

TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG

September 5, 2012

The meeting of the Township Council was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Steinhardt. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building located at 232 S. Third Street, Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865.

Mayor Steinhardt stated “adequate notice of this meeting has been provided indicating the time and place of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 by advertising a Notice in The Star Gazette and The Express-Times and by posting a copy on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.”

A prayer was offered followed by the Oath of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Steinhardt, Council President Camporine, Councilmen Baker, Mengucci and Horun. Also present were CFO Dobes, Tax Collector Edinger, Attorney Campbell and Engineer Sterbenz.

Resolution 12-84 - was passed to hold an Executive Session to discuss the Reassessment Program, Police Contract, Town of Phillipsburg meter replacements and quotes.

Public Comment: Public asked questions on agenda items.

Old Business:

Minutes: Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to approve minutes of August 1, 2012. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

New Business:

Warren County Community College – College President Dr. William Austin and Board of Trustees were present to update the public on the college.

Jersey Central Power and Light Company – Mr. Stan Prater addressed storm improvements.

29’ Telescoping Insulated Aerial Tower, Van Mounted Truck – Award bid to Route 23 Truck Center in the amount of \$61,627.10. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Resolution No. 12-83 – Approve membership to Passaic County Energy Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of electricity and natural gas.

R 12-83

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN THE PASSAIC COUNTY ENERGY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM ID# 184PCECPS
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and WHEREAS, the County of Passaic, hereinafter referred to as the “Lead Agency” has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2012 the governing body of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Township of Lopatcong.

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to adopt this Resolution. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Resolution No. 12-85 – Chapter 159 to insert \$242.08 from the Warren County DARE Officers Association and \$1,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Varone for the Police Department in the 2012 budget.

R 12-85

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEM OF REVENUE AND
APPROPRIATION N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren an State of New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of Revenue in the budget of the year 2012 – In the sum of \$242.08 which is available from Warren County DARE Officers Assoc.; and In the sum of \$1,000 which is available from Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery F. Varone; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sums of - \$242.08 is hereby appropriated under the caption of Lopatcong Police Dept. DARE Program; and \$1,000 is hereby appropriated under the caption of Lopatcong Police Dept. Equipment.

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to adopt this Resolution. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Resolution No. 12-86 – Chapter 159 to insert \$1,925.00 from the NJ Clean Energy Program for gas heating upgrade in the Municipal Building.

R 12-86

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of Revenue in the budget of the year 2012 – In the sum of \$1,925 which is available from N.J. Clean Energy Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$1,925 is hereby appropriated under the caption of NJCEP Gas Heating Municipal Building Upgrade.

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to adopt this Resolution. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Gas Installation – 200 Brakeley Avenue – Approve Street Opening Permit for installation of gas line at 200 Brakeley Avenue. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Municipal Aid Grant Program – Approve Engineer Sterbenz to submit an application for South Second Street. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Strykers Road Fire House No. 2 – Approve membership application for Joshua Donnelly. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Consent Agenda:

The following Resolutions were adopted on motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Horun. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Resolution No. 12-87 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-023 and Premium to outside lienholder in the amount of \$6,316.54 on Block 99, Lot 91 C0014.

R 12-87

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER ON BLOCK 99, LOT 91 C0014 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,316.54

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 8, 2012, a lien was sold on Block 99, Lot 91 C0014, also known as 14 Overlook Drive in Lopatcong Township for 2011 delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-023 was sold to US Bank Cust/Crestar Capital, LLC for a Premium of \$4,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Ing Direct Home Loans, mortgage company for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2012-023 in the amount of \$2,316.54.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of September, 2012 that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$6,316.54 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-023 and Premium to:

US BANK CUST/CRESTAR CAPITAL, LLC
50 S. 16th St., Suite 1950
Philadelphia, Pa 19102

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 2012-88 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-034 and Premium to outside lienholder in the amount of \$356.13 on Block 114, Lot 12.

