

**MINUTES
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 23, 2017**

Mayor Ritter called the Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham to order at 7:31 P.M.

Adequate Notice of this meeting of the Township Committee was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to both *The Chatham Courier* and the *Morris County Daily Record* on January 6, 2017; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 6, 2017; and notice was filed with the Township Clerk on January 6, 2017.

Mayor Ritter led the flag salute.

Roll Call

Answering present to the roll call were Committeeman Kelly, Committeeman Sullivan, Deputy Mayor Swartz and Mayor Ritter. Committeeman Maurer was absent.

Approval of Agenda

Deputy Mayor Swartz moved to approve the Agenda. Mayor Ritter seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Honoring Eileen Hladky

**RESOLUTION 2017-081
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM
HONORING EILEEN HLADKY FOR HER YEARS OF FAITHFUL AND DEDICATED
SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, Eileen Hladky grew up in Chatham Township attending Chatham Township Schools before attending the American Academy for the Performing Arts and is now retiring after thirty five years of dedicated, professional service to the Township; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Hladky, began her employment with the Township in July, 1982 as a clerical assistant in the Office of the Tax Assessor; and

WHEREAS, from the outset **Eileen Hladky** began to compile an extensive record of special accomplishments and earned certification as a Tax Assessor in 1995, and

WHEREAS, in addition to performing her regular duties as the Assistant Tax Assessor **Eileen Hladky** took on the additional duties of Certified Recycling Coordinator for which she received numerous achievement awards; Escrow Account Manager; Fixed Assets Inventory Manager; Clean Communities Coordinator and created and maintained the Township's monthly calendar while also serving as the Township's concierge, booking accommodations for all Township employees and officials attending the League of Municipalities Conference, and

WHEREAS, Eileen Hladky shared her vocal gifts by providing entertainment at the Township's annual Holiday luncheon, and

WHEREAS, Eileen Hladky brought a lively (and sometimes loud) spirit of joy each day to the Municipal Offices and her dedicated service and commitment to the highest standards of professionalism made her a vital member of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that we hereby, recognize, and extend our deep appreciation to **Eileen Hladky**, upon the occasion of her retirement, for her many contributions to our community, and to extend to her and **Miss Perry** our best wishes for success and happiness in the future.

Mayor Ritter read aloud Resolution 2017-081.

Committeeman Sullivan moved to pass Resolution 2017-081. Committeeman Kelly seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Maurer, Absent; Committeeman Kelly, Aye; Committeeman Sullivan, Aye; Deputy Mayor Swartz, Aye; Mayor Ritter, Aye.

Administrator Ciccarone commented on Ms. Hladky's years of service to the Township, and wished her the best in her retirement.

Ms. Hladky spoke about how she came to work for the Township. She also introduced her boyfriend and family members who were in attendance at the meeting.

Proclamations

National Poison Prevention Month

Mayor Ritter read aloud the attached proclamation for National Poison Prevention Month.

Presentation

County of Morris Department of Planning & Public Works – Shunpike Corridor

Deputy Mayor Swartz introduced Chris Vitz and Debra Dellagiacomma from the Morris County Department of Planning and Public Works for a presentation on planned upgrades to the section of Shunpike Road near the Chatham Mall and the Hickory Tree Shopping Center.

Mr. Vitz said that the County plans to remove the island that presently exists on Shunpike Road. Sidewalks will be installed to allow people to cross Shunpike Road to get from each shopping center to the other. Mr. Vitz also addressed upgrades to the traffic lights at the intersections, and spoke about the cost sharing breakdown between the County and the Township. The County will be the contracting agency and will front the costs of all the work, and will seek reimbursement from the Township.

Reports

Committeeman Kelly reported that the Department of Public Works had a 21 hour work day for snow removal recently. They have also been preparing recreation facilities for spring sports.

Committeeman Sullivan reported that the Historical Society will have a joint meeting on April 2nd with the Chatham Borough Historical Society. The presentation will be held at the Library of the Chathams, and the topic will be Changes in Architecture of the Late 19th Century. Committeeman Sullivan also reported that longtime crossing guard Jackie McCabe recently passed away.

