

Cape May Court House, NJ
October 7, 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, Township Clerk Kimberly Krauss, Deputy Township Clerk Suzanne Stocker, Business Administrator Constance Mahon and Municipal Solicitor Marcus Karavan. Committeemember DeLanzo and Township Engineer Marc DeBlasio were absent.

1. MAYOR'S CERTIFICATE OF HONOR PRESENTATION
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 - Asked what the conciliation agreement is, item #28. He also questioned item #36 regarding salary adjustment.
Marc Karavan- A conciliation agreement is where the EEOC has a list of things they would like to see you implement.
Tracey- Explains that the 10% is not an increase of 10% and that is indeed "longevity" and that there are only a few more employees within Town Hall that are entitled to it.
Mayor Lockwood- The Longevity is NOT a 10% increase, it just shows the total longevity of the employee. Through the New Jersey that employee has reached tenure.
Stan Doniger- Questioned the temporary budget, and questions the January 2013 Resolution for salary of the Tax Assessor at \$40,000.
Mayor Lockwood- There are lots of continuing of education classes, and court hearings, she has to undergo. She has a lot updating of properties and is currently traveling around the Township of 72 miles long. With all of this traveling, I cannot think of anytime she has asked to be reimbursed for these.
Betty McGurk- Questioned item # 17, she asked what treatment works application were exactly?
Mayor Lockwood- It basically means that there is a permit needed to tie into MUA for sewer connection.
Kimberly Krauss- It gives authority to get online with the MUA.
3. RESOLUTION 495-13 – APPROVING PAYMENT FOR BILLS – BILL LIST A (General Bills)
– On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood 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. \$253,435.41
4. ****TABLED**** RESOLUTION 496-13 – APPROVING PAYMENT FOR BILLS – BILL LIST B (Anzelone) – On motion by seconded by 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. \$3,177.00
5. ****TABLED**** RESOLUTION 497-13 – APPROVING PAYMENT FOR BILLS – BILL LIST C (Kelly Products) – On motion by seconded by 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. \$43.00
6. RESOLUTION 498-13 – APPROVING MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood 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: Work Session 9/16/2013 and Regular Meeting 9/16/2013.
7. REPORTS: The following departments have submitted their reports for the months indicated: Municipal Clerk for the month of September; Treasurer for the month of August; Tax & Sewer Tax Collection for the month of September and Zoning Official for the month of September.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 1456-13 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE, COUNTY OF CAPE MAY AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO ESTABLISH AN AGGRESSIVE BEGGING ORDINANCE – Following second reading, hearing, and consideration for adoption, Ordinance 1456-13 was adopted on motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call. Complete Ordinance is on file in the Clerk’s Office.

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) Permits.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1, it shall be unlawful for any person to ask, beg or solicit alms upon the streets or elsewhere in the Township without first obtaining a permit from the Township. Persons may apply in writing for permission to ask, beg or solicit alms, which such permission shall be issued on a case by case basis upon review of the Municipal Police Department. The permits shall be valid for a period not to exceed one year and are available at no charge or fee to the applicant. A photo identification is required with the application. A warrant check will be conducted before a permit is issued. At the time a permit is issued, the guidelines relating to the activity will be explained to the permittee.

(C) 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 the at person aggressively begs.

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

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

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

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

10. No person may 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.

(D) EXEMPTIONS

Not for profit organizations seeking to solicit donations may be exempted from the provisions of this ordinance. Such exemptions must be granted first in written by the Municipal Police Department.

(E) 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.

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

Vilma Pombo- These people are begging for money obviously, so how will they afford a fine if they receive one? Will they go to jail?

Mayor Lockwood- I don't know that all of the people begging have no money, I don't suppose that this will help them. The Chief would be a better person to ask this question to.

Chief Leusner- It is possible for them to go jail if they cant pay the fines.

Betty McGurk- Will we be responsible for their housing?

Chief Leusner- You may be confusing the County Prison with the State Prison and how they house inmates after they are released from prison.

Mayor Lockwood- We understand that there is a small homeless population in Court House behind the ACME and in in the woods in Rio Grande, but we are just trying to avoid the situations where people are begging to a point where it becomes uncomfortable. There have been incidents where the begging doesn't stop, and people are being questioned and followed to their cars.

