

WILLINGBORO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

AGENDA

December 1, 2015

7:00 PM
Call to order
Flag Salute
Statement
Roll Call

Manager's Report

ORDINANCE 2015-10—FINAL (PUBLIC HEARING)

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO TO APPOINT TOWNSHIP TAX COLLECTOR, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141

(The Ordinances 2015-10 published herewith was introduced and passed on first reading at public meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, held on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 7 P.M. It will be considered for final passage after public hearing to be held on possibly December 1, 2015 at 7P.M. at the Willingboro Municipal Complex, One Dr. Rev. M.L. King, Jr. Drive. Copies will be made available at the Township Clerk's office in the Municipal Building to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

ORDINANCE 2015-11—INTRODUCTION

AMENDING CHAPTER 150-8 RECREATION DEPARTMENT FEES

(Notice of Introduction of Ordinances: The Ordinances 2015-11 published herewith was introduced and passed on first reading at public meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, held on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 7 P.M. It will be considered for final passage after public hearing to be held on possibly December 15, 2015 at 7P.M. at the Willingboro Municipal Complex, One Dr. Rev. M.L. King, Jr. Drive. Copies will be made available at the Township Clerk's office in the Municipal Building to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

RESOLUTIONS

Res. 2015—137 **RESOLUTION FOR THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO APPOINTING A CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICER AS CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO (HELD FROM THE NOVEMBER 4, 2015 MEETING)**

- Res. 2015—145 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT & RATIFICATION
- Res. 2015—146 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FOR OVERPAYMENTS OF TAXES
- Res. 2015—147 RESOLUTION APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RESURFACING OF CHARLES VAN SCIVER PARKWAY PHASE III (FROM SALEM ROAD. TO SUNSET ROAD) PROJECT
- Res. 2015—148 RESOLUTION FOR BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO TO MEET THE REQUIREMENT FOR OPERATING THE AFFAIRS OF THE TOWNSHIP
- Res. 2015—149 RESOLUTION INCREASING THE BID THRESHOLD AND TOWNSHIP QUOTE THRESHOLD FOR THE QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT
- Res. 2015—150 RESOLUTION TO APPOINT DONNA MC GILBERRY MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COORDINATOR FOR THE WILLINGBORO TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE
- Res. 2015—151 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LEVITTOWN MEMORIAL POST NO. 4914 V.F.W. LIQUOR CLUB LICENSE
- Res. 2015—152 RESOLUTION REJECTING PROPOSALS SUBMITTED FOR THIRD PARTY EMS BILLING
- Res. 2015—153 EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

TREASURER REPORT Approval and adoption

Approval of October 6, 2015 and October 20, 2015 minutes

Public Comment
Council Comment
Adjournment

**ALL BUSINESS ITEMS ARE TENTATIVE PENDING THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL
OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT**

Willingboro Township Council Meeting of December 1, 2015, held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Complex, One Rev. Dr. M. L. King, Jr., Willingboro, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order at 7PM

Flag Salute

The Required statement was read.

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner.

On January 1, 2015, advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex.

On January 1, 2015, advance written notice of this meeting was mailed to the Burlington County times, Willingboro, the Trenton Times, the Philadelphia Inquirer and the Courier Post.

On January 1, 2015, advance written notice of this meeting was filed with the Township Clerk.

The Clerk is directed to enter into the minutes of this meeting this public announcement.

Roll Call:	Councilman Holley	Present
	Councilwoman Jennings	Present
	Councilman Walker	Present
	Deputy Mayor Anderson	Present
	Mayor Campbell	Present

Also: Joanne Diggs, Township Manager; Michael Armstrong, LLC. Township Solicitor; Wendell Bibbs, Township Engineer; Duane Wallace, Willingboro Inspector Director; Rich Brevogel, Deputy Manager/Director of Public Works; Jill Cyrus, Director of Recreation; Barbara Lightfoot, Finance Director

Manager's Report (See attached)

➤ **Director Rucker and Lt. Bucs presentation to Council—**

Mayor Campbell congratulated the Youth Academy for a job well done and on behalf of himself and Council thanked the Police Department for their presentation of the plaque depicting the Summer Youth Academy's newspaper picture and article.

