Mayor Meringolo 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 14, 2016 edition, and electronically sent to the Courier News and posted in the January 12, 2016 edition. The notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 5, 2016 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 #16-295 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 Privilege:

- Mt. Laurel Fair Share Housing
- Alvarez Sewer Connection

## Personnel:

Police Department Matters

**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 Rae of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that Resolution #16-295 is hereby approved for Executive Session. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Dorsi

**ROLL CALL VOTE: All in Favor** 

All present recited the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Meringolo opened the PUBLIC MEETING at 7:50 PM

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

The Clerk read the voting results. The Mayor stated he is happy he can continue to serve the public and hopes we can all move forward together and that the President –Elect will govern for all people.

## **COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:**

Mayor Meringolo: The RFP for Valley Road Redevelopment has been posted on our web site and there have been a number of parties showing interest. He is hoping the Township Committee will have submittals to review by the end of December.

Committeeman Schuler: No report.

Committeeman Piserchia: No report.

Committeeman Rae: No report.

Committeeman Dorsi: Remember to recycle car batteries, tires, fluorescent bulbs and Styrofoam. Two kitchens that we removed during the demolition of the houses in the flood zone were donated to Morris County Habitat for Humanity. The Blue Line was successfully installed by DPW.

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## **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: Deputy Mayor Piserchia of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolutions #16-296 through #16-302, less Resolution # 16-301, are hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Rae. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** 

# RESOLUTION #16-296 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 #16-297

# 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 October 26, 2016 Township Committee Meeting.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee hereby approves the October 26, 2016 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as redacted by the Township Attorney.

TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL RESOLUTION #16-298

# AUTHORIZING SUBORDINATION OF TOWNSHIP SEWER LIEN TO PROPOSED MILLINGTON SAVINGS BANK MORTGAGE

**WHEREAS,** Bryan Moreland ("Moreland") is the owner of property located 1716 Long Hill Road, Millington, and known as block 12604, lot 8.01 on the Township tax maps (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Moreland entered into an Amended Developer's Agreement (Sewer Only) in September 2011, in which he agreed that in lieu of expending money for an individual on-site septic system on the property, he would voluntarily donate \$30,000 to the Township to be used for improvements to the Township's wastewater treatment plant so that the Township can eventually lift the temporary sewer connection ban that is currently in place; and

**WHEREAS**, Moreland is taking out a loan, in an amount not to exceed \$283,000, with Millington Savings Bank, that will be secured by a mortgage on the Property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township is willing to subordinate its \$30,000 lien to the proposed Millington Saving Bank mortgage;

**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 hereby agrees to subordinate its lien as described in the preamble to the proposed Millington Savings Bank mortgage.
- 2. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a subordination agreement and any other documents necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution, subject to the approval of the Township Attorney.

#### **RESOLUTION #16-299**

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SUPPORTING THE MORRIS COUNTY FIRE MUTUAL AID PLAN

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Long Hill provides fire protection resources for ordinary emergency response requirements within its jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Departments in Morris County have a day-to-day responsibility to provide for the safety and security of lives and property; and

**WHEREAS**, local resources can become exhausted during the small percentage of large magnitude fire or disaster occurrences; and

**WHEREAS**, mutual aid is the most cost-effective method of providing sufficient resources to a local jurisdiction for those extraordinary occurrences; and

**WHEREAS**, it is of mutual benefit for fire agencies located within the County of Morris to provide supplemental resources to each other in the event of a local emergency or disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, this plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of fire department personnel and equipment whenever a local fire agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and noncontiguous, in the event of a fire or emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, a county area mutual aid plan is encouraged by, and is compatible with the State of New Jersey Resource Deployment Act; and

WHEREAS, participation in a county area mutual aid plan will not impose liability on the local entity; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the governing body of the Township of Long Hill to participate in the fire mutual aid plan in accordance with the plan as submitted by the Morris County Alliance of Active Fire Chiefs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, does hereby agree: (1) to authorize their fire protection agencies to provide mutual aid assistance to each participating municipality, district, state or federal organization, as identified in the Morris County Fire Mutual Aid Plan approved by the Morris County Alliance of Active Fire Chiefs on thirteenth of July, 2016 and as may be amended from time to time by the Morris County Alliance of Active Fire Chiefs and ratified by this body; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County Fire Coordinator, the County OEM Coordinator and all Morris County Municipalities.

# TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL RESOLUTION 16-300 APPOINTING PROBATIONARY LABORER

[Boardman]

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

- 1. Upon the advice and recommendation of Township Administrator Neil Henry and Director of Public Works Thomas Sweeney, that Michael Boardman be appointed as Probationary Laborer.
- 2. This appointment shall be effective on November 21, 2016 at an hourly probationary rate of \$14.90. Following the probationary period (not to exceed more than six months) the new position title would be Truck Driver/Laborer Class 4 and the rate shall be \$18.75 per hour.
- 3. Mr. Boardman will be a member of the Long Hill Public Works Association and a copy of the Agreement shall be provided.

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RESOLUTION 16-301 – tabled until November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting AUTHORIZING A SEWER CONNECTION FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON Elliot Road (BLOCK 129, LOT 21)

WHEREAS, the Township is currently subject to a voluntary sewer ban; and

**WHEREAS,** JAM Realty Co., the owner of property located on Elliot Road (Block 129, Lot 21) has requested authorization to connect to the Township's sanitary sewer system;

**WHEREAS,** the Township has adopted by reference the NJDEP sewer ban exemption criteria set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-22.22; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 7:14A-22.22 provides in relevant part that:

"A sewer ban exemption may be granted for projects . . . if the proposed project will have a total projected flow of 600 gallons per day or less . . . [and] will be constructed and/or operated on a tax lot which was in existence prior to the effective date of the ban . . . and the proposed project does not require a sewer extension . . . ."; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 7:14A-1.2 defines "sewer extension" to mean "any sewer pipe, line, structure or appurtenance used for the conveyance of domestic or industrial waste of a liquid nature, whether forced or by gravity, which: 1. Will extend along an easement through more than two properties, a roadway, or public right-of-way. . . . "; 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 JAM Realty is hereby granted permission to connect his property at Elliot Road, Block 129, Lot 21 to the Township wastewater treatment system upon payment of the \$10,120.00 connection fee in accordance with Section 22-3.1 of the Township Code entitled "Connection Fees."

# TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL RESOLUTION 16-302 AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF OUTSIDE LIEN - #15-0007

**WHEREAS**, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on 10-23-15, a lien was sold on Block 13204, Lot 9, also known as 27 Country Lane for \$11,235.65; and,

**WHEREAS**, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #15-0007, was sold to GSRAN-Z, LLC (Lien Holder) for \$11,235.65 and a \$69,000.00 premium; and

**WHEREAS**, Visions Federal Credit Union (redeeming party) has effected redemption of Certificate #15-0007 in the amount of \$27,833.08

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has shown proof that the redemption calculation is correct, all subsequent payment affidavit, if any, has been filed, and redemption monies has been received for redemption refund;

**NOW, THREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$27,833.08, payable to GSRAN-Z, LLC (Lien Holder) for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #15-0007; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$69,000.00 (premium) to the aforementioned lien holder.

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# **ORDINANCE**

# ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING/CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE #391-16 2016 SALARIES AND WAGES ORDINANCE Amended

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To reflect the updated rates of 2016 salary adjustments.

