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TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
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Mayor Piserchia 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 the Courier News. Notice was also posted on the Township Website. The notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 3, 2018 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 #18-274  
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:

Contracts:

- Crown Castle Cell Tower
- Wastewater Plant

Pending Litigation:

- Oaks Road

**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: Deputy Mayor Dorsi of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that Resolution #18-274 is hereby approved for Executive Session. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Rae

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

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Mayor Piserchia opened the meeting at 7:30pm.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Piserchia, Deputy Mayor Dorsi, and Committeeman Rae were present. Also present were Attorney Jack Pidgeon, Administrator Nancy Malool and Township Clerk Deborah Brooks.

The Mayor had a moment of silence for the loss of Long Hill Resident Nick Stevens.

**LIAISON REPORTS:**

Deputy Mayor Dorsi: DPW received a thank you note from OEM Director Shayne Daly for their assistance in fixing a truck.

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Committeeman Rae: Reviewed the year to date Police Department report, and noted the participation of the Department in continued excellent Community Policing and encouraged senior residents to reach out to the Police Department to sign up for the "Good Morning" Program for senior citizens. This is a daily check in program for seniors. He reported the Police Department is still encouraging Long Hill residents to keep locking their cars and not leaving the keys or fobs in them. Lastly, the PD is reminding Long Hill citizens to be aware of the IRS/Social Security scam which tells residents that they will be arrested unless they pay their taxes immediately. Committeeman Rae thanked the Stirling Fire Company for a successful Fire Safety Day.

Mayor Piserchia thanked the Chamber of Commerce and Recreation Department for another successful Halloween Parade.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- The results of the Fire Department Study have been delayed due to a family emergency at the company doing the report and should be completed by mid November.
- The order for the new flag poles should go in tomorrow. Although it will be unlikely to arrive in time for this Veteran's day, she is looking forward them being hung on Memorial Day and for many Veteran's days going forward. The Mayor thanked Barbara Grillo, Committeeman Dorsi, Det. Michael Hand and Al Gallo for all their hard work on this project.

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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: Committeeman Rae of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution #18-275 through #18-277 and #18-279 through #18-281 are hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Deputy Mayor Dorsi. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor. Resolution #18-278 was pulled from consent.

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**RESOLUTION 18-275  
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.

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**RESOLUTION 18-276  
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 10, 2018 Township Committee Special Meeting.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee hereby approves October 10, 2018 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as redacted by the Township Attorney.

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RESOLUTION 18-277  
AUTHORIZING STIRLING FIRE COMPANY COIN TOSS**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey authorizes the Stirling Volunteer Fire Company to conduct a coin toss at the intersection of Valley Road and Mountain Avenue in Gillette on November 23, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey authorizes the Stirling Volunteer Fire Company to conduct a coin toss on Valley Road on November 23, 2018.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this approval is contingent upon the Stirling Volunteer Fire Company receiving approval from the County of Morris.

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**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL  
RESOLUTION 18- 278 amending 18-262**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of Long Hill Township adopted resolution 18-262 approving submittal of a grant application with the NJDOT for the Dogwood Terrace Bike Path Project; and approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Dogwood Terrace Bike Path Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant application was incorrectly identified as application ID 00020.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Long Hill Mayor is hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application correctly identified as application ID 000601 from NJDOT SAGE to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Long Hill.

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

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**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL  
RESOLUTION 18-279  
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR  
THE NJ FLAP (FEDERAL LAND ACCESS PROGRAM) WITH THE FHWA (FEDERAL  
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION)- EFLHD (EASTERN FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY  
DIVISION) FOR PLEASANT PLAINS ROAD REPAVING PROJECT**

**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 formally authorizes the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Agreement for the Pleasant Plains repaving project.

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**RESOLUTION 18-280  
Authorizing Redemption of Municipal Lien - #14-1295**

**WHEREAS**, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on 12-03-2014, a lien was sold on Block 12804, Lot 1, also known as 24 Windsor Way for \$989.52; and

**WHEREAS**, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #14-1295, was struck off to the Municipality in the amount of \$989.52 at 18%; and

**WHEREAS**, Specialized Loan Servicing, on behalf of the owner, has redeemed Certificate #14-1295 in the amount of \$9,998.19; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Tax Collector has shown proof that the redemption calculation is correct and all redemption monies have been received for redemption.

