

The Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich held a regular meeting with the on the above date with the following Township Committee members present: Mayor Tanya Segal, Deputy Mayor Joseph Gurneak, Committeewoman Elaine Emiliani, Committeeman Dan Perez, Committeeman Bruce Williams, Township Engineer Michael Finelli, Township Attorney Peter Jost, Chief Financial Officer Grace Brennan and Township Clerk Kimberly Viscomi.

The Flag Salute was repeated

• **Sunshine Law**

"Adequate notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by:

Mailing a schedule of this meeting of the Township Committee to the Express-Times, and Newark Star Ledger newspapers, posting a copy thereof on the Township Bulletin Board, and filing a copy thereof with the Township Clerk".

1. Approval of Township Minutes: December 16, 2010

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams to approve December 16, 2010 minutes

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

Abstain: Perez

MOTION CARRIED

2. Receive, and File Monthly Reports:
Tax Collector *Police*
Court *Sewer*
CFO

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams to approve the monthly reports

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

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3. Receive, Charge to Various Accounts, and Pay Monthly Bills

Committeeman Gurneak, made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams to approve the payment of monthly bills

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

➤ **Presentation to Cert Team Members**

➤ **Presentation to Carmen Pirotte/Environmental Commission**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Warren and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter-specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed as follows: Contract negotiations, Pending Litigation, Land Acquisition and Personnel
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public at: When a decision has been rendered.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to adopt the foregoing Resolution and enter into Executive Session.

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Committee Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Mayor Segal to come out of Executive Session and reopen the meeting to the public

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

• **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Committeeman Williams made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to open the public comment period

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Tom Bolger of 506 Dori Place – See attached correspondence read at the meeting

Chris Whitman of 10 Hidden Acres Lane – Stated that he disagrees with any safety concerns and that the Township should move forward with this project.

Frank Marchetta of 102 Dillon Drive – Stated that since the recreation fields have not been built and the housing development is still not constructed to put a walkway in the middle of a farm field is not safe. There will be farm machinery crossing over the walkway creating a hazard. He also has concerns regarding the maintenance of the pathway.

Police Chief Rich Guzzo – Informed that the farm equipment will not cross over the walkway, but will run along the walkway. Stated that statistically abductions are not from strangers, but from family members. He stated that he has no concerns regarding safety along the walkway. Informed that this walkway is needed for evacuation from either schools and also it allows access to the schools.

School Superintendent Maria Eppolite – Stated that the reason for this walkway is not because of courtesy bussing elimination discussion. Informed that she did not know if children will have to walk to school at this point. Stated that she is responsible for over 1,000 children and that this walkway would address safety concerns regarding evacuation.

Doris Rayna of 528 North Main Street – Stated that discussion so far has been related to safety concerns. Questioned what percent the grant is going to cover construction of this project. This does not include soft costs, design work. Stated that there is too many unknowns to consider since the plans for the recreation fields and Mansions development have not been constructed. Stated that cost for this project is a factor for consideration regarding construction or maintenance.

Chris Whitman of 10 Hidden Acres Lane – Stated he is in disagreement to let a grant slip away of \$137,500. The Township should continue with this project.

Doris Rayna of 528 North Main Street – Stated that just because the Township received a grant for this project the cost factor of the final expenses of this walkway need to be considered.

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Greg Blaszkka of 1709 Washington Valley Drive – Stated that a possible compromise could be a path out to Greenwich School from the easement roads from the original plans.

Dawn Marie Kondas of 1911 Gary Road – We have right to farm ordinance. This Township is pro farming. Stated that more planning needs to be accomplished because we do not have the recreation fields in place.

Chuck Purcel of Arbor Drive – Questioned how long the path would be and the cost to maintain this path. Stated that this path would need to be plowed and salted and that times are hard. Questioned what would be the cost on a yearly basis to maintain.

Greg Blaszkka of 1709 Washington Valley Drive – Questioned if the Right to Farm ordinance pertains to Green Acres property.

Joseph Mecsey of 602 South Main Street – Stated as Fire Chief that this walkway would need to be 12 foot wide to accommodate the brush fire truck. Also he stated that he has concerns regarding the drainage along this walkway and that the township scaled down the bike path even though they previously received a grant and that we did not have the proper equipment to maintain the bike path. Stated that he is not in favor at this time of a walkway, without all the major mechanisms in place, ie., recreation fields, housing development.