9. ****TABLED**** ORDINANCE 1458-13 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AMENDMENT OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTY TO CAPE HUMAN RESOURCES, INC. – Following second reading, hearing, and consideration for adoption, Ordinance 1458-13 was adopted on motion by _____ seconded by _____ and passed on roll call. Complete Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's Office.
WHEREAS NJS 40A:12-14 authorizes the leasing of municipal property not needed for public use; and
WHEREAS Cape Human Resources, Inc. provides positive services to the people of the Township of Middle; and
WHEREAS Cape Human Resources, Inc. is a non-profit corporation for a public purpose within the meaning of NJS 40A:12-15(c); and
WHEREAS the services performed by Cape Human Resources, Inc. fall within the parameters set forth in NJS 40A:12-15; and
WHEREAS pursuant to Ordinance 1027-2000 the Township entered into a lease with Cape Human Resources; and
WHEREAS the Township Committee and Cape Human Resources, Inc., believe that the interests of both parties are best served by executing a new lease for the property for the balance of the original term which lease shall be substantially in the form of the lease annexed hereto as exhibit "A";
NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle in the County of Cape May and State of New Jersey as follows:
SECTION 1. The Lease Agreement with Cape Human Resources, Inc., annexed hereto as Exhibit "A" expiring on December 1, 2020 is hereby approved.
SECTION 2. The previous Lease Agreement is declared null and void upon the complete execution of the attached Exhibit "A".
SECTION 3. The appropriate Township Officers are hereby authorized to execute the aforescribed Lease.
SECTION 4. All other ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.
SECTION 5. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remaining portions of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.
SECTION 6. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication, according to law.
10. ORDINANCE NO. 1460-13 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE, CHAPTER 204 ENTITLED SEWER – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, Ordinance No. 1460-13 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 in the County of Cape May and State of New Jersey that the following sections be amended as follows:
SECTION 1
Chapter 204-3, Service Areas, shall be amended to include the following:
B. Schedule A. (amended to include the following)
(11) Shellbay, Shunpike, Goshen, Crest Haven Sanitary Sewer Systems area boundary description of Hatch,
Mott & MacDonald contract dated May 16, 2011, Res. #246-11 and further amended November 7, 2011, Res. #546-11.
1. The Shellbay area:
(a) Bordered by the Garden State Parkway to the West.
(b) Bounded by Ninth Street to the East.
(c) Bounded by First Avenue to the South
(d) Bounded by Third Avenue to the North
2. The Goshen Road area:
(a) Bounded by Goshen Road just North of Atlantic City Electric Company easements.
(b) Bounded on the North by Michael Avenue and the intersection of Johnson Avenue and Goshen Road.
3. The Crest Haven area:
(a) Bounded by Crest Haven Road and the County Farm Pond to the North.
(b) Bounded by State Highway Route 9 to the West.
(c) Bounded by Fox Run Road to the South.
4. The Shunpike area:
(a) Bounded by NJ Transit R.O.W. to the North.
(b) Bounded by the Atlantic City Electric Company easement to the South.
(c) Bounded by Stites Avenue and Dias Creek Road to the Northeast.
(d) Bounded by Pacific Avenue to the Southwest.

(12) Whitesboro/Edgewood Sanitary Sewer Phase I area boundary description of Hatch, Mott & MacDonald contract dated December 2, 2002, Res. #435-02. [Added

- (a) Bounded by Lena Street to the North.
- (b) Bounded by King Street to the South.
- (c) Bounded by Reading Avenue to the West.
- (d) Bounded by Franklin Avenue and Fifth Street to the East.

The following sections of Chapter 204, Article II. Sewer Rates and Connection Charges shall be amended to read as follows:

204-10_Payment of bills quarterly; interest.

The sewer charges established pursuant to the rate schedule set forth herein shall be payable quarterly in advance at the Township offices. Said charges shall draw interest at the rate of 1 1/2% per month from the time they become due and shall become a lien upon the premises connected. Such sewer charges are based upon estimated annual operation costs, annual amortization costs and other costs of the Township sewage system and may be changed from time to time as the need generated by such costs may require. Water consumption to an additional service line installed with a separate meter for water which will not be returned to the sanitary sewer collection system shall not be considered in determining the quarterly service charge.

204-11 Rates for commercial and industrial establishments in the same building.

Where premises or a building is occupied by more than one commercial or industrial establishment or by a combination of both types of establishments, the charge will be determined by applying the aforesaid rates to each commercial and industrial establishment located therein. All properties listed in the tax duplicate as commercial shall be billed as commercial entirely.

204-16 Inspections; unrestricted access.

The officers and agents of the Township shall have unrestricted access at reasonable hours to all premises served by the Township to inspect the collection system and to see that the requirements of the Township regarding the use of the customer's sewer connection are being observed.

