

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
AGENDA  
Thursday, July 21, 2016 – 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 (*May and June*)**

**B. Presentations**

1. N.J.S.P.

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

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##### **Solicitor**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **G. Announcements**

1. Family Night Out is Thursday, August 4, 2016 from 5 PM to 8 PM.
2. A Senior Dance is scheduled for Saturday, July 23rd from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Leechester Hall. **POSTPONED – NEW DATE TO BE DETERMINED.**
3. The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual International Coastal Cleanup, hosted by the NJ Clean Communities Council in NJ, will take place on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Interested volunteers should contact Louann Karrer, Clean Communities Coordinator for additional information.

#### **H. Correspondence**

1. A letter dated June 27, 2016 from the Cumberland County Positive Youth Development Coalition (CCPYDC) was received thanking Maurice River Township for adopting a resolution supporting June as Gun Safety and Violence Awareness Month and forwarding a Certificate of Appreciation.
2. A public notice was received from the US Army Corps of Engineers dated June 23, 2016 advising of project proposal of conducting shellfish habitat and restoration activities within subtidal portions of New Jersey which includes Cumberland County and the Delaware estuary.
3. A quit claim request dated June 16, 2016 from Donna Furey, attorney for Altargcia Moguel for Block 204 Lot 11. This request was forwarded to Mr. DiDomenico.
4. A letter dated June 14, 2016 from NJ DOT advising the commencement of work on the Generator Usage and Controller Operations at the signal controller on Route 47 and the Mauricetown Causeway. Additionally local municipalities are responsible for providing the generators.
5. Pinelands Commission letter dated June 29, 2016 from Director Larry L. Liggett advising that Ordinance 652 does relate to certain CMP standards but raises no substantial issues with respect to those standards and that Ordinance 652 requires no further review and may take effect as provided by law.
6. A memorandum from Cumberland County Office on Aging & Disabled dated June 28, 2016 making notification of a public hearing regarding the submission of an application for funds under the Fiscal Year 2017 Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program.

7. A memorandum from Cumberland County Purchasing Office dated June 29, 2016 advising that a contract was entered into with South State, Inc. for the supplying and laying of hot mix for the Cumberland County Public Works and participating members.
8. A letter from NJ DOT dated July 6, 2016 advising of Shutdown Order for all ongoing work funded by the Transportation Trust Fund Authority for a period of at least 7 days beginning Friday, July 8, 2016.
9. A letter from NJDOT dated July 18, 2016 advising of Second Shutdown Notice which states that work will remain ceased until further notice.
10. Maurice River Recreation forwarded treasurer's reports and summary for the period of January 1, 2015 to June 1, 2016 as per Resolution 82-2016.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**I. Correspondence**

1. South Jersey Gas street opening permit request for 39 Olive Street 70' south c/l High Street.
2. A memo dated July 15, 2016 was received from Michelle Behm advising that the tax rate has been set and the tax bills are scheduled to be mailed no later than July 29<sup>th</sup>. The August 1<sup>st</sup> due date will be extended to August 22 due to the late mailing.
3. A letter from South Jersey Gas dated July 18, 2016 requesting 2016 & 2017 road projects, roads currently under paving moratorium and expiration dates of the moratoriums.
4. South Jersey Gas street opening permit request for Broad Street 95' south c/l Main Street

**REPORTS**

Treasurers Report	\$531,527.92
Road Dept. Report June 2016	
Ron's Animal Control Monthly Reports June 2016	

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

PRESENT: Patricia Gross, Deputy Mayor  
J. Roy Oliver, Committeeman  
Frank DiDomenico, Solicitor  
Cormac Morrissey, Engineer  
Allen Foster, Finance Officer  
Michelle Behm, Dep. Mun. Clerk

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

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

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

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Oliver made a motion to approve the minutes of May 16, May 19 and June 13, 2016 meetings, seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes –Gross, Oliver Nays – None

**Presentations**

1. N.J.S.P. – Lt. Bauer, Station Commander of the Port Norris Barracks provided a report of the activity for the month of June.

Motor Vehicle Stops	288
Motor Vehicle Accidents	29
Property Checks	61
Burglaries / Thefts	2 / 3

The majority of the motor vehicle accidents occurred at the intersection of Routes 47 and 347. The burglaries both occurred during the day on residences which were locked; one of them had firearms stolen. The Criminal Investigation Office took over the investigation due the seriousness of the firearms involved. A couple of the firearms have been recovered so far. Normally, stolen firearms make their way to the cities and don't stay in this area. As far as the thefts, WaWa reported stolen gas and there were items removed from properties that were not locked up. The individuals probably knock on the door and see that no one is home and are taking advantage of properties. If anyone is home during the day and you see anything going on, feel free to give them (police barracks) a call; any information can help.

Lt. Bauer also mentioned a program the Sheriff's Office came up with. It's called "How to Save a Life Program." Basically, you purchase a bracelet for an Alzheimer's patient, someone with dementia, maybe a child with autism, somebody who's prone to walk away. We encounter this maybe two times a month. With this bracelet, the Sheriff's Department has had 100% success rate finding people that wear this bracelet electronically. Lt. Bauer left brochure describing program and suggested leaving some in the senior center.

Mrs. Gross stated at the Press Release for the Trader Card Program, she spoke to the Sheriff regarding this program and was told we'd be receiving information shortly. She also reported that she will be reaching out to Trooper Doble regarding our Family Night Out on August 4<sup>th</sup>. Lt. Bauer reported the Troopers that had planned on attending have been scheduled for an exercise they must participate in at Buena Headquarters, but he promised the State Police will have a presence at our event. He's sure the Sheriff's Department will also cover it. Mrs. Gross thanked Lt. Bauer and stated we appreciate anything they can provide.

Mrs. Gross invited Lt. Bauer to stop and look at the cards that were created for the Sheriff's Department Trader Card Program on his way out. She also invited the State Police to take part in this program as long as permission was obtained. We would provide the cards. She also stated Maurice River will also be starting the Blue Ribbon Program that Middle Township started. At Family Night Out we will be giving out blue ribbons to our residents to tie onto mailboxes, trees, residences, etc. The blue ribbons represent our support for law enforcement. We'll be flying the blue!