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to close public comment

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Resolutions

2011-29 Transfer Resolution

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Perez to approve Resolution 2011-29

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

Absent: Williams

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR SEGAL

2011-28 Shops and Cops Grant

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Committeeman Williams made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to approve Resolution 2011-28

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

2011-30 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUATION OF A
SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF
CLINTON

Committeeman Williams made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to approve Resolution 2011-30

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE 2011-01

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF THE SEVERAL TOWNSHIP OFFICES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams to approve for first reading Ordinance 2011-01

Voting in favor: Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: Emiliani

MOTION CARRIED

Resignation of Tom Strozeski as Alt #1 Board of Adjustment member

Committeeman Williams made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to accept the resignation of Tom Strozeski from Board of Adjustment with regrets

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Lady Liners – Raffle License Approval

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to approve Lady Liners raffle application

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEEWOMAN EMILIANI

Resolution 2011-31 Housing Task Force

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams to approve Resolution 2011-31

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Greenwich Municipal Planning Incentive Grant Update (PIG)

Committeeman Williams made a motion, seconded by Mayor Segal to authorize Bob Canace from Land Conservancy to prepare application for submittal.

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Sewer

Committeeman Williams made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani authorizing Sewer Attorney Carney to respond to Stanley Varons.

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEEMAN WILLIAMS

DPW

Part-time Employee: Kyle Brown

Committeeman Williams made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to approve employment of Kyle Brown as part-time laborer for DPW at a salary rate of \$14 per hour.

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

Resolution 2011-32 Revising Township Policy regarding Cash Incentives to Employees in consideration of Waiver of Health Benefits Coverage

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Committeeman Williams made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Perez to approve Resolution 2011-32

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 2011-33 Awarding contract to Jen Electric for School Crossing Signage on Greenwich Street

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 2011-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER VII, SECTION 7-11, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH, ESTABLISHING A SPEED LIMIT ON WYNDHAM FARM BOULEVARD

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Mayor Segal authorizing first reading of Ordinance 2011-02

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams authorizing the framing of the map donated by John Amey. Attorney Jost will make the arrangements for the framing.

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

1. STRYKER'S ROAD

- Our office forwarded a final set of construction plans to the Warren County Engineer's Office on February 26, 2009. Additional supporting information and documentation (i.e. project specifications, cost estimate, details, etc.) was also

forwarded to the County at that time. The project was recently advertised and a bid opening was held by the County during the last week of March. The County is administering all the contract-related issues associated with this project. The County has awarded a contract to the low bidder, Crossroads Construction.

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- A pre-construction meeting for this project was held on May 13, 2009. A more recent field meeting was held on October 6, 2009 and was attended by Nevitt Duveneck of our office, Jim Bernaski, P.E., Assistant Warren County Engineer, Crossroads Construction Reps and the utility companies. The purpose of the meeting was to establish a start date for the project and also confirm the timing for the relocation of the utility poles.
- The Township Committee should be advised that our office has been retained by Warren County for construction administration and inspection services during the construction phase of the project.
- It is important to note that based upon the improvements completed to date and the relocated intersection of Stryker's Road with County Route 519, left turns from Stryker's Road to Route 519 northbound are now being permitted. Our office has previously discussed this matter with the Greenwich Township Police Department who is well aware of the changes to the traffic patterns at this intersection.
- I am pleased to report that the Stryker's Road reconstruction project within the Township of Greenwich is now complete. The final construction items associated with the project included the top course of pavement, roadway striping and the street trees.
- The bridge over the Lopatcong Creek, which was always intended to be part of the overall construction project, will not be included with this work and contract. Please note that the bridge design work is being performed by another consultant and has never been part of the Township's responsibility.
- As you are most likely aware, the bridge work has recently been completed and Stryker's Road is now open for its length from Route 57 to Route 519. I hope that everyone is satisfied with the project and is pleased that the roadway work is finally complete.

2. HIGHLANDS PLAN CONFORMANCE

- I have attended various informational sessions at the Highlands Council office in Chester, NJ since the beginning of this year. The purpose of these meetings/informational sessions is to advise various professionals (engineers, planners and attorneys) about the Plan Conformance process, the timeline and the Grant program associated with same. Our office has been working with both Carl Hintz, P.P. and Steve Balzano towards the development of the various planning modules which constitute the Highlands Plan Conformance process. The intent of this program is to have all involved municipalities be in a position to make a better "informed" decision relative to whether or not they choose to "opt in" to the Highlands Regional Master Plan (HRMP) for the areas within the Planning Area of the HRMP.