204-16.1 Access to Meters

All water meters shall be located on the exterior of the building and remain clear of all debris and obstacles allowing easy, unrestricted access by township employees reading said meter. Property owners are prohibited from placing water meters in the interior of a building, in a confined space or placing locks or other restrictive instruments on water meters,

The following sections of Chapter 204, Article V. Procedure for Attaining Inactive Sewer Status shall be amended to read as follows:

205-35 Fee

Upon issuance of the Certificate of Eligibility, the property owner shall pay the cost of plugging the sewer lateral servicing the property. The costs thereof shall be as follows:

4" connection - \$ 50.00

6" connection - \$ 75.00

The property owner shall be responsible to pay an annual fee of \$308.00 to remain an "inactive user." This amount represents 55% of the cost of the active residential user to cover the debt service and operating costs of the sewer utility.

204-36 Reconnection

No property shall be reconnected to the sewer system unless a Reconnection Fee is paid. The Reconnection Fee shall be \$500.00.

SECTION 2. All other ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby rep

SECTION 3. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication, according to law.

Connie Mahon- At the request of the governing body, I looked into this Ordinance to see if there any changes to be made. The changes are as follows: Section 3- was changes to add SSGC project as sewer service area. Also, Section 10- is the payment of bills; this will allow people who have irrigation systems with meters to not be charged. Section 11- the change is that if any part of the property is commercial it will be billed as commercial. It does effect in the end how much money we bring. Section 16- the meters can no long be located in any areas that are dangerous spots. The meters have to be located in a safe, accessible area with no debris etc. around it. Section 35- is being changed as well because any inactive user will be responsible for paying 55% percent of the cost of operating the services. Section 36- actually lowers the cost of the reconnection fee to \$500.00.

Mayor Lockwood-We had actually discussed the idea of trying to accommodate people who have an isolation meter.

Connie Mahon- Right, and I did reach out to American Water to get prices on the meters for those people and it is not unreasonable. And also they explored the idea of putting in a well; which would eliminate a water bill and also eliminated a sewer despite that fact that there would be the fee up front for putting in the well. Also, there haven't been any changes to the way that the sewer bills are calculated.

Mayor Lockwood- If there hasn't been any changes, how come the bills are appearing to be higher?

Marc Karavan- The calculation of the sewer bills has stayed the same, but the implementation of the bills is now being done correctly so bills appear to be higher. In reality we haven't changes the process, we just enforced it. If the committee wanted to come up with some kind of method that would enable people to pay overtime what it would cost to put in the wells that would be something to look into.

Mayor Lockwood- No my idea was not to have people paying this over time, my idea was to question why these people are paying this bill in the first place (let's reduce this bill), this is a sewer bill. If someone has 2 bathrooms in their house and they pay \$35 a year for sewer, and then

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
Herbert Jaudon	301 Goshen Road	60 // 11	\$62.70
Nora Nagel c/o R. Taylor	32 Meadow View Lane	118.03 // 17	\$76.97
Albert Jr. & Louise De Pierro	200 CH S. Dennis Rd	99.03 // 10	\$62.70
Joseph & Madeline Palm	122 Lafayette Street	427 // 14	\$83.82
Creola Moffitt	144 Swainton Goshen Rd	9 // 37	\$73.70
Richard & Yvonne Klochak	1101 Savanna Street	695 // 5	\$73.70
Catherine Murphy	231 Indian Trail	475.01 // 3	\$73.70
Shirley Singer	1 Lafayette Street	428 // 1	\$62.70
Joseph & Christine Belger	320 Linden Lane	1475 // 9	\$62.70
Jason & Abigail Crafts	1410 Burleigh Rd	473 // 27	\$62.70
Stephanie Madsen	108 Geneva Street	423 // 18	\$62.70
Carlo Rosauri	509 N. Wildwood Blvd	990 // 3	\$67.15
Ruth Costa	312 Linden Lane	1467 // 19	\$317.50

15. RESOLUTION 503-13 – 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 504-13 – TABULATION COMMITTEE – POLICE UNIFORMS – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood 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, and a representative from Middle Township Police Department, be and hereby are appointed to tabulate the bids to be taken on November 7, 2013 at 1:00 PM in the Middle Township Municipal Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 33 Mechanic Street, Cape May Court House, NJ for the following: POLICE UNIFORMS

17. RESOLUTION 505-13 through 506-13 – AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN TREATMENT WORKS APPLICATION (ITEMS A THROUGH B) – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

A) NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Treatment Works Approval Permit Application, Statement of Consent, and any and all permit applications in connection therewith for 8 Railroad Avenue, Cape May Court House.

B) NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Treatment Works Approval Permit Application, Statement of Consent, and any and all permit applications in connection therewith for a replacement holding tank to service 39 Beach Avenue, otherwise known as Block 29 Lot(s) 10 & 10.01.