Deputy Mayor Swartz reported that the water main being installed by NJ American Water on Lafayette Ave is just about complete. There are residential hookups which still need to be completed. Residents will be notified when their water will be shut off during the transition from the old main to the new main. Deputy Mayor Swartz also reported that the Senior Center will be holding their annual Shred Event at the Chatham Train Station on April 22nd from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The Tri-Town 55+ Coalition Rides for Seniors kickoff will be on April 3rd. Deputy Mayor Swartz also thanked Environmental Commission member Peter Gallagher for running an open forum on groundwater.

Mayor Ritter reported that things are moving along well at Colony Pool, and registration is open. He encouraged people to visit the Colony Pool website. Mayor Ritter also reported that April is Volunteer Appreciation Month, and volunteers will be honored at the first meeting in April.

Engineer Ruschke gave an update on the wall replacement project at Colony Pool.

Mayor Ritter noted that the Police Department sent out an alert about a phone scam.

Annual Reports

Chatham Township Fire Department

Chief Glogolich presented the Annual Report of the Chatham Township Volunteer Fire Department. He said that 2016 was their busiest year on record in responding to emergency calls. Mutual aid was provided 33 times in 2016. Chief Glogolich noted that PSE&G has updated their protocols to contact the local fire department when a customer reports a possible gas leak. False alarms accounted for 40% of all calls in 2016, which is down from 2015. Chief

Glogolich also discussed the CTFD's fleet. Chief Glogolich also commented on the CTFD's weekly training. Membership levels were also discussed. Chief Glogolich said that several Scott Air Packs were recently acquired with the Township's help.

Mayor Ritter asked how the Township Committee and residents in general can help support the Fire Department. Chief Glogolich said that fundraising is important, as is having an active membership. He encouraged residents to volunteer their time to the Department.

Deputy Mayor Swartz asked about the number of false alarm calls, and if they were mischief calls. Chief Glogolich said that some were fire alarms pulled at schools, but many were from smoke detectors in private homes. Deputy Mayor Swartz also asked about firefighters in distress and physical fitness. Chief Glogolich said that the Fire Department recently had an overhaul on their in-house gym to promote fitness, as the top cause of death among firefighters is heart attacks. CPR training was also recently conducted.

Committeeman Kelly asked about the increase in calls. Chief Glogolich said that the increase is mainly due to the new PSE&G protocols.

Committeeman Sullivan highlighted that the Chatham Township Fire Department is a fully volunteer fire department.

Green Village Volunteer Fire Department

Chief Matt Behre presented the Green Village Fire Department's Annual Report. Chief Behre thanked Administrator Ciccarone and the Township Committee for their assistance with the recent purchase of a new fire engine. He also provided statistics on the response calls in 2016, and the department training hours.

Mayor Ritter asked how the Township Committee can assist the Green Village Fire Department.

Chatham Emergency Squad

The Chatham Emergency Squad (CES) Annual Report was presented by President Rich Crater and Captain Joe Korkuch. President Crater provided some information on the history and the mission of the Squad. He also noted that the Squad serves both of the Chathams, and there is a squad house in each municipality. President Crater also summarized the services provided by the Squad. He also thanked Mayor Ritter and Tom Salvias for the production of the Perspectives video. President Crater also said that the Squad has trained for mass casualty incidents.

Captain Korkuch commented on the training that the Squad conducts for mass casualty incidents, citing a recent helicopter crash in Chatham Borough. He also commented on the response calls in 2016. Membership numbers were also discussed. Captain Korkuch also thanked the Township for participating in the LOSAP program.

Mayor Ritter thanked President Crater and Captain Korkuch for their volunteer service, and reminded the public that donations to the Emergency Squad can be made through their website.

Committeeman Sullivan also thanked President Crater and Captain Korkuch for all the work performed by the Emergency Squad.

Deputy Mayor Swartz commented that some towns lack enough volunteers to staff a squad during the week, and have to contract with private ambulance companies. She also thanked the Squad for running blood drives.

Administrator Ciccarone noted how much money is saved by having volunteer emergency services, and encouraged residents to make contributions.

Hearing of Citizens

Mayor Ritter opened the Hearing of Citizens.

