Mayor Rae read the following statement

### STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

"In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was electronically sent to the Echoes Sentinel and posted in the January 15, 2015 edition, and electronically sent to the Courier News and posted in the January 9, 2015 edition. The notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 6, 2015 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 #15-235 EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

### Attorney/Client

Summer Camp refunds

### Property Acquisition:

- Kurz Property update
- Eberle property

### **Contract Negotiations**

Use of MGK Memorial Park Field/Turf

# Personnel

- Planning & Zoning Dept. update
- Tax Collector accounts reconciliation discussions continued rice noticed

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the 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.

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Piserchia of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that Resolution #15-246 is hereby approved for Executive Session. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

Mayor Rae opened the PUBLIC MEETING at 7:37 PM.

All presented cited the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ROLL CALL:** Committeeman Dorsi, Committeeman Piserchia, Committeeman Schuler and Mayor Rae were present. Deputy Mayor Meringolo was absent.

### **CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:**

The following items are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be acted upon in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Committee member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in the normal sequence of the Agenda.

MOVED by: Committeeman Piserchia of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution #15-236 through #15-243 are hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. ROLL CALL VOTE: All in favor.

# **RESOLUTION 15-236 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 15-237** APPROVAL AND RELEASE OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby approve and release the Township Committee Minutes of the July 8, 2015 Township Committee Meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Committee hereby approves the July 8, 2015 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as redacted by the Township Attorney.

# **RESOLUTION 15-238 AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF LICENSED PREMISES** (LIQUOR LICENSE - CHIMNEY ROCK INN)

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for the extension of licensed premise of Plenary Retail Consumption License [License No.1430-33-008-005] heretofore issued to the Chimney Rock Inn. for premises located at 342 Valley Road, Gillette, NJ 07933; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects for permission to extend the licensed premise for a Special Event to be held September 21 through September 24, 2015

WHEREAS, the applicant has requested the extension of premise for this event only and has the required approval of the Long Hill Township Chief of Police; and the Municipal Clerk/A.B.C. Secretary.

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 extension of the licensed premises for the Chimney Rock Inn for this Oktoberfest Beer Garden event to be held September 21 – 24, 2015.

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# **RESOLUTION 15-239** APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE [Oktoberfest Beer Garden]

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 # S-15-13 for the event to the "Sponsor" Chimney Rock Inn, for their Special Event; the "Oktoberfest Beer Garden to be held from 5:00

PM – 10:00 PM on September 21 through September 24, 2015 in the parking lot of the Chimney Rock Inn.

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

# RESOLUTION 15-240 APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE [LONG HILL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE]

**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 15-12 for the event to the "Sponsor" Long Hill Chamber of Commerce, for their Special Event "Stirling Street Fair" to be held 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM on September 20, 2015; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Police Department has determined that the applicant is exempt for the cost of police coverage required for this event.

# RESOLUTION #15-241 AUTHORIZING REFUND OF SUMMER CAMP RECREATION FEE

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Recreation Director, does hereby authorize a refund of \$391.20 for the 2015 Summer Camp Recreation Fee to the following individual:

Mr. Benny Ahu

# RESOLUTION 15-242 APPROVE CONFERENCE REQUEST

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee approved Resolution 08-375 which requires Township Committee approval of all overnight conference requests; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has received a request by the Municipal Clerk, to attend the NJLM Conference in November 17-19, 2015; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by**, the Long Hill Township Committee hereby approves the request to attend the NJLM Conference as outlined in the Clerk's memo.

### RESOLUTION #15-243 AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROWS

**WHEREAS**, the Planning & Zoning Administrator, Board Engineer, Board Attorney, Township Planner have certified that there are no outstanding invoices and have approved the release of the following escrows.

**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 appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release the following escrows as per N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53.1.