18. RESOLUTION 507-13 – AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, the Authority has undertaken improvements to the roadway infrastructure in the area of Interchanges 9, 10 and 11 of the Garden State Parkway, and

WHEREAS, the construction of the interchange improvements requires the replacement of 300 feet of an existing Middle Township 6 in force sewer main located at the Bennett Road crossing, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middle has requested that the Authority reconstruct an additional 474 feet of 6 inch force sewer main beyond the area needed by the interchange improvements, and WHEREAS, the Township of Middle shall reimburse the Authority for all betterment expenses related to the additional sewer main installation, as approved by Ordinance No. 1453-13 adopted August 5, 2013.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Reimbursement Agreement between the Township of Middle and the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, and any and all forms in connection therewith.

19. RESOLUTION 508-13 – AWARD OF BID – BURGLAR / FIRE ALARM ADMINISTRATION SERVICES – 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 burglar/fire alarm administrative services, and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were received on August 29, 2013 at 1:00 PM, and

WHEREAS, it appears that the following bid submitted represents a figure equal to the lowest bid received, which complies with specifications.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, the governing body thereof, that the three (3) contract for burglar/fire alarm administrative services be awarded to PMAM Corporation as follows:

Total Revenue Collected	City Percentage	PMAM Percentage
Total permit fees, False Alarm fines, and fees	78%	22%

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this award is conditioned upon submission of Treasurer's Certification of availability of funds.

20. RESOLUTION 509-13 – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RETIREMENT – CYNTHIA LUTES – On motion by Mayor Lockwood 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 retirement listed below is acknowledged.

EMPLOYEE	DEPARTMENT	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Cynthia Lutes	Municipal Court	Municipal Court Administrator	10/01/2013

21. RESOLUTION 510-13 – INACTIVE SEWER STATUS – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, the following properties have attained inactive sewer status in accordance with The Township of Middle Code 204-32 application, 204-33 documentation, 204-34 certificate of eligibility, 204-35 fee.

ACCOUNT	BLOCK	LOT	OWNER / LOCATION
12618	1058	1	White, Joanne J Property location: 2202 Route 9 S

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey that the sewer status of the above referenced property is hereby declared inactive.

22. RESOLUTION 511-13 – RESCINDING RESOLUTION 482-13 – SEWER 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, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey that Resolution 482-13 approved 9/16/2013 shall be rescinded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the property also known as 419 Route 9 N will continue to be billed for sewer unless the owner, South Jersey Medical Properties LLC files for inactive status.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the purpose of this is to avoid reconnection fees in the future, in accordance with Chapter 204 of the Township Code of the Township of Middle.

Connie Mahon- They do not want to pay the reconnection fee and will stay active and pay the sewer bill.

23. RESOLUTION 512-13 – CANCELLATION OF TAXES - On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

Cancellation due to the Mrs. Amodei is a Widow of a 100% permanent and totally disabled Veteran per Department of Veterans Affairs. The property is to become exempt effective August 28, 2013.

ACCOUNT	BLOCK	LOT	OWNER / LOCATION	2013	2014
18707	1432	6 C0147	Amodei, Linda Property location: 1606 Tidewater Ave	\$996.44	\$1,936.38

24. RESOLUTION 513-13 – AMENDING FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2012 Township Committee awarded Remington Vernick & Walberg Engineers a three year term as Township Engineer, and said contract was certified for 2013 as Resolution No. 42-13, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that Remington, Vernick & Walberg Engineers shall provide additional work as required to assist the Township of Middle in Phase 4 of the Bike Path Project.

Remington, Vernick & Walberg Engineers - Engineering Services
Phase 4 – Bike Path Project –
Not to Exceed \$28,000.00

25. RESOLUTION 514-13 through 515-13 – APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT TERMINAL LEAVE (ITEMS A THROUGH B) – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
 (A) WHEREAS, Cynthia Lutes has retired with an effective date of October 1, 2013, and WHEREAS, it is the policy of Middle Township to compensate retiring employees for accumulated vacation, sick, compensation, and personal time, and WHEREAS, the personnel office has provided sufficient documentation verifying the amount of time accumulated and the Finance Officer has certified that time, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee, the Governing Body of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey that payment be issued to the employee in the amount referenced below.

Cynthia Lutes
 Sick 49.75 Days 244.99 12,000.00*
 Personal 0 Days 244.99 0
 Comp 0 Days 244.99 0
 Owed 12,000.00*

*Maximum

- (B) WHEREAS, the employment of Andrew Smith has been terminated with an effective date of February 13, 2013, and WHEREAS, it is the policy of Middle Township to compensate employees for accumulated vacation, compensation, and personal time under certain circumstances, and WHEREAS, the personnel office has provided sufficient documentation verifying the amount of time accumulated and the Finance Officer has certified that time, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee, the Governing Body of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey that payment be issued to the employee in the amount referenced below.

