

October 21, 2013
REGULAR MEETING
FLAG SALUTE
THIS MEETING IS BEING RECORDED:

I hereby declare that notice has been given to the Herald Times, the Atlantic City Press and posted on the bulletin board of the Middle Township Municipal Building, stating the time and place of the following meeting, as required in P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 of the State of New Jersey. (Sunshine Law).

The Township Committee met on the above date at 6:00 PM at the Middle Township Municipal Building. Members present were Mayor Lockwood, Committeemember Donohue, Committeemember DeLanzo, Township Clerk Kimberly Krauss, Deputy Township Clerk Suzanne Stocker, Business Administrator Constance Mahon, Municipal Solicitor Marcus Karavan, and Municipal Engineer Marc DeBlasio.

1. PRESENTATION / PROCLAMATION BY MAYOR TO JUST SPORTS
Recently donated 20 pairs of shoes to less fortunate children, as well continuing their business service for over 17 years in Middle Township.
2. QUESTION/ANSWER PERIOD ON AGENDA (This question and answer session shall relate only to items as outlined and pending on current agenda. Issues and concerns not related to agenda item shall be withheld to public comment portion at the conclusion of meeting.)
Stan Doniger – Questioned Amazing Amusements expense on Bill List, is Township going into Entertainment business?
Committeemember Donohue – Harvest Festival is next Saturday, biggest annual event in Middle Township, Township pays the amusement fee then charges for tickets at the event.

Stan Doniger – Questioned Blauer Associates expense for home rehabilitation project.
Mayor Lockwood – Blauer Associates is the grant writer/administrator for the Township. Home Rehabilitation is a revolving loan fund, which money is lent to homeowners for use in fixing their homes.
Committeemember Donohue – Blauer Associates is the grant writer/administrator who goes out and gets grants for the Township.

Stan Doniger – Questioned Landberg Constriction expense for drainage fee.
Marc DeBlasio – Partial payment for a capital project in Avalon Manor repaving and Leonard's Lane reconstruction.
3. RESOLUTION 528-13 – APPROVING PAYMENT FOR BILLS – BILL LIST A (General Bills)
– On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Committeemember DeLanzo and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that payment for the following bills in the amounts indicated are hereby approved: Current Acct. \$4,852,894.23
3. RESOLUTION 529-13 – APPROVING PAYMENT FOR BILLS – BILL LIST B (ANZELONE)
– On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Committeemember DeLanzo and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted. ***Mayor Lockwood Abstain**
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that payment for the following bills in the amounts indicated are hereby approved: Current Acct. \$ 3,627.00
4. RESOLUTION 530-13 – APPROVING PAYMENT FOR BILLS – BILL LIST C (KELLY PRODUCTS) – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember DeLanzo and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted. ***Committeemember Donohue Abstain**
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that payment for the following bills in the amounts indicated are hereby approved: Current Acct. \$376.50
6. RESOLUTION 531-13 – APPROVING MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Committeemember DeLanzo and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the following minutes are approved: Regular Meeting 10/07/2013.
7. REPORTS: The following departments have submitted their reports for the months indicated:
Treasurer for the month of September and Municipal Court for the month of September.
8. ORDINANCE NO. 1461-13 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE, COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$200,000.00 IN FUNDING FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE DEMOLITION OF UNSAFE STRUCTURES – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, Ordinance No. 1461-13 passed first reading. Second reading, public hearing and consideration for adoption will be held on 11/18/2013 at 6:00 p.m.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE, COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$200,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, New Jersey ("Township") for the demolition of unsafe structures.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and stated that the improvements set forth in Section 1 are each a general capital improvement and not a current expense.

Section 3. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith, and the resolution promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and available for inspection.

Section 4. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect after final adoption and publication as required by law.

Mayor Lockwood – Revolving fund to demolish unsafe structures, properties will be liened to recoup the money once the property sells or gets foreclosed upon. There are about 15 unsafe homes in Middle Township to be looked at to be demolished. Unfortunate that it has come to this. Committeemember Donohue – This is the after approach, Township is working on new property maintenance codes to avoid coming to this process. Sal DiSimone will be brought in to work on this portion of the enforcement aspect. Three-pronged approach: new maintenance ordinance with more teeth, this Ordinance to bring building down if we have to, and a person who will be working directly on this situation.

