

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – MAY 4, 2009

7:30 PM MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 770 COOPERTOWN ROAD., DELANCO, NJ 08075

ROLL CALL:

Devinney, present; Hinkle, present; Jass, present; Templeton, present; Fitzpatrick, present
Also Present: Mr. Schwab, Acting Twp. Administrator; Mr. Denton, Twp. Engineer; Liz Garcia, for Township Solicitor; Mrs. Lohr, Municipal Clerk; Ms. Zimmermann, Deputy Municipal Clerk; Lt. Sacalis Police Department

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she just received information that John Fenimore's father passed away this evening and she asked for a moment of silence for John and his family.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Fitzpatrick led the flag salute.

SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

Please be advised that proper notice of this meeting has been given in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act in the following manner. Written notice has been mailed to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post and published in the January 5, 2009 editions. Written notice has been posted on the official bulletin board of the Township of Delanco at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

A moment of silence was observed for Jack Fenimore, father of John Fenimore, Supt. of Public Works.

*****SPECIAL PRESENTATION*****

DELANCO RIVER ROUTE UPDATE

Mayor Fitzpatrick announced that there would be a special presentation from the Economic Development Committee from Burlington County. Darlene Scocca, Mark Remsa and Ed Fox were present to give a presentation and update on the River Route. Mark Remsa provided a vocal PowerPoint presentation of the River Route which comprises twelve communities along the route.

Darlene Scocca thanked Delanco Township for sending two members to the River Route Advisory Committee. Mrs. Scocca also thanked the people that volunteered on the marketing committee or property availability committee. They plan to have an open house and take several different market segments on a bus tour through the region. They want to promote what is within your community and try to assist in marketing the properties and create more opportunities for jobs and ratables. Mrs. Scocca announced the premier launch of Burlington the Beautiful, the new Burlington County magazine put out by the Burlington County Freeholders.

Ed Fox, a professional planner that works with the folks at the River Route introduced himself. Mr. Fox stated that it was his job to give an update of what is happening and what they think will happen in regard to marketing along the River Route. Mr. Fox spoke of "down town" marketing and how to promote it.

Mayor Fitzpatrick thanked them for their presentation and update and commented that they look forward to more success along the River Route.

COMMENTS – PROFESSIONALS

Township Engineer – Mr. David Denton –

- with regard to the Zurbrugg property and Green Acres approval – understands that the survey has been accepted – only hold up is that Green Acres is concerned with possible fill soil that may have been placed behind the bulkhead
- with regard to the NJDOT Grants – received a letter of available grants that are due by June 12, 2009
- for the Municipal Aid program – this year they are preparing the plans for Richard Avenue and it should be ready in a couple of weeks – this year they intend to submit grant applications for Edwards Avenue and Second Street that had been previously submitted – stated that John Fenimore suggested adding Orchard Street
- for Centers of Place Grant Program – they applied for the Roadway Bikeway Project that they previously applied for and also for the extension of the streetscape project along the Southerly side of Burlington Avenue and along Cooper Street
- there is a new Grant Program called the Safe Streets to Transit Program that is intended to encourage safe and accessible pedestrian linkages to transit facilities and to discourage use of automobiles – he would like to see if there is something they can do to meet the requirements of the grant and possibly improve or better control the parking problem along Pennsylvania Avenue

Township Solicitor – Liz Garcia for Doug Heinold – Nothing to report

COMMENTS – ACTING TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Richard Schwab

Will save his comments for the budget section

COMMENTS - DEPARTMENT HEADS

Police Department – Lt George Sacalis –

- reported on the SAMM system that Mount Laurel presently uses – his opinion is that it is not feasible and it is very costly

Municipal Clerk – Mrs. Janice Lohr – Nothing to report

COMMENTS - TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Ed Devinney –

- attended the recent Fire Commissioners Meeting – discussions still going on between the Fire Department and the EMS for merging the two entities – there is a bill that has passed the Assembly and is now in the Senate that basically allows the Fire Districts to incorporate EMS organizations into their sphere – reported that the local EMS members have decided to wait and see what the bill is all about