1. Jane Devlin, 25 Hickory Place Apt. E24, commented on how thankful she is to live in Chatham Township. She also asked about the necessity of a “Pride in Chatham” proclamation. She also discussed the general purpose of proclamations.
2. Craig Alperowitz, 313 Shunpike Road, said that he lives across the street from Cougar Field. Mr. Alperowitz said that school children often cross Shunpike Road at dangerous places where there are not sidewalks. He suggested that a section of the road be designated as a school zone, and that the speed limit be lowered in that stretch.
3. Kellie Doucette, 41 Rolling Hill Drive, said that she sent a letter to the Township Committee about the need for a Welcoming Community resolution. Mrs. Doucette said that choosing not to pass a resolution is also an action and has implications.
4. Jessica Romeo, 49 Pine Street, read a prepared statement criticizing the Pride in Chatham proclamation, and asking that a Welcoming Community resolution be passed.

Mayor Ritter apologized for being proactive with the Pride in Chatham proclamation. He also asked if any municipalities which have passed welcoming community resolutions have posted them on their websites or displayed them in their municipalities.

Committeeman Kelly thanked those who offered opinions at this meeting. He also questioned if an additional resolution would matter, or if having residents offer opinions at public meetings matters more.

5. Mrs. Devlin thanked Mayor Ritter for his comments, and said that he has demonstrated his integrity. She said that the Township is a welcoming community, and that message would be better communicated by taking action.
6. Mrs. Doucette said that she is hosting a diversity event in April. She also said that the proclamation would have been better received if there had been some discussion on the matter prior.
7. Mrs. Romeo said that she would have liked there to be a dialogue between the public and the Township Committee.
8. Donna Leyens, 21 Woodmont Drive, observed that both the Township Committee and the residents who have spoken care passionately about Chatham Township. She suggested that instead of each group digging in their heels, a dialogue will be helpful.

Seeing no further members of the public coming forward, Mayor Ritter closed the Hearing of Citizens.

Public Hearing on 2017 Municipal Budget

Mayor Ritter opened the Public Hearing on the 2017 Municipal Budget as introduced. Seeing nobody coming forward, Mayor Ritter closed the Public Hearing.

Resolutions

**RESOLUTION 2017-072
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM TO
AMEND INTRODUCED 2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the local budget for the year 2017 was approved on the 16th day of February, 2017;
and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised; and

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said approved budget;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Township of Chatham of the County of Morris that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2017 made:

Record Vote	AYES {Ritter	NAYS {
	{Swartz	{
	{Kelly	{

	{ Sullivan {	ABSTAINED ABSENT	{ { Maurer {	From	To
GENERAL REVENUES					
1. Surplus Anticipated				3,100,000.00	3,216,500.00
3. Miscellaneous Revenue – Section F: Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations					
Body Armor Replacement Fund					2,184.17
Total Section F: Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations				9,404.15	11,588.32
4. Total Miscellaneous Revenue				1,968,871.15	1,968,871.15
5. Subtotal General Revenues				1,968,871.15	1,968,871.15
6. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Support of Municipal Budget					
a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes				8,255,054.60	8,251,021.69
Total Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Support of Municipal Budget				9,319,666.60	9,315,633.69
7. Total General Revenues				14,823,537.75	14,936,189.01
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:					
(A) Operations – Excluded from “CAPS”					
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenue:					
Body Armor Replacement Fund					2,184.17
Total Operations – Excluded from “CAPS”				1,196,016.15	1,198,200.32
Total Operations – Excluded from “CAPS”					
Other Expenses				1,196,016.15	1,198,200.32
(C) Capital Improvements – Excluded from “CAPS”					
Capital Improvement Fund				50,000.00	166,500.00
Total Capital Improvements – Excluded from “CAPS”				50,000.00	166,500.00
(H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from “CAPS”				2,279,484.91	2,398,168.08
(O) Total General Appropriations – Excluded from “CAPS”				2,279,484.91	2,398,168.08
(L) Subtotal General Appropriations				13,407,681.91	13,526,366.08
(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes				1,415,855.84	1,411,822.93
Total General Appropriations				14,823,537.75	14,938,189.01

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public hearing on the 2017 Municipal Budget as amended will be held at the regular Township Committee meeting on April 6, 2017.

