

TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG

COUNCIL MEETING

September 3, 2014

The Meeting of the Lopatcong 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 St., Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865.

Mayor Steinhardt stated “adequate notice of this meeting has been provided indicating the time and place of the 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 Ciesla, Councilwoman Schneider, and Councilwoman McCabe. Also present was Attorney Campbell and Engineer Sterbenz.

Resolution No. 14-97 - was passed to hold an Executive Session. Attorney Campbell stated that Council discussed contractual matters with CFO’s Office, Fire Department, Engineer, transportation to County Senior Expo event and personnel matter regarding CFO. Motion to go out of Executive Session by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider. All in favor.

Resolution No. 14-99 – Appointing Lou LaFord provisionally in the Lopatcong Township Police Department.

R 14-99

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF LOUIS LAFORD AS SERGEANT PROVISIONALLY IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT PENDING CERTIFIED LIST OF ELIGIBLES FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey hereby authorize the appointment of Louis LaFord as Sergeant provisionally in the Police Department pending Certified List of Eligibles from the Civil Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, Louis LaFord will be paid a salary according to the Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey that Louis LaFord is hereby appointed Sergeant in the Police Department provisionally and shall be paid pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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 3, 2014.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to adopt this Resolution. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman McCabe. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Mayor Steinhardt swore in Lou LaFord as Sergeant.

Resolution No. 14-101 – Approve hiring of Stephen C. Gabos as Police Officer pursuant to the Civil Service Certification of Eligibles with an effective date of September 15, 2014.

R 14-101

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF STEPHEN C. GABOS AS POLICE OFFICER IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT CERTIFIED LIST OF ELIGIBLES FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey hereby authorize the appointment of Stephen C. Gabos as Police Officer in the Police Department pursuant Certified List of Eligibles Certification No. OL140473 from the Civil Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, Stephen C. Gabos will be paid a salary according to the Collective Bargaining Agreement Contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey that Stephen C. Gabos is hereby appointed Police Officer in the Police Department and shall be paid pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement Contract.

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to adopt this Resolution. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Mayor Steinhardt swore in Stephen Gabos.

Public Comment: -

Joe Imhoff – 240 Aurora Street- Under New Business Item 7 can you just give us a brief of what authorizing Title 39 at the new high school means.

Mayor Steinhardt – Yes. Authorizing Title 39 is the Motor Vehicle Statute so the enforcement of speeding, parking, any motor vehicle violation that you would have you would find on a public roadway cannot be enforced on private property and right now, the entrance ways in and out of Phillipsburg High School, if someone parks illegal, speeds or crashes or whatever happens

up there, the Police Department in Phillipsburg would police it. Right now in order to reinforce any parking infraction, or speeding or do anything else motor vehicle related on the property from the entrance off Belvidere Road up to the high school property require a resolution from the Township empowering the police department to do so based on permission from the property owner. We'll get to that item in a little bit, but it is my understanding, and I was going to tell Council this as we got to it, that we are unable to grant that request tonight. I've actually spoke to Mr. Chando earlier this evening, but the SDA presently owns the property and although we received a request from Mr. Chando, the superintendent, it would require authorization from the SDA, them asking us to enforce Title 39 and while I recognize the concerns that the district has, and I don't know if you've been up there much, my daughter runs track, I go up there every day too. I was up there all summer to pick her up and drop her off and they do have a significant problem with cars stacking up along the entrance way road on both sides primarily on the grass side across from the parking lot to pick up and drop students off for athletic contests and it is creating a traffic hazard as kids walk out between the cars as opposed to the crosswalks making it difficult to see. It is also restricting an already two lane travel way but, unfortunately, as Mr. Chando both discussed, absent an acknowledgement and a request from the SDA, the Township's hands are tied, any summons that would be written without the property owners consent would be unenforceable.

Joe Imhoff – And a follow up to a question that I sent to Council President some time ago, would the Lopatcong Police be reinforcing the road up there?

Mayor Steinhardt – We still have a cooperative agreement in terms of them responding to other problems but from a motor vehicle perspective, it would be enforced by the Lopatcong Police Department.

Joe Imhoff- And do we get compensated by Phillipsburg with the district for patrolling?

Mayor Steinhardt – There was a municipal agreement, I'm sorry I interrupted you Joe go ahead.

Joe Imhoff – Do we get compensated as a Township for patrolling and enforcing the laws up on that property?

Mayor Steinhardt – Yes and no. We don't get compensated by anybody other than tax dollars for enforcing motor vehicle code. It just comes as part and parcel of the duty of being a police officer. You know we all pay extra for that in taxes. However, at the time the municipal agreement was made with the Board of Education, the Phillipsburg Board of Education, now we are going back ten years or better, to build the school here, under that agreement, Phillipsburg is required to pay for an added police officer in Lopatcong.

Joe Imhoff- Okay thank you.

Mayor Steinhardt – We get ticket money – I think you were more in getting to the cost of personnel right? Anybody else agenda items. Okay, moving on then.

Old Business:

Minutes – Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider. Roll call vote:

AYES: Council President Ciesla, Councilwoman Schneider

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Steinhardt, Councilwoman McCabe

Minutes are tabled to the October 2014 meeting.

Ordinance No. 2014-08 - Second reading and public hearing to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 227 entitled “Vehicles and Traffic”, including Section 25 “Multi-Way Stop

Intersections” relative to the Intersection of Baltimore Street and South First Street”. Motion to table pursuant to Engineer Sterbenz research of additional language to be added to ordinance by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman McCabe. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Ordinance No. 2014-09 – Second reading and public hearing of Capital Ordinance to appropriate \$26,388.91 out of the Capital Improvement Fund of the General Capital Fund to purchase miscellaneous equipment for the Fire Department. Mayor Steinhardt read aloud the various equipment the Fire Chief asked to purchase. Motion to hold a public hearing by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider. No questions from the public. Motion to close public hearing by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman McCabe. All in favor.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-09

SECOND NOTICE OF AN ORDINANCE

NOTICE is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey, held on Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at the Municipal Building, 232 South Third Street, Phillipsburg, New Jersey, the following Ordinance was presented and passed on the final reading. The Ordinance was then ordered to be published according to law by title only.

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE \$26,388.91 FROM THE 2014 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Said Ordinance may be read and inspected at any time at the Office of the Municipal Clerk, Lopatcong Township Municipal Building, 232 S. Third Street, Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to adopt this Ordinance. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman McCabe. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

New Business:

Dulaine Contracting Rt. 57 Pump Station Project – Approve payment to Dulaine Contracting for work completed on the Rt. 57 Pump Station Project in the amount of \$194,921.87 as approved by the USDA. Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion subject to Mr. Madden’s review and approval. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman McCabe. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla, and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Resolution No. 14-98 - South Third Street Improvement Project – Award contract to A&A Curbing, Inc., for the South Third Street Improvement Project in the amount of \$227,051.00 subject to legal review and the Certification of Funds.

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID TO A & A CURBING, INC., FOR THE SOUTH THRID STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$227,051.00

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong received and opened bids on August 19, 2014 for the South Third Street Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the low bid for the project was submitted by A & A Curbing, Inc., (“AA”) of South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the low bidder has been found to be qualified and the bid was found to be in compliance with the contract documents and technical specifications; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, at its meeting of September 3, 2014, that a contract be awarded to AA in the amount of \$227,051.00; and

BE IT FURETHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the N.J.D.O.T.’s Bureau of Local Aid.

