

Thursday, December 17, 2021 - 7:30 pm

PRESENT: J. Roy Oliver, Mayor  
Ken Whildin, Deputy Mayor  
Bill Ashton, Committeeman  
Frank DiDomenico, Solicitor  
Cormac Morrissey, Engineer (teleconference)  
Denise L. Peterson, Municipal Clerk

This meeting has been advertised in accordance with the statutes of the State of New Jersey. Due to ongoing social distancing mandates this meeting was conducted via teleconference and as 25% capacity was permitted this meeting was open to 18 people from the public

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

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Oliver, present  
Mr. Whildin present  
Mr. Ashton present

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Whildin made a motion to approve the minutes of prior meetings, seconded by Mr. Ashton

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

#### **Presentations**

1. **N.J.S.P.** – A representative from the N.J. S.P. was not present to provide a report.

#### **First Public Comments Session**

Mr. Whildin made a motion to open the first public comment session noting the time at 7:32 pm; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

There being no public comment, Mr. Whildin made a motion to close the first public comment session noting the time at 7:32 pm; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

#### **Ordinances**

##### Ordinance 697

The clerk provided the second reading by title of Ordinance 697: An Ordinance Fixing Salaries And Compensation Of Certain Officers And Employees Of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey.

Mr. DiDomenico provided a synopsis on Ordinance 697.

Mr. Whildin motioned to open the public hearing on Ordinance 697; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

There being no comment from the public, Mr. Whildin motioned to close the public hearing on Ordinance 697; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

Mr. Whildin made a motion to adopt Ordinance 697; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays - None

#### Ordinance 698

The clerk provided the second reading by title of Ordinance 698: An Ordinance Of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey, Establishing Speed Limits On New Road

Mr. DiDomenico provided a synopsis of Ordinance 698.

Mr. Whildin motioned to open the public hearing on Ordinance 698; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

There being no comment from the public, Mr. Whildin motioned to close the public hearing on Ordinance 698; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

Mr. Whildin made a motion to adopt Ordinance 698; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays - None

#### Ordinance 699

The clerk provided the second reading by title of Ordinance 699: An Ordinance Of Maurice River Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey Authorizing A Lease Of A Portion Of The Delmont Building To Inspira Medical Centers, Inc, A New Jersey Non-Profit Corporation

Mr. DiDomenico provided a synopsis of Ordinance 699

Mr. Whildin motioned to open the public hearing on Ordinance 699; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

There being no comment from the public, Mr. Whildin motioned to close the public hearing on Ordinance 699; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

Mr. Whildin made a motion to adopt Ordinance 699; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays - None

#### **Consent Agenda Resolutions**

<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA:</b> All matters listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Township Committee and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.</p>
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#### Resolutions

*1.	Resolution No.	143-2020	A Resolution Urging The New Jersey Department Of Protection To Permit Farmer Tagged Vehicles To Dispose Of Household Waste At Municipal Convenience Centers
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*2.	Resolution No.	145-2020	A Resolution Authorizing Maurice River Township To Issue A Refund For Escrow Fees To Jacob Pintye
*3.	Resolution No.	146-2020	Cancels Taxes and Lien Balances on Properties Acquired by Maurice River Township
*4.	Resolution No.	147-2020	Cancels Tax Balances On Properties Acquired By State Of New Jersey
*5.	Resolution No.	148-2020	A Resolution Authorizing 2020 Budget Transfers
*6.	Resolution No.	149-2020	A Resolution Re-Appointing Michelle L. Behm As Tax Collector
*7.	Resolution No.	150-2020	A Resolution Authorizing Cancellation Of Appropriated Reserve And Grant Receivable Balances For Completed Grants
*8	Resolution No..	151-2020	A Resolution Authorizing A Contract For Animal Shelter 2021 To The South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter

**Routine Items**

- \*1. South Jersey Gas submitted an application for Street Opening Permit for 240 Carlisle Place Road 210' W c/l Walnut Street. The permit will be issued upon receipt of payment.