Administrator Ciccarone explained that a decision was made at the last Township Committee meeting to accelerate the road improvements program. Additionally, the Township Committee recently adopted an ordinance to lower the open space tax to \$0.005 per \$100 assessed value. Administrator Ciccarone also explained that 5% down payments are required for bond ordinances. In order to have enough money in the capital improvement fund for down payments for the road improvement program and a proposed open space purchase, Administrator Ciccarone asked the Township Committee to formally amend the 2017 Budget to increase the appropriation to the Capital Improvement Fund to \$166,500.00. He also said that surplus will be used for the appropriation. Administrator Ciccarone further noted that part of the appropriation is for body armor for the police department, and there is an offsetting revenue. The reserve for uncollected taxes will also need to be adjusted, and the tax rate will be adjusted slightly.

Committeeman Sullivan moved to pass Resolution 2017-072. Committeeman Kelly seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Maurer, Absent; Committeeman Kelly, Aye; Committeeman Sullivan, Aye; Deputy Mayor Swartz, Aye; Mayor Ritter, Aye.

**RESOLUTION 2017-073
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM,
COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING SELF-EXAMINATION OF
2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 through 7.5, the Township of Chatham has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local government Services, and the Chief Financial officer has determined that the local government meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2017 budget year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a & 7.6b and based upon the Chief Financial Officer's certification, the governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
 - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
 - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
 - c. Cash deficit of preceding year
 - d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
 - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
 - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes.
2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3 et seq., are fully met (complies with CAP law).
3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.
4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
 - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate and correctly stated,
 - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth
 - c. In itemization, form, arrangement and content, the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.
5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced and publicly advertised in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.
6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services upon adoption.

Administrator Ciccarone said that municipalities are subject to state examination of their budgets on a three year cycle. The Township is currently eligible for self-examination, and Resolution 2017-073 is a formality in that process.

Deputy Mayor Swartz moved to pass Resolution 2017-073. Committeeman Sullivan seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Maurer, Absent; Committeeman Kelly, Aye; Committeeman Sullivan, Aye; Deputy Mayor Swartz, Aye; Mayor Ritter, Aye.

Consent Agenda

RESOLUTION 2017-074 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF REPORTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following monthly reports of departments be acknowledged as received:

Construction Official – February
CFO – February
Tax Collector – February
Police Department – February

RESOLUTION 2017-075
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM
APPROVING MINUTES OF MEETINGS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham acknowledges receipt of and approves the minutes of the Township Committee meeting held on March 9, 2017.

RESOLUTION 2017-076
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF CHATHAM APPROVING EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF MEETINGS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham acknowledges receipt of and approves Executive Session minutes of the Township Committee meeting held on March 9, 2017.

RESOLUTION 2017-077
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, EXTENDING TEMPORARY BUDGET
APPROPRIATION FOR 2017

WHEREAS, 40A: 4-19.1 Local Budget Law provides that when budget dates have been extended, temporary appropriations may be made to provide for the period until the budget is adopted;

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has extended the dates for adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2016 Budget, less appropriations made for capital improvement fund, debt service, and relief of the poor (public assistance) are as follows:

General	\$ 10,867,732.00
Sewer No. 1	\$ 1,568,000.00
Sewer No. 2	\$ 397,650.00

WHEREAS, 34.4% of the total appropriations in the 2016 Budget less appropriations for capital improvement fund debt service and relief of the poor (public assistance) in the said 2016 Budget is as follows:

General	\$ 4,426,707.93
Sewer No. 1	\$ 539,392.00
Sewer No. 2	\$ 136,791.60

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, that the following temporary appropriations be made in addition to the temporary appropriations approved in Resolution 2017 – 024 and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his records.