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 3, 2014.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion based on Mr. Sterbenz recommendation. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Fall Clean Up – Award quote to LMR for Fall Cleanup. Motion by Councilwoman Schneider, seconded by Councilwoman McCabe – Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Steinhardt

Resolution No. 14-102 - 2013 Audit Corrective Action Plan – Approve 2013 Audit Corrective Action Plan submitted by Mary E. Dobes, CFO.

R 14-102

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN PER 2013 ANNUAL AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey have reviewed the Corrective Action Plan submitted by CFO Dobes in relation to the 2013 Annual Audit; and

WHEREAS, CFO Dobes has planned to resolve comments and recommendations by end of year 2014; and

WHEREAS, this plan has been prepared in accordance with Federal and State Guidelines and has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby approve this Corrective Action Plan as submitted by CFO Dobes in accordance with 2013 Annual Audit.

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 3, 2014.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to adopt this Resolution. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla, and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Economic Advisory Development Committee – Approve appointments of Tammy Pita and Elizabeth Gittens to the Economic Advisory Committee.

Mayor Steinhardt – Any questions or comments on Item 5?

Councilwoman Schneider – Did the women both send in Volunteer Forms?

Councilwoman McCabe – Yes.

Councilwoman Schneider – Do you happen to have them on you by chance?

Councilwoman McCabe – No.

Councilwoman Schneider – Anyway I can see those?

Councilwoman McCabe – Yeah you can get them tomorrow.

Councilwoman Schneider – Um, okay. Is Ms. Gittens in the audience?

Mayor Steinhardt – I don't see her.

Councilwoman Schneider – She's not here, okay. Okay um, did she have, I know I was looking at EDAC and you were looking for a, um, someone with marketing experience and someone with real estate experience, do either of these women have those qualifications?

Councilwoman McCabe – Yes, they do.

Councilwoman Schneider – They do (inaudible) and it shows it on their Volunteer Form?

Councilwoman McCabe - It shows that they are interested in joining the EDAC. Elizabeth has project management skills and Tammy has marketing skills.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Council President Ciesla – Do we have to make a motion?

Councilwoman McCabe – Oh yeah, sorry, motion to approve the appointments of Tammy Pita and Elizabeth Gittens to do that.

Council President Ciesla – Motion, I mean second.

Mayor Steinhardt – Where are we at; somebody make a motion, somebody seconded it, any more discussion? Alright roll call:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Shade Tree Commission – Mayor Steinhardt – Now my understanding is the Shade Tree commission by ordinance requires five people. We have three; I think that is what we figured out today.

Attorney Campbell – Actually by statute.

Mayor Steinhardt – Statute, our ordinance says three. We'll have to come up with some other bodies but tonight there is a recommendation for a couple of people, so I'm asking for Council's approval to appoint Brad Decker, Joe Bichler and Victor Camporine to the Shade Tree Commission. It is my understanding that neither Mr. Decker nor Mr. Bichler, although they would be doing this as volunteers submitted Volunteer Forms but they were recommended to us by Councilwoman Schneider that lack not withstanding and although having spoken to Mr. Decker, I don't think he knew he was up for being appointed to the Shade Tree Commission but he has no problem doing it. Mr. Camporine, most of us know, had worked on the Shade Tree Commission for years. In fact, sometimes, um anyway, he loved the Shade Tree Commission. He was happy to have an opportunity to volunteer and be involved in it again. So those are my three recommendations. So I ask for a motion on Item 6.

Council President Ciesla – Do I need to comment or.

Mayor Steinhardt – Well we'll get there.

Council President Ciesla – Okay motion.

Councilwoman McCabe – Second

Mayor Steinhardt – Discussion.

Council President Ciesla – Joe and Brad are employees but according to uh, I just want to make sure, according to our ordinance and state statute, there is no compensation for this correct?

Mayor Steinhardt – Correct they are all volunteers.

Council President Ciesla – Okay.

Councilwoman Schneider – I have another question. Um, because now the statute has changed and we don't need three, we now need five to seven, um, the person I had also recommended clearly met that criteria, um, you advised me to get some volunteers and I did and um, you denied that person.

Mayor Steinhardt – Yes.

Councilwoman Schneider – So we are short now with our members.

Mayor Steinhardt – Okay well I’m sure we’ll find.

Attorney Campbell - Our ordinance right now isn’t in place so (inaudible) this ordinance too. I don’t know if we put (inaudible) until we have an ordinance that says because right now it’s just three so, it is even more confusing but.

Mayor Steinhardt – At least we have some people to get it up and going so.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yep. Um, do you have a reason why my volunteer didn’t get picked. She does have the criteria and no one else submitted.

Mayor Steinhardt – Yeah, I really didn’t know her. I know these three gentlemen. I know them well. I’ve worked with Brad obviously through the road crew. I’ve worked with Mr. Bichler through the road crew. I’ve worked with Mr. Camporine for 15 years and I know that I’m comfortable with them and uh, the appointments are by devise of the Township government appointments of the Mayor with advice and consent of Council. I don’t know the person that you recommended and I was not inclined to make that nomination.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yep, I um, you know, based on our conversation, you advised me to get volunteers.

Mayor Steinhardt – I know and you did. You got two out of the three.

Councilwoman Schneider – Two employees that were already here.

Mayor Steinhardt – They were still your choices and I’m happy to nominate them unless you don’t want me too. I certainly withdrawal them and we’ll go back to just having Mr. Camporine.

Councilwoman Schneider – Uh, no that’s fine. Did Mr. Camporine fill out a Volunteer Form.

Mayor Steinhardt – Nope.

Councilwoman Schneider – Is he going to?

Mayor Steinhardt - I have no idea. Are you going to get Mr. Decker and Mr. Bichler because they didn’t either.

Council President Ciesla – I’m sure.

Councilwoman Schneider – They don’t need to they’re, they are on the, they are simply for the town, they’re not volunteers.

Mayor Steinhardt – Employees of the town but this is volunteers.

Council President Ciesla – This is all volunteer.

Mayor Steinhardt – They are volunteers, this is purely a volunteer committee. They are residents of the town being asked to volunteer.

Councilwoman Schneider – According to the Shade Tree book here it just says, you need a volunteer to, um, and that would be a Volunteer Form, the other two are considered just employees.

Mayor Steinhardt – I didn't view it that way. I view them as being volunteers to a committee.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay, well I can certainly have them fill them out and we can have Mr. Camporine fill one out as well.

Mayor Steinhardt – Sure.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Mayor Steinhardt – Okay

Council President Ciesla – Especially since they are not getting paid, I think they should fill out the Volunteer Form just so there is no confusion.

Councilwoman McCabe – Right.

Council President Ciesla – And I have, if you have, just one more question, you got Brad, Joe and Victor right, so that's three. Right now the statute says three.

Mayor Steinhardt – No the ordinance probably says three; the statute says five to seven.

Council President Ciesla – So at this point, I mean the ordinance says three, and at this point in time Donna is just the Council Liaison. So now it could go to the commission shall not consist of not less than five nor more than seven, you may not include more than two alternate members. So then at that point, can Donna be the fourth?

