

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 16, 2013** at 7:00 PM.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mayor Piserchia 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

Committeeman Roshto made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Rae to approve Resolution 13-049. Vote: All Ayes

**RESOLUTION 13-049
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 – Personnel Policy; Fire Official Recruitment
- Contract Negotiations – Township Engineer; Auditor
- 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.

OPEN REGULAR SESSION: Committeeman Schuler made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Roshto to return to open session. Vote: All Ayes

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – The meeting will be called to order at 8:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Committeeman Rae, Committeeman Roshto, Committeeman Schuler and Mayor Piserchia were present. Committeeman Mazzucco was absent.

Also present: Municipal Attorney Jack Pidgeon, Business Administrator Neil Henry.

OATH OF OFFICE: The Mayor issued the Oath of Office to Cathy Reese, Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:

Committeeman Roshto reported that the reverse 911 system should be completed within 4 weeks. Residents will be able to register on line to receive messages, via phone, text or email.

Committeeman Shuler reported that the DPW has completed the resident's debris pick up from Hurricane Sandy.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:

1. Zoning Permits – Generators - A discussion ensued and the Committee agreed to seek the recommendations from the Planning Board before making any decision. Committeeman Rae will present to the planning Board on Jan. 29, 2013 and bring back the Planning Board's recommendations for the January 30th Township Committee Meeting.

2. Wastewater Upgrade- Wastewater upgrade application was submitted Oct 1, 2012. The following recommendations were made based on the application:

- I and I
- Replace UV System
- Replace Influent Screen

DPW Director Tom Sweeney and Business Administrator Neil Henry were invited by Omni to see a sample unit in current operation in Montgomery Township. Based on their visit Mr. Sweeney gave the Committee his recommended options for the upgrade.

- New Drum Screen System, which should produce substantial savings in sludge removal and manual labor.
- NEW UV System - only one to choose that will be compatible with current system
- The township should budget each year for repairing pipe. Currently 280,000 feet of pipes need to be done. The "Cured in Place" method would be the most cost effective.
- Mr. Sweeney will make arrangements for any of the Committee members to visit the Montgomery Township site.

Mr. Henry has asked Omni for a revised proposal, which will include the above recommendations as well as manholes. The Committee as requested that Mr. Henry prepare a potential savings analysis for the Committee to review.

Mayor Piserchia would like for Omni to do a formal presentation at a future Township Committee meeting, prior to the bond application.

RESOLUTIONS

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Committeeman Roshto, seconded by Committeeman Rae by the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, the following Consent Agenda Resolutions were introduced and approved.

**RESOLUTION 13-050
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 13-051
 APPROVING TAX LIEN REFUND**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund check which represents the Redemption of Tax Title Lien #1231 for Block 10801 Lot 1.01 dated 12/6/11 in the amount of \$47,863.61 and a refund of \$26,500.00 premium paid at Tax Sale to: U.S BANK COST/ FOR CRESTAR CAPITAL, 2 LIBERTY PLACE, 50 SO. 16TH St., suite 1950, Philadelphia, PA. 19102.

**RESOLUTION 13-052
 APPROVING SEWER REFUND**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby authorize the following refunds due to overpayment for 2012 Sewer:

Block	Lot	NAME	Refund
10515	11	BATHLA OM/SUDESH 1452 VALLEY RD MILLINGTON, NJ 07946	\$54.66
10202	2	CRAPSER, ANDREW/MICHELLE 10 DEER RUN MILLINGTON, NJ 07946	\$423.64
11602	26	CLEARSTREAM REALTY HOLDING PTNRS 330 MERCER STREET STIRLING, NJ 07980	\$18.22
12001	26	NGUYEN, QUANG 107 MIDVALE AVE MILLINGTON, NJ 07946	\$275.42
12804	16	VELLING, JOHN A/ NOELL, LOUISE T. 17 WINDSOR WAY MILLINGTON, NJ 07946	\$457.62
13404	1.03	DOVOVAN, KENNTH & DEBRA CIRLINCIONE 47 MORRISTOWN RD. GILLETTE, NJ 07933	\$49.73

**RESOLUTION 13-053
 APPROVING TAX REFUND**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector does hereby authorize a refund in the amount of \$3089.51 for 2012 overpayment by their mortgage company for Block 11805 Lot 9.22 to: Morgan C & Lisa B .Miller at 2186 Circle Drive, Millington, NJ 07946.