Mr. Whildin made a motion to adopt the resolutions and approve the routine matters listed in the consent agenda; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays - None

**Township Committee Reports**

**Bill Ashton**

Mr. Ashton provided the following report:

1. Negotiations with Comcast regarding renewal of their franchise in the township are ongoing. Presently they are looking to expand their coverage area, in the Township, to include areas without service. A proposal has been sent up to their finance department.
2. Matts Landing – the surveyor has asked the marina owners to provide input regarding the lot lines. Friday survey done. Project continues to move forward.
3. The Township sold a house through public auction on Monday and the winning bidder was very happy to have acquired the property. She stated she visits here often and loves this township.
4. Mr. Ashton commented that this is Mr. Oliver last meeting. Additionally, Mr. Ashton explained that Mr. Oliver in mid-year 2018 commented that when his term was up he would be done. However, later on in the year Mr. Oliver provided that things were moving a good pace and that he would entertain running for another term to see the projects to fruition. Mr. Ashton commented that Mr. Oliver’s vast knowledge would be missed and that it had been an honor working with him,

## Ken Whildin

Mr. Whildin provided the following report:

1. The pipes have been installed by the county at East point and are helping with the flooding/ponding problem.
2. There was a meeting today, Matt Pisarski from the county was in attendance. At this meeting it was discussed that two companies are installing wireless technology with will help with areas like Bay Avenue with reception.
3. Patrick Phillips was confirmed to the Land Use Board as a Class II member.
4. Mr. Whildin stated that he will miss the knowledge that Mr. Oliver has brought to the Township Committee and thanked Mr. Oliver for his mentorship.

## J. Roy Oliver

Mr. Oliver explained that one cannot give a formula for success but a formula can be given for failure and that is to do it yourself. Mr. Oliver stated that Ken and Bill are the best and this has been a working bipartisan committee that has had several accomplishments.

Mr. Oliver said this is what has been done in the last 2 years:

1. Zero increase to the local tax
2. Bricksboro Bulkhead
3. LOI to transfer the land at Matts Landing from NJDEP to the Township
4. Ongoing communications regarding dredging of the river
5. Node and centers for riverfront development which is ongoing
6. Realization of the Dollar General
7. Geotube at East Point
8. Planned for ACOE is ongoing for a berm in the Heislerville area
9. ALS grant was received for resiliency at the mouth of the Maurice River

Mr. Oliver stated that what the Township Committee has accomplished these last 2 years has been phenomenal and that things will only get better is you listen to those who know what they are talking about. Mr. Oliver thanked all of the township professionals, office staff, Land Use Board members and volunteers. Mr. Oliver explained that his parents always told him to never accept himself as he could always be better. Mr. Oliver explained that he has always lived by the motto "Do the right thing for the right reasons". Mr. Oliver thanked everyone for making Maurice River Township the best.

## **Professional Reports**

### **Engineer**

1. Annual Stormwater Presentation

Mr. Morrissey explained that presentation of the annual stormwater management is mandatory to be in compliance. Phase II pertains to small municipalities and Maurice River Township falls in the Tier B permit category. Controls must be instituted to meet the state requirements. Areas the township has in place that public works does not wash vehicles on site and the use of stand up gas pumps. The township owns and operates eligible storm systems under eligible stormwater discharges. For eligible non-stormwater discharges several are met by the township such as irrigation water runoff. Reduction of flooding is a priority with new and existing constructions. In 2018 the township stormwater permit was renewed and expires 12/31/2022. The state has set up new regulations which the township must be in compliance with. An ordinance will need to be adopted to meet the new regulations set by NJDEP. Areas the township works to meet compliance are educational, storm drain labels, website, signage, targeted audience outreach,

mailing, youth education, roadside cleanup and rain garden seminar.

Mr. Morrissey explained the current NJDEP revision includes Green Infrastructure, and they are trying to get away from single source basins. They are looking for usage of rain barrels, etc. Existing businesses do not need to change but any new construction will need to comply. The new rules must be adopted by the township by March 2, 2021 and Mr. Morrissey is looking to introduce the new ordinance in January 2021. Mr. Morrissey stated he will supply a summary of what is required. Impervious surface requirements have also changed; anything driven on will be considered an impervious surface. Also, drainage will be considered development. Mr. Morrissey explained that the Risiko riverside project will need to meet the new requirements as well as future development or expansion.