Councilwoman Schneider – No, it's a conflict.

Mayor Steinhardt – She's Council Liaison.

Council President Ciesla – So she still has to be the liaison. So the commission

Mayor Steinhardt – (Inaudible).

Council President Ciesla – Okay. So then the commission itself will be voting on everything sort of like I am to the LAA.

Councilwoman Schneider – Is Vic also aware of the classes that he needs to register and go down for and drive to Cherry Hill? Is he aware of those classes and he's willing to take them?

Attorney Campbell – Only the core people have to take those.

Councilwoman Schneider – No they still need the credits as well.

Attorney Campbell – I don't think the whole Shade Tree does but I'll look into it.

Councilwoman Schneider – The core of one of our employees Joe Bichler is core trained but he has no credits and I don't know if Vic is core trained and if he isn't then he needs to spend two days down in Cherry Hill. Um, and if he is core trained, he needs to spend one day in Cherry Hill.

Mayor Steinhardt – If there's something that requires him and he can't, he can always tell me he doesn't want to and we'll have to find somebody but as of today, he was interested.

Councilwoman Schneider – The reservation for the hotel is September 23rd. Okay.

Mayor Steinhardt – Anything else?

Council President Ciesla – Would he already have been core trained?

Clerk Dilts – Could have been years ago.

Councilwoman Schneider – Right but he still needs the credits not the core.

Mayor Steinhardt – We’ll figure it out. Okay so there is a motion and a second, discussion is closed. Roll call please.

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Phillipsburg Athletic Complex Title 39 – As I indicated to Mr. Imhoff earlier, we did have a letter of request from Superintendent Chando asking that the Township adopt a resolution granting Title 39 enforcement on the new high school property. However, after having reviewed that letter and discussed the matter with Mr. Chando, we can’t grant that. The SDA has not yet made that request either through Mr. Chando or the Township directly, therefore, absent that consent “landowner” any motor vehicle summons that might be issued by the Township police would be unenforceable, therefore, it’s my recommendation to Council that we reject that request at this time and that it be, the rejection be accompanied by a letter explaining the reasons why the Township did not have the authority to grant such a resolution but to acknowledge further the safety concerns that we as a Township have for the students and the guests using the school property. Hopefully, if for no other reason than to get the SDA to listen up and pay attention to the appeals of the school district to ensure greater traffic safety for guests to that property.
Motion.

Council President Ciesla- Motion

Mayor Steinhardt – Second.

Councilwoman Schneider – Discussion.

Council President Ciesla – This is actually on the schools property, so once you turn into the path.

Mayor Steinhardt – Correct.

Council President Ciesla – Okay.

Mayor Steinhardt – Any other questions. Alright roll call please.

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla, Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Resolution No. 14-100 – TWA Lock Street Apartments - Approve second Treatment Works Application Approval Permit for Lock Street Apartments – Block 102, Lot 1.1.

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE
TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL PERMIT APPLICATION TWA-1 FOR LOCK STREET
APARTMENTS - BLOCK 102, LOT 1.1

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer and Township Attorney have reviewed and approved an application for a second Treatment Works Approval Permit for Lock Street Apartments in Block 102, Lot 1.1 in the Township of Lopatcong; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Township of Lopatcong has considered the recommendation of the Township Engineer and Township Attorney to execute Form TWA-1 for approval of Septic Repair.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey that the Council President is authorized to execute the Treatment Works Approval Permit Application for Lock Street Apartments, Block 102, Lot 1.1.

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Mayor Steinhardt asked for a motion to approve this Resolution. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman McCabe. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Mayor Steinhardt

Consent Agenda: The following Resolutions were moved by motion of Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla, and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Clerk Dilts – I just have one item I would like to put on the record. The tax assessor had two resolutions this evening No. 13 is hers but the other one I couldn't list because the correction wasn't included on her resolution.

Resolution No. 14-103 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-044 and Premium in the amount of \$1350.64 on Block 108, Lot 2.

R 14-103

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO
OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1350.64 ON BLOCK 108, LOT 2

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 25, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 108, Lot 2, also known as 10 Lynnfield Terrace for 2013 delinquent sewer; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-044 was sold to US Bank Cust as Cust for PC4 First Trust for a Premium of \$800.00; and

WHEREAS, the property owners have satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2014-044 in the amount of \$550.64.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 3rd day of September 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1350.64 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-044 and Premium to:

US BANK CUST FOR PC4 FIRSTRUST BANK
50 S. 16th St., Suite 2050
Philadelphia, PA 19102

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Resolution No. 14-104 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-070 and Premium in the amount of \$1,741.52 on Block 135, Lot 5.

R 14-104

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO
OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,741.52 ON BLOCK 135, LOT 5

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 25, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 135, Lot 5 also known as 18 Lauren Lane for 2013 delinquent sewer; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-070 was sold to US Bank Cust as Cust for PC4 First Trust for a Premium of \$1,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the property owners have satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2014-070 in the amount of \$741.52.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 3rd day of September 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,741.52 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-070 and Premium to:

US BANK CUST FOR PC4 FIRSTRUST BANK
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 3, 2014.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-105 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-003 in the amount of \$817.70 on Block 14, Lot 3.

R 14-105

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE
NO. 2014-003 ON BLOCK 14, LOT 3

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 25, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 14, Lot 3 also known as 61 North First Street for 2013 delinquent sewer taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-003 was sold to US Bank as Cust for Actlien Holding, Inc., for 0% interest; and

WHEREAS, Roundpoint Mortgage Servicing Corp., mortgage company for property owners has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2014-003 in the amount of \$817.70.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 3rd day of September 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$817.70 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-003 to:

US BANK AS CUST FOR ACTLIEN HOLDING, INC.
50 S. 16th ST., 1950
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution No. 14-106 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-042 in the amount of \$309.59 on Block 104, Lot 20.

R 14-106

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE
NO. 2014-042 ON BLOCK 104, LOT 20

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 25, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 104, Lot 20 also known as 32 Ethan Place for 2013 delinquent sewer taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-042 was sold to Arthur Frustaci for 18% interest; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Peles Esq., Attorney for property owner has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2014-042 in the amount of \$309.59.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 3rd day of September 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$309.59 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-042 to:

Arthur Frustaci
1178 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 3, 2014.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-107 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-046 and Premium in the amount of \$1,205.75 on Block 109, Lot 2.

R 14-107

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO
OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,205.75 ON BLOCK 109, LOT 2

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 25, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 109, Lot 2, also known as 87 Lynnfield Terrace for 2013 delinquent sewer; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-046 was sold to US Bank Cust as Cust for PC4 First Trust Bank for a Premium of \$700.00; and

WHEREAS, Seterus, Inc., escrow company for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2014-046 in the amount of \$505.75.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 3rd day of September 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,205.75 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-046 and Premium to:

US BANK AS CUST FOR ACTLIEN HOLDING, INC.
50 S. 16th ST., 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 3, 2014.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-108 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-025 and Premium in the amount of \$1,603.40 on Block 86.01, Lot 22.