# **Developer's Escrow**

Brigid Annis 13-14P	\$2,692.95
Brigid Annis & Willow Pond Farm 11-09Z	\$91.14

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

# RESOLUTION #15-244 REVISED

AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2015 GENERAL ELECTION TEMPORARILY INCREASING THE TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE LEVY FOR A PERIOD OF FIFTEEN YEARS TO BE USED SOLELY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE KURZ PROPERTY [Block 11301, Lots 1, 2 &3]

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.7 provides that:

a. (1) The governing body of any municipality may submit to the voters of the municipality in a general or special election a proposition authorizing imposition of an annual levy for an amount or at a rate deemed appropriate for any or all of the following purposes, or any combination thereof, as determined by the governing body:(a) acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes;(b) development of lands acquired for recreation and conservation purposes;(c) maintenance of lands acquired for recreation and conservation purposes;(d) acquisition of farmland for farmland preservation purposes;(e) historic preservation of historic properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects, and the acquisition of such properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects for historic preservation purposes; (f) payment of debt service on indebtedness issued or incurred by a municipality for any of the purposes set forth in subparagraph (a), (b), (d), (e) or (g) of this paragraph. . . .; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 4, 1997, the voters of Long Hill Township approved an annual levy of two cents (\$.02) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed value to be deposited in a "Municipal Open Space, Recreation and Farmland and Historic Trust Fund" for the purposes of acquiring, developing and maintaining lands for recreation and conservation purposes and acquiring farmland for farmland preservation purposes: and

**WHEREAS**, on November 7, 2006, the voters of the Township approved an amendment to the 1997 proposition by allocating one half of one cent (\$.005) of the annual levy of two cents (\$.02) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed value to historic preservation of historic properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects, and the acquisition of such properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects for historic preservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.7 further provides that:

The governing body of a municipality may submit to the voters of the municipality in a general or special election a proposition amending or supplementing a proposition

previously submitted, approved, and implemented as provided pursuant to this section either (1) changing the amount or rate of the annual levy, or (2) adding or removing purposes authorized pursuant to this section for which the levy may be expended. Upon approval of the amendatory or supplementary proposition by a majority of the votes cast by the voters of the municipality, the governing body of the municipality shall implement it in the same manner as set forth in this act for implementation of the original proposition; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.7 also provides that:

The amount or rate of the annual levy may be subdivided in the proposition to reflect the relative portions thereof to be allocated to any of the respective purposes specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection or may be depicted as a total amount or rate, to be subdivided in a manner determined previously, or to be determined at a later date, by the governing body of the municipality after conducting at least one public hearing thereon; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township recently acquired title to 71.35 acres of undeveloped, vacant land located across from the Municipal Center on Valley Road )Lots 1, 2 & 3 in Block 11301 on the Township Tax Maps) (the "Kurz property") using a combination of Morris County and Township open space trust funds; and

**WHEREAS**, plans to develop the property for open space and recreational purposes are being developed by the "Vision Committee" appointed by the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, additional funds will be needed implement those plans;

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

1. The following public question shall be submitted to the voters of Long Hill Township at the November 3, 2015 general election:

### **PUBLIC QUESTION**

Shall Long Hill Township amend the proposition approved on November 4, 1997 as amended by the epposition proposition approved on November 7, 2006 imposing an annual levy of two (\$.02) cents per one hundred (\$100) of assessed valuation for the purposes of acquiring and maintaining lands for recreation and conservation purposes and preserving historic properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects, and the acquisition of such properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects for historic preservation purposes by imposing an *additional* levy of two (\$.02) cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation for the purpose of developing the Kurz property (located on Valley Road and known as Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 11301) for a period of fifteen years (2016 through 2030) which shall be dedicated to the development of the Kurz property for recreation and open space purposes.

