

Long Hill Township Committee Minutes January 11, 2012 Regular Meeting

The Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, convened in Regular Session at the Municipal Building, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey, on Wednesday, **January 11, 2012** at 7:00 p.m.

Statement of Adequate Notice:

Mayor Mazzucco read the following statement:

“In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was included in a list of meetings notice which was electronically sent to the Echoes Sentinel, Courier News and Daily Record on January 4, 2012; posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 4, 2012 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.”

Executive Session:

RESOLUTION 12-044 EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, that the Township Committee of Long Hill Township meet in closed session to discuss the following matters:

Personnel:

- Tax Clerk

Contract Negotiations:

- None

Attorney Client Privilege:

- 2012 Professionals
- Personnel - Appointment

Collective Bargaining:

- None

Pending or Anticipated Litigation:

- None

Property Acquisition:

- Open Space

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that minutes of this executive session meeting will be released to the public in a timely fashion pursuant to the Open Public Records Act and other applicable laws and regulations.

Roll Call:

On roll call the following Committee members were present:

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Jerry Aroneo; Guy Piserchia; Guy Roshto; Cornel Schuler; Mayor Michael Mazzucco

Absent: None

Also present: John Pidgeon, Township Attorney; Richard Sheola, Township Administrator/CFO; Christine Gatti, Township Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance:

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Mayor Mazzucco made the following Mayoral appointments:

Planning Board
Sandi Raimer, Alternate #1

Expiration of Term
December 31, 2013

Administrator Report:

Natural Gas Supplier

Mr. Sheola reviewed the savings on natural gas and questioned whether the Committee was interested in participating again. He added that the proposed price is lower than what the township is currently paying and the contract is for one year. Mr. Piserchia stated that he is in favor of locking into the price for natural gas. Mr. Aroneo commented that he wishes he had more notice because he is not in favor of paying a higher rate than we should. A discussion ensued among the Committee in regards to the proposed rate. The consensus of the Committee was to participate in the program and lock into the rate.

T-1 Lines

Mr. Sheola updated the Committee on the phone system move to T-1 lines.

Repairs to Police Department

Mr. Sheola pointed out that the repairs to the Police Department are moving along. Daniel Hedden, Police Chief, reviewed the modifications and renovations made at the Police Department. He added that he hopes the added pumps will help in a future flood situation and keep flooding to below four inches.

Mr. Sheola commented that the radios have begun to be delivered for the move to the county on April 1st for emergency services communication.

Discussion:

JCP&L Draft Resolution

Mr. Mazzucco stated that a draft resolution has been distributed to the Committee in regards to JCP&L's poor response to residents during the storms. Mr. Roshto agreed that the Committee

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should consider a resolution and asked that the resolution be worked on with the Ken Fullagar, OEM Director; Mr. Piserchia agreed. The consensus of the Committee was that Mr. Roshto would work on the draft resolution with Mr. Fullagar.

Governor's 15 Point Plan

Mr. Aroneo indicated that he is in favor of adopting a resolution supporting the Governor's 15 Point Plan. Mr. Roshto recommended that the resolution be discussed with the Flood Plain Advisory Committee so they can tighten up the language. Mr. Aroneo stated that the resolution can be corrected by the Township Committee and then give direction to the Flood Plain Advisory Committee. Mayor Mazzucco commented that the Committee will request that the Flood Plain Advisory Committee review the resolution. He requested that the resolution be provided to Mr. Roshto so he can share it with the Committee.

Ordinance Introduction:

Ordinance 292-12

Mayor Mazzucco read Ordinance #292-12 by title for first reading. The ordinance was introduced by Mr. Roshto as revised; second by Mr. Aroneo.

The Committee reviewed the language in the ordinance. Mr. Piserchia suggested that perhaps the Township Engineer be a member of the Committee. Mr. Aroneo stated that was a good point and added that their thought was that they could use the Township Engineer as an outside resource.