R 14-108

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,603.40 ON BLOCK 86.01, LOT 22

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 25, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 86.01, Lot 22 also known as 3 Foxwood Lane in Lopatcong Township for 2013 delinquent sewer; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-025 was sold to US Bank Cust as Cust for PC4 First Trust Bank for a Premium of \$900.00; and

WHEREAS, Maher & Maher, LLC, attorneys for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2014-025 in the amount of \$703.40.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 3rd day of September, 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,603.40 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-025 and Premium to:

US BANK CUST FOR PC4 FIRST TRUST BANK
50 s. 16th St., Suite 2050
Philadelphia, PA 19102

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-109 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-047 and Premium in the amount of \$3,612.06 on Block 114, Lot 9 and authorize CFO to issue a check for \$40.00 refund of recording fee.

R 14-109

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONIES TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER AND REFUND OF RECORDING FEE TO CLOSING COMPANY ON BLOCK 114, LOT 9 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,612.06 AND \$40.00

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 25, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 114, Lot 9, also known as 58 Powder Horn Drive for 2013 delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-047 was sold to US Bank Cust as Cust for Aclien Holding for a Premium of \$1,900.00; and

WHEREAS, Abco of Northampton, LLC, escrow company for property owners, has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2014-047 in the amount of \$1,752.06.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 3rd day of September 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$3,612.06 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-047 and Premium to:

US BANK CUST FOR ACTLIEN HOLDING
50 S. 16th St., Suite 1950
Philadelphia, PA 19102

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 3rd day of September 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$40.00 for the refund of recording fee of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-047 to:

Cortes & Hay, Inc.
110 Main Street, P.O. Box 454
Flemington, NJ 08822

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-110 – Authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-051 in the amount of \$375.45 on Block 115.04, Lot 8 C0248.

R 14-110

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE NO. 2014-051 ON BLOCK 115.04, LOT 8 C0248

WHEREAS, at the Lopatcong Township Municipal Tax Sale held on June 25, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 115.04, Lot 8 C0248 also known as 248 Windmill Court for 2013 delinquent sewer taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-051 was sold to Arthur Frustaci for 18% interest; and

WHEREAS, Weichert Realtors, realtors for property owners has satisfied the redemption amount on Certificate No. 2014-051 in the amount of \$375.45.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 3rd day of September 2014, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$375.45 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-051 to:

Arthur Frustaci
1178 Fifth Avenue
Alpha, NJ 08865

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-111 – Authorizing refund of tax overpayment for year 2014 in the amount of \$500.00 on Block 99, Lot 35 C0230.

R 14-111

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING TO REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT FOR
YEAR 2014

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 tax overpayments for the tax year 2014.

<u>Block & Lot</u>	<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
99 35 C0230	Janet Koch	\$500.00

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 2014 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 3, 2014.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-112 – Authorizing refund of tax overpayment for year 2014 in the amount of \$2,194.85 on Block 141, Lot 18.

R 14-112

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING TO REFUND OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES FOR
TAX YEAR 2014

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey that warrants be drawn to the mortgage company in care of the property owners listed below in the designated amounts representing a duplicate tax payment for the tax year 2014.

<u>Block & Lot</u>	<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
141 18	National Star Mortgage/Corelogic	\$2,194.85

Re: Kosar, John & Karen

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 2014 property taxes due to:

Corelogic
Attn: Refunds Dept.
Mail Code: DFW 1-3
1 Corelogic Drive
Westlake, TX 76262

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-113 – Authorizing refund of payment made in error on taxes for year 2014 in the amount of \$4,326.92 on Block 117, Lot 4.

R 14-113

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING TO REFUND OF PAYMENT MADE IN ERROR
ON TAXES FOR TAX YEAR 2014

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey that warrants be drawn to the mortgage company in care of the property owners listed below in the designated amounts representing a payment made on a block and lot in Lopatcong in error which should have been applied to Pohatcong for the tax year 2014.

<u>Block & Lot</u>	<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Block 117, Lot 4 Pohatcong Twp.	Caliber Home Loans/Leretta, LLC Contract #44791832	\$4,326.92

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 2014 property taxes due to:

Leretta, LLC
Central Refund Department
1123 Park View Drive
Cobino, CA 91724

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-114 – Authorizing Sewer Collector to apply credit for year 2014 in the amount of \$2,247.88 on Account ID 28327/1266506 for 1 Sylvia Street.

R 14-114

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING SEWER COLLECTOR TO APPLY CREDIT FOR TAX YEAR 2014

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey that a credit be applied to the property owner listed below in the designated amounts representing incorrect billing account number issued by Aqua to Township of Lopatcong for sewer billing years 2013 & 2014.

<u>Account ID</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
28327/1266506	1 Sylvia Street	\$2,247.88

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 credit on account 28327/1266506 made rather than refund this credit.

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 14-115 –Authorizing tax assessor to make correction and exempt property known as Block 99, lot 135 C0602.

R 14-115

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE CORRECTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ON BLOCK 99, LOT 135 C0602

WHEREAS, the assessor of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey informed the Mayor and Council of a 2014 assessment correction on Block 99, Lot 135 C06602; and

WHEREAS, the property was not listed as being exempt for the tax year 2014 pursuant to NJ 54:043.3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the assessor and 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 exempt property known as Block 99, Lot 135 C06602 to correct assessment for the tax year 2014.

CERTIFICATION

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Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Announcements: – Shred Event is scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 2014 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and Fall Clean Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, September 27, 2014 from 7:00 am to 12:00 noon.

Council Reports:

Councilwoman Schneider – First report is for Shade Tree. I have a, everyone has a copy of a complaint that was sent in by a resident regarding some tree plantings that are on Township property. Paul and I did go out on separate occasions to look at the properties and Paul, I believe did a survey and put a stick in the ground showing the property line and the trees are clearly on the Township property.

Mayor Steinhardt – I have a question.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yeah, go ahead, no go ahead.

Mayor Steinhardt – I just want to clarify that my understanding was that the, it wasn't on Township property but it's in our right of way.

Engineer Sterbenz – It is in the Park Avenue right-of-way.

Mayor Steinhardt – Okay. We may have a right-of-way but I don't think we own the land.

Councilwoman Schneider – When Paul and I talked about that, from what I remember from our conversation it is our land. Is that correct Paul and is it something

Engineer Sterbenz- It is a right-of-way.

Mayor Steinhardt – I understand it gives us legal right to use to go over somebody else's property. You may not own the land. To give you an example, it would be like if you owned a piece of property and there was power line across your land, the power line company has a right-of-way easement to use it, it is still your property and you are required to maintain it, they have a right to run their power lines across your land or something to that effect. I think we have a right-of-way there, we may or may not have any implications in so far as what you are describing but I don't think we actually own the property obviously owned by somebody else but anyway I just, I didn't mean to interrupt you but I think

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay, that's okay, um, so I guess if that property is owned by someone else, do we know who that someone else is?

Attorney Campbell – The adjacent property owner, the homeowner who's property, typically, um, when you own a piece of property, although there is a certain neighborhoods in Lopatcong I found are different, but typically when you own a property, you own it to the centerline of the road. So that doesn't mean that you are allowed to do what you want with the road and the area

around it so the town has the right to use it and, typically, if you look at most surveys, people own to the center line of the road. So, whose ever property is the back side of the road which is probably (inaudible).