Joan Hinkle -

- attended many budget meetings
- reported that the Energy Audit Proposal is finished and was sent out to five certified companies and has to be returned by May 15, 2009
- announced that Mr. Matulewicz offered a park bench to the Township that he felt would look good in front of the Delanco Township Municipal building
- reported that Phil Jenkins called her and said they will be putting up banners for the Townwide Yard Sale – one at the Delanco Savings and Loan and one at the Washington Fire House
- attended the celebration for Tree City USA - Delanco was 1 of 9 in the State to receive the Tree City USA award – asked Bill Matulewicz and Mark Schmidt to come forward and – brought plaque that the Township received and gave a quick summary of the requirements to become a Tree City USA recipient
- Mark Schmidt gave particular appreciation to the Mayors group for planting the tree for Arbor Day – stated that he will be putting a 4” x 4” placard in front of the tree

Mike Templeton -

- suggested that Shade Tree Commission members and past members sign the back of the plaque because they worked hard and long on the Tree City USA designation
- attended JIF seminar as the JIF Fund Commissioner – received books – asked the Township Committee if Steve Walsh could attend the next Township Committee meeting to talk about JIF insurance issues

Marlene Jass –

- thanked the Shade Tree Commission and that it was nice to be out at West Avenue on Saturday morning to do the planting
- asked the Township Committee about a plaque for Ralph McCullough for his chair – a discussion ensued regarding where to purchase the plaque

Mayor Fitzpatrick –

- thanked the Shade Tree Commission; especially Bill Matulewicz for his years of service and dedication; thanked Mark Schmidt as new chairman – thanked Bill for digging the holes that made it easier to plant the trees – suggested putting the Tree City Award sign at West Avenue
- Senior Luncheon is May 12th and the Delanco Student Chorus is going to perform for them
- attended the Economic Development Committee meeting and they are working on a brochure for Delanco to entice additional business in the Township – they will review the land use packets to make it easier for residents and businesses in Delanco Township
- will be having brochures delivered from the County recycling and she asked if the Boy Scouts could deliver them at Rivers Edge
- sent a letter to the Director Freeholder, Mr. Donnelly regarding sidewalks and trees along the Coopertown, Creek Road alignment and she feels that they are needed

RESOLUTION 2009-72

**INTRODUCTION OF 2009 MUNICIPAL BUDGET
SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR JUNE 8, 2009**

Mayor Fitzpatrick asked the acting Township Administrator, Mr. Richard Schwab to present the proposed 2009 Delanco Township Budget.

Mr. Schwab stated that copies of the proposed budget were available for the public. The copies show last year's budget and this year's proposed budget according to the Township Auditor's layout. Mr. Schwab indicated that this is the first time he is working on Delanco's budget. Mr. Schwab reported that the Township Committee did everything in their prospective to take into account the worsening economy and the impact on the taxpayers and their goal was to get the lowest tax rate that they could. Mr. Schwab stated that the budget as introduced will require an increase in tax rate of three cents which translates into an increase of less than \$73.00 per property assessed at \$240,000 that is the average in Delanco Township.

Mr. Schwab reviewed how the Township Committee determined the tax rate and proposed budget. Mr. Schwab stated that one of the items that the majority of Township Committee determined was to not provide for wage increase for those that aren't required to provide for by contract. Mr. Schwab stated; that although the amount is not huge; it was the principal that was discussed by the Township Committee, and the individuals were advised this morning by the Township Mayor.

Mr. Schwab stated that the public hearing is set for June 8, 2009.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that once this statement is approved by the Township Committee; that the proposed budget will be available on the Township website.

Motion by Joan Hinkle, seconded by Marlene Jass to adopt Resolution 2009-72 introducing the 2009 Municipal Budget and set public hearing for June 8, 2009.

Roll Call: Devinyey, abstain; Hinkle, yes; Jass, yes; Templeton, no; Fitzpatrick, yes

Committeeman Mike Templeton stated that the Acting Township Administrator, Mr. Richard Schwab, outlined that budgets are never easy and they are always tight. Mr. Templeton stated that the budget is an historical document and is not really a snapshot of an instant in the municipal financial history. Mr. Templeton noted that the budget this year does reflect the input of all five members and he felt it never did before. Mr. Templeton thanked Mr. Schwab for preparing the proposed budget and its documentation and completeness.