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- On April 3, 2009, I was present at a NJ Highlands Informational Session for Module 2: Build-out analysis. Module 1 has been reviewed and approved by the Highlands Council and was recently returned to our office. On October 12, 2009, I met with Steve Balzano to review Module 2 where the final minor edits were made to the Module 2 data. Via e-mail from our office as of 11/4/09, the revised and updated information associated with Module 2 was submitted to the Highlands Council for their review and anticipated approval. The Township has now received, via correspondence from the Highlands Council from November 30, 2009, an approved Module 2 indicating the build-out estimate for the Township based upon Highlands regulations. The Township is now in a position to compare the Highlands build-out estimates versus the estimates previously provided by COAH. The Township should now be in a position to secure reimbursement for the Module 2 work.
- Our office has also completed Module 4: Highlands Environmental Resources Inventory, which was submitted to the Highlands Council a number of weeks ago. We have provided copies of the Module 4 disc and information to Carl Hintz's office and other Township Professionals. We recently received confirmation from the Highlands Council that Module 4 has been approved. The Township should now be in a position to request reimbursement for the work associated with Module 4.
- Carl Hintz, P.P., along with Steve Balzano and our office, have completed all of the required modules and supporting documentation required by the Highlands Council in conjunction with the Plan Conformance process to this juncture. The petition and other associated and required documents and modules were submitted to the Highlands Council by Carl Hintz's office prior to the December 8, 2009 deadline.
- I was recently copied on a correspondence from the Highlands Council which found the Township's Plan Conformance submission, based upon additional data and information provided, to be administratively complete. Therefore, the Township's submission is now in the position to be reviewed by the Highlands Council. I am unaware of any specific timeframe associated with their review and response to the Township's Plan Conformance submission.

3. NEW MUNICIPAL BUILDING: ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES RFP

- A meeting between the CPC, myself and representatives of the Township Committee was held on February 19, 2009 to review the second round of RFPs. Subsequent to the February 19, 2009 meeting, three (3) different architectural firms were selected to be interviewed. The three (3) selected firms included Clark Caton Hintz, SSP and The Speizle Group. Interviews with each of the three (3) architectural firms were held on March 5, 2009. Following the completion of the interviews, Joe Schiller, CPC Chairman, requested that all attendees from the interviews forward their recommendation and comments to Joe Schiller for his review and summary. At this juncture, it appears that The Speizle Group has been

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chosen as the CPC's consensus recommendation as the architect to be selected for the Greenwich Township Municipal Building project.

- Joe Schiller provided a summary of the CPC's evaluation and recommendation to the Township Committee at the March 19, 2009 Committee Meeting. As suspected, The Speizle Group was the recommendation of the CPC for the architectural services for the new Township Municipal Building. A special joint meeting between the Township Committee and CPC was held on April 23, 2009 where The Speizle Group provided a second presentation to all the parties present at the meeting.
- Based upon the Township Committee's direction at the May 21, 2009 Committee Meeting, I contacted Larry Uher, Speizle Architectural, to inform him that the Township Committee was not in a position to proceed with the execution of any contract for Architectural Services for the Municipal Building Project at this time. I further relayed to Mr. Uher that their presentations and firm were very well received by the Township and that the lack of any action by the Township Committee was based solely upon the Township's 2009 budget constraints.
- I am unaware of the Township Committee's position and/or the details of the municipal budget for 2011 which would certainly impact this project. This matter was discussed briefly early in 2010 and the consensus seemed to be that the Township Committee was not prepared to make any decision at this time. I am raising this issue strictly as a "place holder" regarding the potential future construction of a new municipal building for the Township. I will assume that the Township continues to have no intention of moving forward during 2011 with this project. Please advise should my assumption be incorrect.

4. PHILLIPSBURG REGIONAL WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (WMP)

- Our office has previously completed revisions to certain mapping associated with the Township's WMP. This mapping was completed and forwarded to Kupper Associates for inclusion into the "complete" updated Township WMP. Kupper Associates' has completed their review of our mapping and the development of the Township WMP. It is my understanding that all required information has been forwarded to Remington & Vernick for their review and incorporation into the Phillipsburg Regional WMP as required by the NJDEP.
- The Township Committee should be advised that the NJDEP has previously forwarded correspondence, dated April 2, 2008, to the Town of Phillipsburg regarding the most recent submission of the Phillipsburg Regional WMP. The April 2, 2008 letter disapproves of the Phillipsburg Areawide WMP. As of the date of this report, I have not heard of the official course of action to be employed by the Town of Phillipsburg in response to the NJDEP letter. It is my understanding that a resubmission by Phillipsburg in an attempt to address the NJDEP's comments will be provided at some point in the future. I am unaware of any timeline for this resubmission being formulated to date.