Mayor Steinhardt – Is this their map?

Councilwoman Schneider – This is uh Mr. Kullman's.

Mayor Steinhardt – He prepared this.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yeah that he prepared and I guess he was basing it on where the property line is where the stake was put out for the property line. It's, you know, I didn't know that right-of-ways were owned by someone else. So, I guess we need to find out who owns that property and if they gave them permission to do that, is that what the next step would be for that complaint.

Mayor Steinhardt – (Inaudible).

Councilwoman Schneider – And, who and how would I go about finding that out?

Mayor Steinhardt – If they have surveys and give them to Paul.

Engineer Sterbenz – Yeah the Darden's have a survey Donna cause I met with the Darden's.

Mayor Steinhardt – Yeah, if either one of them has a survey, Paul can look at it. He'll be able to tell us who owns, whose property it is.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Mayor Steinhardt – I'd try the easiest way.

Engineer Sterbenz – Yeah.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay, so I'll get back to Mr. Kullman letting him know we are going to find out who owns it and if permission was granted.

Mayor Steinhardt - (Inaudible).

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Attorney Campbell – His land is probably the same, it goes to the centerline and has a right-of-way through it, theirs is probably exactly the same.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yeah, he doesn't have a right of way, it's just in that one right-of-way for the residents.

Mayor Steinhardt – Survey should solve the problem one of them has it.

Attorney Campbell – Just so you know, we get this issue a lot, people will call up and say, um, trees in the right-of-way, you have to cut it down and I write them a letter and I say no that's actually your tree. It is in the right-of-way so we could make you cut it down but we have no obligation to cut that tree down so, um, and when people say no it's your tree and we go back and forth and I ask them please bring in your survey and then I show them it is actually on their property. What I have had one occasion in at least one neighborhood where their property line

actually did stop before the sidewalk and it was a weird anomaly but that's not (inaudible) so and the town did own that tree but in this case typically it goes to the center line but if they have a survey that will just clear it right up.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay, I'll get a copy of the survey. Okay, yes, Shade Tree yes so we talked about that and the conference is coming up so we need to get some folks registered for that. Um, DPW, the Mason Dump Truck has been purchased and it is we don't know if it is being built or not yet, so we don't know when that will come in. Um, the little Mason Dump Truck that Brian had requested some repairs, um, on that, that is actually being repaired right now, being built. Um, unfortunately our Truck 16 is one of our big trucks used for plowing, salting, leaves, that one has been red tagged meaning it is unsafe and you cannot drive it on the roads, it did not pass the inspection. So we now have a truck that is totally unusable so we were hoping to get an extra truck. What we did is got an extra one and lost one unfortunately. We talked about the Shredding Event.

Board of Education hired a literacy consultant to help institute some new programs and educated the teachers in its implementation. Her name is Sarah Buston and there's some Warren County Special Service folks for the interim trial study team supervisor. Also school starts tomorrow and I want to wish everyone, Board of Education, administration, teachers, parents, students everybody to have a safe and great year and um, hooray for the parents right now.

Mayor Steinhardt – Okay thank you Ms. McCabe.

Councilwoman McCabe – Okay EDAC update. The members of the EDAC committee and I have been working with local businesses. We are planning on rolling out a discount type of a card so we've been meeting with some businesses and some are on board to offer discounts to the residents or to whoever purchases the card. We are still finalizing the details on of those. We have some that are already interested and we still want to approach a few others. So we hope to get that done, hopefully within this month and finalize the details. Secondly, I'm working on shared services. We are looking at the tax assessor's position. It's a work in progress we are looking at either trying to share our tax assessor with other towns or sharing other town's tax assessors with us and again we are working on that and trying to get some numbers and see what can benefit us the best. We did not have a Planning Board meeting last month and I would like to say community Day this past Saturday and I attended and I want to thank Lori Ciesla and the members of the Recreation Committee for putting all that work and putting that together and putting up a great event for the residents, the fireworks were lovely and it's great when we have a town that still, you know, goes out to this event and brings us all together, it was very nice.

Mayor Steinhardt – Thanks Ms. McCabe. Ms. Ciesla.

Council President Ciesla – I'll start with, Lou gave me an update for his Council Report. He wanted us to know that the pump station is scheduled to be completed the middle of November. It originally it was supposed to be October but they ran in to a huge rock that delayed the project by two weeks. Apparently, they needed explosives to remove it um, but that will be finished in November and then soon they'll be moving up Baltimore to tie into Roseberry Street line.

As far as my report, Community Day was a success. We tried a few new activities this year and we will see which worked out best and begin planning for next year. Many thanks to my wonderful committee that was there all day with me including (inaudible) the DPW, my family and friends. My committee spent many nights for many months planning this event and I couldn't of done it without them. We also have some other events that we want to try and have before the year is up. Um, one of those is, we wanted to try to have a community yard sale up at the Pavilion for those who don't live in big developments. There is the Warren County Health Department is having a health and wellness affair at the Pavilion on September 27 which also

happens to be the town cleanup so we are trying to get something together on that day. In line with that, again the County is having another event on September 27th, this time at Warren Tech High School. What they are doing is it's a Senior Expo. They are having tons of businesses and hospitals and things like Phillipsburg MRI up there for the seniors. What we wanted to do because not everybody likes to drive up 57 is we wanted to rent a bus for our residents. It can fit up to 48 seniors. We would have them picked up at the pavilion so they can actually check out the health and wellness fair there and they would be bused up to Warren Tech. They could spend some time at the Senior Expo and they would be bused back. We had some quotes as low as \$375 and that will bring them up there and bring them back here at 2 and we can fit 48. I would like to make a motion to look into renting the bus for that day.

Councilwoman McCabe – Motion.

Councilwoman Schneider – Second

Mayor Steinhardt – Discussion. Roll call.

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla, and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

The LAA Golf Outing was a success. Thanks to all that attended or donated. This is a big fundraiser for them. Also football season has started and last weekend all the levels won their first game, so we're very proud of them. Soccer will be starting this week and we hope all the teams have a great season there too. Basketball and Wrestling sign ups should be starting very soon.

For technology, we had put out a survey and we had about 100 responses to our survey which I think is a really good turnout. A few of them put in some really great ideas in the comments. Some of the highlights, people definitely want email notifications the most. The next level, they want both text and email. So I'm actually working on that with Brad Decker. They wanted to be notified for emergencies and community events the most but they also wanted to be reminded to pay their taxes and sewer bill and their dog licenses. As far as online payments, 71% are interested in paying their sewer bill on line and that's definitely myself as well. So currently the tax collector and I are looking at three vendors now. We're looking to see which one has the best cost for the Township, the residents and ease of use for our staff. We want to make sure this isn't a huge burden on them to upload these files to our database. So Rachel and I are going to be working on that in the upcoming months. One of the other questions was do you want a newsletter; 91% do so I think we definitely want to move forward on that. So I'd actually like to make a motion to start a newsletter sub-committee.

Councilwoman McCabe – Second.

Mayor Steinhardt – Discussion.

Councilwoman Schneider – Who will choose whose on the newsletter committee, sub-committee.

Mayor Steinhardt – Me. So anybody who's interested let me know, I'm not going to do it today.