Roll Call Vote for Introduction of Ordinance: All Ayes

Mayor Mazzucco stated that the public hearing of this ordinance is scheduled for February 8, 2012.

Clerks Note: Introduced Ordinance 292-12 was revised at the February 8, 2012 public hearing/adoption.

ORDINANCE #292-12 AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FLOODPLAIN ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER II OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, New Jersey, that Chapter II of the Township code entitled "Administration" is hereby supplemented and amended as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created a new Section 2-40 entitled "Floodplain Advisory Committee" which reads as follows:

"2-40 FLOODPLAIN ADVISORY COMMITTEE"

2-40.1 Establishment.

There is hereby established a Long Hill Floodplain Advisory Committee composed of between seven (7) and ten (10) members as follows: One (1) member of the Township Committee, the

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Township Administrator or his designee, one (1) member of the Office of Emergency Management and between four (4) and seven (7) residents-at-large. All appointments shall be made by the Township Committee.

2-40.2 Terms of Office and Vacancies.

The terms of the Township Committee member, Township Administrator and Office of Emergency Management member shall be for one (1) year or terminate at the completion of their respective terms of office, whichever occurs first. The terms of the resident-at-large members shall be three (3) years. Any vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Township Committee.

2-40-4 Organization

The Township Committee shall establish the Committee's charge for the ensuing year. The Floodplain Advisory Committee shall fix the time and place for holding its regular meetings. Regular meetings shall be scheduled not less than once a month and shall be held as scheduled unless there is no business before the Committee. The Committee may provide for special meetings at the call of the Chair or on the request of any two (2) members, which shall be held on notice to its members and the public in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

No action shall be taken at any meeting without a quorum being present. All elections shall be taken by a majority vote of the members of the Committee present at the meeting. All regular meetings and all special meetings shall be open to the public. The Committee may establish subcommittees as necessary to undertake specific projects and report back to the Committee as a whole.

2-40.4 Duties

The Floodplain Advisory Committee shall identify and make recommendations to reduce damages from floods, enhance emergency response and preparedness efforts.

The specific duties of the Floodplain Advisory Committee are as follows:

- a. Advise the Township Committee regarding the creation, operation and ongoing maintenance of an annual clearing, desnagging and shoal dredging program for the Passaic River and all tributaries and waterways having an impact to properties within Long Hill Township. The program should consider permit expedition, and seek commitments from local, county, state and Federal governments as appropriate. The program should also consider

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inclusion of volunteer organizations such as Boy or Girl Scout, the Passaic River Coalition and encourage the creation of a Long Hill Township non-profit focused on this effort.

- b. Assist in the development of background studies that help in the decision making process for buyouts, elevation of structures, open space acquisition, public safety and health management. Studies include identification of critical areas and properties, flood risk maps and inundation maps that are based on various flood levels.
- c. Establish and maintain a public outreach program that includes notification and education of property owners regarding flood mitigation, insurance resources, and safety preparedness and evacuation procedures.
- d. Propose a flood warning system.
- f. Work with neighboring jurisdictions and organizations to identify regional flood damage reduction solutions and to ensure other regional actions are in the best interest of property owners within Long Hill Township.
- g. Regularly monitor the most current flood damage reduction best practices and recommend to the Township Committee appropriate policies or regulations.
- h. Perform such other duties and functions as requested by the Township Committee.
- i. Report to the Township Committee on or before November of each year submitting budget requests for ongoing activities and setting forth a summary of the prior year's accomplishments.

Section 2. Any and all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms hereof are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.

Section 3. In case any article, section or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid in any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect any other article, section or provision of this ordinance except insofar as the article, section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

Ordinance 293-12

Mayor Mazzucco read Ordinance #293-12 by title for first reading. The ordinance was introduced by Mr. Piserchia as revised; second by Mr. Schuler.

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Mr. Pidgeon reviewed the ordinance. The Committee reviewed the language in the ordinance and the consensus of the Committee was to remove the alternate Township Committee member language in the ordinance.