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- Based upon the County's recent decision to decline WMP agency responsibility and the resulting impact upon all the municipalities in Warren County, including Greenwich, the Township is now obligated to submit their own individual WMP to the NJDEP.
- Our office recently received a copy of a letter, dated March 1, 2010, from the NJDEP to Stephanie Cuthbert of Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc. The letter was formal notice to the Town of Phillipsburg that the previously pending WMP amendment has been Disapproved. Based upon this approval, I am uncertain as to how or if the Phillipsburg Regional WMP amendment process will be continuing, if at all.
- It is my understanding that Mayor Segal attended a meeting at the Town of Phillipsburg with representatives of the outlying sending districts on October 19, 2010, along with Joe Pryor, P.E., representing Greenwich Township. Mayor Segal provided a brief update regarding the October 19, 2010 Phillipsburg meeting to the Township Committee at their October 21, 2010 Township Committee meeting.

5. 2007 NJDOT SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS) GRANT PROGRAM

- This project consists of sidewalk extensions to the following areas within the Township: North Main Street sidewalk extension, the Willow Grove Road sidewalk extension and the Greenwich Street sidewalk extension. This project has received a \$150,000 grant through the NJDOT.
- Township Bond Ordinance No. 2007-23 was adopted at the December 20, 2007 Township Committee Meeting. The Township Committee then authorized our office to commence with the required field survey and design work in order to move this project forward. We have been coordinating with both Warren County (two of the three sidewalk extensions are along County Roads, Route 637 and Route 638, respectively) and some of the affected utility companies who may have utility poles needing to be relocated.
- Nevitt Duveneck from our office previously met with Cheryl Edwards, NJDOT Local Aid Office, regarding additional administrative forms (Categorical Exclusion Documentation, Construction Authorization Environmental Inventory and Construction Authorization Environmental Checklist) which need to be completed and forwarded to the NJDOT based solely upon the fact that this program is a Federally funded program vs. the typical State/NJDOT funded programs.
- Based upon the funding mechanism for this particular grant program, approval through the U.S. Department of Transportation (Federal Highway Administration) is also required. We have received an approval letter from SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office) relative to this project and the improvements in question. On

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September 15, 2009, we finally received authorization and approval from the FHA for this project which has allowed our office to put the project "out to bid."

- As previously noted, our office has received confirmation regarding the required FHA approval. Based upon receipt of that approval, the project was advertised for bid and a bid opening occurred Wednesday, October 14, 2009. At the October 15, 2009 Township Committee meeting, based upon the above-referenced Bond Ordinance (No. 2007-23), the Township was able to make a contract award to the low bidder, Z Brothers Concrete Contracting, in the amount of \$189,942.27.
 - The work associated with this project commenced on May 17, 2010. The project is presently and has been, for a number of months, nearly 100% complete with the exception of some minor punchlist items resulting from a follow-up inspection conducted by representatives from the NJDOT. Nevitt Duveneck has been coordinating this matter between the contractor and the NJDOT in an effort to close-out the project in order for the Township to receive their final reimbursement. I will continue to keep the Township Committee apprised of the status of completion of these few final punchlist items which, dependent upon the weather, may not be able to be completed until the Spring.
 - At the July 22, 2010 Committee meeting, the Committee approved the initial payment to the contractor in the amount of \$148,913.24 which did not include any Change Orders. As discussed at length at the July Committee meeting, there have been some necessary increases to the initial contract for this project including, but not limited to, additional costs associated with traffic control. After consultation with both Grace Brennan, CFO and Peter Jost, Esq., Township Attorney, it was determined that an ordinance would need to be adopted by the Township in order to pay the contractor for the balance of work performed to date. The second reading and public hearing of this ordinance occurred at the August Committee meeting where Ordinance #2010-13 was approved. Additionally, Resolution #2010-69 which waived the administrative fee included within the invoices from the Greenwich Township Police Department (associated with traffic control) was also approved.
 - I believe that this project will provide a great benefit and additional safety to the general pedestrian circulation patterns within the Township.
6. 2008 NJDOT SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS) GRANT PROGRAM
- At the March 20, 2008 Township Committee Meeting, the Township Committee approved Resolution 2008-23 which represented their endorsement for the submission of a new and separate grant application under this program. The application in question will be for the sidewalk/bike path to be constructed between the Elementary School and the Middle School. The construction of this pedestrian link would be the final component of a significant pedestrian circulation network. Our office has submitted, via the SAGE system on April 14, 2008, a fully executed application to the NJDOT for this project. We are unaware

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of any timeline established relative to award notices being received by any municipal applicant through this program.