Mr. Morrissey provided the following report on current projects:

- 2018 Road Program-- Punch list complete and can be closed out.
  
- Newell Road ----- Guiderail needs to be replaced. He is trying to fit the cost into the two existing grant balances for payment.
  
- Fox Street ----- The Pinelands application is almost complete and should be able to send by the end of the year. Two grant have been received for this project totaling \$340,236.
  
- Deerwood ----- Grant application is pending with NJDOT
  
- Road Program ----- Re-evaluation is being done.
  
- Stormwater update --- Above.
  
- NJDOT TAP ----- Grant has been submitted and pending NJDOT review.

Mr. Morrissey thanked Mr. Oliver for his kindness over the years and explained that Mr. Oliver was one of the first people he met on becoming the engineer for the township. Mr. Oliver stated that Mr. Morrissey is a fantastic engineer and has helped move many projects in the right direction..

**Solicitor**

Mr. DiDomenico reported the following:

1. The ejection on Hands Mill Road was successful and the property has been secured by Public Works. This property is available to be placed for public auction when the Township Committee is ready.
2. A signed contract has not yet been received for the 2021 Ambulance service.

Mr. DiDomenico thanked Mr. Oliver for all of his hard work and for always putting the township first.

**REPORTS**

Treasurers Report	\$1,288,522.50
Road Dept. Report (November 2020)	
Ron's Animal Control Monthly Report (November 2020)	

Mr. Whildin made a motion to accept the above reports, seconded by Mr. Ashton

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays - None

## **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Accses New Jersey, Inc.	744.40
AFA Protective Systems, Inc.	1,017.36
AFLAC	131.76
Allen J. Foster	63.12
Amtrust North America	999.00
Amtrust North America	2,784.00
Ankit Patel	1,172.75
Ashley Criss	600.00
Atlantic City Electric	5,696.72
Atlantic City Electric	900.91
Barber Consulting Services	360.00
Barber Consulting Services	783.84
Belleplaine Emergency Corps.	6,250.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	56,705.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	32,977.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	42,369.00
Board of Fire Commissioners	50,540.00
Caprioni Portable Toilets Inc.	432.00
Central Jersey Equipment, LLC	548.75
City of Bridgeton	1,360.00
Comcast Cable	281.88
Corelogic	1,436.09
Crown Trophy of Mays Landing	37.90
Dailey Journal	61.85
Daley's Pit	200.00
Denise L. Peterson	600.00
Dezigns Construction, Inc.	391.40
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	1,045.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	270.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	1,211.25
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	675.00
Dixon Assoc. Engineering, LLC	4,530.00
Donna M. Jacoby	600.00
Enhanced Web Services	29.95
Eric K. Wood	1,440.00
Fig Cust FigNJ19LLC & Sec PTY	10,263.93
Fig Cust FigNJ19LLC & Sec PTY	1,400.00
Frank DiDomenico	1,689.00
Frank DiDomenico	1,000.00
Frank DiDomenico	87.50
Frank DiDomenico	162.50
Frank DiDomenico	615.30
Garden State Highway Products	1,844.00
Garden State Highway Products	279.00
Gold Medal Environmental of NJ	19,323.33
Gold Medal Environmental of NJ	9,257.24
H. A. DeHart & Son	10.00
Heritage Business Systems, Inc.	45.10
Heritage Business Systems, Inc.	54.91
J.C. Ehrlich Co., Inc.	91.17
Jack's Auto Service. LLC	322.08
Jack's Auto Service, LLC	245.00
Jack's Auto Service, LLC	60.00
Jackie L. James	654.00
Jacob Pintye	2,880.00
Kaeser and Blair, Inc.	3,459.64
Kenneth Whildin	384.53
Linda Dedrick	150.00
Lisa R. Fisher	1,920.00