Roll Call Vote for Introduction of Ordinance as revised: All Ayes

**ORDINANCE #293-12
AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND
AMENDING CHAPTER II OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION"**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, New Jersey, that Chapter II of the Township code entitled "Administration" is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. Subsection 2-38.1 entitled "Establishment," in Section 2-38 of the Township Code entitled "Communications Advisory Committee" is hereby amended to read as follows:

"2-38.1 Establishment.

There is hereby established a Communication Advisory Committee composed of between (8) and eleven (11) members as follows:

~~The Mayor, One (1) or two (2) member(s) of the Township Committee, the Township Administrator, the Township Webmaster and between (8) and eleven (11) residents-at-large, at least three (3) of who shall have experience in either communications, IT, web site design/management or other technical areas. One other member of the Township Committee shall serve as an alternate member in the absence of the regular Township Committee member.~~

Section 2. Any and all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms hereof are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.

Section 3. In case any article, section or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid in any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect any other article, section or provision of this ordinance except insofar as the article, section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

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Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

Resolutions:

Consent Agenda Resolutions:

Mayor Mazzucco stated that Resolution 12-071 – Approval of Governor’s 15 Point Plan has been removed from the consent agenda.

Messrs. Schuler and Pidgeon reviewed the tax sale resolutions.

Mr. Roshto recused himself from one item in Resolution 12-065 – Confirmation of Purchases of Radio’s & Related Equipment Under State Contract pertaining to Motorola.

Messrs. Schuler and Pidgeon reviewed Resolutions 12-066 and 16-067 pertaining to the pump station rehabilitation. A discussion ensued among the Committee in regards to the issues with the pump station. Mr. Sheola pointed out that the change orders are still under 20% of the total contract.

Messrs. Aroneo and Sheola reviewed Resolution 12-068 – Endorsement of Grant with the Department of Transportation. Mr. Aroneo thanked Mr. Sheola for applying for the grant. Mr. Sheoal thanked Paul Ferriero, Township Engineer.

Mr. Piserchia reviewed the PBA’s fund raising event which will be held at the Community Center. He encouraged the public to join the Fire Department for their venison dinner.

Mr. Schuler reviewed the Cub Scouts event

On motion of Mr. Aroneo, seconded by Mr. Roshto, that the following Consent Agenda Resolutions were introduced and approved:

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes

**RESOLUTION 12-045
APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby approve the payment of the bills as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the bills list be appended to the official minutes.

**RESOLUTION 12-046
APPROVAL OF 2011 SEWER REFUND**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice of the Tax collector does hereby authorizes a refund of the 2011 Sewer Use Charge, due to overpayment, to the following:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Refund Amount</u>
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11606 16 & 16T01 Thornton, Patrick & Torio, Loretta \$895.34
50 Camptown Drive
Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922

**RESOLUTION 12-047
APPROVAL OF 2011 SEWER REFUNDS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice of the Tax Collector does hereby authorize a refund in the amount of \$1,197.11 for 2010 Sewer paid at a 2011 Tax Sale to FNA Jersey BIO, Inc., 575 Rt. 70, 2nd floor, P.O. Box 1030, Brick NJ 08723.

**RESOLUTION 12-048
AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR TAXES PAID AT TAX SALE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund which represents taxes paid at a 2011 Tax Sale on Block 10510 Lot: 2.02 in the amount of \$10,398.78 and a check in the amount of \$18,300.00 for the Premium paid;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the refund checks be issued to FNA Jersey BOI Inc., 575 Rt. 70, 2nd floor, P.O. Box 1030, Brick NJ 08723.

**RESOLUTION 12-049
AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR TAXES PAID AT TAX SALE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund which represents taxes paid at a 2011 Tax Sale on Block 10510 Lot: 2.01 in the amount of \$10,398.78 and a check in the amount of \$18,200.00 for the Premium paid;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the refund checks be issued to FNA Jersey BOI Inc., 575 Rt. 70, 2nd floor, P.O. Box 1030, Brick NJ 08723.