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

**Section 1.** The salaries and wages of the following employees of the Township shall be as follows:

Position Title	Annual Salary				
Township Administrator	\$75,000 - \$150,000				
Executive Administrative Assistant	\$52,500 - \$75,000				
Municipal Clerk/Registrar	\$45,000 - \$75,000				
Administrative Assistant	\$33,000 - \$52,500				
Chief Financial Officer	\$50,000 - \$100,000				
Asst. to the CFO [Part Time]	\$20.00 - \$ <del>30.00/hr</del> .\$32.00				
Accts. Payable Manager Clerical [Part Time]	\$25,000 - \$60,000 \$ 8.50 - \$ 22.00/hr.				
Tax Collector [Part Time]	\$15,000 - \$25,000				
Tax Assessor [Part Time]	\$20,000 - \$40,000				
Assistant Treasurer	\$45,000 - \$65,000				
Sewer Utility Collector [Part Time]	\$15.00 - \$ <del>22.00/hr</del> . <b>\$24.00</b>				
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Board of Health					
Animal Control Officer [Part Time]	\$15.00 - \$25.00/hr.				
Court					
Municipal Court Judge	\$19,000 - \$35,000				
Court Administrator	\$40,000 - \$63,000				
Planning and Development					
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Construction Code Official [Part Time]	\$30,000 - \$45,000				
Building Sub Code Official [Part Time]	\$10,000 - \$20,000				
Fire Sub Code Official[Part Time]	\$ 35.00 - \$45.00/hr				
Fire Prevention/Fire Official [Part Time]	\$ 22.50 - \$40.00/hr				
Plumbing Sub Code Official [Part Time]	\$10,000 - \$22,500 \$10,000 - \$23,000				
Electrical Sub-code Official [Part Time] Technical Assistant to the Construction Official [Part Time]	\$ 18.00 - \$30.00/hr				
Planning & Zoning Coordinator	\$40,000 - \$60,000				
Planning & Zoning Secretary [Part Time]	\$ 20.00 - \$30.00/hr				
Code/Zoning Enforcement Officer	\$45,000 - \$70,000				
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#### Recreation

Recreation Director	\$30,000 - \$60,000
Administrative Assistant	\$ 20.00 - \$30.00/hr.
Seasonal/ [Part Time] Positions Summer Recreation Site Director	\$ 22.00 - \$ 35.00/hr.
Summer Recreation Site Supervisor	\$ 17.00 - \$ 27.00/hr.
Summer Recreation Assistant	\$ 15.00 - \$ 25.00/hr.
Summer Recreation Counselor	\$ 8.25 - \$ 15.00/hr.
Lake Director	\$ 20.00 - \$ 35.00/hr.
Assistant Lake Director	\$ 15.00 - \$ 25.00/hr.
Head Lifeguard	\$ 12.00 - \$ 18.00/hr.
Life Guard	\$ 9.00 - \$ 15.00/hr.
Score Keeper/Time Keeper/Referees	\$ 8.25 - \$ 15.00/hr.
Basketball Director	\$ 18.00 - \$ 28.00/hr.
Basketball Staff Supervisor	\$ 12.00 - \$ 25.00/hr.

# Police Department

Chief of Police	\$125,000 - \$150,000
Police Officers	per Collective Bargaining Contract
Police Department Secretary	\$ 36,000 - \$ 55,000
PD Administrative Assistant [Part Time]	\$ 33,000 - \$ 52,000
School Crossing Guard [Part Time]	\$ 12.00 - \$ 23.50/hr.
Police Matron	\$ 12.00 - \$ 28.00/hr.
Court Security Officer [Part Time]	\$ 20.00 - \$30.00/hr.

## Office of Emergency Management

Emergency Management Coordinator [Part Time] \$ 10,000 - \$20,000

## Department of Public Works/Roads

Director of Public Works /Superintendent of Roads

DPW employees

Part Time Laborer

\$85,000 - \$110,000

per Collective Bargaining Contract

\$9.50 - \$20.00/hr.

## Wastewater Control

Wastewater Superintendent \$58,000 - \$85,000 Wastewater Employees per Collective Bargaining Contract

#### Senior Services

Senior Citizens Bus Driver \$ 15.00 - \$ 25.00/hr.

Mileage reimbursement based on current IRS Standard

**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. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as

required by law, unless the effective date is delayed pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 40A:9-165.