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**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL  
RESOLUTION #18-281  
Tax Overpayment Refund**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby authorize the following refund due to an overpayment of 2018 3rd tax quarter in the amount of \$2,719.33 on Block 11707 Lot 6 to: Beita, Marlon D Mena & Campos, David; 1544 Valley Rd, Millington, NJ 07946

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On motion by Deputy Mayor Dorsi, seconded by Committeeman Rae, Resolution #18-278 was approved. Deputy Mayor Dorsi voting No, Committeemen Rae and Mayor Piserchia voting Yes.

**ORDINANCES:**

**ADOPTION/SECOND READING:**

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ORDINANCE #426-18**

**AMENDING THE DUTIES OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COORDINATOR TO REFLECT RECENT AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWNSHIP LAND USE ORDINANCE**

**WHEREAS**, the duties of the Township Planning and Zoning Coordinator are set forth in subsection 2-26.4 of the Township Code entitled “Powers and Duties of the Planning and Zoning Coordinator”; and

**WHEREAS**, paragraph “g” of that subsection provides that the Planning and Zoning Coordinator shall “serve as a member of the Technical Review Committee pursuant to section

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162.9 of the Township Land Use Ordinance”; and

**WHEREAS**, section 14 of Ordinance 424-18 entitled “An Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the Township Land Use Ordinance of 1996 to Clarify Zoning and Construction Permits, Amend Site Plan Approval Provisions, Improve Application Processing and Adjust Fees and Escrow Deposits” abolishes the Technical Review Committee;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that Chapter II of the Township Code entitled “Administration” is hereby supplemented and amended as follows:

**Section 1.** Paragraph “g” of subsection 2-26.4 entitled “Powers and Duties of the Planning and Zoning Coordinator” in section 2-26 entitled “Planning and Zoning Coordinator” is hereby deleted.

**Section 2.** In all other respects, section 2-26 shall remain unchanged.

**Section 3.** 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 4.** 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 5.** 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

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Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 will be considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 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.

**OPEN PUBLIC-** There was no comment.  
**CLOSE PUBLIC**

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Rae, of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, that Ordinance 426-18 is hereby adopted.

**SECONDED** by: Committeeman Dorsi, **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All ayes.

**PRESENTATION:** Scott Fischer of Ciel Energy Company. Mr. Fischer gave a brief presentation of the Home Energy Audit services Ciel would be offering the residents of Long Hill and answered questions from the Committee. The program is designed to identify areas in a household that may be energy inefficient and to let the homeowner know the ways these deficiencies could be improved. There is no obligation on the part of the home owner to use Ciel to help make these improvements. Information on the program will be on the website and a mailing will be sent to residents.

**DISCUSSION:**

- Railroad Ave. parking. After a brief discussion and presentation by the Chief of Police the Committee authorized Attorney Pidgeon to write and Ordinance prohibiting parking on the North Side of Railroad Ave. to be introduced at the next meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:**

- The Mayor discussed the letter that was now posted on the website that clarified some resident's questions about the energy services contract the Township is involved with. He noted that residents would not have to opt back into the program in March, it would be done automatically as had the change to JCP&L services at the end of October.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Community Shred Day – Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 10-2 Parking lot in front of the library. \$5 per grocery bag, \$10 per copy paper size box and \$35 per 30 gallon garbage bag.
- Prescription Drug drop off November 10<sup>th</sup> at Town Hall 10am to 2pm
- Free Rabies Shot Clinic – Bernards Twp. Public Works Garage on November 10<sup>th</sup> 10am to 12 pm.
- FORCE 5K is this Saturday
- Drive safely on Halloween please.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

- Olga Argunova, Meyersville spoke regarding her concerns for transparency with the Oaks Road project and the Sewer Finances.
- Charles Arentowicz suggested surveying the town's dog owners to see the interest level of having a dog park.
- Dennis Sandow agreed with Mr. Arentowicz on surveying dog owners about the level of interest of having a dog park.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Mr. Dorsi, seconded by MrRae, all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Brooks, RMC/CMR  
Approved November 7, 2018