**RESOLUTION 12-050
AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR TAXES PAID AT TAX SALE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund which represents taxes paid at a 2011 Tax Sale on Block 12803 Lot: 33 in the amount of \$28,258.09 and a check in the amount of \$42,100.00 for the Premium paid;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the refund checks be issued to Ridge Capital, LLC. P.O. Box 653, Montvale, NJ 07645.

**RESOLUTION 12-051
AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR SEWERS PAID AT TAX SALE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund which represents 2010 sewer paid at a 2011 Tax Sale on Block: 11604 Lot: 20 in the amount of \$628.54;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the refund checks be issued to Ridge Capital, LLC. P.O. Box 653, Montvale, NJ 07645.

**RESOLUTION 12-052
AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR SEWERS PAID AT TAX SALE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund which represents 2010 sewer paid at a 2011 Tax Sale on Block: 13004 Lot: 26 in the amount of \$1,020.79;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the refund checks be issued to Ridge Capital, LLC. P.O. Box 653, Montvale, NJ 07645.

**RESOLUTION 12-053
AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR SEWERS PAID AT TAX SALE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund which represents 2010 sewer paid at a 2011 Tax Sale on Block: 11604 Lot: 20 in the amount of \$628.54;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the refund checks be issued to FWDSL Associates, P.P., 290 US Highway 22 Green Brook, NJ 08812.

**RESOLUTION 12-054
AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR SEWERS PAID AT TAX SALE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund which represents 2010 sewer paid at a 2011 Tax Sale on Block: 11511 Lot: 27 in the amount of \$806.05 and \$100.00 for Premium paid;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the refund checks be issued to FWDSL Associates, P.P., 290 US Highway 22 Green Brook, NJ 08812.

**RESOLUTION 12-055
APPROVAL OF 2011 SEWER ADJUSTMENTS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill on the advice of the Tax Collector does hereby authorize the following adjustments to the 2011 Sewer Billing due to water usage, sprinkler systems, senior deduction or billing error by NJAW:

BLOCK	LOT	ADJUSTMENT	CREDIT	DEBIT	NAME
12001	15	adjustment pro rated	\$75.00		Philipscheck
11512	14.04	meter value replacement	\$209.53		Herda
11606	16 T01	duplicate billed	\$550.00		Thornton
11606	16	water usage	\$345.34		Thornton

**RESOLUTION 12-056
REIMBURSEMENT OF PARTIAL FEES PAID [PARTHENON REALTY, LLC]**

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Administrator, does hereby authorize a refund of \$1,650.00 for a paid Board of Adjustment Application Fee [App. No. 11-08Z] and \$3,000 of the Professional Review Escrow in reference to Block: 11301, Lot: 4 due to withdrawing a portion of the application relating to a minor subdivision, to the following:

Spiro Koutsogiannis
76 Rolling Hill Drive
Millington, NJ 07946

**RESOLUTION 12-057
AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF
PROFESSIONAL REVIEW ESCROW – MONTEBELLO, LLC**

WHEREAS, Anthony Giuliano of Block: 10401, Lot: 5, in regards to Application No. 09-16P, has requested that the Professional Review Escrow fees be returned; and

WHEREAS, the Township Planning/Zoning Board Administrator has certified that there are no outstanding invoices and have approved the release of this Professional Review Escrow;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that \$345.50 remains in the account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill hereby directs the Chief Financial Officer to return the balance of the Professional Review Escrow in the total amount of \$345.50 to Anthony Giuliano – 81 Milito Way Basking Ridge, NJ 07920.

**RESOLUTION 12-058
AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF
PERFORMANCE BOND – MONTEBELLO, LLC**

WHEREAS, Anthony Giuliano of Block: 10401, Lot: 5, has requested that his cash Performance Bond be returned; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has certified that there are no outstanding invoices and has approved the release of this cash Performance Bond;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that \$18,600.00 remains in the account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill hereby directs the Chief Financial Officer to return the balance of the cash Performance Bond in the total amount of \$18,600.00 to Anthony Giuliano – 81 Milito Way Basking Ridge, NJ 07920.