**RESOLUTION 13-054
APPROVING TAX REFUND**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector does hereby authorize a refund in the amount of \$332.39 for 2012 overpayment of the 4th quarter tax for Block 13603 Lot 27 to: Estate of John C. Gulick, Jr., 27 Ormont Road, Chatham, NJ 07928

**RESOLUTION 13-055
APPROVING ADDED ASSESSMENT OF TAXES REFUND**

RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Tax Collector, does hereby authorize a refund of 2012/2111 Added Assessment taxes due to a Morris County Tax Appeal Judgment dated 12/24/12 in the amount of \$85.77 for 2012 and \$14.07 for 2011 for a total of \$ 99.84 to: Elsie Turqman, 158 Circle Drive, Millington, NJ 07946.

**RESOLUTION 13-056
AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A LOAN FROM THE NEW JERSEY
ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM-LONG HILL TOWNSHIP
WASTEWATER PLANT UPGRADE PROJECT**

RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill intends to file an application with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust for the Long Hill Township Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Guy Piserchia, Mayor of the Township of Long Hill, be authorized to act as the Authorized Representative to represent the Township of Long Hill in all matters relating to the project undertaken pursuant to the above referenced New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Loan to be executed with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. The Authorized Representative may be contacted at: Township of Long Hill, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, N.J. 07933; (908) 647-8000 extension 300

**RESOLUTION 13-057
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 the license for the event to the "Sponsor" Long Hill Township P.B.A. Civic Association, for their Special Events to be held on January 19, 2013 and March 23, 2013 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 13-058
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENT WITH
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR 2012 GREEN COMMUNITIES GRANT**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of approximately \$3,000.00 to fund the following project: 2012 Green Communities Grant, Communities Forestry Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Long Hill Township hereby agrees to match 50% of the Total Project Amount, in compliance with the match requirements of the agreement and the availability of the match for such purposes, whether cash, services or property is hereby certified and 50% of the match will be made up of in-kind services if allowed by the grant program requirements and the agreement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the grantee agrees to comply with all applicable federal, State, and municipal laws, rules, and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

**RESOLUTION 13-059
ACCEPTING RESIGNATION – BROOKS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee hereby accepts the resignation of Robert Brooks, Wastewater Employee, effective December 28, 2012.

**RESOLUTION 13-060
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 2, 2013 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 and Joseph Cerami
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.
2. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized to sign the municipal certification on the application and forward it to the applicant.

**RESOLUTION 13-061
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 28, 2012 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 \$579.72 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 \$579.72 to the Lord Stirling School – P.O. Box 369, 99 Lord Stirling Road Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

**RESOLUTION 13-062
CERTIFYING ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP WITH MILLINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY FOR
NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION ELIGIBILITY**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby certify that the following is an active member of the Stirling Volunteer Fire Company and is eligible to be a member of the New Jersey State Firemen's Association:

Adriana Castro
Brendan Rae

**RESOLUTION 13-063
AUTHORIZE OMNI ENVIRONMENTAL REQUEST TO ASSIGN/TRANSFER AGREEMENTS TO
SUCCESSOR**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill hereby authorizes Omni Environmental request to Assign/Transfer agreements to Kleinfelder Group effective November 6, 2012.

**RESOLUTION 13-064
APPROVAL OF TRIBUTE RIBBONS/BOWS
IN THE TOWNSHIP [ST. VINCENT DE PAUL]**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee recognizes the intrinsic value of Tribute Bows and Ribbons and the awareness raised by the placing of these bows and ribbons; and

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WHEREAS, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School of Stirling, NJ has requested to place 110 blue ribbons/ bows along Central and Main Avenue from January 26th – February 3rd in order to celebrate being awarded a National Blue Ribbon for Excellence in Education by the US Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School has completed the Tribute Bows / Ribbons Application which is satisfactory to the Township Administrator and has agreed to abide by the policy outlined in Long Hill Township Resolution 09-075;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey does hereby approve the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School's request to place 110 blue ribbons/bows along Central and Main Avenue from January 26th – February 3rd.

OLD BUSINESS:

Comm. Schuler reported the need to continue cleaning up the walking trails at the Hicks Tract. Many of them are overgrown and the Scouts campground cannot be used. Scouts have made some progress at the entrance, but more service projects for the scout organizations should be encouraged for this area.

Comm. Roshto would like to update the Train Station Route for reporting to the Dept. of Transportation.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lt. Mazzeo reported to the Committee the new evacuation plan for the school, which would take the children thru the park to the Municipal Building. A discussion ensued about upgrading the pathways and foot bridge for any future necessary evacuations. The Committee requested the Clerk add this item for discussion for January 30th meeting. Comm. Roshto asked Mr. Henry to research the grant that was already awarded for this project and bring the details to present to the Committee for the January 30th meeting.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: The Mayor welcomed the Webelos from Pack 56, Den 13 to the meeting and invited them up to the podium to ask questions of the Committee. Several questions were asked and answered.

As there was no public comment, Committeeman Schuler made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Roshto to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Reese, Township Clerk

Approved: February 13, 2013