Mr. Oliver asked Lt. Bauer without divulging any pertinent information, how did the burglaries happen? Lt. Bauer reported the back doors were broken into (forced entry). He also suggested if anyone knows a retired person lives in a particular home and you see someone who's not usually in the area; take some notes down and let the police know.

Mrs. Gross asked the audience if they had any questions for Lt. Bauer; none did.

#### **First Public Comments Session (Limit 30 Minutes Total)**

Mr. Oliver made a motion to open the first public comments session noting the time at 7:48 pm; seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays - None

##### 1. Marlyn Goff, Delmont

Ms. Goff reported the state road department visited her property. They were going to dig out a little bit on her side of the property, but decided to stop because he was afraid it was going to sink; we had just had a lot of rain. The man went on the other side of the road and dug out over there, but that's all they did. She thought maybe she'll call him again since it's had time to dry out. She wondered if anyone could help her or not. Mrs. Gross asked who she talked to, but Ms. Goff did not get his name.

Mr. Oliver stated that if a name was supplied to us, we'd write a letter to the DEP or DOT or both on her behalf. Maybe we could help get some action on it. It may not help; but it won't hurt to nudge some people in the right direction. Ms. Goff stated she will get a name.

##### 2. Leilani Munyon, Bricksboro

Ms. Munyon initially came to the township in regards to the flooding in Bricksboro; she knows it's an ongoing process and a lot of research has been done, but she wondered if things were still moving forward?

Mr. Oliver reported approximately 2 to 3 weeks prior, he, Mr. Whildin and one of the potential contractors/bidders with an excavator visited the site, the dike by the Barbose property and found a couple of things are happening. 1) Mr. Morrissey, our Engineer, has ordered a survey of elevations. This will help us determine the flow pattern of the water during floods. 2) He's also investigating and applied for licenses from DEP to proceed with the work; his meeting is September 14 with the DEP. What we had envisioned doing is once we get the licenses, we'll go in through the Devlin property, down toward the Valentine property and cross it, cut out the trees

on the bend, but not pull out the roots because the roots will help maintain the firmness of the berm and we're looking at installing the interlocking metal bulkhead which will help. We'll also have a 24" pipe with a stainless steel gate on it. Our initial feeling is if we go with a 36" pipe and if the water does flood into the ditch, with a bigger pipe, the water will be able to flood out into the river a lot faster so that when the next high tide comes up you won't have a stacking of high tide upon high tide, which will amplify the flooding in your area. Mr. Oliver said he's not going to say they're going to solve all the problems, but the things they're going to be able to put a dent in it. But again, we can't do anything until we get the permits from DEP. Ray Morgan accompanied us on the visitations to the berm and he can probably fill you in on the details he's missed, but yes, we are working on it. Unfortunately, we are waiting on a state deadline; September 4<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting. Ms. Munyon stated it is very encouraging things are moving forward.

### 3. Brian Griffiths, Leesburg

Mr. Griffiths asked what we pay the building inspector for? He claimed he emails everyone and received no response. Mr. DiDomenico asked what his question was. Mr. Griffiths asked again what do we pay the building inspector to do? Mr. DiDomenico stated to do building inspections and asked if he was speaking of Gordon Gross.

Mr. Griffiths described a situation where Mr. Gross performed an inspection on his solar system recently installed on his property. He further explained his dissatisfaction with Mr. Gross and how the inspection was conducted. Mr. DiDomenico explained Mr. Gross is out on sick leave right now. Mr. Oliver explained Mr. Gross is certified by the state; we're not. We have to depend on him to inspect and certify. He knows what he is doing, he is certified by the state; if he deems that it is ok, it's not for us to say it's not done right. Mr. Griffiths said GPC, Atlantic City Electric and he are waiting to hear that the job is ok.

Mr. Griffiths stated he's (Mr. Gross) not even supposed to come out to his property. Mr. Griffiths said he instructed the Mayor a year ago that nobody from the township is to come out without having his permission. If they come out he's going to block his driveway; he's going to hold them until the police come to take them off his property. Mr. Griffiths stated now it's on record; no one is to come on 81 Station Road without his permission.

Mr. Griffiths then described another situation he had with our Tax Assessor, Kevin Maloney, during a tax appeal field and heard by the County Board of Taxation. He was dissatisfied with the actions and outcome of that process too. Mr. DiDomenico advised that the appeal process is held by the County and not the municipality.

After further discussion, Mr. DiDomenico and Mrs. Gross asked Mr. Griffiths what it is exactly that he is looking for. What can the municipality do to help him? He claimed he just wants things done properly.

He next asked whose idea it was to have the fireworks in a Pineland Preserve area? Mrs. Gross stated she was responsible, but explained that the ballfield is not in the Pinelands and that she obtained all permits and permissions required to hold them there. She then commended Mr. Griffiths on his efforts on cleaning up Station Road; he did a very good job.

Mr. Griffiths then asked how to keep kids on dirt bikes out of his yard or from crossing his property. Mr. DiDomenico stated he could call the State Police as others have the same issue. Mr. Griffiths said "So basically take them off the bike and hold them until the police come." Mrs. Gross and Mr. DiDomenico immediately replied no – no – no. You're not allowed to do that; if you do that *you* // be the one arrested. Mr. Griffiths said if he feels it's an emanate thread he can do that and he will.

Mr. Griffiths then questioned what's being done with the empty houses and are they safe? Has the state come down or run tests for mold spores or anything that would be coming out of the houses that actually have leaking roofs? Mr. DiDomenico replied the state does not do that. Mr. Griffiths asked if the county or the municipality is responsible to make sure they are safe? Mr. DiDomenico stated there is a procedure we have to go through via state law which is a lengthy procedure to declare a property unsafe: we have to have a hearing, notify everyone who has a possible interest in property, do title searches. We did one about a month or two ago (MacDonald Ln); we demolished the garage and fence. We approved another one on Monday; I just ordered the title work. We do that, but the state does not come down and do any inspections, nor the county.