➤ **Mr. Weiss' status of the development of the commercial space at the corner of the Avery Apartment Complex—**

Mr. Weiss: I received a phone call from the Mayor asking that I would come down. I wanted to give you a quick update of what is taking place at the Avery on the residential and our efforts on the commercial also.

We are now at the third and final phase (Mr. Weiss presented a rendering of the layout of the Avery projects). We have paved and planning on completing construction on this end of the project sometime in the late summer or early fall of next year.

It been a challenge because of the economic and also from the financial standpoint you have to have the first pioneer to come in and make it able to kick this off as far as financing. The good news is, we have a number of pad sites on front, individual smaller stores and an office/day care. We are currently in negotiations with both a Day Care and one of these pads (pointing to the rendering). If that comes to past, the Planning Board will be seeing us in very short order. This is not fully engineered, but it works. Things may change depending on who may come in. We have a rendering of one of the buildings; there is a lot of glass, pressed wood, and metal. As with everything we do at Avery, this is not cheap, it is high end finishes. You would see a lot of this in places like New York and possible in Philadelphia. It is not that easy to attract retail regardless of where it is in New Jersey right now. We are going to put our best foot forward and do something a little special, so that when people come in they will be inspired because they don't see this in South Jersey. These are our plans; they might change depending on who really steps up. We have been working diligently for a very long time and we are hoping in the next couple months we will have somebody that will step up.

We don't need national tenants, but they do help when it comes to financing. We have had a lot of interest in Mom and Pop Stores. Part of our design of retail to make smaller stores that is really about 25 ft. wide and 50 ft. deep, they appeal to the small sore whether it would; hairdresser, nails, cleaners , that type.

People say that they are not national tenants—who care. They are the stores who people live there use and need, so what it the difference. Not everybody sees it that way, especially the financial institutions, but we find that we would rather deal with Mom and Pops things go a lot easier, smoother and quicker. We have some good feedback and as soon as we can nail one of these national tenants that would give us the kick start to be able to go in and put in the improvements and possibly we put up one building or two buildings—at least the shells and have something to show somebody when they come to rent something instead of the beautiful trees that are out there. That's where we are right now. Are there any questions? If so, I will be happy to answer them.

Mayor Campbell asked Council if they had any questions.

Councilman Holley: I know you said you are waiting for your first nation tenant to kick start. Do you have an estimated time table when the community can expect the entire project to be complete?

Mr. Weiss: Do you mean the residential and commercial.

Councilman Holley: The commercial, yes.

Mr. Weiss: The residential is well on its way. I will be specific on the commercial. It depends on when we start. Once we start it is not a difficult project. it is really just the matter of doing the improvements; parking lots, tension basins and putting up the shells of the buildings. It is a hard question to answer because it

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really depends on when we start. I would say, if someone told me I could start in the summertime, we could be completed with 18 months to two years.

Councilman Holley: What have you done currently to attract those nation tenants or any tenants up to this point?

Mr. Weiss: We are working with a brokerage firm called Wolf. I am dealing with one of the partners. We have been in the social media; we are going to all the retail shows, we have spoken to so many different people. This is not a project that nobody knows about. It is a project that everybody knows about. The first person in is always the toughest to get in. I am very confident that we have left no stone unturned with this because it is to our best interest to be able to work on this at the same time we are working on the residential.

Councilman Walker: Last year you came before us and you said you anticipated within a year having tenants. I asked you if you were working with a firm to help you. You said you have spoken to some people; so you have some type of contract or agreement in principal with them to go out and search? Have you put together some type of package? It is strange to me that everywhere else around Rt. 130 things are popping up all the time, but just not here. I don't understand what the problem is.