Mr. Templeton stated that his biggest problem with this budget is denying the non-contractual employees any type of additional compensation this year. Mr. Templeton believes that this is unfair and in light of some other situations that have occurred in this Township and it is really insulting to these employees. Mr. Templeton stated that it is really fairness and being equitable to these employees and it is unfortunate that they are being singled out in this budget. Mr. Templeton stated that Township employees know that this is a difficult economy; many are Township residents and all are very knowledgeable of the municipal budget. Mr. Templeton stated that this is a fairness issue; they do see and are all aware of the gap in compensation and what has been provided to specifically one employee versus what everyone else seems to be or have access to or be treated to. Mr. Templeton stated that the folks that are victim of this budget are the ones that keep this Township moving and are the face of this Township. Mr. Templeton stated that this is creating an unhealthy situation as we go forward.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she would like to comment regarding that. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that at the meeting she had this morning; that Ed Schaefer had asked her if we had thought about any type of deferral for later on through the year. Mayor Fitzpatrick answered that, they had not; they hadn't planned for that and there was nothing in the budget for that. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she did talk to the Acting Administrator, Mr. Richard Schwab and asked him, "if there were funds left over at the end of the budget; somewhere down around November we would know if there were available funds to give the employees" "Could we do it then; could we actually do a resolution to do that, and he said," "Yes we could." Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that is something that she just found out today after Ed Schaefer made that comment. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that is something that the Township Committee would certainly take into consideration at that time.

Committeeman Mike Templeton stated that he felt it was unfortunate to defer it to that point. Mr. Templeton stated, "That the employees work today; they worked yesterday and will be working through this year and holding them on a string to an undefined moment later in the year, he thinks is cruel."

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that there were several comments at the meeting today and, "most people actually understood."

Committeeman Mike Templeton stated that he had difficulty with the fact that the treatment of one employee that received a very gracious contract and continues to receive the benefits of a very gracious contract that he sees as Delanco's version of the AIG insurance debacle that was in the news about a month ago. Delanco has an employee that receives about 70% of his base salary as an annual bonus and as a provision of that in one of the amended contracts that was going to result in a 4 cent tax increase to the taxpayers just to pay that off. Mr. Templeton stated that, how that person is treated and how everybody else that does the work around here and are running this town are somehow told, "Nothing for you." Mr. Templeton stated that they talked

about the vehicle allowance in that contract and it is an embarrassment. Mr. Templeton stated that this is a budget issue.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that it was not and that Mr. Templeton should not be discussing it in public. Mr. Templeton stated that it is an embarrassment and he is glad that he did not sign those contracts, and it is unfortunate that one person is treated differently. Mr. Templeton stated that there are about 28 people effected by this and named the individuals. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that the Union Contract has not been negotiated and that is not even signed yet. Mr. Templeton stated that is what you budgeted for. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated to Mr. Templeton, "You have made your comments and she appreciates you're And Mr. Templeton stated that, "he was not done yet." Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, "Then say it and you shouldn't be mentioning a contract that they are working on with the Union because it is not final." Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that he should understand that the Township Committee approached the Delanco Police Department and asked them to cut their budget. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that they asked them to cut their salaries and they said, "No." Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that they made the effort, so it is not like they are singling out anyone here.

Committeeman Mike Templeton said they were singling out and continued with a list of the 28 non-contractual employees that he had stated before. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she has talked to everyone of these people and the majority and she can tell him, "that the majority of them are glad they still have a job and that they enjoy working for Delanco Township." Mr. Templeton stated that \$17,000 is the 2% for all those employees; that is .03% of the Township's 4.6 million dollar budget. Mr. Templeton stated that Social Security gave a 5.8% COLA increase this year and the Delanco Sewerage Authority gave a 4% increase to their employees. Mr. Templeton stated that this comes out to about \$8.00 per year per residence in Delanco Township. That is equal to about ten cans of Alpo dog food. So, for the price of a dog's breakfast for ten days, this town does not want to give the 28 employees a 2% raise. Mr. Templeton stated that it is unfortunate that you wanted to make 3 cents after many talks in budget work shops, and you continued to throw out the 2%; although you continued to dip into the surplus.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that they had two last budgets, and they had one where they actually voted down a budget where three people said yes and we voted no because it would have been a 23 cent increase to the residents of this town. Committeeman Mike Templeton stated that she voted, "Yes to lock the door behind us and send it to Trenton." Mayor Fitzpatrick answered, "No we did not." Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that they asked to have line items cut; line by line; and asked to go through the budget as they had formally done and the response was that no line items were cut. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that they still could have cut another \$150,000.