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 1462-13 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE, COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY, TO ESTABLISH AN AGGRESSIVE BEGGING**

ORDINANCE – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood and passed on roll call, Ordinance No. 1462-13 passed first reading. Second reading, public hearing and consideration for adoption will be held on 11/18/2013 at 6:00 p.m.

BE IT ORDAINED by the TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE, the governing body of the Township of Middle, that the following is hereby adopted as an Ordinance of the Township of Middle:

SECTION 1.

Aggressive Begging Ordinance:

(A) Definition:

1. **AGGRESSIVELY BEG**

Speaking to or following a person in a manner that would cause a reasonable person to fear bodily harm or the commission of a criminal act upon the person or upon property upon the person's immediate possession or would intimidate another person into giving money or goods.

2. **ASK, BEG OR SOLICIT ALMS**

To ask for money or goods as a charity, whether by words bodily gestures, signs or other means.

3. **PEDESTRIAN OR VEHICULAR INTERFERENCE**

To walk, stand, sit, lie or place an object in such a manner as to block passage by another person or vehicle, or to require another person or a driver of a vehicle to take evasive action to avoid physical contact. Acts authorized pursuant to the City's picketing and parade ordinances and regulations are exempt from this article.

4. **PUBLIC PLACE**

An area generally visible to public view and includes the Boardwalk, alleys, bridges, buildings, driveways, parking lots, parks, plazas, sidewalks and streets opened to the general public, including those that serve food or drink or provide entertainment, and the doorways and entrances to buildings, shops or dwellings and or grounds enclosing them.

(B) Prohibited acts.

No person may ask, beg or solicit alms, including money and other things of value, in an aggressive manner in any public place. Acts authorized as an exercise of one's constitutional right to picket, the right to legally protest, any acts authorized by permit or parades issued pursuant to the Code of the Township of Middle shall not constitute obstruction of pedestrian or vehicular traffic.

1. A person is guilty of pedestrian interference if, in a public place, that person intentionally obstructs pedestrian or vehicular traffic or if that person aggressively begs.

2. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms in any public transportation vehicle or at any bus or train station or stop.

3. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms within 100 feet of any automatic teller machine (ATM).

4. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms from any operator or occupant of a motor vehicle that is in traffic on a public street.

5. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms from any operator or occupant of a motor vehicle on a public street in exchange for blocking, occupying or reserving a public parking space or directing them operator or occupant to a public parking space.

6. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms in exchange for cleaning motor vehicle windows while the vehicle is in traffic on a public street

7. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms in exchange for protecting, watching, washing, cleaning, repairing or painting a motor vehicle or bicycle while it is parked on a public street.

8. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms on private property or residential property without permission from the owner or occupant.

9. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms at any time.

10. No person may aggressively ask, beg or solicit alms within 25 feet of the entrance or exit of any business establishment where the express intent of such asking, begging or soliciting of alms is to solicit directly from the employees or patrons of such business establishment.

(C) **EXEMPTIONS**

Nothing herein shall prohibit not for profit organizations from soliciting donations. Such Organizations may seek written approval to solicit same from the Municipal Police Department.

(D) PENALTIES AND FINES

- a. First offense. A fine up to \$250.00 plus up to 30 days jail time and up to 5 days of Court approved community service.
- b. Second offense. A fine up to \$500.00 plus up to 30 days jail time and up to 10 days of Court approved community service.
- c. Third offense. A fine up to \$1,000.00 plus up to 30 days jail time and up to 15 days of Court approved community service.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. This Ordinance shall specifically supersede Ordinance # 1456-13 which is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect after final adoption and publication as required by law.

Marc Karavan – This Ordinance will supersede the previously passed Ordinance. Change was made to remove a portion of the Ordinance regarding a permit process and amending Section 10(C).