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, October 12, 2016 will be considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 9, 2016, 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.

Deborah Brooks, RMC, CMR Township Clerk

Mayor Meringolo opened the public hearing on Ordinance 391-16, as there were no public comments, he closed the public hearing and called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 391-16.

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Rae of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Ordinance 391-16 is hereby adopted on final reading. **SECONDED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia.

ROLL CALL VOTE: All in Favor

# **RESOLUTION**

# TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL RESOLUTION 16-303

#### COMPENSATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that the compensation effective retroactively to January 1, 2016 of the officials and employees of the Township be as follows:

POSITION	DEPARTMENT	S	ALARY
Township Administrator	Admin & Exec.	\$	137,957.04
Township Clerk/Registrar	Admin & Exec	\$	70,000.00
Executive Administrative Asst.	Admin & Exec	\$	60,488.86
Administrative Assistant	Admin & Exec	\$	41,616.00
Environmental Comm. Secretary	Admin & Exec	\$	1,339.00
Chief Financial Officer	Financial Administration	\$	83,232.00
Tax Assessor	Tax Dept.	\$	30,347.34
Tax Clerk/Sewer Collector	Financial Administration	\$	22.44/hr.
Code Enforcement Officer	Planning/Zoning	\$	65,121.41
Police Department Secretary	Police Department	\$	53,176.11
School Crossing Guards (Hourly-PT)	Police Department	\$	22.01/hr.
Plumbing Sub-code Official	Construction	\$	19,916.00
Electrical Sub-code Official	Construction	\$	35.00/hr.
Building Inspector	Construction	\$	16,380.00
Fire Official/Inspector	Fire Official	\$	31.62/hr.
Senior Citizen Van Driver	Senior Services	\$	19.19/hr.

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Recreation Director	Recreation Department	\$ 60,000.00
Municipal Judge	Court	\$ 29,982.25
Court Administrator	Court	\$ 63,373.82
Chief of Police	Police Dept.	\$146,446.70
Construction Code Official	Construction	\$ 52.28/hr.
Construction Technical Assistant	Construction	\$ 25.00/hr.
Fire Sub-code Official	Construction	\$ 35.00/hr.
Director of Public Works	Dept. of Public Works	\$105,590.20
Superintendent/Wastewater	Div of Wastewater	\$ 81,641.29
Part Time, Asst. to the CFO	Financial Administration	\$ 30.60/hr.
	Not to exceed 23	hrs. per week
Full Time, Asst. Treasurer	Financial Administration	\$ 61,200.00
Tax Collector, Part time	Financial Administration	\$ 17,850.00
Planning/Zoning Coordinator	Planning/Zoning	\$ 55,000.00
Emergency Management Coordinator and Administrative Asst.	Emergency Management	\$ 29,172.00

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Rae of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolutions #16-303 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. **ROLL** 

**CALL VOTE: All in Favor** 

#### **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

- Recommended Ordinance Changes from the Planning Board and the Ordinance Subcommittee – Kevin O'Brien memo of July 14, 2016 – This will be moved for discussion to the November 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting.
- Permanent Sign Ordinance Kevin O'Brien memo of July 15, 2016 This will be on the November 30<sup>th</sup> Agenda for Introduction.
- FLAP Grant update Administrator Henry updated the Committee on the revised figures for repaving of Pleasant Plains Road which he had received from FLAP Grant after federal review. The initial figure of \$367,200 had gone up to \$459,000 with the township responsible for 20%. The Committee agreed it was still a good deal and advised Administrator Neil to move forward with the application.

