

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING – August 7, 2017**

Mayor Smith *calls the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.* announcing that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

PRESENT: Mayor B. Smith, Deputy Mayor B. Fort, Mr. J. Broten, Mrs. M.E. Duffy, Mr. S. Tropello

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Mekovetz, Attorney S. Dragan, Engineer R. O'Brien

ABSENT: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Clerk read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION
EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 *et seq.*, the Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist and desires to authorize the exclusion of the public from the portion of the meeting in accordance with the act;

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

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the specified subject matter as set forth in the following Exhibit "A."

EXHIBIT A

<u>Subject Matter</u>	<u>Basis Of Public Exclusion</u>	<u>Date Anticipated When Disclosed to Public</u>
Fire Prevention.....	Personnel.....	Certain information at the discretion of the Township Committee tonight...other information will remain confidential
Police Department.....	Personnel.....	“ “ “
Professional Services / Acoustical Consulting Services	Contract Negotiations.....	“ “ “
Shared Services / Readington Township Board of Education	Contract Negotiations.....	“ “ “
Hunterdon County Special..... Weapons and Tactics Team Mutual Assistance Agreement	Contract Negotiations.....	“ “ “
Readington Senior Housing / Pilot Agreement	Contract Negotiations.....	“ “ “
Block 81, Lot 1.....	Contract Negotiations.....	“ “ “
Executive Session Minutes..... • July 17, 2017	Attorney-Client Privilege.....	“ “ “
Affordable Housing.....	Potential Litigation.....	“ “ “

Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33;
Block 56, Lots 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 67, Lot 2
(Solberg Aviation)..... Litigation..... “ “ “
388 Route 22 Readington Realty..... Litigation..... “ “ “
Holdings, LLC v. Twp of Readington

It is anticipated at this time that the stated subject matter will be made public on or about the time set forth in Exhibit “A.”

2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Broten to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mrs. Fort with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

The meeting reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor Smith led those present in the *Salute to the Flag*.

Executive Session:

Personnel / Fire Prevention

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to accept the resignation of Dennis Concannon, Fire Official, effective August 4, 2017, seconded by Mr. Broten with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to authorize Administrator Mekovetz to advertise for the position of Fire Official, seconded by Mr. Tropello with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Personnel / Police Department

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to approve the promotion of Lt. Joseph Greco to Chief of Police upon the retirement of Chief Donaruma, effective August 25, 2017, for a probationary period of one (1) year, seconded by Mr. Broten and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

- Mr. Broten - Aye
- Mrs. Duffy -Aye
- Mrs. Fort - Aye
- Mr. Tropello - Aye
- Mayor Smith - Aye

Contract Negotiations / Professional Services / Acoustical Consulting Services

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to approve the contract for Ostergaard Acoustical Associates in the amount of \$7,800, seconded by Mrs. Fort and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

- Mr. Broten - Aye
- Mrs. Duffy -Aye
- Mrs. Fort - Aye
- Mr. Tropello - Aye
- Mayor Smith - Aye

Contract Negotiations / Shared Services / Readington Township Board of Education

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Broten to approve the Shared Services agreement to provide security services for 2017-18 school year, seconded by Mr. Tropello and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Smith	- Aye

Contract Negotiations / Hunterdon County Special Weapons and Tactics Team Mutual Assistance Agreement

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to approve the agreement for Patrolman Patrick Brown to join the Hunterdon County SWAT team, seconded by Mrs. Fort with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Contract Negotiations / Readington Senior Housing / Pilot Agreement

Mayor Smith stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

Contract Negotiations / Block 81, Lot 1

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to approve the contract, seconded by Mrs. Fort and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Smith	- Aye

Attorney-Client Privilege / Executive Session Minutes / July 17, 2017

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Broten to approve the minutes for content only, seconded by Mrs. Fort with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Potential Litigation / Affordable Housing

Mayor Smith stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

Litigation / Solberg Aviation / Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; Block 56, Lot 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 39, Lot 24 and Block 67, Lot 2

Mayor Smith stated that nothing was discussed.

Litigation / 388 Route 22 Readington Realty Holdings, LLC vs. Twp. of Readington

Mayor Smith stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

Mayor Smith stated that the following matter was added to the Executive Session agenda:

Personnel / Recreation

Mayor Smith stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Smith read the following statement:

All items listed with an asterisk “*” are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member or citizen requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- * 1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of meeting of July 17, 2017
- * 2. **Release of Police Escrow / TMB Racing LLC**
- * 3. **Release of Board of Health Escrow / Block 64, Lot 7.01 (Susalis)**
- * 4. **Resolution to Extend Grace Period for Payment of Third Quarter 2017 Property Taxes**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2017-81

READINGTON TOWNSHIP

HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the 2017 tax rate was received by Readington Township on July 18, 2017 and,

WHEREAS, 2017 Final/2018 Preliminary Tax Bills were mailed to property owners on July 21, 2017 and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3, the grace period for payment of taxes must not be less than 25 days from the date that the bills were mailed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington that the grace period for payment of 3rd Quarter 2017 property taxes be extended to August 18, 2017, with interest accruing from August 1, 2017 for any payments not made within the grace period.