Committeeman Mike Templeton stated that, "You never said anything." Mayor Fitzpatrick answered, "Yes I did; I said it at a public hearing right in that seat." Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, "And I can tell you that there is a perception with the taxpayers in this town and there are a lot of people out there that are on fixed incomes and are out of work and have lost their jobs. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, "That when she approached the employees today and called all the employees that did not attend this meeting; almost all of them understood and were not upset about it." Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, "That she feels that the economy is such that they need to show the residents that they are cutting everyone; that they are cutting everywhere they can, and that previous contracts; they have no control over; but they at least made an effort to talk to the Police Department and they said no." Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, "That there is no union in the State of New Jersey; the Police Union, that would have agreed to that. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, "That I can tell you that we owe a fiduciary responsibility to the residents of this town too; the Township employees do a wonderful job; we have a great cohesive team; and we have told them that we

are not giving raises this year.” Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she found out there is a possibility that they can give them something towards the end of the year and they will do that if they can. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that when she is out there; all the residents can say is taxes, taxes; that is all they can say. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that it is time to do this. Mayor Fitzpatrick apologized to all those that feel that they have been mistreated or overlooked. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that as far as the Social Security increase; well long overdue; but they pay it right out in their medical insurance that is deducted out of that check; so their increase is virtually nothing.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she feels they did a good job on this budget and if they could cut more; they would even do that.

Committeeman Mike Templeton asked if the Women’s Club reimburses the Township when they ask Public Works employees to put up banners and activities like that. Does the Women’s Club reimburse the Township for maintaining the Women’s Club activity calendar on the Township Website? Does the Women’s Club reimburse the Township for attorney’s fees for including the provision in the redevelopment agreement so that they can have a tea party at the Zurbrugg Mansion?

Deputy Mayor Joan Hinkle asked, “What does the Women’s Club have to do with the budget?”

Committeeman Mike Templeton stated, “That they seem to require a lot of free services from the Township.” Mayor Fitzpatrick replied, “The Women’s Club put the gazebo at Gateway Park, maintains the Gateway Park gazebo, gave the Police Department defibrillators, has spent more money in this town for this town than any other entity in this town. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that there was a list she prepared for one meeting of things that the Women’s Club has done for Delanco Township. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that Public Works has never once complained about doing anything for the Women’s Club. Mayor Fitzpatrick questioned a Public Works employee that was present about how long it took to put up a sign at Gateway Park. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she was the treasurer of the Women’s Club and that Public Works could send them a bill for putting the sign up. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, “The Women’s Club bought the flags for the Township and they have done so many things; how dare you even mention that; that has nothing to do with the Township Committee; these are services that the Women’s Club provides for our residents; they contribute to DYSA, the Library, M. Joan Pearson School, they tried to have a fund raiser this week-end to give all the benefits to the Library because they are in need..” “You should be ashamed of yourself for even saying anything about the Women’s Club and what they have done for Delanco.” “However, since I am the treasurer; if you have...and we thought we would have a great benefit, and guess what; did you buy a ticket; did you buy a ticket to the benefit?” “We had 45 tickets sold.” Mike Templeton stated that he supported the previous benefit three weeks ago that she never did. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she gives her personal money to the Library.

Committeewoman Marlene Jass stated to Committeeman Mike Templeton that she was disappointed that he take this particular opportunity when he sat on this Committee for how long; or been out in that audience; where these things could have been brought up; if you felt that strongly; you certainly could have made these suggestions or issues quite a long time ago. Marlene Jass stated, “It is a disappointment.” Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, “You should be ashamed of yourself Mike; yes you should, for condemning the Women’s Club like that.” Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, “Bill us, please bill us; I would be glad to pay the check to the Township.” The Township needs to consider everything the Women’s Club has done, because a lot of the beautification in this town would not exist without the Women’s Club, and it hasn’t cost the Township any tax dollars. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that the flags are difficult to put up and the Women’s Club paid over \$5,000 to purchase them for Burlington Avenue. Mayor Fitzpatrick

stated that the Women's Club had a benefit for a gentleman in town who was a police officer, Kevin Russell, and they gave him over \$8,000 plus equipment. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated, "I can't believe that you would be that low to bring that up." Committeeman Mike Templeton replied, "I'm not the one mooching off the Township." Mayor Fitzpatrick replied, "I'm telling you; you don't belong up here."