Andrew Smith
 Vacation 36 Days 208.08 7,490.88
 Personal .5 Days 208.08 104.04
 Owed 7,594.92

26. RESOLUTION 516-13 - REFUND 2013 TAXES – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted. Refund due to Mr. Metules is granted a Veteran Deduction for 2013.

ACCOUNT	BLOCK	LOT	OWNER / LOCATION	AMOUNT
18596	1432	6 C0036	Metules, Gary W Property Location: 907 Tidewater Avenue	\$250.00

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May, that the Chief Financial Officer be instructed to draw check in the above noted amount payable to the above mentioned party, as a refund of 2013 property taxes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be given to the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Middle.

27. RESOLUTION 517-13 – REJECT BIDS – FY 2013 NJ DCA IMPROVEMENTS FOR PUBLIC FACILITIES – On motion by Committeemember Donohue seconded by Mayor Lockwood and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
 WHEREAS, the Township of Middle, following public advertisement, received bids for the “FY 2013 NJ DCA ADA Improvements for Public Facilities” project on September 27, 2013, and WHEREAS, mathematical errors were detected in the bids received by the lowest two bidders, and WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interest of the Township to reject all bids received. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee, the Governing Body of the Township of Middle that the bids for the “FY 2013 NJ DCA Improvements for Public Facilities” Project received on September 27, 2013 shall be and is hereby rejected.
28. RESOLUTION 518-13 – AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN CONCILIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE AND U.S. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION – 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, the governing body thereof, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Conciliation Agreement between the Township of Middle and the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and any and all forms in connection therewith.
29. RESOLUTION 519-13 – BEST PRACTICE INVENTORY – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
 WHEREAS, the State’s Fiscal Year 2013 Appropriations Act (P.L. 2012, c.18) requires the Division of Local Government Services (“Division”) to determine how much of each municipality’s final 5% allocation of CMPTRA and ETR aid will be disbursed based on the results of a Best Practices Inventory (“Inventory”) to be completed by each municipality, and WHEREAS, the Inventory encourages municipalities to embrace practices that promote financial accountability and transparency, and WHEREAS, one requirement of said Act is that the governing body consider the Inventory at a public meeting, a copy of which has been attached to and is made part of this resolution, and WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with said Inventory. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, hereby states that it has reviewed the CY 2013 Best Practice Inventory, as prepared by the

Chief Financial Officer, and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and Best Practice Public Meeting Certification Form as required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to sign and submit any and all documentation in connection therewith.

30. RESOLUTION 520-13 – TABULATION COMMITTEE – IRRIGATION PARTS AND EQUIPMENT – 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 and Township Clerk Kimberly Krauss be and hereby are appointed to tabulate the bids to be taken on October 29, 2013 at 1:00 PM in the Middle Township Municipal Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 33 Mechanic Street, Cape May Court House, NJ for the following:
IRRIGATION PARTS AND EQUIPMENT
31. RESOLUTION 521-13 – TABULATION COMMITTEE – FY2013 NJ DCA ADA 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, and a representative from Remington, Vernick & Walberg Engineers, be and hereby are appointed to tabulate the bids to be taken on November 13, 2013 at 1:00 PM in the Middle Township Municipal Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 33 Mechanic Street, Cape May Court House, NJ for the following:
FY2013 NJ DCA ADA PROJECT
32. RESOLUTION 522-13 – AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN NJ DOT APPLICATION FOR UTILITY OPENING ON BEHALF OF MITCHELL NICHOLS ENTERPRISES, INC. – 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, the governing body thereof, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the above referenced NJ DOT Application for Utility Opening, on behalf of Mitchell Nichols Enterprises, Inc., for an opening located at 534 Route 47 South.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.
33. RESOLUTION 523-13 – RATIFY SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CAPE EDUCATIONAL COMPACT – USAGE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING CENTER / GOSHEN DAVIES SPORTS COMPLEX – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue 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 attached Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Middle and Cape Educational Compact, for use of the Martin Luther King Center and/or the Goshen Davies Sports Complex, be and is hereby ratified.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said agreement shall be for the term of October 1, 2013 through June 18, 2014.
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials are hereby authorized and directed to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.
34. RESOLUTION 524-13 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING/AGREEMENT – UAW LOCAL 2327 – 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 Understanding with the UAW Local 2327 Union.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.
35. RESOLUTION 525-13 – APPROVE DONATION OF TIME FOR FELLOW EMPLOYEE – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middle, that the request from the following Middle Township employees, to relinquish the following amount of time to Jim Amenhauser, be and hereby is approved:
- | EMPLOYEE NAME | TYPE OF DAY | TIME DONATED |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Captain John Edwards | Sick | 35 hours |
- NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total amount of contributed time be credited to Jim Amenhauser, as Sick Time.
36. RESOLUTION 526-13 – AMEND SALARY RESOLUTION 15-13 – On motion by Mayor Lockwood seconded by Committeemember Donohue and passed on roll call, the following resolution was adopted.
WHEREAS, salary ranges for officers and employees of this Township have been established by Ordinance No. 1443-13, and
WHEREAS, said ordinance further provides that the exact salary of each officer and employee shall be as determined from time to time by resolution of the Township Committee, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend salary resolution 15-13 to accurately reflect adjustments to various employee salaries for calendar year 2013.
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Governing Body of the Township of Middle, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, that Resolution 15-13 as approved January 3, 2013 shall be amended to accurately reflect the salaries listed on the attached schedule for non-union employees.