**RESOLUTION 12-059
AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN LONG HILL TOWNSHIP AND
MORRIS COUNTY – SALTING, SANDING, AND/OR PLOWING OPERATIONS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 st. seq., local units may join together to provide authorized services for each other; and

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WHEREAS, the Township of Long Hill and the County of Morris desire to join together in an agreement whereby the Township will perform on behalf of Morris County the required salting, sanding and/or plowing operations of designated portions of the County road system within the Township of Long Hill for rates outlined in the agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and the Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Interlocal Agreement between Long Hill Township and the County of Morris effective on the date of execution through December 31, 2012.

**RESOLUTION 12-060
APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE
[LONG HILL TOWNSHIP PBA CIVIC ASSOCIATION]**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Township Clerk, that all documents have been reviewed and are in good order, does hereby authorize the Township Clerk to approve and sign the application and approve License Number S 12-01 for the event to the "Sponsor" Long Hill Township P.B.A. Civic Association, for their Special Event to be held on January 21, 2012 at the Long Hill Township Community Center on Warren Avenue in Stirling; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Police Department has determined that police services are not required for this event.

**RESOLUTION 12-061
AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF REMAINING SPECIAL EVENT
ESCROW [LORD STIRLING SCHOOL]**

WHEREAS, Lord Stirling School held a special event called the Great Swamp Devil Run on October 30, 2011 and has requested that the remaining Special Event Escrow fees be returned; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has certified that there are no outstanding invoices and have approved the release of this Special Event Escrow;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that \$588.87 remains in the account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill hereby directs the Chief Financial Officer to return the balance of the Special Event Escrow in the total amount of \$588.87 to the Maureen Baxter, Lord Stirling School – P.O. Box 369, 99 Lord Stirling Road Basking Ridge, NJ 07920.

**RESOLUTION 12-062
CERTIFYING JUNIOR MEMBERSHIPS WITH MILLINGTON
VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY [DEBIASSE AND GERECHT]**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby certify that Chris DeBiasse and Matthew A. Gerecht are Junior Members of the Millington Volunteer Fire Company.

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**CERTIFYING JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP WITH STIRLING
VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY [CASTRO]**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby certify that Adriana Castro is a Junior Member of the Stirling Volunteer Fire Company.

**RESOLUTION 12-064
APPROVING SPECIAL PERMIT
FOR SOCIAL AFFAIR [STIRLING FIRE CO.]**

WHEREAS, the Stirling Volunteer Fire Company #1 has submitted an Alcoholic Beverage Control Application for a Special Permit for a Social Affair to be held on February 4, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. to be held at 321 Somerset Street, Stirling, New Jersey 07980; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has reviewed the application and has no objection to the granting of a special permit to be issued to the applicant to sell alcoholic beverages at the affair to be held on the date and premises noted, subject to, however, the following conditions:

1. The following individual will be the only persons allowed to serve alcohol:

Joseph Cerami, Alessandro Gallo, Craig Tuma

Address on file in Police Headquarters
2. No one under the age of 21 shall be served alcoholic beverages.
3. No person assumed to be under the influence of an alcoholic beverage shall be served or allowed to walk or drive from the event.
4. No alcoholic beverages are to be carried or consumed in the parking lot area. The consumption of alcoholic beverages shall be confined to the interior of Stirling Volunteer Fire Company No.'s Headquarters.
5. Alcoholic beverages shall only be served and/or consumed between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 11:59 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township Committee, the licensing authority of the municipality, has no objection to the granting of a special permit and consents thereto with the special conditions as outlined by the Chief of Police.
1. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized to sign the municipal certification on the application and forward it to the applicant.