- 10. RESOLUTION 532-13 – REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE BOND – CKJR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
WHEREAS, \$200,000.00 is being held as a performance guarantee of CKJR Limited Liability Company for Block 99.02 Lot 18, otherwise known as Siegtown Road, and
WHEREAS, the Engineer has conducted his inspection and determined that improvements having a value of \$137,322.50 have been completed, and
WHEREAS, it has been further recommended that the performance guarantee for the above stated project be reduced to \$62,677.50.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the Irrevocable Letter of Credit be and is hereby reduced to \$62,677.50.
Marc DeBlasio – This is a standard Planning/Zoning bond release.

- 11. RESOLUTION 533-13 – AWARD OF BID – CONTRACTS #2013-3 THROUGH 2013-8 – MIDDLE TOWNSHIP HOME REHABILITATION PROJECT – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
WHEREAS, it has been deemed necessary and desirable to solicit bids for the Home Rehabilitation Program for Contract No 2013-2 through 2013-8, and
WHEREAS, sealed bids were received on September 18, 2013, and
WHEREAS, it appears that the following bids submitted below represent a figure equal to the lowest bids received, which complies with specifications.
WHEREAS, at this time the Township will only be awarding contracts 2013-3, 2013-4, 2013-5, 2013-6, 2013-7, 2013-8 as referenced below.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the contracts for the following Home Rehabilitation Programs be and hereby is awarded as described:

Contract No.	Awarded to:	Total Bid Amount	PO #
2013-3	Steve Levick Construction	\$12,115.00	21303143
2013-4	Steve Levick Construction	\$20,560.00	21303144
2013-5	Steve Levick Construction	\$16,600.00	21303145
2013-6	Gemini Building Company	\$11,750.00	21303146
2013-7	Steve Levick Construction	\$16,050.00	21303147
2013-8	Gemini Building Company	\$19,750.00	21303148

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that these awards are conditioned upon certification of availability of funds.

- 12. RESOLUTION 534-13 – REJECT BID – CONTRACT #2013-2 – MIDDLE TOWNSHIP HOME REHABILITATION PROJECT – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
WHEREAS, the Township of Middle, following public advertisement, received bids for the “Contracts #2013-2 through #2013-8 - (7 HOMES) – Middle Township Home Rehabilitation Project” on September 18, 2013, and
WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interest of the Township to reject all bids received for Contract No. 2013-2.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee, the Governing Body of the Township of Middle that the bids received for Contract No. 2013-2, received as part of the “Contracts #2013-2 through #2013-8 - (7 HOMES) – Middle Township Home Rehabilitation” Project, shall be and is hereby rejected.
- 13. RESOLUTION 535-13 – TABULATION COMMITTEE – CONTRACT #2013-2 & 2013-9 – MIDDLE TOWNSHIP HOME REHABILITATION PROJECT – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee, the Governing Body of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey that Chief Finance Officer Tracey Taverner, Township Clerk Kimberly Krauss, Grants Coordinator Jill Becker, be and

hereby are appointed to tabulate the bids to be taken on November 14, 2013 at 2:00 PM in the Middle Township Municipal Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 33 Mechanic Street, Cape May Court House, NJ for the following:
CONTRACT #2013-2 & 2013-9 - MIDDLE TOWNSHIP HOME REHABILITATION PROJECT

14. RESOLUTION 536-13 – AUTHORIZING CREATION OF LIEN ON PROPERTY - On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.13 authorizes the governing body of every municipality the power to make, enforce, amend and repeal ordinances requiring the owner or tenant of a dwelling or of lands lying within the municipality to provide for the removal or destruction of brush, weeds, debris, etc. constituting fire hazard or injurious to public health or safety and to provide for the imposition of penalties for the violation of any such ordinance, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.40:48-2.14 authorizes the municipality the right to place a lien against such dwelling or lands to provide for the cost of removing brush, weeds debris, etc., and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middle has adopted Ordinance No. 316-76 known as Article I of Chapter 193 of the Code of the Township of Middle “Property Maintenance”, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middle has noticed the following property owners as indicated below and furthermore these violations had not been remedied.

WHEREAS, in absence of compliance by said owners, the Township of Middle commenced and completed abatement of these violations, and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Officer of the Township of Middle has certified the following cost as listed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that it hereby impose a lien on the properties listed below as indicated.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this lien shall be filed in the Office of the Tax Collector of the Township of Middle.