Name	Title	2013			2013 adjusted
Amenhauser James	Code Enforcement Officer	32,667			32,667
Anderson Muriel	Senior Computer Operator	40,833	10%	4,083	44,916
Arndt Donald	Construction Official	64,911			64,911
Beasley Sandra	Tax Collector	61,816	6%	3,709	65,525
Becker Jill	Economic Dev/Paralegal/Rent Control Off	49,542			49,542
Becker Debra	Keyboarding Clerk 2	36,340			36,340
Burke Nancy	Emergency Medical Technician	28,369			28,369
Camp Annmarie	Emergency Medical Technician	32,445	8%	2,596	35,041
Clifford Lisa	Assistant Zoning Officer	28,448			28,448
Candell William	Animal Control Officer	49,633			49,633
Copson Susan	Technical Assistant Construction Official	47,952	10%	4,795	52,747
Devitt Tammy	Recreation Leader	30,616			39,888
Kalish Elvira	Personnel Officer	51,560			51,560
Karstens Kendra	Keyboarding Clerk 2	24,075			34,472
Keen Elizabeth	Deputy Municipal Court Administrator	36,520	8%	2,922	39,442
Kirk Rita	Keyboarding Clerk 2	39,494			39,494
Klecz Raymond	Emergency Medical Technician	30,248	6%	1,815	32,063
Krauss Kimberly	Township Clerk	58,973			58,973
Linz Michael	Emergency Medical Technician	42,343	10%	4,234	46,577
Linz Sandra	Keyboarding Clerk 1	19,094			19,094
Matthews Robert	Recreation Leader	39,888			39,888
May David	Zoning Officer	46,314			46,314
McDevitt Sean	Emergency Medical Technician	46,816	10%	4,682	51,498
Miller Marilyn	Senior Citizens Activities Coordinator	34,407			34,407
Montgomery Barbara	Keyboarding Clerk 1	27,265			31,535
Niemann Joshua	Keyboarding Clerk 1	27,540			27,540
Perdomo Dawn	Keyboarding Clerk 2	31,045			31,045
Russ LeeAnn	Tax Assessor	62,033	10%	6,203	68,236
Simpkins Elizabeth	Deputy Tax Assessor	37,117			37,117
Stimmel Dawn	Keyboarding Clerk 2	44,378			44,378
Stocker Suzanne	Keyboarding Clerk 1	27,540			27,540
Sweitzer Virginia	Keyboarding Clerk 1	25,585			25,585
Taverner Tracey	Chief Financial Officer	69,960	6%	4,198	74,158
Weber Joyce	Assistant Municipal Tax Collector	32,199			32,199

37. RESOLUTION 527-13 – APPOINTMENTS – NEW HIRE – TELECOMMUNICATIONS – 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, 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
David Atkinson	Public Safety	PS Telecommunications Operator	\$26,000.00* 10/07/2013

* \$28,500.00 after successful 90 day orientation.

38. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Connie Mahon- Attended County Meeting pertaining to the dredging. There they discussed issues and concerns. There were areas of need that was specified. I will be sending a "white paper" to the governor from Middle Township talking about our marinas and our geographical content. It talks about the Avalon Manor and the areas that we would like to dredge but cannot due to lack of funds. We need to find some alternative uses for the dredging materials. A suggestion was to put a tax on marine fuel, so that later down the road we could use those funds for dredging purposes. These dredging sites need to be larger that way they can last for years to come. There are copies of this "white paper" in my office if anyone would like one. Also there will be a meeting of FEMA officials on Friday October 18, 2013 at 4:00pm at the Lower Township Municipal Building. This would give the opportunity for the public to ask questions to the FEMA officials, because some of the issues that we have had are not our fault but is more on a federal level. The Township has just had to continue to make up excuses for FEMA, so this meeting will give them the chance to come and answer some questions for themselves.