Councilwoman Schneider –Is that for residents or are you asking or is that Council.

Council President Ciesla – At this point I think it will probably be just Council. Just look at some of the, we have a few options we have to figure out first. How to do it and then once we get it started, we could have residents involved if the need be. Again, the information in the

newsletter would be from the Township not from resident's perspective. It would be input from the Township as far as like departments and everything that's going on.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay is that monthly? Are you thinking monthly?

Council President Ciesla – Probably monthly.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Council President Ciesla – There's a few options. You could have somebody do it for you and get sponsors to pay for it and they would even edit your articles or you can just go old school and we could do it ourselves and just email it out to people. So we would have to look at all the different options.

Councilwoman Schneider – And how much postage are we talking about a month for a newsletter?

Council President Ciesla – If it was sponsored by somebody, we would actually mail it otherwise, we would not. It would be emailed on line and you could pick up a copy here.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay so no mailings would be

Council President Ciesla – Unless you can get it paid for – it would be my recommendation.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay and are there going to be some bylaws um what is going into this newsletter?

Council President Ciesla – Yeah once you get, the sub-committee can work on that as well.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay and um, okay so when do we, do we just put in our request to you Doug to be on this newsletter sub-committee.

Mayor Steinhardt – Sure.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay and how many people from Council are you taking?

Council President Ciesla – You can take two.

Mayor Steinhardt – You can only take two.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay and Lori's the first person.

Mayor Steinhardt – I assume.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Council President Ciesla – Since (inaudible) into technology. Otherwise you're just gonna have to.

Councilwoman Schneider – And if you are not chosen to be on the newsletter, then how do we

Mayor Steinhardt – We can all submit something. I reviewed the minutes from last meeting and I understand where you are coming from. So, you know, obviously from my perspective, you guys are going to do a newsletter, you should be pulling in information from all the various, you

know, groups and stuff in town; if the LAA's got something to put on or if the school's got something going on and they're not putting out monthly newsletters or if you name it, Shade Tree Commission, every one of you that has a committee should have some input. If every one of you wants a little column to write or something. If you are going to put out a newsletter, it should be a collaborative effort from everybody, where everybody, you know, one person may edit it, but all five of you, whoever's, you know, here after that

Council President Ciesla – Every department

Mayor Steinhardt - should have their, you know, two cents. Otherwise it sort of defeats the purpose.

Councilwoman Schneider – Right because the um, the residents are assuming a newsletter from the Township is including everyone on Town Council. Um, and uh, I would hope that also a recommendation would be not to um, have opinionated articles or news posted in them, that actual news and not anything other than innocuous information.

Council President Ciesla – I would assume that, I can't imagine, yeah, we would put opinions in there.

Councilwoman Schneider – Well we put them on our website.

Council President Ciesla – I mean if the mayor wanted to write up something kinda of like they do in the PTA newsletter. I mean, I think she gives her opinions in there. The mayor is entitled to write a letter every single year.

Councilwoman Schneider – Right that would be his own personal. Right that's his own personal letter. It's not coming from the Council. Um, but we do write opinionated things on our website so I just want to make sure that that's clear.

Mayor Steinhardt – Again, the purpose, I think what I understood Lori to be asking, by way of a motion, was to create a committee who is going to start collecting thoughts and ideas the rest of us will all hope that's done. That committee is not binding on the rest of us. We're all gonna have our chance to review what their recommendations are and add our two cents.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yeah, I just like to know all the information before I say give a vote for that so.

Mayor Steinhardt – Again, all we're voting for is a committee to put a plan together.

Council President Ciesla - To put together to research yeah not to actually do it.

Mayor Steinhardt – I know, I can tell you right now, I'm not going to be on it but I'm still going to tell you what I think when their done and you guys do with it what you want because I would hope that you all (inaudible) this with me.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Council President Ciesla – I don't know where we were.

Mayor Steinhardt – Or the finalist may decide after we see what their ideas are on it, may issue quarterly not monthly.

Council President Ciesla - Right yeah we need to work all that out.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yes absolutely. Okay.

Council President Ciesla - Lot of logistics first.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Council President Ciesla – I made a motion, Maureen seconded it so we need to roll call it.

Councilwoman Schneider – Um, I’m gonna, I really don’t want to vote on this right now. I just, I’m not, I’m still unsure, I need some information, some more information about it and um, I just, I don’t know how to go about doing that right now. Do I abstain, do I; I’m just going to abstain right now. I don’t want to give an answer to that.

Mayor Steinhardt – Okay.

AYES: Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla, Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Councilwoman Schneider

Council President Ciesla – All right, um, the CFO. Our application for a new CFO has closed. We have many applicants. We actually are starting a committee to go through the applicants. We have to weed out who doesn’t actually have their required qualifications and then from that point, the committee, will do some preliminary interviews and we’ll narrow it down to a pool and then the whole council will interview for our new CFO and we’ll be working with our current CFO on this. Do I make a motion for the committee?

Mayor Steinhardt – I’m just going to appoint a committee. You don’t need to make a motion to appoint a committee to do it; I’ll just create a committee of two. Um, I’m going to ask Ms. McCabe and Mr. Belcaro only because you are going to work on the other one and Donna’s probably going to be interested in doing that too so let’s keep things broken up. So let’s have the CFO Committee with Mr. Belcaro and Ms. McCabe and Ms. Dobes.

Mayor Steinhardt – For me, I got, we have to cancel an Ordinance 2014-10. Last meeting, it was my understanding that an Ordinance was adopted at first reading to deal with a \$150,000 fire truck. Just as a safety net, (inaudible) there was issue with – oh \$185,000 because originally it was \$200,000 then it was reduced to \$185,000 as a recommendation to adopt it for first reading as well in the event that the auditor had took issue with the fact that there was a \$15,000 deduction between first and second reading. That issue has since rendered that, excuse me, the answer to that has since rendered that first reading moot but we need to do a motion to rescind Ordinance 2014-10. Motion.

Council President Ciesla – Motion.

Councilwoman Schneider – Second

Mayor Steinhardt – Discussion. Roll call.

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Mayor Steinhardt – Also from my review of last month’s minutes there was some dialogue by Ms. James about the fireworks from the other night and how they were going to be paid for. Whether or not they were donated or coming from the town. The town had to enter into the

contract because the private resident could not do so but the \$5,000 for the fireworks were in fact donated by my wife and me. I have the check for Lori tonight so there's that. So next meeting there should be an item on the agenda to transfer those funds to the Township so they were paid for entirely by donated funds not from the Townships coffers.

Council President Ciesla- Thank you.

Councilwoman McCabe – Thank you.

Mayor Steinhardt – That's it for Council Reports. Tax Collector is not here, CFO is not here. Engineer Sterbenz.

Engineer Sterbenz – Thank you Mayor. I just want to advise the Council that the Governor recently announced the NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2015. Interested municipalities have until October 14th to file a grant application. Question for the governing body is do you want to file an application again for Fiscal Year 2015. We, uh, our last application which was not funded was for South Second Street which is located between the two streets that were funded. It did score very well last year. It would not be a big lift to actually resubmit that. So um, I wanted to see if you were interested in doing that or another roadway. I'll have a resolution for the next meeting.