OWNER	PROPERTY LOCATION	BLOCK // LOT	AMOUNT
Kehinde & Stacey Fasoranti	48 Swainton Goshen Road	12.01 // 192	\$59.53
Robert & Rosalie King	124 Indian Trail	208 // 4	\$54.29
Keith & Alexis Lockerman	1451 Burleigh Road	1410.01 // 51	\$62.67
Ethel Boice	1469 Burleigh Road	1410.01 // 60	\$62.67
Constance Dadura	13 Linden Lane	1469 // 2	\$62.67
Randy & Rachel Yarwasky	811 Goshen Road	52 // 13	\$72.57
Kimberly Fashaw	106 N. 10 th Street	1109 // 1	\$72.57
Harbor Place Development LLC	1116 Stone Harbor Blvd	136 // 14	\$87.98

15. RESOLUTION 537-13 – RELEASE OF TRUST ACCOUNTS – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, certain monies held in Trust Accounts from time to time may have balances remaining after all fees have been paid, and

WHEREAS, the applicants are entitled to a refund of this money.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that upon request of the Zoning Officer the following balances in the Trust Accounts, as listed on the attached sheets, shall be released.

16. RESOLUTION 538-13 – PROMOTIONAL TITLE CHANGE – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Committeemember DeLanzo and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the following employee is hereby promoted to the title opposite their name at the following salary:

NAME	DEPARTMENT	TITLE	SALARY	EFFECTIVE
Virginia Sweitzer	Police Records	Keyboarding Clerk 2	\$26,585.00	10/21/2013

17. RESOLUTION 539-13 – SALARY ADJUSTMENT – On motion by Committeemember DeLanzo seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the following employee salaries be amended to the amount opposite their name:

NAME	DEPARTMENT	TITLE	SALARY	EFFECTIVE
Muriel Anderson	Police Records	Senior Computer Operator	\$41,833.00	10/21/2013
Sandra Linz	Police Records	Keyboarding Clerk 1	\$20,094.00	10/21/2013

18. RESOLUTION 540-13 – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESIGNATION – On motion by Committeemember DeLanzo seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee, the Governing Body of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, that the following resignation listed below, is acknowledged.

EMPLOYEE	DEPARTMENT	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Stephen Delinski	Public Safety	Special Class II Officer	10/11/2013

19. RESOLUTION 541-13 – APPOINTMENT – NEW HIRE –SPECIAL CLASS II POLICE OFFICER – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember DeLanzo and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the following employees are hereby appointed to the following position at the salaries opposite their names:

NAME	DEPARTMENT	TITLE	SALARY	EFFECTIVE
Zachary Russ	Public Safety	Special Police Officer – Class II	\$10.50ph	10/21/2013
Brian Revoir	Public Safety	Special Police Officer – Class II	\$10.50ph	10/21/2013

19. RESOLUTION 542-13 – AUTHORIZE CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT STATUS – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle that the following employee is hereby designated to the employment status listed below:

NAME	PREVIOUS STATUS	AMENDED STATUS	SALARY	EFFECTIVE
William Hammerstein	Laborer 1 P/T	Laborer 1 F/T	\$20,120.00	10/21/2013
Alex Castaldi	Laborer 1 P/T	Laborer 1 F/T	\$20,120	10/21/2013

20. RESOLUTION 543-13 – RATIFY LEASE AGREEMENT – RIO GRANDE BAPTIST ACADEMY – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the agreement between Rio Grande Baptist Academy and the Township of Middle for usage of the MLK Center from September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, be and is hereby ratified.
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials are hereby authorized and directed to sign any and all documentation necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this resolution.

21. RESOLUTION 544-13 – AWARD OF BID – WHITESBORO ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 3B – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
WHEREAS, it has been deemed necessary and desirable to solicit bids for improvements to various Whitesboro roadways, as Phase 3B, and
WHEREAS, sealed bids were received on October 11, 2013, and
WHEREAS, it appears that the following bid submitted represents a figure equal to the lowest bid received, which complies with specifications.
Arawak Paving Company, Inc. - \$319,600.00
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the contract for Whitesboro Roadway Improvements, Phase 3B, by and hereby is awarded to Arawak Paving Company, Inc., and
FURTHER RESOLVED, that this award is conditioned upon submission of Treasurer’s Certification of availability of funds.