- I am very pleased to report that, based upon receipt of a letter, dated May 12, 2009, from the NJDOT to Mayor Emiliani, the Township was awarded a grant in the amount of \$135,700.00 through this program. We will continue to discuss this project further at future Township Committee Meetings since the Township Committee will need to authorize our office to proceed with the initial phases of work some time during 2009.
- As authorized by the Township Committee, our office has continued to coordinate with the NJDOT and attended a “Kick-Off” Meeting with the NJDOT on September 15, 2009. The “Kick-Off” Meeting is the first requirement of this particular Grant Program. Our office will continue to move this project forward as required based upon the NJDOT grant guidelines and requirements associated with this project.
- Authorization for our office to proceed with the field survey work and subsequent development of the design/construction plans was previously provided by the Township Committee. As previously discussed with the Township Committee, based upon the terms of this grant, the project must be authorized for implementation within two (2) years from the award date (May 12, 2011). Our office has been successful in receiving the CED (Categorical Exclusion Document) for this project which allows it to proceed forward to secure Federal Authorization, once the design plans are completed, submitted and approved.
- At this time, the project design phase has been halted based upon the inability of the Township to secure a relocated easement thru the “Mansions/Domingues” property. This matter MUST be resolved immediately in order for the Township to hopefully meet the May 12, 2011 Federal Authorization approval deadline.
- It is my understanding that this project, along with the two (2) required easements (pedestrian path and sanitary sewer) across the “Mansions/Domingues” property, is slated for discussion at the January 20, 2011 meeting with representatives from both the Township Open Space Committee and Township Committee. Depending upon the results of the discussion to be held at the January 20, 2011 Committee meeting and the consensus of the Committee regarding their intention to proceed with the project or not, our office will proceed accordingly.

7. FIRE HOUSE LEASE AREA

- At the June 17, 2010 Township Committee meeting, the Committee requested that our office review the 20-acre exception parcel located on Greenwich Street in an effort to develop a preliminary proposed lease area map. The purpose of this map will be to assist in future discussions with the Fire Department relative to the potential leasing of a portion of this property for the construction of a new fire house by the Fire Department. Our office has researched our file and has

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developed a preliminary lease area plan. I provided each Committee Member and Joe Mecsey, Fire Chief, with a copy of this proposed plan at the July 22, 2010 meeting.

- This plan was discussed at the August 19, 2010 Committee meeting where there appeared to be a general consensus amongst both the Township Committee as well as the Fire Chief that the proposed lease area, as represented on our plan, was satisfactory. The Township Committee requested that the Fire Department make a presentation to the Township Planning Board to secure their endorsement of the proposed lease area as well. This matter was discussed and reviewed at the October 11, 2010 Planning Board meeting. It is my understanding that the Planning Board has forwarded a letter to the Township Committee regarding the Board's general approval on the location of the proposed fire house lease area.

8. GREEN ACRES: PASSIVE RECREATIONAL PLAN DEVELOPMENT

- A site inspection of the property along with a review of our initial concept passive recreational/trail plan was held on April 25, 2009. I was in attendance along with Debbie Scarborough and Dawn Marie Kondas. I believe the results of the site walk and inspection proved favorable and showed that the passive recreational/trail plan was a very viable proposal for the property in question, based upon its existing features and topography.
- Based upon a recent conversation with Dawn Marie Kondas, I understand that grant programs for projects of this type are presently available. I believe that Dawn Marie Kondas, along with other members of the Township Open Space Committee, are taking the lead on making application for this grant. I am sure that Dawn Marie Kondas will keep the Committee advised regarding the timing, status and funding through this program.

9. MUNICIPAL ROADWAY EVALUATION & IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT

- Committeeman Gurneak had previously discussed this matter with myself and the balance of the Township Committee. It is my understanding that the Township is considering developing a program to establish both a long-term maintenance schedule and annual budget appropriation for all of the municipal roadways.
- Our office previously provided the Township Committee with a budget estimate for this project. Although I certainly understand that the allocation of funds to provide these services would be challenging, the Township Committee should give consideration for the budgeting of this project and potential incorporation into the 2011 Municipal Budget. If so requested, our office could develop a current and new estimate should the Township wish to consider this work during 2011.