Mr. Griffiths stated apparently his emails are still not getting seen? Mrs. Gross stated the clerk sent him an OPRA request so that he could request the record he is looking for.

Mr. Griffiths' discussion went back to Mr. Gross and his handling of an inspection. Mrs. Gross explained that Mr. Gross had explained to her the inspection is done in phases and that he may not have been there at the other inspections. Seeing there was no pleasing Mr. Griffiths Mrs. Gross finally asked if Mr. Griffiths would like another inspector from another township come do his inspection - would that satisfy you? Mr. Griffiths replied he'll check with Atlantic Electric and GPC Solar to see if that would be ok with them. Mrs. Gross stated the township wants him to be content; the township would be willing to set it up. Mr. Griffiths agreed. Mrs. Gross asked Mr. Griffiths to email the Denise, township clerk, and we'll arrange for that when you're home.

Mr. Oliver stated he'd like to say something before the audience started to leave because he feels it's important. Last Thursday, he met with the State and Regional Fire Officials regarding the inspection of our local churches. Apparently, there are regulations on the books which have been there since 1983 regarding certain aspects of fire safety that haven't been fully addressed by our local churches. The two of them, our fire official and Mr. Oliver visited Dorchester and Port Elizabeth churches to try to get a handle on what they were looking for.

Now granted, with one or two exceptions, all of our churches were built in the early to mid-1800, so we're talking early construction. What the state's looking for our churches to have done is all exit doors must swing out instead of in. For example, on the Dorchester Church all the doors swing in, which would be a major financial undertaking to reverse the doors. Also, any paneling has to be painted with a fire retardant paint and in the case of Dorchester Church, the smoke alarm in the Sunday school area had to be hard wired into an alarm monitoring service. In the Port Elizabeth Church, the doors were the main issue. Bottom line, the state is sending us a report on what they found on the two churches. Our local fire official will be inspecting all of the churches in Maurice River Township and will be looking at the guidelines the state is imposing.

We have an aging congregation in most of the churches and attendance isn't what it used to be in the 50's and 60's. For us to meet these upgrades, it's going to require some financial sacrifice on the part of the churches. Once we get the letter from the state, Mr. Oliver would like to have a meeting with the trustees and the pastors of each church to go over what the state is looking for. We'll try to have our fire official there to add his input. Some concession that we did get from the state was that they appreciate the fact that most of our churches are historical been built in the early to mid-1800's. They're willing to work with us and not impose all the upgrades to be done at the same time. We can space them out as long as we're showing we're making progress on them, they won't drop the hammer on us. The other thing is, for a \$50 fee, we can appeal what they're requiring us to do to the County Board of Fire Commissioners. If the County concurs with our appeal, then the state will in all probability not contest it. Mr. Oliver's suggestion is to get the information from the state, have the meeting with the trustees and the pastors and come up with a game plan on what we want to do. If there are some areas that we want to appeal,

let's appeal to the County. If they say fine, we're that much ahead of the game. If not, we'll have to go back to work with our fire official as to prioritizing what needs to be done first and take it from there. Mr. Oliver stated he wished he had better news, but apparently the state even though the laws been on the book since 1983, they're starting to enforce this area.

Mike Froelich, 90 Hall Rd – With the state fire marshal's inspection, they're 33 years late in doing their job. He's been in Dorchester Church for over 50 years and they have a pretty good track record as far as safety. They've never had a fire; they keep all of their heating equipment up to date because they have to have it inspected yearly. Now, the doors that swing out, the front doors have always swung in and they've been there 50 years; no one's ever had a complaint other than being too narrow. When they fixed up the Sooy hall they put a new door on there, made a wider door and took out two narrow ones; nobody said anything about how wide the door had to be, which way it swung (in or out). So now we're looking at having to change that. On our new hall, we got doors on the outside that swing open, we come up 3 steps you got a door that swings in. They're saying we have to change that door by putting a platform there. Mr. Froelich is a bit upset with these people because this is going to cost the church an awful lot of money to change what they want; like painting the paneling. The buildings don't really belong to the members of the church they belong to the District Council. When you get this report back from the state fire marshal, he thinks the Township should send the District Council a letter referring to what they saw in the Dorchester Church anyway because he doesn't believe the member of the church has the money to foot the bill for what they want.

Mr. Oliver stated they will certainly send a letter. What he got out of the meeting was that an intermediate state fire official was busting on our fire official to do the inspections. The local fire inspector was stalling them off. Unfortunately, the intermediate guy was ready to write our local fire official up on charges of non-compliance which meant that if they get rid of him, the state's going to come down here and we'll have to deal with them directly. You don't want to deal directly with the state; at least we have a buffer in place there. Mr. Froelich asked if the inspectors are from the Trenton area. Mr. Oliver commented the tall guy is the head guy of Fire Safety for the State of New Jersey. Mr. Oliver sent a letter to Senator Van Drew explaining our plight and he is the one who made the arrangements for these guys to come down. Based on the input that came out of that meeting, they are willing to work with the churches as opposed to the local guy who (not Dave, but who Dave reports to) was ready to drop the hammer. If he does that, no doubt they'll be shutting down some churches. Mr. Froelich said if it comes to that they're going to have to do it. Further discussion went on regarding funding possibilities with fund raisers and pledges.

Mr. Oliver commented that when we receive the states report of changes to be made, we may be able to appeal some of the points to the County who may concur that the changes would substantially alter the historic nature of the church; maybe they'll go along with our argument. He also stated Mr. Froelich's point is well taken, our churches are inspected annually by the insurance companies, but what the state is looking at is the fact that you're looking at a dangerous situation that could result in the loss of life. And you know, some attorney's going to be there to ask where's the inspection is for this, does this comply with the state guidelines, and the answers going to be no.

Mrs. Gross commented that the churches have the full support of not only Mr. Oliver, but the Mayor and her too. There are ways to put light on this situation, maybe through media, to draw attention to see if other churches or small towns are having this problem or if Maurice River is being singled out. Mr. Froelich commented that he wondered why the state would come to the poorest section of the state, South Jersey. Why didn't they work north, Trenton, then work this way. Mr. Oliver stated that was pointed out in his letter to Sen. Van Drew and to Lew from the State, but his reply was that they have to start somewhere and they will be enforcing it throughout the state. Maybe that's why he's allowing us to proceed in steps. Sooner or later we

will have to address it and hopefully the County will give us some leeway, but we will have to deal with it.