Mayor Meringolo noted that the reason the meeting had started late tonight was regarding the Fair Share Housing litigation. He noted that all municipalities across the state were dealing with a court mandate to provide Affordable Housing. The number of affordable housing units was being determined through the litigation process with the Fair Share Housing Center. Long Hill is challenged by large areas of wetlands and limited available open spaces. Together with the Planning Board the Committee has been working on a proposal of certain sites to submit to the courts for approval. If the Township can settle in litigation it would protect the Township from Builders Remedy Law suits for a period of ten years. Without the protection garnered through a litigation settlement, a builder would have a good chance of suing and getting a settlement to build on a space with a much broader s scope and scale then the Township and its residents would want. The Township will be posting information on the website in conjunction with the Echoes Sentinel in order to keep the residents up to speed. Mayor Meringolo noted that we must do something now in order to protect the Township from Builder's Remedy lawsuits in the future which, if successful, could change the character of the town.

## **OLD BUSINESS / Administrator's Report:**

- The Township was moving forward in putting together the pre-application for the Land Diversion with Parthenon Realty Inc. The process should take about three months.
- The engineering company was finishing its fieldwork on the pump stations at the Wastewater Plant and should have a report to the Township shortly.
- Flood property demolitions continued with three of the seven completed and the remaing properties to be demolished over the next several weeks.
- A revised bid for the Schoolhouse repairs should go out shortly.
- The contract was awarded for the Mitchell road Drainage project and the Preconstruction meeting should be scheduled shortly. Because of the nature of the project, the work will be able to continue over the winter.
- The Northfield, Main and Central Roads project is back on the schedule and will be starting in the spring. There will be information posted on the website and in the newspapers to help keep pedestrians safe during the sidewalk installation.
- Trail Grant for the Matthew G. Cantor Loop the Township is expecting to hear whether or not we will receive the Grant by the end of the month.
- The annual reassessment was complete and letters will be sent out to the residents shortly. The information will be put on the website.
- Administrator Neil and Finance Director Ho will be working on the budget for 2017 and hope to come back to the Committee in mid-December for review with the introduction scheduled for February or March.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- The next Township Committee meeting will be November 30<sup>th</sup> due to the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday.
- December 4<sup>th</sup> is the Meyersville Tree Lighting and Fireworks
- This Thursday and Friday schools are closed for Teachers Convention days so please drive carefully.
- The controlled burn scheduled for the Great Swamp has been postponed until after Thanksgiving
- There have been bear sightings near the Great Swamp.
- There is a rabies clinic November 12th at Bernards Township

## **MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

- Kathy O'Leary, Millington, spoke at length voicing her concerns about the May 26, 2016 TC meeting and the adopted resolution regarding Prism Inc. and the possibility of a transit village. The Committee responded to her concerns about making sure the public was informed, keeping the character of the town, and the procedure of adopting an ordinance.
- Jill Pozarek, Millington, requested a status update on the question of paving the portion of Oaks Road that was currently unpaved. The Committee directed

Administrator Neil to further investigate and would follow up at the next meeting. Ms. Pozarek had attended the Planning board meeting held yesterday and wanted to admonish the Township Committee to slow down and make sure the public was engaged and informed in any changes to the Master Plan.

- Charles Arentowicz, Millington, thanked the Committee for producing the annual Calendar, and wanted to know if we still had possession of the dirt that had been cleared from the Parthenon property. The Committee noted that they did have the dirt and it would be used in building the retaining wall on the site of the Land Diversion. Mr. Arentowicz was happy to receive a letter from the Mayor coming out against the Transit Village.
- Joe Hubert, Millington, asked and the Committee responded to questions about the possible economic benefits to the residents if a transit village was constructed.
- Dennis Sandow noted that the Township Committee was doing its due diligence in having experts and developers come in to present possible ideas and to continue learning what might work for the Township. He also noted that if residents wanted to maintain the character of the town they should more actively volunteer.
- Phil Familletti, Millington, had attended the previous evening's Planning Board meeting and was concerned that the Township make sure to address the possible Asbestos issue at the TIFA site in order to keep the residents safe.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Committeeman Rae, seconded by Committeeman Schuler, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Brooks, RMC, CMR Township Clerk

Minutes approved November 30, 2016.