22. RESOLUTION 545-13 – CLOSED SESSION – CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS (UAW, PBA, AND TEAMSTER UNIONS) – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Committeemember DeLanzo and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
WHEREAS, the section of the Open Public Meetings Law, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and
WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist, and
WHEREAS, said Closed Session shall be held directly after this open session.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey:
- 1.) The public shall be excluded from the discussion of an action upon the hereinafter specified matter: CLOSED SESSION – CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS (UAW, PBA, and TEAMSTER UNIONS)
 - 2.) The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
CLOSED SESSION – CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS (UAW, PBA, and TEAMSTER UNIONS)
 - 3.) It is anticipated at this time the above subject matter will be made public as follows:
WHEN THE MATTER IS RESOLVED
 - 4.) This Resolution shall take effect immediately.
- Upon adoption of this resolution and conclusion of this meeting the governing body will convene on the above referenced topic in closed session. This matter will be released to the public when the matter has been deemed resolved and the need to hear said item in closed session no longer exist. The public will be invited back into open session at the conclusion of this meeting and formal action may be taken.

23. RESOLUTION 546-13 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT – PBA LOCAL NO. 59 – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey does hereby authorize the execution of the Memorandum of Agreement with the PBA Local 59 – Middle Township Unit

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

24. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marc DeBlasio – Engineer Report



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ENGINEERING STATUS REPORT
MIDDLE TOWNSHIP

October 21, 2013

Prepared For: TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE Prepared By: **MARC DEBLASIO, P.E., P.P., C.M.E.**
Township Engineer

GRANT APPLICATIONS

FY2014 NJDOT State Aid Program

- The Township has submitted the following grant applications before the September 20th deadline:
 - Municipal Aid - Roadway: Third Avenue
 - Municipal Aid - Bikeway: Bike Path Phase 5

Game Time Recreation-Playgrounds

- Maturano Recreation has offered the Township a 50% grant for the playgrounds identified for the Davies Sports Complex and in Rio Grande. The total grant amounts are listed below:

1. Davies Sports Complex	\$29,043.00
2. Rio Grande	\$11,382.00
Total	\$40,425.00
- Based on our meeting, the Township identified playground needs at the Davies Sports Complex and in Rio Grande.
- The Township can utilize this playground grant as an "in kind" match for the Township's pending NJDCA Small Cities grant application which contains the installation of an ADA playground at the Davies Sports Complex.

New Jersey Office of Clean Energy – Direct Install Program

- Marlin Luther King Center: Eligible to receive a \$48,118.75 grant with a \$20,622.32 match. The yearly estimated savings is \$9,290.37.
- Public Works Facility: Eligible to receive a \$55,584.96 grant with a \$23,736.42 match. The yearly estimated savings is \$11,756.35.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Whitesboro Roadway Improvements – Phase 3B

- The bid opening occurred on October 11, 2013 and the apparent low bidder is Arzakaw Paving Company, Inc. in the amount of \$319,600.00.

FY2013 NJDOT Reconstruction of Second Street – Phase 2

- The bid opening occurred on July 30, 2013 and the apparent low bidder is Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$114,780.01
- Top course paving will occur the week of October 21, 2013.

FY 2013 NJDOT Bike Path – Phase 4

- We have been authorized by the Township to begin work.
- The survey and base mapping is in progress.

Avalon Manor and Leonards Lane Road Program

- The project is 99% complete.
- The contractor is working on punchlist items.

USDA Rural Development Sanitary Sewer Application – Grassy Sound

- Our office has begun coordinating the design and permitting package.
- Survey for the project is completed and the design is approximately 40% complete.

FY2013 NJDCA Small Cities – ADA Improvements

- The Township has been awarded \$295,000.00 to complete ADA improvements at the Municipal Complex and Davies Recreation Complex.
- The bid opening occurred on September 27, 2013. The bids were rejected by the Township.
- A Re-Bid is scheduled for November 13, 2013.

