has been approached by Competition Dirt Riders, 3239 Dante Avenue, Vineland, NJ 08361, requesting permission to hold a motorcycle event on Saturday, October 17, 2015 and Sunday, October 18, 2015 at Ormond Farms, Hesstown Road, in Maurice River Township, and

WHEREAS, the private property to be utilized lies within a section of Maurice River Township zoned Pinelands Village Centers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP that the Township Committee hereby consents to the request of Competition Dirt Riders to hold a motorcycle event on October 17th & 18th, 2015 and acknowledges that this event will be held on private property within a Pinelands area of the municipality.



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**Township of Maurice River
Engineer's Report
October 15, 2015**

Item	Project Name	Project Number	Status	Budget
1	MRT School Drive Ponding	MR14001	Project award pending acceptance of contractor qualifications..	
2	Public Works Utility Poles	MR14001	Quotes for utility work pending	
3	Matts Landing Bike Path Grant	MR11037	Design plan substantially complete. Specifications being prepared for bidding.	
4	Leechester Hall Drainage	MR14001	Downspout improvements partially installed by Public Works.	
5	Search Grant	MR14-047	Draft copy submitted for Committee review.	
6	Fuel Tank Canopy	MR11010	Estimate for modified canopy is \$19,800	
7	Municipal Aid Grant Applications	MR15-001	Grant application to be filed by 10/20/15.	
8	Roadway Improvements	MR15-048	South State Paving bid is \$169,498.10. Unit prices consistent with preliminary engineering estimates.	