10. DUMONT ROAD STREET LIGHTING

- At a prior Township Committee Meeting, the Township requested that we solicit quotes from contractors for the cost to replace all of the photocells in these street

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lights. We recently received one (1) quote from Carr & Duff relative to their proposed costs to repair and/or replace some various components of the street lighting along Dumont Road. This quote was faxed to the Township on January 28, 2009 and an additional copy was provided to the Committee Members at the February 19, 2009 meeting. The Township will need to make a decision whether or not they wish to proceed in contracting for the services to repair these street lights.

- Once all of the street lights have been repaired and all other existing lights are energized, the Township Committee will need to make a decision relative to the future and permanent illumination and lighting levels along this section of Dumont Road. A decision on the final illumination pattern for the street lights along Dumont Road will need to be made by the Township Committee sometime during 2009.
- As requested by the Township Committee at the June 18, 2009 Meeting, our office again contacted Carr & Duff, Inc. regarding this matter. They confirmed that their original proposal, dated January 27, 2009 was still applicable and that the individual price quotes would be held. As reported at last month's Committee meeting, it has now been confirmed that the main power supply for all of these street lights has been "cut-off." Their opinion (and it is strictly an educated guess by them), assuming power can be restored to the street lights, is that approximately four (4) lamps would need to be replaced and four (4) ballasts including the replacement of all thirteen (13) photocells. This would equate to \$3,500.00 based upon the prices quoted in their January 27, 2009 proposal. Again, it is critical to note that this estimate is based upon an educated GUESS by Carr & Duff which was very reluctantly supplied to us.
- The Township previously reviewed the Carr & Duff, Inc. quote referenced above and the various options and possibilities relative to the work in question. No formal action was taken. The Township had previously requested that I contact the current Owner of Greenwich Center, Inland Western, regarding their involvement and the situation relative to the power service to these various light fixtures. I made contact with Mr. Mark Perin, Inland Western, who is the Property Manager for the Greenwich Center Shopping Center in advance of the October 15, 2009 Committee meeting. As reported at the October Committee meeting, it was confirmed by Mr. Perin that power to the street lights has been terminated by Inland Western.
- Kim Viscomi, Township Clerk, was to investigate this matter further with JCP&L regarding the reactivation of the power supply to these street lights and the transfer of the account to Greenwich Township from Inland Western. Subsequent to this being accomplished, the Township will then be in a position to make a decision on the illumination pattern and number of street lights to be activated and/or modified.

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11. TOWNSHIP SINKHOLE REMEDIATION CONTRACT

- This project and the potential for awarding a future contract for these services was discussed in early 2010 with the Township Committee regarding both the short-term and long-term interest of the Township relative to sinkhole remediation needs and costs. The Township Committee decided that, due to budgetary constraints, no further action on this matter would be taken. I would again strongly suggest that the Township Committee consider bidding for these services during 2011 solely as a precautionary measure in the event a large sinkhole develops which is unable to be remediate by the Township DPW.

12. GREENWICH TOWNSHIP WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (WMP)

- As you are all aware, our office is in the process of preparing a Township specific WMP which will need to be submitted to the NJDEP for their approval. The requirement for the Township to prepare a Township specific WMP was created by virtue of Warren County's declination of their requirement to prepare a County-wide WMP. Our office has been and will continue to work closely on this matter with Steve Balzano, Joe Pryor, and the Township Sewer Subcommittee.
- At the July 16, 2009 Committee Meeting, the Township approved of the filing of a Grant Application through the NJDEP to assist the Township towards the preparation of a WMP. It is my understanding that the available funding through this Grant Program is for \$10,000.00. Our office has coordinated with Grace Brennan and Kim Viscomi regarding the completion of this WMP Grant Application.
- Recently, the required paperwork associated with this grant application was provided to our office from the NJDEP in order for the grant to be fully executed and the funding to be processed. We have forwarded the application to Kim Viscomi for appropriate signatures and for execution. Now since the fully executed application has been received by our office and forwarded to the NJDEP, the Township should be in a position to receive the grant funds available through this program.
- Our office recently coordinated with the NJDEP relative to the release of the grant monies which were previously secured by the Township for this project. Kim Viscomi, Township Clerk, forwarded a letter, dated September 2, 2010, to Ms. Theresa Bottini, NJDEP, with an amendment/modification to the grant agreement. Based upon a recent conversation with Ms. Bottini, it is my understanding that the funds through this grant program have been recently forwarded to the municipality or should be received in the near future. I am unaware if the Township has indeed received the \$10,000 grant.
- Administrative Order #2010-03 was signed by Mr. Bob Martin, NJDEP Commissioner, which extended the deadline for submitting a WMP until April 7, 2011. Until then, it is our understanding that all current wastewater service area

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designations will remain effective. Our office has communicated directly with our NJDEP representative, Mr. Neal Ferrari, on this project, who suggested that it would still be prudent for the Township to proceed forward with their revised/amended/updated WMP and submit same to the NJDEP in the near future to expedite the processing of same.