General Administration	
Salaries and Wages	\$ 18,000.00
Other Expenses	4,500.00
Mayor and Twp. Committee	
Salaries and Wages	
Other Expenses	\$100.00
Municipal Clerk	
Salaries and Wages	\$7,500.00
Other Expenses	\$1,500.00
Financial Administration	
Salaries and Wages	\$ 7000.00
Other Expenses	250.00
Audit Services	
Other Expenses	\$ 1,000.00
Computerized Data Processing	
Salaries and Wages	\$3,000.00
Other Expenses	150.00
Assessment of Taxes	

Salaries and Wages	\$7,200.00
Other Expenses	\$750.00
Collection of Taxes	
Salaries and Wages	\$6,000.00
Other Expenses	750.00
Legal Services and Costs	
Other Expenses	12,000.00
Engineering Services and Costs	
Other Expenses	\$ 11,000.00
Public Building and Grounds	
Salaries and Wages	\$50,000.00
Other Expenses	10,000.00
Planning Board	
Salaries and Wages	\$500.00
Other Expenses	1,600.00
Board of Adjustment	
Salaries and Wages	\$500.00
Other Expenses	1,600.00
Insurance	
Liability	
Worker's Compensation	
Group Insurance Plan	165,000.00
Public Safety	
Fire	
Other Expenses	\$ 25,000.00
Aid to Volunteer Fire Co.	
Police	
Salaries and Wages	\$200,000.00
Other Expenses	13,000.00
Police Dispatch / 911	
Other Expenses	19,000.00
Emergency Management Services	
Salaries and Wages	\$.00
Other Expenses	.00
Road Repairs and Maintenance	
Salaries and Wages	\$50,000.00
Other Expenses	25,000.00
Tree Protection	\$100.00
Environmental Commission	\$250.00
Solid Waste Collection	
Salaries and Wages	\$16,000.00
Other Expenses	17,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance	
Other Expenses	\$ 10,000.00
Board of Health	
Salaries and Wages	\$500.00
Other Expenses	11,000.00
Animal Control Service	
Other Expenses	\$200.00
Recreation Services and Programs	

Salaries and Wages	\$ 4,000.00
Other Expenses	6,000.00
Colony Pool	
Salaries and Wages	.
Other Expenses	7,000.00
Maintenance of Parks	
Other Expenses	
Celebration of Public Event, Anniversary or Holiday	\$750.00
Code Enforcement and Administration	
Salaries and Wages	\$27,000.00
Other Expenses	1,500.00
Utilities:	
Electricity	\$8,000.00
Street Lighting	4,000.00
Telephone	4,500.00
Water	2,000.00
Natural Gas	3,500.00
Gasoline	8,000.00
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	\$20,000.00
Municipal Court	
Other Expenses	6,000.00
Maintenance of Joint Free Public Library	\$90,000.00
Affordable Housing	
Other Expenses	600.00
PERS	\$378,856.00
PFRS	\$529,621.00
DCRP	500.00

Water Pollution Control - Sewer Utility No. 1

Salaries and Wages	\$42,000.00
Other Expenses	90,000.00
Social Security	<u>3,700.00</u>
Capital Outlay	\$ 4,000.00
Total	\$139,700.00

Water Pollution Control - Sewer Utility No. 2

Salaries and Wages	\$9,500.00
Other Expenses	27,000.00
Social Security	<u>750.00</u>
Sub-total	\$33,000.00
Capital Outlay	\$ 1,700.00
Payment of Bond Principal	
Payment of Bond Interest	
Total	\$38,950.00

**RESOLUTION 2017-078
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF
MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING DEVELOPER ESCROW ACCOUNT
AND/OR PERFORMANCE BOND BALANCES**

WHEREAS, developers are required to deposit monies with the Township for the purposes of offsetting Township professional costs to review plans or to inspect approved development and for the purpose of ensuring the satisfactory completion of public or private improvements; and

WHEREAS, these deposited monies, following all necessary withdrawals to cover Township expenses or costs, may be released upon satisfactory completion of work, receipt of review board decisions, or completion of guaranteed work, upon passage of a Township resolution authorizing such release.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following guarantee amount or account balances, with interest adjustments as prescribed by state and local laws, may be released to the depositor of record:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>A/C NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
T-Mobile Northeast LLC 4 Sylvan Way Parsippany, NJ 07054	PLBD 12-105-6 55 School Avenue	7761693055	\$80.00
Joan McAuliffe 516 River Road Chatham, NJ 07928	BOH 16-62-68.01	7764128243	\$825.00

RESOLUTION 2017-079

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM APPROVING THE LIST OF VOLUNTEERS ELIGIBLE FOR LOSAP

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham has received a list of volunteers eligible for LOSAP from the Green Village Volunteer Fire Department, the Chatham Township Volunteer Fire Department and the Chatham Emergency Squad; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has reviewed the list from each emergency service organization;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that the volunteers on the attached certified lists are hereby approved as being eligible for LOSAP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to each emergency service organization for a 30-day posting.