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

("Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted with a single motion. Any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Consent Agenda items will be reflected in full in the minutes.")

CONSENT AGENDA:

ORDINANCE 2009-7

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS PIECES OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF DELANCO, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$145,000 THEREFOR FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND CAPITAL FUND SURPLUS

1ST READING BY TITLE ONLY AND SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR JUNE 8, 2009

RESOLUTION 2009-73

AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF FUEL FROM PEDRONI FUEL UNDER STATE CONTRACT # 65041 IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A.40A:11-12 AND N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, there is a need to purchase certain types of fuel by the Township of Delanco during the year; and

WHEREAS, Pedroni Fuel supplies fuel to Delanco Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township Auditor has advised that the amount of fuel purchased from Pedroni Fuel for the previous year exceeded the bid threshold amount; and

WHEREAS, Pedroni Fuel currently has a State Contract to supply said fuel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the purchase of fuel for the various operations of the Township departments from Pedroni Fuel, under State Contract #65041.

RESOLUTION 2009-74

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR A COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM UNDER THE HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD RIVERFRONT SOLID WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration relating to the collection of disposal of solid waste within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Edgewater Park, herein after referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Edgewater Park, Delanco Township and City of Beverly have offered voluntary participation Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2009 the governing body of the Township of Delanco, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known any may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the *Historic Riverfront Neighborhood Solid Waste Collection Program*.

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5), the Mayor and/or Clerk is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the Township Committee hereby authorizes the Historic Riverfront Neighborhood Solid Waste Collection Program Cooperative Pricing System Agreement and authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to execute said agreement on behalf of Delanco Township.

RESOLUTION 2009-75

AWARDING CONTRACT TO IVYMONT CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR ROOF DRAIN DOWNSPOUT PIPING IMPROVEMENTS FOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING

WHEREAS, certain drainage improvements are required for the municipal building owned by the Township of Delanco; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco desires to have said drainage improvements made; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been received for said work from Ivymont Construction Company of Audubon, NJ in the amount of \$20,300.00; and

WHEREAS, the governing body desires to award a contract for the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the amount of \$20,300.00 submitted by Ivymont Construction Company be accepted and the contract for said work be awarded to Ivymont Construction Company in the form and embodying the terms set forth in the proposal dated April 14, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the governing body that the Mayor or Acting Township Administrator be, and are hereby authorized to execute said contract on behalf of the Township.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
GENERAL	\$945,810.12
PAYROLL	75,783.11
TRUST	10,956.75
MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE	3,723.75

GENERAL ACCOUNT – MAY 4, 2009

25202	BURLINGTON COUNTY TREASURER	436,392.09
25203	BANISCH ASSOCIATES INC	1,174.50
25204	CERTIFIED SPEEDOMETER SERV INC	280.00
25205	CLEAN RENTAL SERVICE	208.72
25206	COURIER POST	78.21
25207	DELANCO TWP BOARD OF EDUCATION	428,655.00
25208	DELANCO FIRE COMMISSIONERS	24,666.67
25209	DELANCO PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOC	3,000.00
25210	DELANCO YOUTH SPORTS ASSOC	300.00
25211	GRIFFIN SIGNS INC	34.10
25212	GOODYEAR TIRE DISTRIBUTION CTR	348.28
25213	GENERAL CODE PUBLISHERS	1,195.00
25214	INTERNAL AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION	50.00
25215	LAND ENGINEERING & SURVEYING	3,273.75
25216	JOHN MILLER	990.00
25217	NJ AMERICAN WATER CO	221.51
25218	NJ STATE HEALTH BENEFIT PROG	33,141.51
25219	PEDRONI FUEL CO	712.73
25220	PAYROLL ACCOUNT	7,630.44
25221	PROFESSIONAL GOVT EDUCATOR INC	90.00
25222	PRINCETON NURSERIES	370.00
25223	LISA PASSIONE	200.00
25224	TERMINIX INTERNATIONAL	121.00
25225	TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	560.00
25226	MICHAEL W THOMPSON	990.00
25227	VERMEER NORTH ATLANTIC SALES	124.80
25228	VERIZON CABS	191.12
25229	VERIZON	415.04
25230	W B MASON CO INC	275.65
25231	BASIL WARREN II	120.00
TOTAL		\$945,810.12