2. The following statement interpreting the public question shall also be placed on the ballot:

### INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT

If this question is approved by the voters, the Township's Open Space Recreation Farmland and Historic Preservation levy will be increased from two (\$.02) cents per one

hundred dollars of assessed valuation to four (\$.04) cents of assessed valuation for a period of fifteen years. That additional two cents (\$.02) will be used solely for the purpose of developing the Kurz property for open space and recreation purposes. At the end of the fifteen year period, the levy will revert to two cents (\$.02) in accordance with 1997 referendum as amended by the 2006 referendum. What this means is that if your house is assessed at \$400,000, you are currently paying \$80.00 per year into the Open Space Trust Fund. If this question is approved, you will pay an additional \$80.00 (for a total of \$160.00) per year into the Open Space Trust Fund for a period of fifteen years. That extra \$80.00 will be used solely for the purpose of developing the Kurz property.

3. The Township Clerk is authorized and directed to submit a certified copy of this resolution to the Morris County Clerk and request that the public question and interpretive statement be placed on the November 3, 2015 general election ballot.

**Discussion:** Mayor Rae explained that the Visionary Committee is working on the "Central Park" concept for this property, which will need financing to develop. This could be done by private donations, or special tax or the Township could borrow the money. Mayor Rae read the referendum question that he would like to have on the ballot for November. Mayor Rae would like to raise 2 to 2.5 Million Dollars for the park development. He amended the resolution to 2 cents as opposed to 1.5 cents on the advice of the CFO for an additional financial cushion. Mayor Rae asked the Committee for their comments.

Committeeman Dorsi is in favor of the referendum question and in favor of building a park on the property.

Committeeman Piserchia is in favor of the referendum question and in favor of building a park on the property. Committeeman Piserchia questioned how this tax increase would impact the reassessment program. He also noted that if the Township does sell the sewer system, which the sale is currently in discovery process, the additional monies from the sale of the Sewer System could fund the development as well.

Committeeman Schuler is in favor of the referendum and the park but feels that it is hard to ask the residents for money without knowing exactly for what and how much it will cost. He believes that because of this the referendum question will fail. Committeeman Schuler feels that it would more beneficial to but this on the ballot next year. He noted that currently there is \$1 million in the Open Space Recreation Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust. The regular trust tax will bring in \$3 million dollars and the suggested tax increase for the project will bring in an additional \$3 million. Committeeman Schuler does not believe that the Township will need \$7 million dollars for the development of the park.

Mayor Rae commented that he hopes the Visionary Committee will have the concept done before the November election. He also feels that the concept of an extra tax could help with requesting additional county funding or financing.

As there was no further discussion from the Committee, Mayor Rae called for a motion to approve resolution #15-244 as amended.

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Dorsi of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that Resolution #15-244 is hereby approved as amended. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Piserchia. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Dorsi, yes; Committeeman Piserchia, yes; Committeeman Schuler, no and Mayor Rae, yes

Mayor Rae read the following resolution aloud:

# RESOLUTION 15-245 ACCEPTING RETIREMENT - WOLFE

**WHEREAS**, Dawn Wolfe had served the Township of Long Hill in the functions of planning, zoning and engineering since May 14, 1984, and for the past 19 years as Planning and Zoning Administrator, and

**WHEREAS**, Dawn Wolfe has carried out all the duties associated with this role at an extraordinarily high level of skill, professionalism, dedication and expertise, and

**WHEREAS,** Dawn Wolfe, as Administrator has used her expertise to provide proactive, invaluable guidance to the Long Hill Township Zoning Board of Adjustment and Planning Board, and

**WHEREAS**, in her time in office, Dawn Wolfe has devoted many thousands of hours providing helpful, timely courteous service to township residents on a wide range of matters related to planning, zoning and engineering, and

**WHEREAS,** Dawn Wolfe has been a strong, effective administrator with the staff of the planning, zoning and engineering departments by providing helpful guidance, training and professional support, and

**WHEREAS**, Dawn Wolfe honorably served as President of the New Jersey Association of Planning and Zoning Administrators from 1999 through 2003 with exemplary leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, Dawn Wolfe was recognized by New Jersey Planning Officials with the **Achievement in Planning Award** recognizing and celebrating her many contributions in the area of land use and planning in the State of New Jersey.