RESOLUTION 2017-080

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REFUNDING OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES

WHEREAS, an overpayment of property taxes has been made for the following properties; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has recommended the refund of such overpayment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following refunds be made:

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>NAME & ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
48.14	113.17	Philip Ankel & Alberta Ashbrook 16 Jay Road Chatham, NJ 07928	\$3,027.68 1st Quarter 2017 Overpayment of Taxes
62.07	8	William J. & Kelly S. Holmes 37 Nicholson Drive Chatham, NJ 07928	\$2,985.47 1st Quarter 2017 Overpayment of Taxes
69	35	Majed & Renda Rafeh 381 Howard Street Washington Township, NJ 07676 Current Owner of: 97 Highland Avenue Chatham, NJ 07928	\$3,138.94 1st Quarter 2017 Overpayment of Taxes

102.04	23	Maria D. Rivas & Julio Pietrantonio 26 Scenery Hill Drive Chatham, NJ 07928	\$11,185.48 1st Quarter 2017 Overpayment of Taxes
128	43	O'Connor, Keith & Renee c/o Mr. Michael A. Vespasiano 331 Main Street Chatham, NJ 07928 Property Address: 9 Woodmont Drive	\$1,324.52 4 th Quarter 2016 State Court Judgment 2016
102.04	71	Prat, Rod & Rita c/o David B. Wolfe Skoloff & Wolfe, PC 293 Eisenhower Parkway Livingston, NJ 07039	\$2,256.34 4 th Quarter 2011 State Court Judgment 2011

Committeeman Kelly requested an amendment to the March 9, 2017 minutes regarding use of surplus.

Deputy Mayor Swartz moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Committeeman Kelly seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Maurer, Absent; Committeeman Kelly, Aye; Committeeman Sullivan, Aye; Deputy Mayor Swartz, Aye; Mayor Ritter, Aye.

Discussion

Vacation of Paper Street

Attorney David Brady, representing Terry and Jean Earle, was present to address the request for the vacation of a paper street. He said that escrow had been posted per request of the Township. Mr. Brady also indicated that his office has drafted the necessary documents to move forward. Information has been submitted at the request of Engineer Ruschke pertaining to sewer lines. Attorney Cruz said that Mr. Brady has accurately described what has transpired, and that Engineer Ruschke was satisfied with the updated design. Attorney Cruz asked if Mr. Brady is settled on the option to be introduced by ordinance. Mr. Brady indicated that the option has been selected. Attorney Cruz said that the next step would be to introduce an ordinance at the next Township Committee meeting. Deputy Mayor Swartz asked about access to the sewer pumping station. Mr. Brady said that access is provided. The consensus of the Township Committee was to introduce the appropriate ordinance at the next Township Committee meeting.

Hearing of Citizens/Petitions

Mayor Ritter opened the Hearing of Citizens.
Seeing no comment, Mayor Ritter closed the Hearing of Citizens.

Executive Session

**RESOLUTION 2017-P-04
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CONFERENCE OF THE
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - a. Litigation: In the Matter of the Township of Chatham for a Judgment of Compliance of its Third Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan Docket No. MRS-L-1659-15
3. It is anticipated that the minutes on the subject matter of the Executive Session will be made public upon conclusion of the matter under discussion; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and 4-13.
4. The Committee will come back into Regular Session and may take further action.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Deputy Mayor Swartz moved to pass Resolution 2017-P-04 to enter Executive Session at 9:51 PM. Committeeman Sullivan seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Maurer, Absent; Committeeman Kelly, Aye; Committeeman Sullivan, Aye; Deputy Mayor Swartz, Aye; Mayor Ritter, Aye.

The Township Committee returned from Executive Session at 10:15 PM. Deputy Mayor Swartz moved to adjourn. Mayor Ritter seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Gregory J. LaConte
Municipal Clerk