Mr. Oliver made a motion to close the first public comments session noting the time at 8:22 pm; seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

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Mr. Oliver made a motion to adopt resolutions 84-2016 through 89-2016 as well as 91-2016, 92-2016, 93-2016 and 95-2016 but to remove 90-2016 and 94-2016 from the consent agenda for further discussion; seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

### Other Resolutions

**Resolution No. 90-2016:** Cancels Taxes and Lien Balances on Properties Acquired by Maurice River Township

Mr. Oliver made a motion to table resolution 90-2016 to the regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on Thursday, August 18, 2016; seconded by Mrs. Gross

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

**Resolution No. 94-2016:** A Resolution Authorizing The Sale Of Real Property Not Needed For Public Use *Block 289.01 Lot 6*

Mr. Oliver made a motion to table resolution 94-2016 to the regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on Thursday, August 18, 2016; seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

### **Township Committee Reports**

#### 1. Tree removal Railroad Avenue – Report received from Supervisor PW

There is one dead tree by the fuel tanks by the Public Works, which needs to be removed. The price given by the county contractor was \$1,450. There was also another request to trim other trees in the Public Works area for \$1,600 and two trees on Railroad Ave which need to be cut down, debris removed and grind the stump for \$1,200 each. Our Public Works Supervisor did investigate the two trees on Railroad Ave and found they are within the township right-of-way which means we are responsible for them and are consequently liable for them if they fall down and hurt someone.

Mr. Oliver made a motion to approve the removal of one tree in the Public Works area by the fuel pump for \$1,450 and the two trees on Railroad Ave for \$1,200 each; seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

#### 2. Telephone quote update – email of 7/19/16

We have two quotes: Max Communications for an upgraded NEC SL-1100 telephone system which will include (20) 24-button digital display speaker phones, (1) 4-port voice mail, (1) battery back-up/serge, and the trade in of the current NEC system with a (1) year warranty for \$6,150. The second quote is for \$9,367.19 which claims to be a better system.

Mr. Oliver suggested they approve the Max Communications quote for \$6,150, but has questions on the optional items, which needs further clarification. Frank DiDomenico agreed it could be done.

Mr. Oliver made a motion to approve the \$6,150 Max Communications system upgrade; seconded by Mrs. Gross

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

#### 3. OEM burglar & fire options – quote modification from AFA – email of 7/19/16

Initially, we were looking at a basic cell radio communication and cell radio monitoring system, but it came to light we may want to look at the wireless system to go along with it; in the event the power goes out, we'd still be able to communicate.

Mrs. Karrer provided updated quotes from Monday night. The initial quote was \$4,628 for the basic burglar and fire alarm option, being hard wired, not wireless. The new options are for \$474 and \$180 (total \$5280). Mr. Oliver stated these two options came in after Monday night and he's not entirely sure what the options would entail.

Due to this, Mr. Oliver motions to table this until next month (August); seconded by Mrs. Gross

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

#### 4. Well at Leechester Hall quotes review

There were three quotes received for a new well: Garrison was \$4,000 +\$15/foot over 100', Clear Water Solutions was the low bid of \$3,465 +\$15.60/foot over 100' and Roesly Well Drilling was \$4,800.

Mr. Oliver made a motion to approve the lowest bid from Clear Water Solutions of New Jersey for \$3,465. Mrs. Gross stated she is not familiar with this company, but that we have used Garrison in the past and Roesly is from the Rosenhayn area. Mr. Oliver stated all companies must get permits from the county; if they were not legitimate or a reputable firm, the county

would've dealt with them by now. Mrs. Gross stated she was leaning more towards staying someone local; she's not sure if Roesly is from up north and that we're not forced to go with the low bid. Mr. DiDomenico agreed the low bid is not required. Mr. Oliver read a note from Clear Water Solutions that read they will check the existing pump and will adjust the bill accordingly if the pump is good. We decided not to go with the submersible pump. So the \$3,465 could be reduced if in fact the current pump is ok and we don't have to go with the submersible. Now we're looking at a differential of at least \$1,000.

Mr. Oliver made a motion to approve the Clear Water Solutions for \$3,465; seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

## **Professional Reports**

### **Engineer**

Kevin Dixon, Dixon Associates filling in for Cormac Morrissey

1. Review of quotes for Port Elizabeth Library HVAC and demo of chimney
2. 2015 Road Program – there is additional work being done; anticipated to be done shortly.
3. 2016 Road Program – is in the process of being completed (he accompanied Cormac in many of his investigations). Part of the timeframe is the replacement of drainage in the streets being outdated and needing to be brought up to the standards by which all municipalities in the state of New Jersey are required to comply for their Stormwater permit to be issued.
4. Estell Manor Road Phase III - the design work is substantially complete. Mr. Dixon described the situation regarding NJDOT and the Governor halting all grant work until further notice. Project is currently on hold.
5. Matts Landing Bike Path – meeting with NJDEP and DF&W is pending
6. Fuel Tank Canopy – there was an investigation where alternates were being considered; basically an industrial sized carport that might cover the entire fuel tank system.
7. Bricksboro Flood Prevention - the mosquito control commission has been contacted and have been asked to come out and look at any standing water situation that would be out there.
8. Maurice River Diner Septic Improvements – Reso #86-2016 qualifies as an endorsement of the situation.
9. South Jersey Industries has requested identification of the streets in the 2015/2016 Road Programs that would be subjected to the 5 Year Moratorium for new construction. Information was conveyed by Cormac yesterday.