TRUST

2084	PARKER MCCAY-ATTORNEYS AT LAW	420.00
20085	HULSE & GERMANO ESQS LLC	513.00
2086	TAYLOR DESIGN GROUP INC	1,117.50
2087	PENNONI ASSOCIATES INC	455.00
2088	LAND ENGINEERING & SURVEYING	8,451.25
TOTAL		\$10,956.75

MCPL OPEN SPACE TO MCPL OPEN SPACE

1020	LAND ENGINEERING & SURVEYING	3,723.75
TOTAL		\$3,723.75

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3/16/09, 3/23/09 & 3/30/09

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Committeeman Mike Templeton indicated that he had questions regarding Ordinance 2009-07 and Resolution 2009-75

A discussion ensued regarding these items with comments from the Mayor, the Township Engineer and the Acting Township Administrator. Mr. Templeton asked the Township Committee to carefully consider the purchase of the two new vehicles for the Police Department.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Marlene Jass, seconded by Ed Devinney to approve the consent agenda

ROLL CALL: Devinney, yes; Hinkle, yes; Jass, yes; Templeton, yes; Fitzpatrick, yes

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Mayor Fitzpatrick opened the meeting to the public.

Committeeman Ed Devinney asked if he could make a comment. Mr. Devinney stated that he abstained from voting on the budget vote because he was concerned with the 2% raise for the non-contractual Township employees that would amount to about \$10.00 per household. However, Mr. Devinney stated that he understood the difference of opinion on this. Mr. Devinney thanked the Acting Township Administrator, Mr. Richard Schwab for doing a terrific job of organizing the budget material so they could have these discussions.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she had additional comments that she will save for the presentation of the budget at the public meeting because there are some things that are out there on the tax rolls right now that wouldn't be if it weren't for one person on this committee.

Mark Schmitt, 308 Peachtree Lane, stated that everybody should get a raise. Mr. Schmitt stated that he works for the government. Mr. Schmitt further stated that he doesn't make a ton of money and if he didn't get his raise, it would hurt him and his family.

MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Since there were no further comments or questions from the public, Mayor Fitzpatrick closed the meeting to the public.

CORRESPONDENCE – Municipal Clerk – Mrs. Janice Lohr

- received a letter from Henry Kent Smith regarding a parcel of land at Newton's Landing for a zoning amendment

Mayor Kate Fitzpatrick suggested that they reply stating that they should present this to the Township Committee at a Township Committee meeting.

- received a letter from the Walnut Street School regarding the Brett Harris Award presentation – Township Committee agreed to the bond for the recipient

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she received a letter from Congressman Adler stating that they thanked us for sending in the appropriation request for the Zurbrugg Waterfront Stabilization Project. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that they had received over 200 applications. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she discussed this with the Township Engineer, Mr. Richard Denton and he assured her that there are other grants out there that they can apply for.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she received a letter from the Veterans of Foreign Wars regarding a service that will be held at the Beverly National Cemetery on Sunday May 17, 2009 and she will be out of town that day and wanted to know if any other Township Committee member could

attend the service.

Mayor Fitzpatrick received a letter from the State of New Jersey directed to Audrey Winzinger regarding their intent not to operate a limited Class B recycling center at the Winzinger site. The Township Committee did work with them to reduce taxes so that they would not recycle there, in an effort to clean up the property for redevelopment zone so that it can be sold for what should be there at that location.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Joan Hinkle, seconded by Ed Devinney to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Devinney, yes; Hinkle, yes; Jass, yes; Templeton, yes; Fitzpatrick, yes

Janice M. Lohr, RMC
Municipal Clerk
May 4, 2009