Mainero's Inc.	749.95
Maurice River Township BOE	257,108.00
Maurice River Township BOE	188.38
Michelle L. Behm	1,440.00
Munidex, Inc	349.40
NAPA (Genuine Parts Company)	136.99
New York Life Insurance Co.	90.24
NJ Advance Media	402.50
NJ Advance Media	85.09
NJ Advance Media	102.61
NJ Advance Media	66.74
NJ Advance Media	23.36
NJ Advance Media	20.86
NJ Advance Media	15.85
NJ Advance Media	289.64
NJ Civil Service Association	280.00
NJ State Dept. of Health & Sr.	16.80
Oriental Trading Company, Inc.	95.98
Prudential	64.67
Riggins Inc.	275.24
Ronald L. Sutton, Sr.	1,100.00
S.J. Regional Animal Shelter	1,112.08
Seashore Asphalt Corp.	170.00
South Jersey Culligan Water	25.00
Staples Business Advantage	71.88
Staples Business Advantage	35.15
The Home Depot	101.80
The Home Depot	671.86
The Press of Atlantic City	65.48
Thomas M. Corrigan, Esq.	958.00
Thomas M. Corrigan, Esq.	958.00
U.S. Postal Service	1,222.90
Verizon	38.36
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	60.70
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	126.40
William Eller	1,200.00
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	1,691.78
Woodard & Curran, Inc.	2,281.20

Mr. Whildin made a motion to pay all properly signed bills, seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays - None

**Second Public Comment Session**

Mr. Whildin made a motion to open the second public comment session noting the time at 8:14 pm; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

Bob Whildin, Heislerville, questioned the street opening on Carlisle Place with this being a newly paved area. The Township Committee explained that this section of Carlisle Place Road is a county roadway and the township approval is for the side street which is a township road.

Jane Ashton, Dorchester, thanked Mr. Oliver for everything he has done for the township; adding it was appreciated.

Mr. Whildin made a motion to close the second public comment session noting the time at 8:16 pm; seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Roll Call: Ayes – Whildin, Ashton, Oliver Nays – None

Mr. Whildin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Ashton.

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Denise L. Peterson, Municipal Clerk

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**ORDINANCE NO. 697**

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY.**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township that:

1. A. The annual salary of the following designated officers and employees shall be paid every other week at a sum equal to the annual salary divided by the number of pay periods in the calendar year:

**OFFICE:**

Township/Municipal Clerk	17,450.00	-	54,924.00
Deputy Municipal Clerk	5,463.00	-	18,288.00
Chief Financial Officer	8,754.00	-	24,424.00
Tax Assessor	15,683.00	-	21,464.00
Tax Collector	15,683.00	-	42,545.00
Township Committee Member			10,933.00
Township Committee Member Designated Chairman			11,648.00
Judge of Municipal Court	13,337.00	-	28,240.00
Municipal Court Administrator	19,121.00	-	42,694.00
Deputy Municipal Court Administrator	2,085.00	-	2,443.00
Construction Official	8,000.00	-	18,773.00
Building Inspector	2,000.00	-	10,690.00
Building Subcode Official	1,500.00	-	10,690.00
Housing Inspector	2,000.00	-	9,595.00
Code Enforcement Officer	1,500.00	-	9,595.00
Zoning Officer	1,000.00	-	8,865.00



Floodplain Manager	700.00	-	5,632.00
Electrical Subcode Official	6,322.00	-	9,220.00
Plumbing Subcode Official	1,429.00	-	5,954.00
Fire Protection Subcode Official	1,543.00	-	4,519.00
Fire Official	1,472.00	-	3,603.00
Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator	2,841.00	-	6,135.00
Deputy Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator #1	2,015.00	-	2,198.00
Deputy Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator #2	2,015.00	-	2,198.00
Certified Public Works Manager Building Maintenance	1,400.00	-	1,528.00
Worker/Groundskeeper	8,358.00	-	9,115.00
Building Service Worker	3,798.00	-	7,069.00
Land Use Board Secretary	8,283.00	-	18,960.00

1. B. The annual salary of the following designated officers and employees shall be paid every other week at a sum equal to the annual salary divided by the number of pay periods in the calendar year:

Municipal Court Administrator, Schedule B	19,991.00	-	42,692.00
Supervisor of Senior Citizen Activities, Schedule B	23,546.00	-	38,342.00

2. A. The wages of the following designated employees, paid on an hourly basis, shall be paid every other week for a total of 26 pay periods in the calendar year:

**Titles per Council 18 Schedule A**

Clerk 2 (Formerly Known As: Title 1P Senior Clerk)			25.79
Clerk 3 (Formerly Known As: Title 1P Principal Clerk)	26.80	-	27.30
Clerk 2 (Formerly Known As: Title 2 Senior Clerk)			25.86
Title 8P Supervisor, Road Department or Public Works			34.73

**Titles per Council 18 Schedule B**

Supervisor, Road Department with PW Credentials	22.15	-	34.27
Supervisor, Road Department without PW Credentials	20.71	-	31.46
Heavy Equipment Operator	15.00	-	29.18
Truck Driver	13.20	-	28.43
Laborer	11.43	-	22.30
Clerk 1 (F.K.A.: Clerk/Clerk Typist/Account Clerk)	12.85	-	23.44
Clerk 2 (F.K.A.: Senior Clerk/Senior Clerk Typist/Senior Account Clerk)	14.64	-	25.28
Clerk 3 (F.K.A.: Principal Clerk/Principal Clerk Typist/Principal Account Clerk)	16.45	-	26.78
Senior Citizens Program Aide	10.23	-	17.42
Deputy Municipal Clerk, Hourly	12.85	-	28.35
Deputy Municipal Court Administrator, Hourly	12.85	-	22.11

**Part-time/Seasonal/Temporary Titles (Non-Union)**

Deputy Municipal Court Administrator	12.06	-	21.15
Maintenance Worker 1 – Grounds	11.21	-	22.31
Clerical	12.60	-	26.73
Municipal Court Attendant	14.72	-	25.52

3. A. Hourly employees will be compensated at the rate of time and one-half for all authorized overtime hours accrued in excess of normal hours of established workweek.
3. B. Hourly employees shall be compensated at the rate of double-time for work on holidays plus the regular rate of pay for the holiday.
3. C. Hourly employees shall be compensated at the rate of double-time for work on Sundays.
3. D. Hourly employees shall be compensated for a minimum two-hour call in time payable at time and one-half whether a thirty-five (35) or a forty (40) hour week employee. When called in for a snow storm emergency or any other bona fide emergency, said employee shall receive a minimum four (4) hours pay at time and one-half. For purposes of this paragraph “emergencies” shall not include attendance at meetings or returning to work place for routine matters. The Township Committee shall reserve the right to limit the number of employees who are called in for said emergencies.

3. E. Hourly employees on the Call-in List for burglary/fire alarm at the Municipal Building would be paid a minimum of 2 hours if the employee is called in to respond to an alarm at the Township Hall.
4. The annual vacation schedule of Township employees designated in paragraphs 1. B. and 2. A. of this Ordinance, whose normal workweek is twenty-five (25) hours or more, and in respect to employee date of hire, shall be in accordance with the provisions of the contract between Cumberland Council #18 and Maurice River Township.

Employee's vacation leave is not cumulative and must be taken within the year earned.

Where in any calendar year an employee's vacation or any part thereof is not utilized, upon approval of the Governing Body, the vacation entitlement will accumulate and shall be utilized during the next succeeding calendar year only. Any carry-over vacation time must be used by December 31 of the succeeding year or it shall be considered forfeited.