Mrs. Gross asked Mr. Dixon if the DOT stoppage was strictly on highways. Mr. Dixon answered for grants and state aid projects yes because the Transportation Trust Fund is being funded in part or the proposal was to raise the gas tax and lower the sales tax. That was held up in the Legislature, in the Senate. As a result of that, as an Executive reaction, Gov. Christie issued a letter to all agencies within DOT that all work (roadwork) funded by the state was coming to a halt. Mrs. Gross stated she was concerned that our current project with the East Point Lighthouse which is a DOT project. Even though it's not a road, it is a DOT grant where the county stepped in to facilitate the work and added money to it. Ms. Gross believes the original amount was \$350,000 and the county added maybe \$300,000 or \$400,000 to it. She was wondering if it would affect the project. The engineering work is done and the scaffolding is up waiting for the work to begin. Mr. Dixon offer to investigate if the project will be affected. Further discussion went on regarding this subject and county projects.

Mr. Oliver asked regarding the Port Elizabeth Library, BTW Enterprises was the lowest bidder for the chimney removal. Those of you who have not been here at prior meetings, the chimney on the Port Elizabeth Library is in bad shape and we're afraid it's going to fall and take out the house next to it. The Committee has decided to get quotes on removal of the chimney and since

the demolition of the chimney is \$6,000, and they were the low bidder, Mr. Oliver would like to make a motion that they award the bid to BTW Enterprises for the demolition of the chimney. Once the chimney is gone, we had to do something with the HVAC system. The current heater that's in there now is antique, inefficient and we may as well do the whole thing at once. The quote for \$8,506 was the lowest from Mountain Air & Heat, LLC. The note here is if no air conditioning is desired, Mountain Air's heating quote would be reduced to \$5,417. Mr. Oliver's concern is this is a historic building going back to 1812-1813, it's the only library in town, but more importantly than that the Maurice River Heritage Society is looking for a new place to meet. Currently, they are meeting at the Leesburg Fire Company in the back room and their membership is increasing to the point where there pretty much filled to capacity. His way of thinking is that a subsequent or alternative use for the library would be a meeting area for the Heritage Society which could also help if they want to put a museum in there to compliment the historic aspect of Maurice River Township.

Mr. Oliver made a motion to approve the demolition of the chimney for \$6,000 awarded to BTW Enterprises and the HVAC system to Mountain Air for \$8,506 to include the air conditioning. Mr. Dixon commented to include the air conditioning is a rational decision considering the public nature of the building, the age of the building, subject to moisture changes over time which will be reduced by having the air conditioning in the building, and also public access; especially the historic nature with the elderly being in the building subject to heat problems. Mr. Oliver asked Mr. DiDomenico to draft a resolution for next month's meeting to memorialize the awarding of these contracts.

Mrs. Gross stated at the Agenda meeting on Monday, they had everything set up for tonight knowing what they were going to do, but with all do respect to Mr. Oliver, Mrs. Gross asked if he thought this is something that should be done without Mr. Sarclette present? Mr. DiDomenico was asked to comment. He replied it's their call. The chosen is the lowest quote for the HVAC and for the demo. The only issue is whether the committee wants the work done. Mr. DiDomenico commented that he felt Mr. Sarclette was in agreement with their choices, but that we didn't have three quotes in at that time.

The motion was then seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays – None

(Mr. Dixon stated he will summarize the quotes and provide to the Committee and Solicitor.)

#### **Solicitor**

Mr. DiDomenico reported on Monday that the Committee discussed an unsafe structure at 3095, 3097 Route 47. He did order the title work from Beacon Title. That's the first step that's required before they can hold their unsafe structure hearing.

Mrs. Gross stated she spoke to the President of the East Point Lighthouse today who reported they've run up against some problems with the tenants. She (the President) was wondering if it would be copasetic to be able to send the tax bill to the tenants. The property was originally tax exempt, but was found between the township and the state the property does not qualify to be tax exempt. In that event, the lease said the tax bill would be the tenant's responsibility. Mr. DiDomenico asked if that was in the lease; he didn't specifically recall that. Mrs. Gross is asking if it were in the lease, could the township send the bill directly to the tenant? That was legal advice given to her (the President), but Mrs. Gross wanted it run it by Mr. DiDomenico.

Mr. DiDomenico stated if it's in the lease and we sent the bill to the Historical Society, they can in turn send it to the tenant. He suggested keeping doing what we're doing.

Ms. Behm added that as with other state owned properties and it's sent to the tenant, it's sent NJDEP and care of whoever the tenant is (i.e.: NJDEP c/o tenant). Mr. DiDomenico commented that the Maurice River Township Historical Society is the actual tenant; they in turn have a sub-lease. We wouldn't send the bill to the sub-lease and suggests doing as we're doing and sending to the Historical Society. Mrs. Gross asked if by sending the bill to the sub-lease would be acknowledging that it's ok. Mr. DiDomenico added that the township is not a party to that lease with the State of New Jersey, just the Historical Society.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Announcements**

1. Family Night Out is Thursday, August 4, 2016 from 5 pm to 8 pm.
2. A Senior Dance is scheduled for Saturday, July 23rd from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Leechester Hall. **POSTPONED – NEW DATE TO BE DETERMINED.**
3. The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual International Coastal Cleanup, hosted by the NJ Clean Communities Council in NJ, will take place on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Interested volunteers should contact Louann Karrer, Clean Communities Coordinator for additional information.

### **Correspondence**

1. A letter dated June 27, 2016 from the Cumberland County Positive Youth Development Coalition (CCPYDC) was received thanking Maurice River Township for adopting a resolution supporting June as Gun Safety and Violence Awareness Month and forwarding a Certificate of Appreciation.
2. A public notice was received from the US Army Corps of Engineers dated June 23, 2016 advising of project proposal of conducting shellfish habitat and restoration activities within subtidal portions of New Jersey which includes Cumberland County and the Delaware estuary.
3. A quitclaim request dated June 16, 2016 from Donna Furey, attorney for Altargcia Moguel for Block 204 Lot 11. This request was forwarded to Mr. DiDomenico.
4. A letter dated June 14, 2016 from NJ DOT advising the commencement of work on the Generator Usage and Controller Operations at the signal controller on Route 47 and the Mauricetown Causeway. Additionally, local municipalities are responsible for providing the generators.