**RESOLUTION 12-065
CONFIRMING AWARD CONTRACT UNDER FAIR AND OPEN PROCEDURES
AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO WAY RADIOS AND PAGERS FOR VARIOUS
DEPARTMENTS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP AND UTILIZING STATE OF NEW JERSEY
CONTRACT #A-53804**

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township will be switching Emergency Call Centers on or about April 1, 2012 and this change has necessitated the acquisition of new radios and pagers for the Emergency Services of the Township.
2. The Finance Officer has certified sufficient funds are available under accounts C-04-55-287-001-102 and C-04-55-289-001-102.

**RESOLUTION 12-066
AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 12 TO THE
CONTRACT WITH DeMAIO ELECTRICAL COMPANY**

WHEREAS, a purchase order was prepared in the name of DeMaio Electrical Company under a locally bid contract for the Rehabilitation of 5 Pump Stations.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adjust the contract to reflect a emergency service work performed at Skyline Pump station due to pump failures

Change Order #	Description	Amount	Net Amount of Contract
12	Exhaust Fan at Skyline Drive pump station	\$5,065.00	\$1,018,179.77

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Change Order Number 12 as described in the preamble is hereby approved.
2. The change order shall be charged to C-04-55-247-000-B. The Chief Financial Officer has determined that a Certification of Available Funds is necessary.

**RESOLUTION 12-067
AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 13 TO THE
CONTRACT WITH DeMAIO ELECTRICAL COMPANY**

WHEREAS, a purchase order was prepared in the name of DeMaio Electrical Company under a locally bid contract for the Rehabilitation of 5 Pump Stations.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adjust the contract to reflect a emergency service work performed at Skyline Pump station due to pump failures

Change Order #	Description	Amount	Net Amount of Contract
13	Emergency work at Skyline Drive pump station	\$15,477.80	\$1,023,244.77

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Change Order Number 13 as described in the preamble is hereby approved.

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2. The change order shall be charged to C-04-55-247-000-B. The Chief Financial Officer has determined that a Certification of Available Funds is necessary.

**RESOLUTION 12-068
ENDORSING SAFE STREETS TO SCHOOLS GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Long Hill Township Committee hereby endorses and authorizes the Mayor to execute SAGE application SRS-I-2012- LHT-00159 to the New Jersey State Aid Program for Safe Streets to Schools, the project will connect the Gillette School to the existing path into Riverside Park adjacent to the municipal building, thus creating a walking route along Valley Road and will serve as the evacuation route for all students from the school.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by taking this action, the Township Committee acknowledges its future maintenance obligations as they relate to the sidewalks and agree to continue the maintenance for a period of at least twenty (20) years.

**RESOLUTION 12-069
AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CHESTNUT RUN
CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hereby approves the Municipal Service Agreement with Chestnut Run for snow removal and street lights in accordance with the Municipal Services Act N.J.S.A. 40:67-23.1 *et seq.*;

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

**RESOLUTION 12-070
APPOINTMENT OF QUALIFIED PURCHASING
AGENT THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012 - SHEOLA**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby appoint Richard Sheola as Qualified Purchasing Agent through March 31, 2012.

New Business

Mr. Roshto updated the Committee on the Millington Schoolhouse/Old Town Hall and grant funding. Mr. Aroneo thanked the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee on their hard work.

Mr. Schuler commented on the Wastewater Management Advisory Committee plan and the need to review their proposal for the plant. He commented that the Committee needs to be provided with the updated flow data. Mr. Sheola indicated that he would provide the information to the Committee.

Mr. Schuler stated that the township needs to start addressing this issue.

Mr. Roshto commented that the Planning Board met last night and they had a long discussion on the ordinances referred to the Township Committee. He proposed to consider the referred land use ordinances systematically in order to make a decision. Mr. Mazzucco stated that the Committee

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may want to provide the Planning Board with direction and perhaps the direction can be discussed at the next Committee meeting; the Committee agreed.