Mayor Steinhardt – I think you should absolutely should submit it again.

Attorney Campbell – Uh isn't that typical that they kind of every other year is when they kind of get (inaudible).

Engineer Sterbenz- Yes.

Attorney Campbell- So just because you were denied last year on that (inaudible).

Engineer Sterbenz – To spread the wealth.

Mayor Steinhardt – Plus we don't have to go through the expense of doing it all over again. I mean, partially, but not completely.

Engineer Sterbenz – Thank you I'll get that done for you. The DOT has a municipal aid component within the Transportation Trust Fund and the purpose of that is to provide grant monies to municipalities and counties to do road projects in municipalities and counties so and it's awarded by grant and municipalities and counties have to submit grant applications to vie for that money.

Councilwoman McCabe – Do we have another street we can put in. I mean would it be worthwhile.

Council President Ciesla – I think these roads back here are very bad.

Mayor Steinhardt – I think part of Paul's point was one: it warranted submission last time and it hasn't gotten better in the year since we did it last time, secondly: Paul needs to prepare the application there is a cost associated with doing so, so we don't need to um there is less work involved with him resubmitting that one and just updating it then there is creating an entire new application and lastly, since it rated high, in Paul's words, last time, again, it is more likely that we have a shot at doing that then we do coming up with another road that may not rate as high this time. Although on the other side of the coin, it could be better. I don't know but at least that is what I heard Paul say. So, for that reason I'm going to stay by his recommendation.

Councilwoman McCabe – Okay.

Mayor Steinhardt – Anything else?

Engineer Sterbenz – No, no Mayor thank you.

Mayor Steinhardt - Motion.

Council President Ciesla – Motion.

Mayor Steinhardt - On Second Street right?

Council President Ciesla – Mmmhmm.

Mayor Steinhardt – Second.

Councilwoman McCabe – Second

Mayor Steinhardt – Discussion. Roll call please.

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Mayor Steinhardt – Mr. Sterbenz anything else?

Engineer Sterbenz – No Mayor.

Mayor Steinhardt – Motion to approve Department Re [ports.

Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman McCabe.

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Mayor Steinhardt – Pay bills. Motion by Council President Ciesla, seconded by Councilwoman Schneider. Roll call.

AYES: Councilwoman Schneider, Councilwoman McCabe, Council President Ciesla and Mayor Steinhardt.

NAYS: None

Audience Participation –

Joseph Imhoff - 240 Aurora Street – About a month ago or so I got a letter from, something in the mail from Rachel and she said pay your taxes and then I got a Township Newsletter from Council I assume and basically, you're said to me not our fault. It says did you know that the majority of your tax bill is not controlled or used by the Township. For 82% of your bill, we are just the collector and send it on to the county or the school district. The municipality only uses 18%. Now, I don't really think that's the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. I'll explain why. Over the nine years and I was upset enough and go back and pull tax records since 2006. In nine years the county tax went up 17.56%, about 2% a year. The library tax went down. Open Space tax sent down, the school tax over nine years went up 8.2%; about a percent a years. The municipal open Space Tax went down 23% but the local municipal Lopatcong that 18% that you talked about in the newsletter that went up, in nine years, 143.22%. Now, that's

just on my tax bill. I don't think I'm too much different than the rest of the folks here that are paying their taxes.

Mayor Steinhardt – Did we reassess at least once?

Clerk Dilts – Yes.

Mayor Steinhardt – We are assessed at least once and I think we also did a reval in there too. Um,

Joe Imhoff – Can I finish.

Mayor Steinhardt – Sure.

Joe Imhoff – Thank you.

Mayor Steinhardt – But that's not accurate Joe. If we're going to talk the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

Joe Imhoff – The local tax back in 2006 accounted for 8.56% of the total tax bill; 8.56. Now it accounts for at least on my tax bill 17.35%. Where the total tax bill, to me, went up 20.07% in nine years. The municipal taxes I just said went up 143%. 61% of the total increase in my tax bill over eight years was just the municipal portion of the tax bill. Now, from 2006 to 2007, it went up 5.6%. To 2008, it went up 12.37%. From 8 to 9 it went up 9.35%. In 2010 it went up 11.22%. In 2011, it was a bargain year; it only went up 3.78%. The following year, of course, in 2012 it went up 23 ½%. In 2013 – 15.29%. In 2014 it went up 11.40%. Now I don't know if we're talking revaluations or assessments or what but dollars are dollars. I didn't see my Social Security Benefits going up 143% in nine years. Now, I'm really talking to the wrong people because the only person that has been on this Council over the past nine years has been Mayor Steinhardt and as much as we heard how much Council President Camporine has saved money by having free bushes planted including labor at the Township Municipal Building and signs put up welcoming everybody to the Township that we've had our vendors paying for, um, costs must be out of control. Something needs to be done and you ladies that were elected year basically with the philosophy of there must be change, there must be change. Something's got to be done. This is too much. This is a lot of money that's going out and I don't think we're seeing anything for it. My five minutes are probably up.

Mayor Steinhardt – Oh that's okay. Come back next month, because rest assured that we will be prepared to respond to your numbers.

Councilwoman Schneider – I just want to comment. I don't know if you were here last month or you read our last month's meeting minutes and what Doug was referring to before about reading the minutes. I had no input in that letter what-so-ever.

Joe Imhoff- I don't know.

Councilwoman Schneider – That newsletter you have in your hand.

Joe Imhoff- Yes.

Councilwoman Schneider – I had no input in that letter what-so-ever.

Joe Imhoff – Yeah I didn't think you did.

Councilwoman Schneider – So I just want to make that clear that's not coming from myself.

Juniper Leifer – Jade Lane – I just wanted to ask a little bit about the Shade Tree commission appointments that were discussed earlier because I think I'm familiar with the person who denied.

Mayor Steinhardt – We'll you can make a comment.

Juniper Leifer – Well I'll make a comment. I believe she sits here month after month after month. So I'm surprised that you don't know who she is but that's not really what the statement I'd like to make is. It's my understanding, based on the conversation, that you are in need of people to be on that commission and you have recommendations from a councilwoman. Now you may not know that person but she may well very suited for the position so wouldn't it be responsible to maybe bring that person in to familiarize yourself with them, give them a chance. You had someone whose been recommended by a Councilwoman and you have a space that needs filling. There could be very talented, very skilled people throughout this Township who wouldn't get a chance to bring those skills and put them to good use for our community simply because they don't know you personally. That seems like it's a disadvantage for our Township and you can talk to her instead (inaudible).

Mayor Steinhardt – Um, okay thanks. Other comments. I guess I would answer that by saying this. Just because she recommends somebody, she being Ms. Schneider, doesn't mean there are going to get appointed. She could have recommended you Juniper but I wouldn't have appointed you either. Okay anybody else questions, comments.

Diane Hall – 187 Stonehenge Drive – As of 7:25 tonight this solar farm is a disgrace. I believe I said this before. I'm back from the summer and I'm still complaining. Every other business has to keep their lawn cut. I just want it cleaned up. It looks horrible. I don't know if you've been down Strykers Road or not but whatever you did last time Paul, can you do it again cause it is a disgrace to our community. Okay.