Mrs. Gross asked Mr. Dixon to investigate what this means. Mr. Oliver further asked that since both of these roads are county or state, why does the municipality have to provide a generator? Wasn't it state mandate, state pay? Mr. Dixon stated it's the nature of the program, but he'd look into it.

5. Pinelands Commission letter dated June 29, 2016 from Director Larry L. Liggett advising that Ordinance 652 does relate to certain CMP standards but raises no substantial issues with respect to those standards and that Ordinance 652 requires no further review and may take effect as provided by law.
6. A memorandum from Cumberland County Office on Aging & Disabled dated June 28, 2016 making notification of a public hearing regarding the submission of an application for funds under the Fiscal Year 2017 Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program.



## PAYMENT OF BILLS

Winner Ford	58,670.00
J.C. Ehrlich Co., Inc.	40.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	35,634.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	26,101.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	21,776.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	29,201.00
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	40.45
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	46.86
Positive Promotions, Inc.	1,629.09
Edmunds & Associates, Inc.	82.50
Staples Business Advantage	275.60
Seashore Asphalt Corp.	106.25
Pride Products Distributors	1,031.61
Tri City Paper Co.	90.60
New Jersey Casualty Insurance	1,671.93
Michael R. Mazzoni, PA	775.00
Maurice River Township BOE	188.38
The Home Depot	306.76
NJ Advance Media	96.76
NJ Advance Media	14.18
NJ Advance Media	233.45
NJ Advance Media	161.00
Sheppard Bus Service, Inc.	900.00
Oriental Trading Company, Inc.	256.90
Kaeser and Blair, Inc.	168.00
Selective Insurance Co.	4,604.00
Comcast Cable	242.68
Quantum Electric	300.00
Caprioni Portable Toilets Inc.	72.00
Protection 1 Alarm Monitoring	175.00
J.C. Ehrlich Co., Inc.	450.00
Spectrum Marketing	2,377.90
Protection 1 Alarm Monitoring	525.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	405.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	1,890.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	4,115.00
US Bank Cust-Actlien Holding	19,664.78
US Bank Cust-Actlien Holding	9,538.20
Laurel Lawnmower Service Inc.	463.68
MTAG Cust For Empire VIII	7,353.17
MTAG Cust For Empire VIII	12,000.00
Staples Business Advantage	66.85
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	96.76
Riverview Plumbing, Inc.	825.00
Edmunds & Associates, Inc.	420.00
Long Marmero & Associates, LLP	30.00
Seashore Asphalt Corp.	103.75
Jack's Auto Service, LLC	1,998.08
Reminder	179.00
Tri City Paper Co.	20.90
Tri City Paper Co.	102.45
Gramco Business Communications	1,670.00
Steven M. Hagemann	60.00
Atlantic City Electric	671.42
L.J. Zucca, Inc.	236.52
AFLAC	285.00
New York Life Insurance Co.	124.18
NJ Civil Service Association	320.00
Garden State Highway Products	541.50
Western Pest Services	191.00
Treasurer, State of New Jersey	1,032.00
Sir Speedy Printing	147.00

Verizon Wireless	375.04
New Jersey SHBP	12,756.73
New Jersey SHBP	8,089.17
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	1,430.41
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	3,143.75
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	1,606.50
Van Embden, Van Embden & Stephen P. Kernan	1,200.00
Stephen P. Kernan	350.00
Shawn Ronan	65.20
Shawn Ronan	57.05
Brittney Adams	72.44
Brittney Adams	54.33
Power of Production Studio	100.00
Linda Dedrick	150.00
George's Pizzeria	209.84
Heritage Business Systems, Inc.	41.25
Heritage Business Systems, Inc.	30.80
Tri City Paper Co.	151.60
Mainiero's Inc.	37.90
Laurel Lawnmower Service Inc.	162.41
AFA Protective Systems, Inc.	78.42
Pyrotecnico	3,500.00
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	180.00
Prudential	67.07
Municipal Clerks' Assoc. of NJ	100.00
Riggins Inc.	1,131.82
Riggins Inc.	1,168.41
NJ State Dept. of Health & SR Treasurer, State of NJ	25.20
Health Mats Co.	75.00
Health Mats Co.	86.15
Cumberland County Treasurer's	3,425.38
Eurofins QC, Inc.	125.00
Capital Contractors, Inc.	624.00
B. W. Stetson Co.	51.00
Tri City Paper Co.	19.80
Tri City Paper Co.	228.75
Daley's Pit	200.00
Seashore Asphalt Corp.	232.50
NJ Advance Media	233.45
NJ Advance Media	181.13
NJ Advance Media	1,037.60
NJ Advance Media	192.84
Verizon	18.26
Riggins Inc.	689.27
Atlantic City Electric	4,580.63
J.C. Ehrlich Co., Inc.	83.50
Belleplain Emergency Corps	5,555.55
Kathryn L. Karrer	83.53
Selective Insurance Co.	4,449.00
Jack's Auto Service, LLC	1,405.82
Selective Insurance Co.	4,449.00
South Jersey Gas Company	108.79
State of New Jersey	175.35
Eurofins QC, Inc.	1,251.50
Earhtech Contracting, Inc.	16,990.42
Earhtech Contracting, Inc.	7,425.86
Comcast Cable	242.68
Comcast Cable	496.58
Comcast Cable	138.87
Tiffany A. Cuvillo, PP, AICP	380.00
Ron's Animal Shelter	400.00
Ronald L. Sutton, Sr.	950.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	2,265.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	302.50
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	7,676.25

Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	270.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	67.50
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	337.50
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	135.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	135.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	4,117.50
Buonadonna & Benson, PC	605.00
Tiffany A. CuvIELlo, PP, AICP	475.00
Tiffany A. CuvIELlo, PP, AICP	475.00
Tiffany A. CuvIELlo, PP, AICP	142.50
Shawn Ronan	48.90
Angelina Roman	54.33
Frank DiDomenico	165.00
Frank DiDomenico	991.25
Frank DiDomenico	279.87
The Hartford	1,270.25
New Jersey Casualty Insurance	2,467.00
New Jersey Casualty Insurance	2,130.33
New Jersey Casualty Insurance	1,671.93
Selective Insurance Co.	4,604.00
William R. Mints Agency	1,884.00
William R. Mints Agency	1,931.00
William R. Mints Agency	2,403.00
William R. Mints Agency	3,542.00
Tiffany A. CuvIELlo, PP, AICP	95.00
Party Perfect Rentals	2,431.25
J & B Disc Jockey Service	297.50
Heislerville Volunteer Fire Company	449.75
Maurice River Township BOE	242,191.00
Mary C. Hagemann	135.90
Cumberland County Treasurer's	808,833.63
Heritage Business Systems, Inc.	30.80
Heritage Business Systems, Inc.	41.25
Shirley A. Goff	75.00
Asa W. Whilden	500.00

Mr. Oliver made a motion to pay all properly signed bills; seconded by Mrs. Gross.