- * 5. **Application for Special Events Permit & Request to Waive Fees** – Hunterdon County Cultural Heritage Commission / World Music Day, October 1, 2017
- * 6. **Application for Special Events Permit & Request to Waive Fees** – Whitehouse First Aid & Rescue Squad / Hay Day, September 30, 2017
- * 7. **Resolution Authorizing Morris County Cooperative Purchase** (Oil and Stone Treatment / Morris Asphalt Company)

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2017-82

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASES**

WHEREAS, the Township of Readington wishes to purchase Oil and Stone Treatment from an authorized vendor under the Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12*; and

WHEREAS, Morris Asphalt Company, Inc., P.O. Box 305, Lafayette, New Jersey, 07848 has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract No. #21 for Oil and Stone Treatment, for the period of one (1) year, January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best price available, not to exceed \$210,000; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that Morris Asphalt Company, Inc. be awarded a contract for Oil and Stone Treatment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the contract documents necessary to effectuate the award of this contract. The Township Attorney shall review any and all contractual documents prepared in furtherance of this award; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

* 8. **Payment of Bills** – (Complete bill list is on file in Clerk’s Office)

<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Fund No.</u>	<u>Received Total</u>
CURRENT FUND	7-01	\$ 1,563,293.20
SEWER APPROPRIATIONS	7-02	\$ 172,276.25
TRUST FUNDS	X-03	\$ 173,194.11
MISC REFUND, COUNTY TAX, LIENS	X-05	\$ 64,205.12
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	X-06	\$ 167,549.30
REG AND LOCAL SCHOOL TAX	X-07	\$ 2,496,883.00
2015 CAP IMPROVEMENTS	X-15	\$ 29,487.36
2016 CAP. IMPROVEMENTS	X-16	\$ 21,145.98
	X-17	\$ 3,252.00
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS		\$ 4,691,286.32

A MOTION was made by Mr. Broten to approve the *Consent Agenda*, seconded by Mrs. Fort and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

- Mr. Broten - Aye
- Mrs. Duffy - Aye
- Mrs. Fort - Aye
- Mr. Tropello - Aye
- Mayor Smith - Aye

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC for items listed on the agenda only

Suzanne Nagle, High Ridge Court, questioned what the acoustical consulting services will be providing.

Paul Taenzler, Ditmar Boulevard, thanked the Committee for hiring the acoustical consulting services.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

As it was after 7:45 p.m., ***A MOTION*** was made by Mr. Broten to adjourn the regular meeting to hold a Public Hearing, seconded by Mrs. Fort with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$160,000 FROM THE HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 73 LOT 15 (OWNER: FLOOD) LOCATED AT 5 DARTS MILL ROAD, FLEMINGTON, NJ IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #10 -2017

Mrs. Duffy stated that the purchase of this property is using existing funds and provides an opportunity that would benefit the Township recreationally as well as for the affordable housing.

Mayor Smith asked if there were any comments from the governing body.

There were none.

Mayor Smith asked if there were any comments from the public.

Scott Scammell, Dreahook Road, asked what the current taxes on the property are and if the Township purchases the property does it become non-taxable.

Suzy Nagle, High Ridge Court, questioned if there were any improvements on this lot.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Duffy to close the Public Hearing and open the regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Broten with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$160,000 FROM THE HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 73 LOT 15 (OWNER: FLOOD) LOCATED AT 5 DARTS MILL ROAD, FLEMINGTON, NJ IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #10 -2017

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Duffy to adopt this ordinance, seconded by Mr. Broten and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Smith	- Aye

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Fort to adjourn the regular meeting to open the Public Hearing, seconded by Mr. Broten with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$70,513.80 FROM THE RESERVE FOR OPEN SPACE PURCHASES FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A FARMLAND PRESERVATION EASEMENT BLOCK 14 LOT 1.01 (OWNER: SCHLEY) IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #11-2017

Administrator Mekovetz explained that these funds are from our Municipal Grant Program.

Mayor Smith asked if there were any comments from the governing body.

There were none.

Mayor Smith asked if there were any comments from the public.

Suzy Nagle, High Ridge Court, questioned if this property is already preserved for farmland.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Duffy to close the Public Hearing and open the regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Broten with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$70,513.80 FROM THE RESERVE FOR OPEN SPACE PURCHASES FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A FARMLAND PRESERVATION EASEMENT BLOCK 14 LOT 1.01 (OWNER: SCHLEY) IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #11-2017

A ***MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Fort to adopt this ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Duffy and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Smith	- Aye

CORRESPONDENCE / OTHER INFORMATION

1. Resolution from the Mary MacConnell, Municipal Clerk, Township of Kingwood, regarding ***Supporting the Creation of a County Daytime Fire Department to Support our Volunteer Fire Companies***. No action taken.

NEW BUSINESS

1. ***Verizon Wireless' Request for Consent to Operate in the Public Rights-of-Way***

Mayor Smith stated that Verizon Wireless is looking to install micro towers on existing and/or new poles in the municipal rights-of-way.