Mr. Weiss: let me answer your first question. We have been under agreement with this brokerage for well over a year. They have e put together packages both physical packages. I think there was even something in Burlington, months ago where we found out about, at the last minute and somebody was sent over there—this was on the internet, it on, it's being marketed in every possible place, so we have gone from talking about to well over a year ago. It is probably about 14 months that we are with this company and if you are on Facebook or anything like that, ads come up and also through the industry and the show and picking up the phone to every possible major type of tenant and pursuing them. Why things happen up and down Route 130, I don't know the situation and I don't know the ones you are talking about. I am telling you that it is very difficult to get from this point with nothing out there, except trees to a point where some activity is being built, so people can drive in and try to picture where things are going o be. It is not for the lack of trying. There is no incentive for us not to be trying, it is a matter of time and work and finding the tenant.

- Councilman Walker: Did you happen to bring one of the packages with you?
- Mr. Weiss: I can have one sent to you. Let me know where you want it sent.
- Councilman Walker: we want it sent here. You would think if you would do this presentation you would have completed by bringing that.
- Mr. Weiss: It is a (inaudible) type, not an ad in the newspaper, it is a demographic. It's for somebody deciding a home office in another state, whether they should be putting a brand or putting a franchise here.
- Councilman Walker: My frustration is, every time you come before us we are hearing the same thing. It is always we are on the brink of it, and that's my frustration.
- Are you having a problem renting the units?
- Mr. Weiss: We are equally frustrated. It not like it is any benefit to us. We are not having a problem renting units, but we had problems renting the first units. That's just the way it goes. If you have any suggestions that you think something we are not doing, I will be happy to hear about it.
- Councilman Walker: it is not for me to make suggestions to you, it not my role. That's it for me.
- Deputy Mayor Anderson: In an early presentation to Council, I thought it was said that prior to completing that in starting Phase 3 that he commercial would be started, but as we see, Phase 3 is almost completed and still no commercial and if there was a change in plans, it never came back before council to say, I need to change something around.
- Mr. Weiss: Are you saying that there was a commitment somewhere.
- Deputy Mayor Anderson: I thought there was an understanding that before you started Phase 3 that the commercial would be started.
- Mr. Weiss: I am not aware of anything of that nature at all. I can tell you that we have not waited until Phase 3 or Phase 3 or Phase 1. We have had signs up there and we have been getting phone calls. If you see what is going on in the State of New Jersey as retails, and if you go into towns and you see half towns vacant. It is not so strange that it would be difficult to attract newer people and never into an area that is less familiar and less proven; is this not particular at all to Burlington. We have the same problem in the Middlesex, Somerset and retail is taking a major hit over

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the last couple years. As the economic get a little better, people get a little bit more confidential at what they want to do. Things start to loose up, people have a little more comfort level, but it is not something you can pull people to and say hey, why aren't you renting here. The decisions of the major companies are not and on a local level. The decisions are made on wherever their home office is. Their decisions will be made on metric and demographics and whatever they feel they are going to do or not going to do. We can talk until we are blue in face. All we can keep doing is putting it out in front of them.

Deputy Mayor Anderson:

I understand everything that you are saying, but also there has been a lack of communication. When things change; such as when you came before us, regarding the jug handle not having to put one in and we said what we wanted. Not additional apartments, but commercial. Your pitch was a little bit different and trying to get us to forgo the jug handle to do additional development, so at least keep us in the loop as to what is happening. Because, when we are questioned we don't have answers because we are not getting answers. If the industry is slow on the commercial side, I think it should be more communication between us.

Mr. Weiss:

Ok, that's fine.

Mayor Campbell:

I don't hav question, but I do have a comment. Over the years, since 2002 or a bit earlier we had another builder. He went out into Philadelphia, New York and other places where you had shows that were conducted by people interested in buying and updating their real-estate portfolios. Are you privileged to some of those things when they take place? I have a reason for asking that.

Mr. Weiss:

We have people attending retail shows. I think that what you are talking about New York, where you have a chance to meet whoever is there and most of the nationals are there and you set up appointments, but we don't wait for these shows. A lot of people go to these shows and they see the same people that have been talking to all along. We have not been waiting on these shows nor do we think that we haven't approach enough people. We are talking to a lot of people. We have certain people who have taken an interest. It is not something that I want to discuss now, because it is still in the middle of negotiation and it is something that is just going to happen. I don't know how else to say this.