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays - None

**Second Public Comment Session**

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

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays - None

No comments.

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

Roll Call: Ayes – Oliver, Gross Nays - None

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

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND  
RESOLUTION NO. 84-2016**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER  
NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Maurice River has determined that the property described on Schedule A attached hereto and incorporated herein is no longer needed for public use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001, c. 30) authorizes the sale of surplus personal property no longer needed for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Maurice River intends to utilize the online auction services of GovDeals.com; and

**WHEREAS**, the sales are being conducted pursuant to the Division of Local Government Services' Local Finance Notice 2008-9,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township in the County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, that the Township is hereby authorized to sell the surplus personal property as indicated on schedule A, on an auction website entitled GovDeals.com; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the terms and conditions of the agreement entered into between GovDeals.com and the Township of Maurice River are available at GovDeals.com and in the Township Clerk's office at the Municipal Building, 590 Main Street, Leesburg, New Jersey.

Online Auction Site:	<a href="http://www.govdeals.com">www.govdeals.com</a>
Length of Auction:	30 days
	Start Date: Monday, July 25, 2016
	End Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2016
Auction Fees:	7.5% of the winning bid amount, paid through proceeds of the sale.
Shipping:	All shipping arrangements and shipping costs are the responsibility of the buyer. Item pickup on location: Maurice River Township Delmont Building 4507 Route 47, Delmont, NJ 08314
Possession:	Within 10 business days (excluding holidays) of winning bid and at pickup location.
Other Terms:	All items are being sold "as is, where is".
Payment:	Payment in full is due not later than 5 business days from the time and date of the Buyers Certificate. Payment must be made electronically through the GovDeals Website. <u>Acceptable forms of payment are:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PayPal</li> <li>• Wire Transfer</li> <li>• Visa</li> <li>• MasterCard</li> <li>• American Express</li> <li>• Discover</li> </ul>
Minimum Bid:	Per Schedule A

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 85-2016**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CUTTING OF GRASS AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CLEANUP AT 135 HIGH STREET, BLOCK 289, LOT 10 AND ASSESSMENT OF A MAINTENANCE LIEN THEREON**

**WHEREAS**, the Housing Officer has advised the Township Clerk that property maintenance issues exist at Block 289 Lot 10, 135 High Street in Leesburg, and

**WHEREAS**, the owner of record, CCTS Tax Liens I LLC - #203, has been issued a violation letter for grass too tall which is a property maintenance violation of Maurice River Township Revised General Ordinances, Chapter 14, Sections 14-1 thru 14-1.4, and

**WHEREAS**, the property owner has failed to respond to notices sent by the Housing Officer by regular and certified mail, and

**WHEREAS**, the property is currently deemed a health and safety concern due to the property being vacated.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that the property owner, CCTS Tax Liens I LLC - #203, has ten (10) days from issuance of a copy of Maurice River Township Resolution #85-2016 to resolve the property maintenance issues, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, should the property maintenance issues not be resolved within a ten (10) day period, the Maurice River Township Road Department be authorized to correct the above referenced property maintenance violations and that a maintenance lien shall be placed against this property to cover the Township's expenses at a rate of \$75.00 per man/equipment hour expended to satisfy the existing violations.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 86-2016**

**A RESOLUTION FOR ENDORSEMENT OF A PROPOSED UPGRADE OF AN INDIVIDUAL SUBSURFACE SEWERAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM FOR THE MAURICE RIVER DINER BLOCK 250, LOT 8, MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, Richard S. Jones, PE, 2961 South Second Street, Millville, NJ has prepared a plan entitled "Maurice River Diner-Individual Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Upgrades", dated June 2016, for the existing diner owned by Three Cousins Corporation t/a Maurice River Diner at 3830 Route 47, Port Elizabeth, NJ 08348, and;

**WHEREAS**, the municipal engineer has reviewed the plans provided by Richard S. Jones, PE and finds them to be in substantial conformance to municipal ordinances and requirements for subsurface disposal systems, and;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed upgrade will require approval of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and;

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection application requires an endorsement by the

municipality confirming conformance to local ordinances and requirements;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the required endorsements affirming the proposed disposal system upgrade conforms to the applicable local ordinances and regulations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this endorsement is not a guarantee of the performance or maintenance of the system by the Township.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 87-2016**

**A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE GRACE PERIOD FOR  
THIRD QUARTER 2016 TAXES TO AUGUST 22, 2016**

**WHEREAS** PL 1997 Chapter 72 provides for a twenty-two (22) day grace period for payment of third quarter taxes without interest penalty for those municipalities operating on a calendar year who have mailed out tax bills late and,

**WHEREAS** the lateness in the Cumberland County Board of Taxation in setting a tax rate for Maurice River Township has resulted in the tax bills being mailed out late in 2016.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that tax payments received by the tax office on or before August 22, 2016 will not be subject to interest charged for the third quarter taxes for 2016.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any payments for the third quarter taxes for 2016 received on or after August 22, 2016 will be subject to interest charges retroactive to the statutory due date of August 1, 2016.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**Resolution No. 88-2016**

**TAX EXEMPTION GRANTED TO  
100% PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN  
AND CANCELS PORTION OF 2016 TAX AMOUNTS**

**Block 217, Lot 4.07**  
*(Robert Henry Loth)*

**WHEREAS**, Robert Henry Loth has submitted an application and all required documentation for tax exemption as a 100% Permanently and Totally Disabled Veteran on his residence located at 330 Port Elizabeth Cumberland Road, Block 217, Lot 4.07, and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs has certified that Robert Henry Loth is eligible for this tax exemption in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30.