5. Sick and personal leave apply only to those employees whose normal work week is twenty-five (25) hours or more per week and shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of the contract between Cumberland Council #18 and Maurice River Township.
6. Vacation and sick leave for part-time employees shall be prorated per the Leave Entitlement Schedule delineated in N.J.A.C. 4A:3-3.8.
7. All employees designated in paragraphs 1. B. and 2. A. of this Ordinance shall receive Holiday Leave in accordance with the provisions of the contract between Cumberland Council #18 and Maurice River Township.
8. All employees designated in paragraphs 1. B. and 2. A. of this Ordinance shall be granted a leave of absence with pay not to exceed three (3) consecutive days due to the death of a member of their household or member of their immediate family. Immediate family is defined as mother, father, spouse, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother, sister, child, grandfather, grandmother, grandchild, son-in-law or daughter-in-law.
9. All employees designated in paragraphs 1.B. and 2.A. of this Ordinance whose normal work week is twenty-five (25) hours or more will be granted three (3) personal leave days, with pay, during a year.
10. Upon full retirement after a minimum of ten (10) years of service and a minimum age of fifty-five (55) years, full time employees will be paid 100% of their unused accumulated sick time up to the maximum of \$9,000.00, or upon death the money will be paid to their estate.
11. An employee shall receive time off without loss of pay when performing jury duty, upon proof of attendance of same.

The aforesaid salaries, rates and policies shall be effective from January 1, 2021 for all employees on the payroll at the time of final adoption of this Ordinance. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication and in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:9-165. Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

## TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER

### ORDINANCE NO. 698

#### AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS ON NEW ROAD

**WHEREAS**, the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Maurice River, Section 7-29, establish speed limits on certain Township roadways; and

**WHEREAS**, at the request of the Maurice River Township Committee, the Township Engineer conducted a study of New Road for a recommendation of an appropriate speed limit for said roadway; and

**WHEREAS**, New Road is a relatively short stretch of roadway within Delmont, Maurice River Township with a paved cartway of 14 feet with a current speed limit of 50 mph; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer has submitted a report regarding his findings relating to an appropriate speed limit along New Road and the Township Committee has considered said report and incorporates said report into this Ordinance as if set forth at length; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has determined, based upon recommendations and findings of the Township Engineer, that the speed limit along New Road should be established at twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

**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 the Revised General Ordinances of Township of Maurice River, Section 7-29 Speed Limits, so as to include:

**A. SECTION 7-29 G (New) to read as follows:**

New Road  
25 mph along its entire length

**B.** All other provisions of section 7-29 shall remain in full force and effect except as amended by the Ordinance.

**C. 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 an 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 adoption as prescribed by law.

**TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER**

**ORDINANCE NO. 699**

**AN ORDINANCE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
AUTHORIZING A LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE DELMONT BUILDING TO INSPIRA MEDICAL  
CENTERS, INC, A NEW JERSEY NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 40A:12-14(c), permits a municipality to lease real property to a non-profit corporation for a public purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, Maurice River Township, hereby authorizes a lease with Inspira Medical Centers, Inc, a New Jersey Non-Profit Corporation for a portion of the Delmont maintenance building located at 4507 Route 47, Delmont, New Jersey 08314; and

**WHEREAS**, the lease to Inspira Medical Centers, Inc will promote a public purpose, by permitting the non-profit corporation to utilize a portion of the Delmont maintenance building to stage ambulances and emergency medical technicians which will provide ambulance service and emergency medical service to the residents of Maurice River Township. The Delmont building is currently occupied partially by the U.S. Post Office and the remainder of the building is used for storage. Staging of ambulances at this location will reduce response time in the event of emergencies thereby, providing a further benefit to the public and the residents of Maurice River Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of said lease will be a period of five (5) years with renewable five (5) year terms and shall be at a nominal rental of ONE (\$1.00) DOLLAR per year; and

**WHEREAS**, a written lease shall be required between the Township and Inspira Medical Centers, Inc; and

**WHEREAS**, Inspira Medical Centers, Inc, shall be responsible to designate one of its officers or employees to insure that the requirements of this ordinance, as well as the written lease, are honored. Furthermore, said officer or employee shall, on an annual basis, submit a report to the Clerk of Maurice River Township, which report shall set forth the following:

1. The use to which the rental property was used during the preceding year.
2. Any and all activities taken by Inspira Medical Centers, Inc, to further the public purpose as set forth in this Ordinance.
3. The approximate value or cost, if any, of such activities in furthering the public purpose of the lease.
4. Proof of the continued tax-exempt status of Inspira Medical Centers, Inc.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND**, that the Mayor is authorized to sign a lease with Inspira Medical Centers, Inc, a Non-Profit Corporation of the State of New Jersey, said lease to contain, as a minimum, the relevant terms as set forth herein and as required by NJSA 40A:12-14(c).