Mayor Campbell:

I understand that I have been working at it for a long time. What I am getting at, is that when those things are in the vicinity would you be willing to take one or two of the Council people with you on one of those shows, so that can see what happens and what can of questions you are faced with whenever you go out there, because, those people really tell you exactly why or why they are not coming to your area or why they will come to you area. I must said that some of the present Council members have not been privilege to the type of information you have or you would get when you are out there looking for things to build. It is difficult to get people to come into the area where the cash flow is not what they want it to be or in the future the people that are moving in and out of the area are not those type of people that they are expecting to have money that they expect to give their business a boost.

I know problems you have right now to get the businesses to come in, because I got disgusted when they flat out told me the reasons why they were not coming into Willingboro. They would not even consider it. it was very disappointing. I don't see that on your face, because I know you work with it every day, it's your livelihood. I hope that you will be able to find those things that are explicable to what Willingboro wishes to have and I know you don't always know what they are, so I am asking the Council people to put it in writing what you expect in the way of a business and let Mr. Weiss see if he can take that and find a business that might measure up to it—disappointing, but it works. Thank you Sir, I appreciate your coming out.

Councilman Walker:

one more question. How many tenants do you anticipate having?

Mr. Weiss:

it is going to be a total of 450 units—probably 50 percent have more than two people—I think somewhere in the vicinity of 1,000 people.

Councilman Walker:

That's the problem that I am having—it is not adding up to me, because when you say you are having a hard time and you are speaking to people, you said you have been engaged with a company for well over a year now, but you have been before us within that time and you said that you weren't engaged with anyone with searching. I have a hard time understanding that a projection of at least a thousand people right there, that businesses wouldn't come with anticipating a quarter of them coming there to shop.

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Councilman Walker Continue:

when I see the other development going up, I see commercial businesses coming in before it is completed. I hear what you are saying, Mr. Campbell, about people concerns with coming to Willingboro. I don't know what has been expressed to you, but I look at that as a new setup, new community and I don't understand. I don't see them in Delran, I don't see them in Cinnaminson, over on 541 where they have just done with the store—I won't call the name. They didn't seem to have a problem going there and they are right in front of a development right across the street.

Mr. Weiss:

Let me speak to that for a second, because this is usually one of the first sale pitches we make for the people we are trying to attract. There are 40 thousand cars going by their daily—these are all good things. You have a resident thing, a traveling base and I feel it is going to happen. I hear what the Mayor says, I will tell you from my perspective this not something that we felt in the past since we have been here. No one has said to me, and I can say this on that record, that we don't want to rent because it is Willingboro. We have shown, we have demonstrated with our residential we are getting very good marketing rents, we have a very good community here. We have people with good income over there and this is not the reason, the reason is the economic, the reason is to find the pioneer who wants to come in and I have not experience them. I just want to tell you that.

AS an example, I would tell you something that we are working on, but don't come back and tell me a few months later that it didn't work out. if I am working on a Dunkin Doughnut, they do not care what the income levels are in the surrounding area, they want to know about traffic, how they are going to get in and out and they want to figure out if you are on the right side of the street for breakfast where everybody is getting their coffee in the morning. Another person we are dealing with is a major Day Care Center. I am only telling you this, because I am trying to counter what I think you have perception. People are taking a very serious look at this, they are looking at the apartments and trying to figure out kids and they are trying to figure out if this will work. They are looking at the rest of the area. We are negotiating, that's where we are now. Will the negotiation succeed; they got a good chance. Can they fail, of course they fail, but these are the things that we are working on and I don't think anybody is taking a look at the issue. One more thing, I know we are getting a ton of calls on the Mom and Pops. If I could magical put up these buildings on Mom and Pops type leases—the banks see that as a negative. I know we could probably fill up the place, because we are getting numerous calls

from the people to see the apartments and see the traffic , and if I could come in and rent a store, 1200 sq. ft. at like \$13.00 to \$15.00 a sq. ft. I could business here.

Councilman Walker: Do you think it would help if you started building the buildings.

Mr. Weiss: Absolutely.

Councilman Walker: So, why haven't you started building the commercial building?

Mr. Weiss: Because you can't start building without money and the bank will not give us money until we can show some type of performance in the way of a lease.