- Although this matter is being handled directly through the Township Sewer Subcommittee, I will continue to advise the Township Committee regarding the status of the WMP development and timeline associated with same. Please be advised that our office has been communicating and coordinating with Steve Balzano regarding the final development and completion of the Township WMP. It is my understanding that this matter is scheduled for discussion by the Sewer Subcommittee at their January 20, 2011 meeting which may allow for an update to the full Township Committee immediately thereafter.

13. WYNDHAM FARM BOULEVARD/GREENWICH STREET CROSSING

- The County's resurfacing project of Greenwich Street commenced in September, 2010. The project has been completed and the crosswalks have been re-striped by the County's striping contractor.
- At the June 17, 2010 Committee meeting, our office provided the Township Committee Members with the previously approved school crossing warning signal plans for their review, comment and information. The Committee subsequently authorized our office to proceed with the "re-approval" of the original design plan for purposes of future installation. We have forwarded the plans to the Warren County Engineer's Office via correspondence dated July 1, 2010. Each member of the Committee was provided with a copy of the letter and plan. Please be advised that some minor updates and revisions were incorporated into the plans which were forwarded to the Warren County Engineer's Office. We previously secured approval from the County on the revised and updated plans prepared by our office.
- The Township has previously gone through two (2) separate bid cycles with bids received and reviewed at both the October and November, 2010 Township Committee meetings. In both cases, the bids were rejected and therefore, no contract award was made. At the November 9, 2010 Committee meeting, the Township authorized our office to negotiate directly with the low bidder of the second round of bids, Carr and Duff, as allowed under the local public contracts law. Carr and Duff advised our office that they would be willing to provide the equipment and services requested for \$40,000. As this amount is above their initial bid (from October, 2010) of \$37,350., the Township did not award this contract to Carr and Duff for the amount of \$40,000.
- Our office was requested to perform an analysis of a direct wire (AC powered) option for these signs as compared to the solar powered signs included within our construction plans. The results of our comparative analysis were submitted and

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reviewed at the December 16, 2010 Committee meeting. Based upon our analysis, it seemed clear that the desirable and most cost effective option for this proposed warning signage was to utilize solar powered signage.

- The Township authorized Attorney Jost to investigate options available relative to the Township entering into a contract to supply the solar powered warning and driver feedback signage. Our office has been in communication with Attorney Jost over the past few weeks regarding this matter. Attorney Jost will be providing a summary memo to the Township Committee which will reflect the Township's options regarding contracting for the purchase and installation of this warning signage. Our office has been in contact with a number of contractors regarding the timeframe associated with the purchase and subsequent installation of this signage. It appears that it would take approximately two (2) months (max.) between the time a contract is entered into to the time that the signals are installed and become operational in the field.

14. 2011 NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID GRANT APPLICATIONS

- At the July Committee meeting, our office received authorization to prepare the 2011 NJDOT applications for the Township. Our office has completed the preparation of two (2) separate grant applications thru this year's program.
- This year's applications (Richline Road and Washington Street) were submitted electronically (via the SAGE system) prior to the August 13, 2010 deadline. As of the date of this report, no announcements relative to the Grant recipients has been made by the NJDOT. We were recently advised by the NJDOT Local Aid office that the grant award notices through the 2011 Trust Fund program were to be forthcoming.

15. MORRIS CANAL TOPSOIL

- I have been in contact with Dave Dech, P.P., Warren County Planner, regarding a pending County project which will include restoration of a section of the Morris Canal within Greenwich Township. Mr. Dech has offered the Township the topsoil which will be excavated out of the Canal in conjunction with this construction project. As you are all well aware, based upon the receipt of a multitude of recent e-mails from me regarding this matter, Dave Dech needs a response from the Township regarding our desire to have this topsoil transported to a site in the Township for a future use/project. In my e-mail of September 10, 2010, I offered numerous recommendations relative to a proposed stockpile location for this material.
- This matter was discussed at the September 16, 2010 Township Committee meeting where the Township agreed to the County's offer and accept the Greenwich Township portion of the topsoil to be generated from this project. I have relayed that decision to David Dech, P.P. I previously had discussed this matter with Dan Perez, former Township Recreation Chairman, regarding the potential use of this topsoil at the Beatty's Road recreation fields as discussed by

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the Committee at the September, 2010 meeting. The construction project is not slated to commence until sometime in the Spring/Summer of 2011, so the Township has ample time to make more detailed decisions regarding the final destination and use of this topsoil.