**WHEREAS,** Dawn Wolfe has been employed by the Township of Long Hill since May 14, 1984; and has tendered her retirement with the Township of Long Hill effective August 1, 2015 after *31 years* of dedicated service;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee hereby accepts the retirement of Dawn Wolfe effective August 1, 2015 with gratitude for her service to the Township and the community and with best wishes from the Township Committee, the Township Employees and the Residents of Long Hill.

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Piserchia of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that Resolution #15-245 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Dorsi. **ROLL CALL VOTE**: All were in favor and expressed best wishes for Mrs. Wolfe and deepest gratitude for her service to the Township.

### **ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION:**

# **ORDINANCE #361-15**

REQUIRING A ZONING PERMIT RATHER THAN A CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FOR NEW DRIVEWAYS AND AMENDING SECTION 124 OF THE TOWNSHIP LAND USE REGULATIONS ENTITLED "SUPPLEMENTAL USE REGULATIONS"

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that Section 124 of the Township land use ordinance entitled "Supplemental Use Regulations" is hereby amended as follows.

- **Section 1.** Subsection 124.4.1 entitled "Driveways, Parking Lots and Parking Areas" is amended to read as follows:
  - "124.4.1 Driveways, Parking Lots and Parking Areas.

A <u>construction-zoning</u> permit shall be required to pave driveways, parking lots, and parking areas located in any zone. All such areas shall be included in lot coverage calculations. Paving an existing gravel driveway or repaving an existing driveway shall be exempted from the permit requirement."

- **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.

### NOTICE

The foregoing ordinance having been introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 will be considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at the Municipal Building, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey when and where or at such time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

Cathy Reese, RMC, CMR Township Clerk

Attorney Pidgeon explained that this Ordinance was originally created when there was no zoning department within the Township. Mr. Sandow brought this to Atty. Pidgeon's attention and recommended this be corrected.

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Piserchia of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Ordinance 361-15 is hereby approved on first reading. The public hearing and final adoption is scheduled for August 26, 2015 **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. **ROLL CALL VOTE**: All in favor.

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MOVING THE TOWNSHIP TEMPORARY SIGN REGULATIONS FROM THELAND USE ORDINANCE TO THE POLICE REGULATIONS SECTIONOF THE TOWNSHIP CODE, ADDING SANDWICH BOARD REGULATIONS AND AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** To designate the Township's temporary sign regulations as general police power rather than zoning regulations and to permit and regulate sandwich board signs in certain business zones.

**WHEREAS**, the courts have recognized that municipalities may regulate signs pursuant to their general police powers (State vs. Boston Juvenile Shoes, 60 N.J. 249, 253 (1972)); and

**WHEREAS,** the Township's temporary sign regulations are currently included in Section 155.3 of the Township Land Use Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS,** as a result, anyone seeking a waiver or relaxation of any of those regulations must apply to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a variance; and

**WHEREAS,** applying for a variance in those situations is neither practical nor efficient, and can be very costly; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee wants to improve the visibility of businesses in the Township by allowing sandwich board signs under certain conditions;

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

- **Section 1.** Section 155.3 of the Township Land Use Ordinance entitled "Permitted Temporary Signs" is hereby repealed in its entirety.
- **Section 2.** Chapter III of the Township Code entitled "Police Regulations" is hereby supplemented and amended by adding a new Section 3-12 entitled "Temporary Signs" which reads as follows:

### "3-12 TEMPORARY SIGNS

The following temporary signs are permitted in all areas. In no case shall a temporary sign be illuminated.