R 12-88

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO
OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER ON BLOCK 114, LOT 12 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$356.13

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 8, 2012, a lien was sold on Block 114, Lot 12, also known as 6 Sudberry Court for 2011 delinquent sewer; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-034 was sold to Stuart Lasher for a Premium of \$100.00; and

WHEREAS, Nationstar Mortgage, a mortgage company for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2012-034 in the amount of \$256.13.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of September 2012, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$356.13 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-034 and Premium to:

Stuart Lasher
P.O. Box 83
Milltown, NJ 08850 – 0083

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 12-89 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-008 to outside lienholder in the amount of \$238.61 on Block 68.01, Lot 2.

R 12-89

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE
NO. 2012-008 ON BLOCK 68.01, LOT 2

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 8, 2012, a lien was sold on Block 68.01, Lot 2 also known as 875 US Hwy 22 for 2011 delinquent sewer taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-008 was sold to US Bank Cust for Pro Capital I, LLC for 0% interest; and

WHEREAS, Huntington Mortgage, mortgage company for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2012-008 in the amount of \$238.61.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of September 2012, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$238.61 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-008 to:

US Bank Cust. for Pro Capital I, LLC
2 Liberty Pl., 50 S. 16th St., Suite 1950
Philadelphia, PA 19102

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 12-90 – Authorize redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-040 and Premium to outside lienholder in the amount of \$471.33 on Block 116.14, Lot 5 C0035.

R 12-90

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER ON BLOCK 116.14, LOT 5 C0035 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$471.33

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 8, 2012, a lien was sold on Block 116.14, Lot 5 C0035 also known as 35 Limerick Lane for 2011 delinquent sewer; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-040 was sold to Stuart Lasher for a Premium of \$100.00; and

WHEREAS, Homeward Residential/Bank of America, mortgage company for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2012-040 in the amount of \$371.33.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of September 2012, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$471.33 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-040 and Premium to:

Stuart Lasher
P.O. Box 83
Milltown, NJ 08850-0083

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 12-91 – Authorizing refund of duplicate tax payment in the amount of \$757.13 on Block 1115.06, Lot 21 C0285.

R 12-91

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING TO REFUND DUPLICATE TAX PAYMENTS FOR TAX YEAR 2012

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey that warrants be drawn to the property owners listed below in the designated amounts representing duplicate tax payments as follows for the tax year 2012.

<u>Block & Lot</u>	<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Block 115.06	Izzo, Jill M.	\$757.13

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey have approved the refunds made rather than applying these payments to the 2012 property taxes due.

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 12-92 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 10-11 and Premium to outside lienholder on Block 20, Lot 11 in the amount of \$18,230.99.

R 12-92

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER ON BLOCK 20, LOT 11 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,230.99

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on December 2, 2010, a lien was sold on Block 20, Lot 11 also known as 239 Aurora Street for 2009 delinquent sewer; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 10-11 was sold to Richard Birkins for a Premium of \$600.00; and

WHEREAS, One Main Financial, mortgage company for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 10-11 in the amount of \$17,630.99.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of September, 2012, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$18,230.99 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 10-11 and Premium to:

Richard Birkins
137 Belvidere Avenue
Washington, NJ 07882

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 12-93 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 09-17 and Premium to outside lienholder on Block 95, Lot 1 in the amount of \$130,479.87.

R 12-93

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION OF MONIES TO
OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER ON BLOCK 95, LOT 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,479.87

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on December 10, 2009 a lien was sold on Block 95, Lot 1 also known as 220 Belview Road for 2008 delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 09-17 was sold to Royal Tax Lien Services, LLC for a premium of \$1,101.00; and

WHEREAS, TMS Property & Funding, LLC first lien holder for property owners has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 09-17 in the amount of \$129,378.87.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of September 2012, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$130,479.87 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 09-17 and Premium to:

Royal Tax Lien Services, LLC, d/b/a Crusader Lien Services
115 West Avenue Suite 300
Jenkintown, PA 19046

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 12-94 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-024 in the amount of \$251.89 on Block 99, Lot 119 C0070.