Committeemember Donohue- Acknowledgement of Connie Mahon, Tax Collector's office, David May in Zoning for the changes and hard work in sewer billing. There were many billing processes that needed to be corrected; the goal was to have a uniform and fair sewer billing process. Also I wanted to acknowledge George Seabrook who is retired but has been nice enough to come back and help us to resolve this issue. There is a new affordable housing development going up off of Fishing Creek Road. There are a lot of residents from Middle Township that could use the assistance from FEMA. We want to let as many residents that were impacted to be aware of the new project. The details and information regarding this project can be heard on the October 21, 2013 township meeting, and also there will be notices sent out to neighboring homeowners. Also I want to recognize Cindy Lutes on her retirement. I know she was happy to be here, but now is probably happy to be retired.

Mayor Lockwood- The new affordable housing on previously approved subdivision- they are targeting families with special needs. A few things that I was happy to recently attend were at Shoprite and the fight against hunger, this was where we volunteered and bagged groceries. Also, I attended the employee BBQ; it was a beautiful day and thank you to Suzanne Stocker for all of her hard work. Some upcoming events are as follows: the Rudy Calendar luncheon is coming up soon. The Energy Fair is being worked on to raise awareness to cut energy costs and that will take place on November 13th. The new Public Works director is "on board" and working hard on some projects. Some of these projects include the striping on Pennsylvania Avenue and Stagecoach Road.

Francis Dearlove- of Leonard's Lane in Avalon Manor spoke about his letter he received for special assessment for \$15,000 to be paid over the next several years for dredging in Avalon Manor. He is opposed to the dredging project, and this does not affect everyone. The Sterback's Harbor is man-made lagoon and he is living on a fixed income and simply cannot afford it

Connie Mahon- Mr. Dearlove we fell you might be happy with the following statement: As a result of your opposing feelings, and the petition you created and had others sign we have asked Avalon to allow us to "piggy back" their ideas. This would mean we would be asking to go into a shared services agreement with them to have the dredging done for that area of Avalon Manor. I have also asked members of DEP to come out and do soundings to hopefully prove that these were all repercussions of Hurricane Sandy.

Mayor Lockwood- My position on this was that if there was going to be a dredging project, then all of the residents of Avalon Manor would be responsible for paying for it to its entirety. Or that we could try to find some sort of source to subsidize it but we are running out of time to do so.

Committeemember Donohue- We were pretty clear from the beginning is that we didn't have the dollars to do this project. Connie has done a wonderful job at making this possible for Sterback's Harbor to get this done.

Connie Mahon- When everyone came here in May it was apparent that everyone wanted a dredging project done, and that is why we moved ahead. But then once the governing body learned that there was opposition we tried to stop and see what we could be doing differently.

Francis Dearlove- I wanted to compliment the township employees and that they have been doing a wonderful job and are always helpful. Betty McGurk- is the housing units on Patsy's way considered COAH or PILOT?

Committeemember Donohue- No PILOT, tax paying properties.

Betty McGurk- I agree with Mr. Donohue and that Sandy funds are better needed elsewhere and not here, because if you drive around Middle Township there is an amazing amount of for-rent signs around.

Committeemember Donohue- we are starting at square one and have to be very involved from the beginning. We want more of a say of how Affordable Housing is done in our Township.

Betty McGurk-What is so concerning to us is that when you are in the confines of COAH you are protected, and several times Conifer would threaten us.

Mayor Lockwood- We were protected by COAH because we put in place a plan that would include certain places that the project development would go. Then we (previous Township committee) pulled back and because of that we were sued.

Betty McGurk- I have a feeling that we could have had some kind of case by saying that are endangered species there on that site, and that could have been our "wiggle room". And now we are destroying a federal reserve with taxpayer's dollars.

Committeemember Donohue- I don't oppose your petition or your argument, but you're going back a year and saying we could have done this or that.

Mayor Lockwood- Thank you Betty, I'd like to move on to some of the other residents who have something they like to add.

Ron Sullivan (Rio Grande) - asked what PILOT is? Does it affect residents?

Mayor Lockwood- it stands for Payment In Lieu of Taxes, you pay a percentage instead of the normal way which is your properties' overall value. And of course it depends on the PILOT program. They need some control over the future of the project. It also creates a stable tax environment for the subsidized development. When we have a PILOT we keep 95% and we give 5% to the County. There is a need for some Affordable Housing in our community.

Stan Doniger- Asked if the people that were chosen for the affordable housing are chosen by lottery? Also was the police contract approved?