**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 adoption as prescribed by law.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION NO. 143-2020**

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF PROTECTION TO PERMIT  
FARMER TAGGED VEHICLES TO DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE AT MUNICIPAL  
CONVENIENCE CENTERS**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Maurice River (“the Township”) is a Cumberland County municipality with a substantial agricultural community including a number of farm families residing in the township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township operates a “convenience center” for the purposes of collecting household waste; and

**WHEREAS**, many famers within the Township own and operate only vehicles with license plates issued by the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles designated as “Farmer”; and

**WHEREAS**, many farmers utilize their Farmer tagged vehicles for both personal and farming use as permitted by statute; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey department of Environmental Protection (“NJDEP”), having jurisdiction over municipal convenience centers, has advised that Farmer tagged vehicles may not be used to deliver household waste to municipal convenience centers; and

**WHEREAS**, the very same household waste would be permissible if delivered by an identical vehicle tagged as a “private passenger” vehicle; and

**WHEREAS**, the barring of the delivery to convenience centers of household waste in Farmer tagged vehicles creates an undue hardship on farming families within the Township as it forces farmers without private passenger tagged vehicles to find an alternate means to dispose of their household waste not required of other residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MAURICE RIVER IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND**, as follows:

1. The Township urges that the NJDE authorize the use of Farmer tagged vehicles to deliver the farmer’s household waste to municipal convenience centers.
2. The Township urges the NJDEP to delegate to Municipalities operating municipal waste convenience centers the authority to enforce such rules as are necessary to ensure Farmer tagged vehicles are delivering only household waste.

**Maurice River Township  
Resolution NO. 145-2020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
TO ISSUE A REFUND FOR ESCROW FEES  
TO JACOB PINTYE**

**WHEREAS**, on September 8, 2020 the Land Use Board Office received cash in the amount of \$3,450.00 from Jacob Pintye for a professional review of Use Variance and Minor Site Plan Application, and

**WHEREAS**, the payment was rendered for the services from the Escrow and Current Fund Account in the amount of \$570; and

**WHEREAS**, this has left an amount in his escrow account of \$2,880.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP** that the Finance Officer issue a refund for \$2,880.00 from the Escrow Fund to Jacob Pintye, 65 East Point Rd. Heislerville, NJ 08324.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
Resolution No. 146-2020**

**CANCELS TAXES and LIEN BALANCES  
PROPERTIES ACQUIRED by MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, the properties listed below were acquired by Maurice River Township and by virtue of ownership, have attained tax exempt status.

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

BLK	LOT	HOW ACQUIRED	DEED BK/PG	DEED DATE	PRIOR OWNER	TOTAL ASSESS	LIEN #	LIEN BAL to be CANCELLED	2020 TAXES to be CANCELLED	FIRE DIST
65	2	Quitclaim	4199/1063	9/25/20	Alex	\$700	--	--	\$5.25	F04
306	1	Foreclosure	4197/5631	8/24/20	Buck	\$103,000	17-00032	\$20,049.45	--	F02

Totals: \$103,700 \$20,049.45 \$5.25

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
Resolution No. 147-2020

CANCELS TAX BALANCES on

PROPERTIES ACQUIRED by STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the properties listed below were acquired by the State of New Jersey and have attained tax exempt status effective 1/9/2020.

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

BLK	LOTS	HOW ACQUIRED	DEED BK/PG	DEED DATE	PRIOR OWNER	TOTAL ASSESS	2020 TAXES to be CANCELLED	FIRE DIST
120	4	Purchase	4189/3716	1/9/20	Atlantic City Electric	\$9,000	\$264.15	F04
121	3, 1, 2	Purchase	4189/3716	1/9/20	Atlantic City Electric	\$72,300	\$2,122.01	F04
Totals:						<b>\$81,300</b>	<b>\$2,386.16</b>	

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

RESOLUTION NO. 148-2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2020 BUDGET TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to expend for certain purposes specified in the Township of Maurice River 2020 Budget, amounts in excess of the respective sums appropriated therefore; and