- a. Real estate signs advertising the prospective sale or rental of the premises or property upon which they are located. Such signs shall be removed within seven (7) days of the sale or rental transaction and shall be restricted in size and number as follows:
  - 1. Residential properties shall not display more than one (1) sign six (6) square feet in area, except that a corner property or through lot may display one (1) such sign on each street frontage.
  - 2. Nonresidential property shall not display more than one (1) sign twelve (12) square feet in area, except that a corner property or through lot may display one (1) such sign on each street frontage. Properties exceeding three hundred (300) feet of street frontage may display one (1) additional sign for each six hundred (600) feet of street frontage in excess of three hundred (300) feet.
  - 3. All real estate signs shall be located at least ten (10) feet from any street cart way.

- 4. All "open house" realty signs not located on the property for sale shall be allowed from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the day of the open house only. "Open house" signs located on the property for sale shall be permitted for not more than three (3) days, including the day of the open house, and shall be removed no later than 6:00 p.m. of the day of the open house.
- b. Political campaign signs shall be permitted in all zones. Such signs shall not be permitted for a period exceeding thirty-one (31) days in any campaign or event, inclusive of primaries, shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in area and shall be removed within forty-eight (48) hours of the conclusion of the campaign or event.
- c. Signs are permitted on construction sites for the duration of the construction period. They shall not exceed eight (8) feet in height nor thirty-two (32) square feet in area. They shall be removed within seven (7) days after the completion of the construction work, or upon request for a certificate of occupancy. Not more than one (1) sign shall be located on each street frontage.
- d. Temporary signs shall be permitted for special public and semipublic events and for private grand openings and special sales events. Special sales events shall be subject to the determination of individual business owners but shall not exceed two (2) such events in any calendar year. All temporary signs permitted under this subsection shall be removed within thirty (30) days of authorization.
- e. Window and door signs located and displayed on the inside of windows and doors of business uses. Such signs shall not exceed twenty (20) percent of each window and door upon which such sign is displayed.
- f. Announcements of the sale of an individual's personal property. Such signs shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area and shall not be displayed for a period exceeding thirty-one (31) days in any calendar year.
- g. "Fill Wanted" signs. Properties that have secured a fill permit in accordance with the provisions of Section 145 of this Ordinance may display not more than one (1) "Fill Wanted" sign. Such sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area and shall display the fill permit number. The sign shall be removed within seven (7) days of completion of filling operations.
- h. "Help Wanted" signs for any nonresidential land use.
- i. Farm signs advertising the sale of farm products produced within the Township. They shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area. The signs shall be removed during seasons when products are not being offered for sale. Not more than two (2) such signs shall be erected on any one (1) property.
- j. In addition to the on-site signs authorized by paragraph I. above, farm stands shall be permitted to have two (2) off-site signs from April 1 through October 31 of each calendar year, provided the area of each sign does not exceed eight (8) square feet. Written permission of the owners of the sites on which the signs are to be located shall be presented to the Administrative Officer prior to the issuance of a sign permit.
- k. Signs announcing any educational, charitable, civic, religious or like special event

to be held in the Township shall be permitted in all zones. Such signs, however, shall not be permitted for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days per special event in any one (1) calendar year; shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in area and shall be removed within forty-eight (48) hours of the conclusion of the event. There shall be not more than twelve (12) signs, Township-wide, advertising any such special event.

**Section 3**. Chapter III of the Township Code entitled "Police Regulations is further supplemented and amended by adding a new Section 3-13 entitled "Sandwich Board Signs", which reads as follows:

### "3-13 SANDWICH BOARD SIGNS

### 3-13.1 Definitions.

As used in this Section:

"Sandwich Board Sign shall mean a self-supporting, portable sign, not attached to the ground or other permanent structure, "A" shaped, constructed with two sides (or planes), joined at the top, with two visible sides, containing commercial speech, and situated adjacent to a business, typically on a sidewalk."