R 12-94

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE
NO. 2012-024 ON BLOCK 99, LOT 119 C0070 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$251.89

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 8, 2012 a lien was sold on Block 99, Lot 119 C0070 also known as 70 Overlook Drive for 2011 delinquent sewer taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-024 was sold to Arthur Frustaci for 18% interest; and

WHEREAS, PHH Mortgage, mortgage company for the property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2012-024 in the amount of \$251.89.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of September 2012 that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$251.89 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-024 to:

Arthur Frustaci
117 Fifth Avenue
Alpha, NJ 08865

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 12-95 – Authorizing correction of Property Class to exempt on Block 85.02, Lot 54 for tax year 2012.

R 12-95

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE CORRECTION OF A 2012 PROPERTY
CLASS TO EXEMPT PROPERTY ON BLOCK 85.02, LOT 54

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor for the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey informed the Mayor and Council of a 2012 assessment correction for Block 85.02, Lot 54; and

WHEREAS, the following property should be changed to exempt status for 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Assessor and the Tax Collector of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey are hereby authorized to make the necessary corrections as listed above and correct assessment for the tax year 2012.

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 12-96 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-042 and Premium to outside lienholder on Block 125, Lot 7 in the amount of \$341.50.

R 12-96

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO
OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER ON BLOCK 125, LOT 7 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$341.50

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 8, 2012 a lien was sold on Block 125, Lot 7 also known as 30 Wordsworth Lane for 2011 delinquent sewer; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-042 was sold to US Bank Cust/Pro Capital I, LLC for a premium of \$100.00; and

WHEREAS, Midland Mortgage, mortgage company for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2012-042 in the amount of \$281.50.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of September, 2012, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$381.50 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-042 and Premium to:

US Bank Cust/Pro Capital I, LLC
50 S. 16th St., Suite 1950
Philadelphia, PA 19102

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 2012-97 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2012-031 and Premium to outside lienholder on Block 106, Lot 33.01 in the amount of \$1,403.49.

Announcements: Shred Event is Saturday, September 8th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Municipal Pool parking lot. Fall Cleanup is Saturday, October 6th from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm at Fire House No. 2 on Strykers Road and the Municipal Pool parking lot.

Council Reports:

Councilman Baker – Discussed the need for the traffic light at the intersection of Belvidere and Roseberry Street as agreed to with the Phillipsburg Board of Education. Engineer Sterbenz will redistribute this agreement for further discussion.

Councilman Mengucci – No report.

Councilman Horun – Announced the need for a LAA president. Reported on the success of the golf outing and thanked both Mr. Russo and Mr. Carducci. Noted that the Planning Board approved the Sycamore Landing Project.

Council President Camporine – Thanked the Taggart's for running the Movies at the Pool.

Mayor Steinhardt – Reported that the Police Contract negotiations for a three-year contract were for 0, 4, and 4 percent in salary increases. The cost of arbitration would exceed the three-year contract salary increases. Councilman Mengucci made a motion to approve the contract and Councilman Baker seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Engineer Sterbenz – Reported that the South First Street reconstruction project is substantially complete.

The Town of Phillipsburg has requested as part of our agreement that the meters be replaced at Roseberry and South Fifth Streets at a cost of \$6,575.04. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Engineer Sterbenz requested Council to consider I & I work to be completed in the Morris Park area as requested by the Town of Phillipsburg relating to sewer inflow. The cost would be somewhere between five and seven thousand dollars. Motion by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Mengucci to approve. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Department Reports – Motion to approve by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Payment of Bills - Motion to approve by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:
AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.
NAYS: None

Audience Participation:

Brian Weeks – Requested Council to act on quotes provided for Snow Fence to be installed at the municipal building at a cost of \$9850.00. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. Roll call vote:
AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.
NAYS: None

Gena James – Spoke to Council about installation of sidewalks along Strykers Road and Baltimore Street. Engineer Sterbenz will submit an application to the state for grant money. Motion by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Mengucci. Roll call vote:
AYES: Councilmen Baker, Mengucci, Horun, Council President Camporine and Mayor Steinhardt.
NAYS: None

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion by Councilman Mengucci, seconded by Councilman Baker. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret B. Dilts
Clerk/Administrator

Douglas J. Steinhardt
Mayor