Mr. Piserchia indicated that he does not want to hold up the proposed tree ordinance. Mr. Aroneo stated that the township already has an ordinance concerning tree removal with penalties. Mr. Pidgeon agreed and suggested the language be clarified. Mr. Piserchia added that he thinks the fine should be defined. Mr. Pidgeon briefly reviewed the ordinance and stated that one line can be added to make those responsible to replace a tree if removed. Mr. Aroneo recommended that the Committee fix the issue of removing trees on township property and make the fine explicit. He added that he does not believe the new Committee is in favor of redoing the whole tree ordinance. The Committee agreed to have Mr. Pidgeon draft an ordinance in order to make the language clearer.

Mr. Schuler stated that all branches have been collected by the Department of Public Works (DPW) and everything is being grounded to mulch. He thanked the DPW for a great job. Mr. Aroneo questioned if the township knew the cost for outside contracting. Mr. Sheola indicated that the cost was approximately \$17,500 and he would look into the matter and report back to the Committee. Mr. Piserchia agreed with Mr. Schuler that DPW did a great job.

Mayor Mazzucco announced that the township was looking for volunteers for the Watchung Hills Municipal Alliance to represent Long Hill Township. He reviewed the organization and commented that the township could lose out on funding if there is no representative. He asked all that are interested to e-mail him.

Mr. Aroneo commented that the Communications Advisory Committee is always looking for technical volunteers to serve on their Committee.

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Thomas Boeimo, resident of Passaic Avenue, commented on the matter with determining who owns the piece of property near his home. He added that he has been attempting to remediate this issue for five years and has been to the Committee several times. He stated that Mr. Pidgeon was supposed to do a search and he never got the results. He reviewed the property in question and the history on the matter in regards to the ditch and the flooding in his basement. He reiterated that the property is owned by the township.

Mr. Pidgeon stated that the township conducted a title search and the Engineer also reviewed the matter and there has been no evidence received or submitted that proves the township owns the property. He asked that if Mr. Boeimo has new information to please forward it to him; Mayor Mazzucco agreed. Mr. Aroneo commented that our Township Attorney indicates that it is not township property. Mr. Pidgeon stated that there is no record that says it is township property and added that he is open to looking at additional new information if it is available. A discussion ensued among the Committee, Mr. Pidgeon and Mr. Boeimo regarding the matter. Mayor Mazzucco asked Mr. Boeimo to submit any new information to Ms. Gatti who will provide it to Mr. Sheola, Mr. Pidgeon and Paul Ferriero, Township Engineer to review. Mr. Boeimo stated that he would provide the information. Mr. Aroneo reminded the Committee and Mr. Boeimo that both the Township Engineer and Mr. Boeimo's engineer indicated that the pipe is not causing the flooding. He added that ownership needs to be established and we can go from there.

Marco Santacross, resident of Valley Road, reviewed his issue with his 2010 sewer adjustment. Mr. Aroneo stated that the township does not have the legal base to change his bill and you were

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charged according to our former sewer ordinance; Mayor Mazzucco agreed. Mr. Pidgeon reviewed the sewer ordinance. Mayor Mazzucco called for a vote on the matter.

Mr. Aroneo made a motion to authorize a \$394.00 refund in regards to Mr. Santacross's 2010 sewer bill due to his 2011 meter reading; Mayor Mazzucco seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: None

Nays: Mr. Aroneo, Mr. Piserchia, Mayor Mazzucco

Abstain: Mr. Roshto, Mr. Schuler

Motion failed.

Mr. Aroneo stated that was not in favor of the refund at this time because there is no legal basis.

John Bangs, resident of River Road, reviewed the flooding in the township. He reviewed possible reasons for the backup in the river. He added that a lot of flooding is caused by railroad bridges. Mr. Aroneo thanked Mr. Bangs for his comments and asked that he submit his comments to the Township Clerk so she can distribute.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Piserchia and seconded by Mr. Schuler to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 p.m. Vote: All Ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Christine A. Gatti
Township Clerk

Approved: March 28, 2012