GENERAL ENGINEERING PROJECTS

Robert 'Ookie' Wisting Recreation Complex

- Cape Express Soccer Organization has proposed to complete what remains unfinished, additional work and maintenance of the facility.
- Our office has generated a conceptual plan to show additional recreation activities at the Complex based upon Cape Express' plan of development.
- A conceptual plan was presented the public at an Open Space and Recreation Meeting held on January 22, 2013 for public comment.

- An application to extend the Freshwater Wetlands Letter of Interpretation was submitted to NJDEP. NJDEP informed our office that an extension would not be granted. Our office will prepare a new Letter of Interpretation in conjunction with Lortrax Consulting.
- A conceptual plan was sent to Elizabeth Terenik for inclusion in her submittal to Cape May County.
- The Township was awarded \$582,000.00 grant from Cape May County.
- The Township has applied to Cape May County for additional funding for a fishing pier/boardwalk.
- A verification Letter of Interpretation Application for the Freshwater Wetlands was submitted to NJDEP on 8/22/13 and is under review.

Committeemember DeLanzo –

- Recognized volunteers and their dedication to the boards in the community. Held the volunteer appreciation and awards dinner last Friday.
- Spoke of Harvest Festival on October 26th and upcoming Shred Day at the Public Works facility.

Committeemember Donohue –

- Launched new Township website which offers a question/comment box, similar to Spout Off but name and email address is required.
- Harvest Festival on October 26, waiting list for vendors, expects to be a big event.
- Presented potential new signs for recreation facilities, sports fields, for clean air/no smoking. Will have company do presentation at an upcoming Work Session. Signs are provided free of charge for however many we need. Hopes to have them up by the beginning of next year.

Mayor Lockwood –

- Plans being made for upcoming Energy Fair, should be finalized very soon.

Connie Mahon –

- Commercial in afternoon session starting at 2pm for about 3 hours. Invited BPU and AC Electric, vendors offering over 30 ways of energy savings. Energy Fair will be held at the MLK Center on November 13th from 2-5pm, then 6pm will begin residential portion.

Mayor Lockwood –

- Attended Volunteer dinner on Friday night, wonderful event to recognize volunteers.
- Attended flag ceremony by disabled Veterans in Del Haven, recognized our flag and everything that makes it so great.

Ed Dillio, Stagecoach Road - Stressed on importance of removing unsafe houses from the area. Detroit has over 70,000 unsafe structures in their area. Has read articles about children being severely injured while playing and hanging out in these structures.

Mayor Lockwood – First priority is to remove them from areas where there are children, then by state of disrepair and health hazard the structure may impose by wild animals or transient people occupying the structures.

Mr. Sabastiani, Pierce's Point – Mentioned an abandoned house with wildlife living inside, 30 block of Pierce's Point.

Stan Doniger – Asked if Class II officers are counted in budget. Are they considered police officers?

Lt. Bill Adams – Currently has 43 full-time and 5 Class II officers. Explained scheduling of Class II officers.

Stan Doniger – Does grant for generator at school include installation?

Mayor Lockwood – Generator is for the school which is used as a shelter by emergency management. Current generator is on loan from the County.

Marc DeBlasio – Generator is furnished and installed.

Mr. Sabastiani, Pierce's Point – Asked why Avalon Manor was repaved?

Mayor Lockwood – It was in a state of disrepair, entrance was flooding.

Marc DeBlasio – Spoke of deficiencies from prior project, drainage issues, flooding, etc., which caused for this area to need to be reconstructed and repaved.

Francis Dearlove – Thanked Committee and Township for wonderful job with repaving of Avalon Manor.

Frank DeVico – Asked about meeting on affordable housing project by Fishing Creek Road?

Mayor Lockwood – That topic was discussed during the 4 o'clock Work Session today.

Motion to enter executive session – 7:14pm

1st: Committeemember Donohue 2nd: Committeemember DeLanzo

Pass on Roll Call: Committeemember DeLanzo, Committeemember Donohue, Mayor Lockwood

Motion to return to open meeting and adjourn meeting – 8:10pm

1st: Committeemember DeLanzo 2nd: Committeemember Donohue

Pass on Roll Call: Committeemember DeLanzo, Committeemember Donohue, Mayor Lockwood

Kimberly D. Krauss, Township Clerk