Councilman Walker: You started building the apartments without commitments didn't you?

Mr. Weiss: Well, because today in the financial market the flavor of the day is multiple families. Six years ago, we couldn't get a multiple family loan. The Mayor knew about that, and six years ago if I wanted to build this, people would be throwing money at us to build this. Retail took such a hit with the banks. Now they want to know if you have 50 percent leases or not. Even the people you are doing business with. We are trying within our limitations. There is nothing that I would want more, there is nothing we're holding back and once again, there are people who want to come in here and there are people that we are talking to and there are people for sure for the small stores. It is a matter of time. You ask the question, why we didn't start this beforehand, part of the reason is, we were able to show a critical mass over at the apartments. Now, they drive through there and say, this is next door to the commercial property. Now they have to pay attention to it. When you have 75 apartments there, you don't get too excited.

Mayor Campbell: Any other questions or comments. Thank you, Mr. Weiss. I know that we might have some concerned people in the audience, but, I don't know how long it will take us. Is there a question you would like to as Mr. Weiss before he goes? Please limit it to three minutes.

Township of Willingboro

To: The Honorable Eddie Campbell, Jr., Mayor
The Honorable Nathaniel Anderson, Deputy Mayor
The Honorable Darvis K. Holley, Councilman
The Honorable Jacqueline Jennings, Councilwoman
The Honorable Christopher Walker, Councilman

From: Joanne G. Diggs, Township Manager

Date: December 1, 2015

Re: Agenda

MANAGER'S REPORT

- Director Rucker and Lt. Bucs are here with a presentation for Council.
- Mr. Weiss is here to update you of the status of the development of the commercial space at the corner of the Avery Apartment Complex.
- The "Jingle, Jangle, Jam tree lighting ceremony will be held at JFK on Saturday, December 5, 2015 from 3 pm to 5 pm. Ms. Cyrus will give you an update on the plans.
- During public comment last week the question was asked about the number of employees covered under the Township Ordinance and how many were Willingboro residents. There are twenty-nine employees covered under the ordinance and twenty live in Willingboro. Of the employees covered under AFSCME, the Public Works Unions and the Traffic Guards Union, there are approximately 95% that live in Willingboro. For the Police and Fire Unions the majority of employees do not live in Willingboro. According to state statute Police and Fire employees are only required to live in the State of New Jersey.
- Last week on November 24, 2015 we successfully refinanced a \$5.5 million bond for a savings of 3.6%. I applaud our Finance Department, Bond Counsel and Phoenix Advisors for their work that resulted in a \$196,745.62 savings for the Township.
- You have on your agenda Ordinance 2015-11 for introduction. This ordinance amends the fees charged for rental of space in the JFK Center and adds a fee for leased space.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Items Attached:

- (1) Big D Marina (2) Draft Letter to Mr. Brevogel (3) FYI-Updated Chart on Cost of Professionals

ENGINEERS REPORT

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attached- Departmental Monthly Reports (Distributed to public)

- Inspections
- Police
- Fire and EMS
- Public Works
- Parks and Recreation

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➤ **Jingle, Jangle, Jam Tree Lighting Ceremony—**

Jill Cyrus (Director of Recreation):

We are going to have a cluster of things going on to include: vendors, crafts, games, food and a Santa Clause, and a drive for the Animal Shelters. If people would like to bring beds, food and good stuff, we will be taking it to the Animal Shelters to make them have a nice holiday. And, finally, the Tree Lighting will be indoors, so we will not have to worry about the weather.

Mayor Campbell:

Are you going to have toys for the kids.

Jill Cyrus:

I can't answer that because it may get me in trouble somewhere else. Come out and see what we are doing.

The Township Manager continued to read the rest of her report.

Mayor Campbell thanked the Manager for her report.

ORDINANCE 2015-10—FINAL-Public Hearing
ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO TO APPOINT TOWNSHIP TAX
COLLECTOR, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141 requires that the Township appoint the Tax Collector by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Code of the Township of Willingboro Section 3-48 establishes the office of the municipal tax collector, as the head of the division of tax collections, with all of the functions, powers and duties as provided by general law and municipal ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-142 requires that the tax collector shall hold his or her office for a term of 4 years from the first day of January next following his or her appointment.