WHEREAS, there is an excess in one or more appropriations over and above the amount deemed necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriations; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides for the transfer of such amounts to those appropriations which are insufficient;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Maurice River that the following transfers be made in the 2020 budget:

<u>Line Item</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
20-170-2 Economic Development OE	\$8,000.00	
28-370-2 Recreation OE	\$10,000.00	
26-310-2 Buildings & Grounds OE		\$10,000.00
20-165-2 Engineering OE		\$8,000.00

MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
RESOLUTION NO. 149-2020

A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING  
MICHELLE L. BEHM AS TAX COLLECTOR

WHEREAS the Township Committee of Maurice River Township has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to re-appoint Michelle L. Behm to the position of Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS Michelle L. Behm, has successfully performed the responsibilities and duties of the Tax Collector's position and has obtained Continuing Education Credits as required to keep her Tax Collectors Certification current with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

**WHEREAS** the Township Committee of Maurice River Township has determined that reasonable and appropriate funds are available in the Budget of the Township for said purpose.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP AS FOLLOWS:**

(1) Michelle L. Behm is hereby re-appointed as Certified Tax Collector of the Township of Maurice River effective January 1, 2021;

(2) Tenure is granted with this second term pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-145.8;

(3) Said employee shall continue her current rate of pay as Tax Collector (\$16,397) plus any statutory increases due;

(4) This appointment is separate and apart from said employee's classified permanent employment position with the Township of Maurice River as Clerk 2 which is, and shall remain, subject to the provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township and N.J.C.S.A., Cumberland Council #18, the exclusive collective bargaining representative of the Township employees. The hours of employment for said position remain 8:00 am to 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND  
RESOLUTION NO. 150-2020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF APPROPRIATED RESERVE AND GRANT RECEIVABLE BALANCES FOR COMPLETED GRANTS**

**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
HDSRF Sapello 2009	\$3,823.22	
USEPA Cheli 2017	\$2.14	\$2.14

**MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP  
RESOLUTION NO. 151--2020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR ANIMAL SHELTER 2021 TO THE SOUTH JERSEY REGIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER**

**WHEREAS**, there exists the need for Animal Shelter Services for the Township of Maurice River; and

**WHEREAS** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for professional services be adopted and the contract itself be available for public inspection.

**WHEREAS**, funding is available for this purchase.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of Maurice River Township awards the contract for Animal Shelter services as follows:

- 1) That South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter is awarded the contract for Animal Shelter Services for the period of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021; and
- 2) The Annual Basic Shelter Service fee is \$15,528.00; billed in equal monthly installments; and
- 3) That additional shelter service fees as provided in section 9 may be billed at the fees set forth in section 9 of the agreement may be billed.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Mayor and Clerk of the Township are hereby authorized and directed to execute contractual agreements with South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter.



**Township of Maurice River**  
**Engineer's Report**  
**December 17, 2020**

Item	Project Name	Project Number	Status
1.	2018 Road Program	MR17-111	Project punch list complete. Ready for closeout and final payment.
2.	Newell Road Resurfacing Grants	MR17-001	Project ready for closeout upon completion of guiderail punch list item. Contract adjustment required to replace existing guiderail on west side of roadway and compression ends on both guiderails.
3.	Fox Street/School Access/Sapello	MR19-044	Project in final design. Pinelands submission pending.
4.	2021 Municipal Aid Grant	MR20-001	2 <sup>nd</sup> phase of Fox Street awarded for \$151,706. Phase I grant is \$188,530 for a total project funding of \$340,236.
5.	Deerwood Avenue	MR19-001	Pending DOT review.
6.	Road Program	MR20-001	DA partially complete on update of street rankings based on improvements made since start of road program
7.	Annual Stormwater Update	MR11-011	Annual discussion before the Committee regarding stormwater
8.	New Stormwater Rules	MR11011	Township required to adopt new "green infrastructure" stormwater rules by March 2, 2021.
9.	NJDOT Transportation Alternatives Grant	MR20-001	Grant application submitted to NJDOT. Pending review.