Kathryn Windsor, Site Specialist for Tilson, representing Verizon Wireless, gave a brief overview of Verizon Wireless' request to utilize the Township public rights-of-way for small network nodes and the necessity to address the "sector exhaust" which is currently putting a drain on the network. Mrs. Fort requested more information on where on network nodes would be placed on the utility poles or ground, if necessary. Mr. Tropello asked if other carriers would be afforded this same opportunity. Attorney Dragan maintained that the Township currently has some agreements via ordinances and stated that she would need to research the locations in order not to conflict with those

agreements. Mr. Broten also requested that Ms. Windsor confirm with their engineering staff an approximate number of the network nodes to be installed.

2. ***Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Properties for Affordable Housing Purposes (Block 22, Lot 66, Owner: Oaks Developers LLC and Block 81, Lot 1, Owner: Blue Sky LLC) in and by the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, Appropriating \$890,000 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$840,000 Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance Part of the Cost thereof***

Mr. Tropello stated that he could not support one of these properties and asked if the properties could be separated into two bond ordinances. Administrator Mekovetz acknowledged that this could be sent back to the bond counsel; however, the cost would be doubled for preparation. Mrs. Duffy stated that she was not in favor of the additional cost.

The following ordinance was offered for introduction:

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PURPOSES (BLOCK 22, LOT 66, OWNER: OAKS DEVELOPERS LLC AND BLOCK 81, LOT 1, OWNER: BLUE SKY LLC) IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$890,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$840,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

ORDINANCE #12-2017

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) ***AS FOLLOWS:***

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "Township") as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a), there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$890,000, including the sum of \$50,000 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available from the Housing Trust Fund.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$840,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is the acquisition of properties for affordable housing purposes located at 2 Railroad Avenue (Owner: Oaks Developers LLC) and 702 Route 202 (Owner: Blue Sky LLC), also known as Block 22, Lot 66 and Block 81, Lot 1 on the tax maps of the Township, including all related costs and expenditures necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor.

Ordinance #12-2017 cont'd:

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the Township may lawfully undertake as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 40 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$840,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$15,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement.

Section 7. The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3(a) hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Ordinance #12-2017 cont'd:

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Rule”) for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Township Administrator/Clerk and Township Attorney, as the case may be, are authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 *et seq.*, and any other applicable law, to prepare and sign any and all necessary documentation to effectuate the acquisition as described herein, concerning the property located at 2 Railroad Avenue (Owner: Oaks Developers LLC) and 702 Route 202 (Owner: Blue Sky LLC), also known as Block 22, Lot 66 and Block 81, Lot 1 on the tax maps of the Township, including, but not limited to, any contracts and amendments thereto and all closing documents needed to complete the purchase.

Section 11. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 12. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Fort to introduce this ordinance, seconded by Mr. Broten and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten - Aye
Mrs. Duffy -Aye
Mrs. Fort - Aye
Mr. Tropello - Abstain
Mayor Smith - Aye

The Public Hearing date was scheduled for September 5, 2017 at 7:45 p.m..

* 3. ***Release of Police Escrow / TMB Racing LLC***

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

* 4. ***Release of Board of Health Escrow / Block 64, Lot 7.01 (Susalis)***

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

* 5. ***Resolution to Extend Grace Period for Payment of Third Quarter 2017 Property Taxes***

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- * 8. *Resolution Authorizing Morris County Cooperative Purchase* (Oil and Stone Treatment / Morris Asphalt Company)

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ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Mekovetz stated that she had nothing further to report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Dragan stated that she had nothing further to report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer O'Brien reported that they are getting calculations for the DEP on the channel stabilization for 8 Brookview Road and are looking to get this out to bid in October.

Engineer O'Brien also reported that he is working with Scott Jesseman on the Three Bridges Sewer I&I study.

Engineer O'Brien reported that he is working on getting a pre-construction meeting with Asphalt Paving for road reclamation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

JOHN BROTEN

Mr. Broten stated that he has nothing to report.

M. ELIZABETH DUFFY

Mrs. Duffy stated that she has nothing further to report.

BETTY ANN FORT

Mrs. Fort stated that she had nothing further to report.

BEN SMITH

Mayor Smith reported that the balloon festival was a success and thanked all of the emergency services for providing great protection at the festival.

Mayor Smith reported on the *National Night Out* held by the Police Department last week. Mayor Smith announced that the PBA will be hosting an *Archery Shoot* fundraiser.

SAM TROPELLO

Mr. Tropello stated that he had nothing further to report.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Scott Scammell, Dreahook Road, commented on the preservation of the Lorenzen property. Mr. Scammell also commented on the Township debt.

David Olsen, Pinebank Road, questioned the availability of sewer capacity relative to the property that is being slated for the proposed affordable housing project in Three Bridges.

COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

Mrs. Duffy commented that the Township is working very hard to attempt to meet the prospective affordable housing obligations without doubling the population of the Township.

As there was no further business, ***A MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Fort at 8:40 p.m. to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Broten with vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vita Mekovetz, *RMC/MMC/QPA*
Municipal Clerk