The Township Council of the Township of Willingboro hereby appoints LaMar Arnold as the Willingboro municipal tax collector, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141, et seq., and the Code of the Township of Willingboro Section 3-48.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

The floor was opened for public comment on this Ordinance by Mayor Campbell. There were no comments on the public hearing of Ordinance 2015--10.

On motion by Councilwoman Jennings

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Ordinance 2015--10 FINAL Approved.

INTRODUCTION
 ORDINANCE 2015--11
 Willingboro Township
 Amending Chapter 150-8
 Recreation Department Fees

C. Kennedy Center facility use fees.

(1) Classification of organizations. **DELETE THIS SECTION**

(2) Facility use fees:

Auditorium: \$500.00

Maximum of 4 hours per use; additional hours prorated

DELETE CLASS A, B, C, D

Banquet Room:

Full: \$1,200.00

Front: \$ 700.00

Rear: \$600.00

Maximum of 5 hours per use; additional hours prorated

DELETE CLASS A, B, C, D

Gymnasium: \$500.00

Maximum of 4 hours per use; additional hours prorated

DELETE CLASS A, B, C, D

Meeting Room: \$100.00

DELETE CLASS A, B, C, D

Office/room leasing rates per square foot
 (per month) not to exceed \$15.00 sf plus
 Taxes if applicable

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On motion by Councilwoman Jennings

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Councilman Holley Yes

Councilwoman Jennings Yes

Councilman Walker Yes

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes

Mayor Campbell Yes

Motion carried. Ordinance 2015—11 Introduction Approved

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTON 2015—137

RESOLUTION FOR THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO
APPOINTING A CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICER AS
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
**WILLINGBORO (HELD FROM THE NOVEMBER 4, 2015
MEETING)**

WHEREAS, Willingboro Township is required to designate a Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Willingboro

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled this 4th day of November the Certified Municipal Finance Officer appointment will take effect 1st day of January 2016, that Eusebia Diggs is hereby designated as Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Willingboro, for a four year term expiring December 31, 2019.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be submitted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for their information.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilman Holley

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—137 Approved (Held from the November 4, 2015)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015--145

Authorizing the Approval of Vouchers for Payment & Ratification

Whereas, Willingboro Township Council received the November 2015, Bill List and had an opportunity to review said Bill List; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 1st day of December, 2015 that the Council hereby authorizes the Approval of Vouchers for Payment and Ratification including those items purchased under state contract and identified as such and all Trust Other Accounts (Recreation Trust, Tax Redemption, Escrow, and Dedicated by Rider Accounts).

Be It Further Resolved that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Director of Finance for her information and attention.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—145 Approved

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2015--146
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FOR
OVERPAYMENTS OF TAXES**

WHEREAS, the records of the Tax Collector of the Township of Willingboro indicate overpayments of taxes due and overpayments; and

WHEREAS, refunds are due for these overpayments as listed on the attached schedule and made a part hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 1st day of December 2015, that refunds be made as per the attached schedule; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Finance Director for her information, attention and compliance.

OVERPAYMENT FOR TAXES

OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC 1661 WORTHINGTON RD., SUITE 100 WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33409 BLOCK 824 LOT 41 7 ENTER TURN OVERPAYMENT TAXES	\$1,424.40
THOMAS V. & TSIGEREDA CLARKE 16 EXPRESS LANE WILLINGBORO, NJ 08046 BLOCK 823 LOT 5 18 EXPRESS LANE OVERPAYMENT TAXES	\$558.02
PATRICK R. WHALIN 15 ECHOHILL LANE WILLINGBORO, NJ 08046 BLOCK 803 LOT 4 15 ECHOHILL LANE OVERPAYMENTD TAXES	\$755.91

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Councilman Holley Yes

Councilwoman Jennings Yes

Councilman Walker Yes

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes

Mayor Campbell Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—146 Approved

RESOLUTION 2015—147

RESOLUTION APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RESURFACING OF CHARLES VAN SCIVER PARKWAY PHASE III (FROM SALEM ROAD TO SUNSET ROAD) PROJECT