**THEREFORE**, the Tax Assessor is granting tax exempt status to the residence effective March 24, 2016. The total assessed value eligible for tax exemption is \$197,800.

**FURTHERMORE**, due to this tax exemption, the Tax Collector wishes to cancel a portion of 2016 property tax in the amount of \$3,829.10.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township that a 100% Permanently and Totally Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption be applied against Block 217 Lot 4.07 as referenced above.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**Resolution No. 89-2016**

**REFUND OVERPAYMENT ON PROPERTY TAXES**

**Block 217 Lot 4.07**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector of the Township of Maurice River collected from the property owner or it's designee an excess amount of 2016 property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, an overpayment was created for the reason listed below, and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector of the Township of Maurice River has determined the said overpayment should be refunded accordingly as indicated below:

<b>Block/Lot:</b>	217/4.07
<b>Assessed to:</b>	Robert Loth
<b>Address:</b>	330 Port Elizabeth Cumberland Rd
<b>2016 Tax Refund:</b>	\$1,324.36
<b>Reason:</b>	Owner granted Disabled Veteran Exemption 3/24/16 resulting in an overpayment.
<b>Refund Credit to:</b>	Robert Loth 330 Port Elizabeth Cumberland Rd Millville NJ 08332

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township that the above refund be made.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND**

**RESOLUTION NO. 91-2016**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF APPROPRIATED RESERVE AND GRANT RECEIVABLE BALANCES FOR NJEDA HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUND REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION GRANT ACKLEY GARAGE – 2003 FUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Maurice River has completed grants with outstanding Appropriated Reserve and Grant Receivable balances; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that final payment has been received from the granting agencies and spending on these projects has been completed; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chief Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized to cancel the Grant Appropriated Reserve and Receivable balances as follows:

Grant	Appropriated Reserve Balance	Receivable Balance
2003 HDSR – Ackley Garage	\$5,353.35	\$5,353.35

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
RESOLUTION NO. 92-2016**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING UNPAID LEAVE FOR BILL ELLER**

**WHEREAS**, Bill Eller is an employee of Maurice River Township, employed in the Roads Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Bill Eller has requested unpaid leave of absence for a personal medical condition; and

**WHEREAS**, Bill Eller has requested unpaid leave through August 19, 2016.

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

Bill Eller is granted unpaid leave, pursuant to FMLA for the continuation of his current unpaid leave of absence through August 19, 2016.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
RESOLUTION NO. 93-2016**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR  
DENISE PETERSON**

**WHEREAS**, Denise Peterson, Township Clerk, has requested intermittent, unpaid leave of absence pursuant to FMLA; and

**WHEREAS**, Denise Peterson has requested intermittent FMLA in one half day increments beginning July 19, 2016 due to a personal medical condition; and

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated duration of said intermittent unpaid leave will be through mid November, 2016.

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

1. Denise Peterson, Township Clerk, is granted intermittent unpaid leave, pursuant to FMLA in one half day increments, beginning July 19, 2016 until mid November 2016.

2. As per the requirements of FMLA, all health benefits shall continue and shall be paid by Maurice River Township.

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 95-2016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY  
NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE

**WHEREAS**, Maurice River Township is the owner of certain real property being Block 117, Lot 23.05, consisting of approximately .4621 acres; and

**WHEREAS**, said real property is a land-locked parcel with no road frontage and is not a buildable lot pursuant to the Maurice River Land Use Ordinance Standards; and

**WHEREAS**, said real property is not needed for public use; and

**WHEREAS**, after proper advertising, a public sale of land was conducted on June 16, 2016 pursuant to NJSA 40A:12-13 and no bids were received on Block 117, Lot 23.05; and

**WHEREAS**, following the public auction the contiguous property owners, Greg Novakowski, offered \$1,500.00 for said real property and no other contiguous owners have made an offer to purchase said real property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has determined that the offer reflects the fair market value of said real property and that the offer should be accepted in the best interest of the Township.

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

1. The offer to purchase Block 117, Lot 23.05 in the amount of \$1,500.00 from Greg Novakowski is accepted.
2. Payment in full is required within 30 days of the date of this resolution.
3. Upon acceptance of full payment, the Township shall prepare a Bargain and Sale Deed with all recording fees of the County Clerk to be paid by Greg Novakowski.



313 E. JIM LEEDS ROAD (609) 652-7131  
SUITE 202 FAX (609) 652-2013  
GALLOWAY, NJ 08205 WWW.DIXONASSOCIATES.COM

Item	Project Name	Project Number	Status
1	Port Elizabeth Library	MR16-012	Contractor quotes on HVAC improvements for Committee's consideration. The Committee may take action to award the work to the contractors with the lowest quotes
2	2015 Road Program	MR15-048	The contractor has indicated that the resurfacing of Schoolhouse and MacDonald Lanes in Heislerville will occur in the near future.
3	2016 Road Program	MR16-043	Roadway plans substantially complete. Preparing for bid. Survey work pending for areas requiring improvement to existing drainage system.
4	Estell Manor Road Phase III	MR13-053	Design work substantially completed. NJDOT has halted all grant work until further notice. Project is currently on hold.
5	Matts Landing Bike Path	MR11037	Meeting with NJDEP DFW pending.
6	Fuel Tank Canopy	MR11010	Alternative canopy presently under consideration. Anticipate pricing for August meeting.

7	Bricksboro Flood Prevention	MR16-045	Survey work for bulkhead replacement presently pending. DA will prepare application to NJDEP for bulkhead replacement. JPPM meeting scheduled with NJDEP for 11:00 am on September 14 <sup>th</sup> .
8	Maurice River Diner Septic Improvements	MR16-001	Diner is looking to upgrade its existing septic system. Applicant's engineer has prepared a TWA permit application for submission to the NJDEP. Township is requested to endorse application as municipal agency. Endorsement recommended.