Mayor Lockwood- No they are not, there are about 40-60% of people from your community. It isn't like the people are being relocated from other areas to this housing development, so I wouldn't be worried about the population we will have come in. Yes they were and since you have no comment, I'm going to take what you're saying as a compliment Stan!

Stan Doniger- After learning about the plot diagram for affordable housing, I was curious as to what kind of traffic study was done? I was concerned about fire trucks coming in etc.

Committeemember Donohue- Those developments are subject to all of the same zoning regulation as any subdivision would be held to. I sat with the planning board and there were some design changes to accommodate anything like that.

Carol Gray (of Marilyn Manor) - Brought pictures and spoke of bad excessive flooding.

Mayor Lockwood- This goes back to the big nor eastern back in January, at that point we moved to add your development to the application for FEMA.

Connie Mahon- We spoke to the engineer to get a cost estimate for generators. I gave the Mayor a paper that would allow for there to be an estimate done, to do study on your drain issues. Carol Gray- I had talked to you about this before, and nothing had been done yet for it, that is why we are all here today. Now I'm hearing about all of these affordable housing units, and thinking that now we are going to lose more ground.

Mayor Lockwood- I understand, I have watched water run all the way down route 9. I did ask them to look at the Shoprite drainage plan. Dawn Robbins (Fishing Creek Road) Concerned about disabled children go to special school, the tax burden for residents could be close to \$100,000.00 per child.

Committeemember Donohue- We have talked to the school board about it and we want the children to have a good school to go to. Mayor Lockwood- These disabilities may not just be that of children, it may be a mature disabled person or persons. There still have to embrace the fact that not everyone has a healthy child, we want to accommodate these children as well. We cannot discriminate against children/people with handicaps.

Carol Gray- Asked about which project is going on 2nd Avenue, and why 2nd Avenue?

Mayor Lockwood- completion of the street, when it was designed it was never finished it.

Committeemember Donohue- When this was discussed our Engineer said we could have the project done in two separate projects.

Mayor Lockwood- Grants come around now and there, and there is a scoring system to see where the finding will go. Eventually we hope to have each street score so that we can have each one redone.

Elsie Bucco (vinylfence@gatherings)- Was concerned about weeds and trees which seem to be growing between her fence and the fence from gatherings, and has no way of dealing with it.

Marc Karavan- Whoever owns the other property is the one who would be responsible for taking care of this.

Carol Gray- There is a car on a property without tags, which is located at 312 Linden Lane.

Marc Karavan- Is the car on private property?

Mayor Lockwood- Actually if the car is on private property it is not against our Ordinance to have an RV sitting outside. Homeowners have the right use their property for what they wish.

Carol Gray- We feel like the township Committee will agree with us when we are here, and they tell us there will be something that can be done. Once the meeting is over nothing happens with any of the issues after that.

Connie Mahon- We are in the process of hiring someone that can take care of these situations from start to finish. Things like that take time, but one by one we are going to tighten up every Ordinance.

Jeff DeVico(Cape May Court House)- Was there a posted position for new person in code enforcement?

Connie Mahon- It is not a Civil Service position, it was an appointed position.

Carol Moore- Presented photos of homes with issue on Linden Lane.

Mayor Lockwood- There is a calculation for the sight angle. Even on a curve there is a line of sight minimum.

Karl Karmelowicz- There is a working trailer that has been parked in empty lots; one is on Olde Avalon Blvd. Also there is the trailer of which was mentioned that is located in Rio Grande.

Mayor Lockwood- This is something that we are looking at, and maybe eventually we could change the rules to limit the hours of the times these are parked on streets etc.

Carol Moore- The lot across from Shoprite, is there a reason the grass isn't cut?

Mayor Lockwood- A majority of that land is owned by the State.

Kimberly Krauss- I'll give you my number and we can talk about this.

Karl Karmelowicz- There was a spout off in the Herald accusing Mr. Donohue and Mr. Lockwood for making the taxes higher, but I just wanted to thank you for making my taxes go down.

Committeemember Donohue- There is some people that don't understand how the tax bill works, they write those spout-offs to get people to not like me.

Mayor Lockwood- These are accusations made by uneducated residents. I also wanted to add that there were many years that the taxes were lower, due to the increase in revenue.

Karl Karmelowicz- There was something in the Press or the Gazette that referred to the Police unions and accepting contracts. As a taxpayer I would like to commend for your hard work with negotiation.

Mayor Lockwood- The negotiation went well and we saw eye to eye on a lot of issues.

Motion to adjourn meeting – 8:30pm

1st: Mayor Lockwood 2nd: Committeemember Donohue

Pass on Roll Call: Committeemember Donohue, Mayor Lockwood

*Committeemember DeLanzo Absent

Kimberly D. Krauss, Township Clerk