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of Willingboro Township, Burlington County, New Jersey formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2016-NJDOT Trust Fund Resurfacing-00460 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Willingboro Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Willingboro Township and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Certified as a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Willingboro Council On this 1st day of December, 2015

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Councilman Holley Yes

Councilwoman Jennings Yes

Councilman Walker Yes

Deputy Mayor Anderson Yes

Mayor Campbell Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—147 Approved

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RESOLUTION # 2015-148

WHEREAS, there are certain budget appropriation of the Township of Willingboro which are insufficient to meet the requirements for operating the affairs of the Township; and

WHEREAS, there are other 2015 budget appropriations where there are unexpended balances which will not be needed for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Statutes 40A:4-58 provide for such transfers from such accounts that have unexpended balances to those which have insufficient balances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 1st day of December, 2015 that the following transfers be made as attached hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be provided to the Finance Director and the Auditor for their information and attention.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Acct #</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>
<u>Transfer In/Needed:</u>			
Twp Manager S/W	5-01-20-100-101-011	\$	4,500.00
Purchasing S/W	5-01-20-100-102-011	\$	30.00
Township Clerk S & W	5-01-20-120-000-011	\$	2,910.00
Finance S & W	5-01-20-130-000-011	\$	11,300.00
Tax Collection S & W	5-01-20-145-000-011	\$	2,650.00
Tax Collection OE	5-01-20-145-000-299	\$	400.00
Tax Assessment S & W	5-10-20-150-000-011	\$	1,380.00
Const Official	5-01-22-195-195-011	\$	50,000.00
Police	5-01-25-240-240-010	\$	200,000.00
Building & Grounds S & W	5-01-26-310-000-011	\$	12,100.00
Building & Grounds Perm & Temp PT & OT	5-01-26-310-000-013	\$	96,000.00
Animal Control Perm PT	5-01-27-340-000-012	\$	7,500.00
Animal Control OT	5-01-27-340-000-015	\$	900.00
Public Defender	5-01-43-495-000-132	\$	10,189.00
Animal Control Vehicle	5-01-27-340-000-299	\$	35,000.00
Construction Code Vehicle	5-01-22-195-195-020	\$	54,000.00
Accumalted Leave	5-01-30-415-000-001	\$	1,817.70
Sick Leave	5-01-30-417-000-417	\$	80.26
Electricity	5-01-31-430-000-020		\$91,000.00
<u>Transfer Out/Available:</u>			
Gen. Gov't Tecn S & W	5-01-20-100-103-011		\$ 14,000.00
Housing S/W	5-01-22-195-196-011		\$ 64,000.00
Fire Dept S & W	5-01-25-265-000-011		\$ 76,500.00
Animal Control S & W	5-01-27-340-000-010		\$ 42,000.00
Recreation Serv & Pgm	5-01-28-370-000-010		\$ 77,600.00
Public Defender	5-01-43-495-000-012		\$ 9,226.72
Landfill	5-01-32-465-000-172		\$ 60,000.00
Health Ins	5-01-23-220-000-171		\$ 127,378.00
Street Light OE	5-01-31-435-000-020		\$ 111,052.24
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		\$	-

WILLINGBORO TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION 2015-149

INCREASING THE BID THRESHOLD AND TOWNSHIP QUOTE THRESHOLD FOR THE QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT

WHEREAS, the recent changes to the Local Public Contracts Law gave local contracting units the ability to increase their bid threshold up to \$40,000 under LFN 2015-20 dated September 28, 2015; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a, permits an increase in the bid threshold if a Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq. establishes the criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, Linda Berger is the qualified purchasing agent for Willingboro Township and possesses the designation of Qualified Purchasing Agent as issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Willingboro Township desires to take advantage of the increased bid threshold, and

WHEREAS, Willingboro Township desires to raise the Willingboro Township quote threshold from \$2,000.00 to \$6,000.00 of the increased bid threshold, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Willingboro Township, in the County of Burlington, in the State of New Jersey hereby increases its bid threshold to \$40,000; the township quote threshold to \$6,000.00 and N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(30), with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the contracting unit; and this resolution shall take effective immediately.