# 3-13.2, Sandwich Board Signs Permitted in the B-1-5, B-1-20, M, M-H, B-2, B-3, and O Zones.

Sandwich board signs shall be permitted without any development approvals or permits in the B-1-5, B-1-20, M-H, M, M, B-2, B-3 and O Zones, subject to the following requirements:

- 1. Only one Sandwich Board is permitted for any one business. In a multi-tenant building, only one Sandwich Board shall be permitted per tenant.
- 2. Sandwich Boards shall be no more than thirty (30") inches in width and fifty (50") inches in height when extended. The sign shall be placed upon the ground or at grade, and the height of any such sign may not be artificially increased above the maximum allowable height by placing materials underneath the base of the sign.
- 3. Sandwich Boards may be displayed only during hours when the business is open to the public, and must be brought inside the building when the business is closed, except that Sandwich Board signs may be displayed during special events such as the street fair or the bike race when any such special event is being held in the immediate vicinity of the subject business.
- 4. A Sandwich Board may only be located in front of the business establishment that it advertises.
- 5. No Sandwich Board shall be placed in a driveway, the paved portion or shoulder of a public street, within a sight triangle, within any public parking space, or impede the exiting of passengers from parked cars or pedestrian movement on a public sidewalk.
- 6. Sandwich Boards may not be permanently fixed, but must be secured to withstand winds to prevent a roadway or sidewalk hazard.
- 7. Sandwich Boards shall be constructed of weather resistant material, [and no plastic or magnetic lettering shall be permitted. Information in the form of words, or

images, may be provided in either chalk or dry erase, in which case they shall be changed frequently.]

- 8. No Sandwich Board shall contain foil, mirrors, lights, or reflective material which could create a hazardous condition to a motorist, bicyclist, or pedestrian.
- 9. In the B-3 Zone Sandwich Board signs shall be permitted only on the sidewalk immediately in front of the business, and no Sandwich Board signs shall be permitted on the sidewalks along Valley Road.
- **Section 4**. 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 5.** 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 6.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

#### NOTICE

The foregoing ordinance having been introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 will be considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26, 2015, 2015 at the Municipal Building, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey when and where or at such time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

Cathy Reese, RMC, CMR Township Clerk

Based on the discussion from the July 8, 2015 Township Committee Meeting, Atty. Pidgeon prepared this Ordinance with Mr. Sandow's recommendation. After discussions with Deputy Mayor Meringolo, the sandwich board signs were included in the verbiage.

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Piserchia of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Ordinance 360-15 is hereby approved on first reading. The public hearing and final adoption is scheduled for August 26, 2015. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Dorsi. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor

### **COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:**

Committeeman Dorsi read the list of roads scheduled for paving beginning July 27<sup>th</sup>. He noted that the Fire Prevention Official has completed 18 commercial inspections and the Stirling Fire Dept. logged 1000 personnel hours in June.

# **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:**

Solid Waste and Recycling Bid

Mr. Henry and Mr. Sweeney discussed the options available for the bid language for the new solid waste bid. As bulk pick-up was previously was "unlimited", and this verbiage was clearly

taken advantage of as depicted in the pictures presented by Mr. Sweeney; the options suggested were:

### Bulk

- 1- Bulk Pick-up per month, limit 2 items
- 1- Bulk pick up per quarter
- 1- Bulk pickup per year by special permit

# **Solid Waste**

- 95 gallon can provided or 65 gallon can will be provided, bid must depict only one size, you can't mix the sizes
- 2 pick-ups per week 2 can limit
- 2 pick-ups per week 1 can limit

Recycling -special can will be provided by vendor

Every other week all zones

Every week 2 township sections at a time

A discussion ensued with concerns about the weight of the 95 gallon can when filled. Based on Atty. Pidgeon's code search, construction debris *is* allowed for bulk. Possibly change that stipulation to not allow construction debris for future.

It was decided to ask bidders to bid each option listed above. Mr. Henry and Mr. Sweeney will prepare the bid documents. Bid will be scheduled in 60 days. Existing 5 year contract expires January 31, new contract will be put in place February 1 but expiration will be changed to December 31.

Committeeman Dorsi asked about composting and Mr. Sweeney advised that New Jersey currently has no facility to accommodate composting pickup.