Councilwoman Schneider – Is there any way to hold them accountable for this so Ms. Hall doesn't have to come up here month after month and ask for the same thing. I totally agree it does look like it is in shambles all the time.

Diane Hall – Well let me back track on that question. Good idea but are they, I know it is a green thing, are they subject to the same thing that the businesses are on. I mean it is industrial area.

Council President Ciesla – They give us a bond too so if they neglect the property we can execute the bond and Paul, we discussed it a few meetings ago.

Engineer Sterbenz – Well this is standard property maintenance. Every property owner should be you know, cutting their lawn and maintaining their shrubs and bushes and so on and so forth. They shouldn't be allowing them to go in disrepair.

Diane Hall – Because I believe I might be wrong in this, I think it was the May meeting that I brought this up, and um, I believe it was something about the water and they were waiting for everything to grow in and stuff.

Engineer Sterbenz – We are well past that. That was all addressed. This is standard property maintenance and they are just not doing it from what you are saying so I have to call the project manager.

Diane Hall – I went by just before coming to the meeting. That's why I say as of 7:25 tonight. Okay.

Engineer Sterbenz – I will call tomorrow.

Diane Hall – And I want to thank you for Community Day. My granddaughter won a duck and thank you for the fireworks.

Bruce Hall – 187 Stonehenge Drive – Does this also address the property not only from the curb to the fence but the interior of the property because even where the panels are it's just overgrown horrendously. So I don't know if we have that juris, I would think we would.

Engineer Sterbenz – I would have to take a look with respect to the area within the fencing. There is a maintenance plan for that and they planted low maintenance seed mix so the intent would be to mow that less and allow that to grow up.

Bruce Hall – (Inaudible).

Engineer Sterbenz – I think the area outside the fence is not subject to that and that's normal everyday maintenance. It should be, the area should be cut every week so.

Orchefski – Highlands Way. Shade Tree stuff. Sometimes I just don't know. In the time when volunteers are sparse not to even listen or interview I something I find, I don't know, arrogant at best. To sit here to chastise Donna that she does not find enough volunteers but the one she would bring forward, you don't like. Not offering any reasons. I would like if you can offer some insight since you voted for Tammy and if you can share to the public who these public are because you don't know that one. I doubt you know the others.

Mayor Steinhardt – (Inaudible).

Orchefski – Yeah I know you don't. (Inaudible). I would like to say you guys are eight people by now; you work on that stuff seven month I believe and regurgitating something that was suggested to you last year with the (inaudible) program which was a discount card.

Councilwoman McCabe – I don't know what you're talking about.

Orchefski – I know you don't.

Councilwoman McCabe – (Inaudible) this is a different card.

Orchefski – That is the outcome of seven month, I, I find that pathetic. You guys have a good evening all right.

Mayor Steinhardt – Anybody else tonight. I go ahead.

Tammy Pita – Hello. I'm Tammy Pita just so you can know who I am. I welcome you guys to ask me any questions about marketing. I have 25 years' experience so if you have any questions, you can ask me.

Councilwoman Schneider – Great thank you.

Councilwoman McCabe – Thanks Tammy.

Council President Ciesla – Thank you.

Councilwoman Schneider – I have two comments before we wrap up. The March 11th meeting minutes and video I asked for last month to be put up on the

Council President Ciesla – Going as fast as I can. I had Community Day and I was on vacation and sent my son back to college so going as fast as I can.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yeah I'm just, you know, July, August was put up. June was put up.

Council President Ciesla – I know, I have to sort through all my emails to see if Beth already sent them to me and it is a very time consuming process and like I said, I'm getting to them.

Councilwoman Schneider – Can Beth not resend it. You can't ask her for another resend.

Council President Ciesla – I can, when I get to it.

Councilwoman Schneider – Well yeah because

Council President Ciesla – I know Donna, but I'm doing it for free in my spare time right now and I had Community Day.

Councilwoman Schneider – Yes.

Council President Ciesla - And, and Doug, Maureen and Lou all helped me and I thank them for that but it was a lot of work

Councilwoman Schneider - Yes I understand that.

Council President Ciesla - And I was on vacation.

Councilwoman Schneider – Mmmhmm.

Mayor Steinhardt - They'll get up when they're ready. Okay.

Councilwoman Schneider - Well, you know, it was March and when I had questioned you last month you said if I can find them. It wasn't a yes, I will do it, I have to find them. It was if I can find them and if we still have the video.

Council President Ciesla - Donna I said I will do it.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay.

Council President Ciesla - Thank you.

Councilwoman Schneider - Also from that March 11th meeting, this is now the third time I'm asking you to produce a document and gave it to Doug about the savings with the administrator and I asked for a copy of that and I didn't get it. I asked for a copy last month

Mayor Steinhardt - (Inaudible)

Councilwoman Schneider - Lori gave you a document. Well whatever, you produced it and you said.

Council President Ciesla – I did not produce it. (Inaudible) produced it.

Councilwoman Schneider – Okay but at the meeting you produced it.

Council President Ciesla - I know, it was a one and only copy I have. It is way too big for me to copy. You'll have to get it from Beth. I asked, this is now the third time I am asking for that.

Attorney Campbell – I don't know if that is a public record.

Council President Ciesla – It is not at this point.

Councilwoman Schneider – It was produced at the meeting. It should be a public record and

Mayor Steinhardt - It's only public record if it made and maintained by the town. I mean, I don't know but (inaudible).

Councilwoman Schneider - But why when you said you would proclude it, you said yes, I'll get you a copy. Then you told me again I would get a copy and now this, now it's changed that I can't see the copy.

Council President Ciesla - I don't have something to give you. I gave it to Doug. It was the only copy. It is huge. I can't copy it myself.

Mayor Steinhardt – I'll check to see if I have something. I can't promise you that I do.

Councilwoman Schneider – I was also informed that there is another one that is being, that is an updated one that was from last month as well. I was told there was an updated one so where is that one.

Clerk Dilts - I said it had to be updated. It is outdated.

Councilwoman Schneider - Okay and in the minutes it says there is an update copy.

Clerk Dilts - No it doesn't say that.

Councilwoman Schneider - Okay I'll look at the minutes again but um, you know, if the document was produced um, I can see contractual things, and legal things, I should be able to see a document that shows that a savings to the town.

Mayor Steinhardt - If something was given to me I'll certainly look for it. I can't promise you that I have it. I don't necessarily keep all that stuff. I'm not sure what you're talking about but I'll

Council President Ciesla - Yeah I don't have a soft copy, I'll had a hard.

Councilwoman Schneider - Yeah I'll tell you what it is. It was a document that Lori gave to you and it was showing that her analysis of all the work she did to show that the administrator saves the town a ½ million dollars

Clerk Dilts - That is not what the document shows.

Councilwoman Schneider - Okay but that's what was (inaudible).

Council President Ciesla - It was a very big spreadsheet like 11 X 17.

Mayor Steinhardt - Inaudible. I'm sorry I wasn't here last month for the discussion so I didn't know you were looking for something.

Council President Ciesla - Like I said I don't have a soft copy

Mayor Steinhardt - Anybody else in the public have any questions or comments? Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman McCabe, seconded by Council President Ciesla. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret B. Dilts
Clerk/Administrator

Douglas J. Steinhardt
Mayor