16. WYNDHAM FARM BOULEVARD NORTH: SPEED LIMIT SURVEY

- Please refer to separate correspondence, dated December 10, 2010. This correspondence outlined the results of our speed survey of the road in question and the results of same which yielded that a 35 MPH speed limit would be both appropriate and justifiable. It is my understanding that Attorney Jost was going to be preparing an ordinance, for first reading at the January Committee meeting, which would establish a 35 MPH speed limit along this section of Wyndham Farm Boulevard North.

17. 1500 WEST AVENUE – NJDOT ROW VACATION

- This matter is being included within our Engineer's Report as a "place holder" for pending action by the Township Committee relative to the prior request made by the owners of the Antique Store at 1500 West Avenue to solicit the Township's support for a vacation of the NJDOT ROW adjacent to their property. This matter was discussed at a recent Township Planning Board meeting where the Planning Board issued a recommendation to the Township Committee to agree to support the DOT ROW vacation contingent upon an access easement being provided from the Antique Store owners to Bondi Bar, Inc. As of the date of this report, I have not received confirmation that an agreement has been reached between Bondi Bar and the Antique Store regarding this access easement. I will continue to keep the Township Committee apprised of this matter as it moves forward.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to open the public comment period

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Tom Bolger of 506 Dori Place – Informed that he has reviewed the Township website and that it needs to be updated with new 2011 information.

Gary Hill – OEM/Squad Captain – Stated that he supports the walk path to be used for evacuation.

Tom Bolger of 506 Dori Place – Questioned if this walkway could be used for emergency roadway only to be utilized for emergency services.

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Frank Marchetta of 102 Dillon Drive – Stated that he has major concerns that the Township needs to consider regarding the cost factor of this project.

Greg Blaszk of 1709 Washington Valley Drive – Stated that he agrees with the sinkhole remediation, that we are spending too much money for planning and nothing to show for it. Stated that if the Township is not going to execute than we need to stop planning. Also, informed that the Township needs to look at regionalization/shared services.

Doris Rayna of 526 North Main Street – Stated that discussion tonight regarding evacuation, however there are too many safety concerns that have not been addressed and to spend funds for a project that we are not going to have a final cost is not reasonable

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Warren and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter-specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed as follows: Contract negotiations, Pending Litigation, Land Acquisition and Personnel
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public at: When a decision has been rendered.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams to adopt the foregoing Resolution and enter into Executive Session.

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

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Committee Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Mayor Segal to come out of Executive Session and reopen the meeting to the public

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

2008 NJDOT Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Grant Program
Sidewalk/Bike path to be constructed between the Elementary School and the Middle School.

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Perez not to proceed with the design work previously authorized for the SRTS 2008 grant.

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: Williams

MOTION CARRIED

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams to continue to proceed with the easements for the walkway and sewer easement for the elementary school

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Perez designating Mayor Segal to be the hearing examiner related to the charges against Patrolman Chris Tasiopoulos

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: None

MOTION CARRIED

First Reading

Ordinance 2011-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CREATING THE POSITION OF DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Perez authorizing first reading of Ordinance 2011-03

Voting in favor: Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal

Opposed: Emiliani

MOTION CARRIED

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Williams ratifying the 2011 appointment of Robert Vetrecin to the Board of Adjustment

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**Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal
Opposed: None
MOTION CARRIED**

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Mayor Segal approving the change of the meeting date from February 17th to February 24th at 7:30 P.M.

**Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal
Opposed: None
MOTION CARRIED**

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to rehire Gordon Kobler as Tax Collector effective 02/01/2011 to 12/31/2011 at a salary rate of \$8,000 from this appointment term.

**Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal
Opposed: None
MOTION CARRIED**

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Mayor Segal to appoint Sharon Brown as Assistant to the Tax Collector effective 1/20/2011

**Voting in favor: Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal
Opposed: Emiliani
MOTION CARRIED**

As there was no further business, Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to adjourn the meeting at 11:57 P.M.

**Voting in favor: Emiliani, Williams, Perez, Gurneak, Segal
Opposed: None
MOTION CARRIED**

**Kimberly Viscomi, RMC
Township Clerk/Administrator**

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