• Approval of 2016 meeting dates and holidays for Township Calendar 2016
The holidays for 2016 were approved by all. Committeeman Schuler requested that the start time for 2016 Executive Session be changed to 6:45, and all agreed to the request. The Clerk was asked to rework the 2016 meeting schedule to one mid-month meeting in July and one mid-meeting in August due to vacations. Meetings for November 30 and December 14 were selected from the list available. The Clerk will have the revised 2016 meeting list prepared for the August 12 meeting. The Volunteers Dinner for 2015 is scheduled for December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

Committeeman Piserchia noted that FLAP grant awards should be announced sometime this month.

Mr. Henry announced that the Gillette School Walkway is completed and that he will be asking for additional grant monies for next year to add several guardrails thru out the walkway.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business to discuss.

# **Announcements/Correspondence:**

Stirling Lake will be selling memberships to the lake that run August 1st to Labor Day details available on line

First annual WIBIT Race, July 30 at Stirling Lake Open to all Lake Members and Long Hill residents

Girls Field Hockey Registration for girls entering grades 5-8 in Fall 2015 Registration open until 8/15/2015

Tax Bills went out last week

Freedom Tour Bike Race is Sunday, July 26

# MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Remarks and Statements Pertaining to Any Matter

Mrs. Jardim of Greenwood Drive told the Committee that speed limit problems have continued on Greenwood Drive, which should be 25 MPH. There are no sidewalks on the street and the Police have been very pro-active however, since the street is a shortcut to Northfield Road the speed limit continues to be ignored. There are no speed limit signs on Greenwood Drive. Mr. Henry will follow up with Chief Mazzeo regarding posting additional signs. The Committee asked this to be followed up on the agenda for August 12.

Michael Cortes, 13 year Recreation Committee member expressed that renting out the fields for turf was a bad idea and that raising the taxes as stipulated on the referendum question is a bad idea and the Committee should wait a year before making any decisions.

Beth Smargassi complained about an issue with canvassers and she was instructed to continue to call the police for the problem

Tracey Aroneo asked for an update on Matthew G. Kantor Memorial Park turfing, and when the public discussion would take place. Mayor Rae responded that by August 12 or 26 all the information should be available for a public discussion. Mr. Henry noted that the bid announcement for turf will be published July 30 with the bid opening on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, with construction starting in the fall. Mrs. Aroneo noted that the Recreation Advisory Committee in the just completed Recreation Element for the Master Plan requested and additional field that was turfed, lighted with a 40 meter track. Mayor Rae noted that the Kurz property did not have enough buildable acres to accommodate that request.

Dennis Sandow reminded everyone about the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Freedom Tour Bike race this weekend. It is the 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest bike race in New Jersey. With regards to the Bulk Pick Up discussion he has not used bulk pick up for 40 years and would like a credit for his heirs. With regards to the referendum question resolution, with the new re-assessment program the market value will increase as will the additional 2%, so the example used in the referendum language is incorrect, and should be re-worded for clarification. Mr. Sandow suggested that the tax should stop when \$2 million goal is reached. He urged the Committee to wait for the re-assessment to start, as the anticipated first re-assessment will probably bring a 30% increase in assessment values, which really doesn't coincide with the interpretative statement currently in the referendum question. He noted that the County Freeholders have an option to cut back and have the tax lowered if they deem necessary. Atty. Pidgeon said he could re-write the verbiage and check with the Tax assessor for verification of the figures used. A discussion ensued about various language changes including "not to exceed 15 years" and it was decided to re-visit this discussion at the August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Atty. Pidgeon noted that Resolution could be amended or rescinded with a new resolution to replace. The Township will need to have the final approved referendum question to the County Clerk prior to August 14<sup>th</sup>. The Township Clerk will post the referendum question on the website if the Township Committee approves the amended resolution in August.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Committeeman Piserchia made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Schuler to adjourn. Voice Vote: All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Reese, RMC, CMR Township Clerk Approved on August 12, 2015