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On motion by Councilwoman Jennings

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—149 Approved

RESOLUTION 2015—150

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT DONNA MC GILBERRY MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COORDINATOR FOR THE WILLINGBORO TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliance for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organization, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Township of Willingboro, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Willingboro Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

WHEREAS, Donna McGilberry, as a member is qualified to perform the duties of Municipal Alliance Coordinator and has an interest in the position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Willingboro Council of the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that Donna McGilberry is hereby appointed as Municipal Alliance Coordinator for the Willingboro Township Municipal Alliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro in open public session on December 1, 2015 hereby authorize the Mayor to adopt the above resolution appointing Donna McGilberry as Municipal Alliance Coordinator for Willingboro.

On motion by Councilwoman Jennings

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—150 Approved

RESOLUTION NO. 2015—151

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LEVITTOWN MEMORIAL POST NO. 4914,
V.F.W. LIQUOR CLUB LICENSE**

WHEREAS, the Levittown Memorial Post No. 4914, V.F.W. has applied for renewal of their Club Licenses pursuant to R.S. 33:1-46.1; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the applications and supporting documents are in proper order and ready for approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 1st day of December, 2015, that the Township Council makes the following findings.

a. The Township Council has reviewed the applications and the supporting documents and finds that the submitted applications are complete in all respects, including the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:2-8.7; and

b. The Officers and Directors of the applicant clubs are qualified to be licensed according to the standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes Regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances or conditions consistent with Title 33; and

c. The club shall maintain all records required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:2-8.8 and 13:2-8.12; and

d. No officer or member of the governing board of the applicant club has been convicted of a disqualifying offense pursuant to Title 33; and

e. It is appropriate and in the public interest to approve the renewal of a club license for the Levittown Memorial Post No. 4914, V.F.W. #0038-31-002-001, for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Levittown Memorial Post No. 4914, V.F.W. has complied with the applicable provisions of Title 33, Rules and Regulations of the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and Ordinance No. 12, 1983, as well as all applicable ordinances of the Township of Willingboro; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be provided to the Levittown Memorial Post No. 4914, V.F.W. and the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control for their information and attention.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—151 Approved

RESOLUTION NO. 2015 - 152

A RESOLUTION REJECTING PROPOSALS SUBMITTED FOR THIRD PARTY EMS BILLING

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro requested qualifications for third party billing for Emergency Medical Services; and

WHEREAS, the two firms submitted their qualifications to provide the services; and

WHEREAS, the proposals were received, opened and read in public on
, 2015; and

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interest of the Township of Willingboro to reject all proposals received in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2 for the reason that the Township needs to revise the specifications for the services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 1st day of December 2015, that all qualifications and/ or proposals for the Third Party EMS Billing services are hereby rejected.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—152 Approved

RESOLUTION NO. 2015--153

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO AUTHORIZING
AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., permits a public body to exclude the public from portions of a meeting at which specific matters set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b are discussed; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made of the Township Council assembled in public session on this 1st of December 2015 to convene a closed Executive session consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b; and

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made and seconded and passed by a vote of in 5 favor and 0 opposed, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that an Executive Session of the Township Council meeting shall be convened to discuss one or more of the following categories as noted:

- _____ 1. Any matter which, by express provision of federal law, state statute or rule of court is rendered confidential or excluded from the public portion of the meeting.

- _____ 2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair the right to receive funds from the United States Government.

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- _____ 3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes and unwarranted invasion of privacy as set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(3).

- _____ 4. Any Collective Bargaining Agreement or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any Collective Bargaining Agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees.

- _____ 5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real estate with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussions of such matters were disclosed.

- _____ 6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public and any investigations of violations or possible violations of law.

- _____ 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations in which Township Council is or may become a party.

- _____ 8. Any matters falling within the attorney/client privilege to the extent that confidentiality is required for the attorney to exercise his/her ethical duties as a lawyer.

- __XX_ 9. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment and other categories set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(8).

- _____ 10. Any deliberations occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of specific civil penalty or the suspension or loss of a license or permit as set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:9-12b(9).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the general nature of the subject to be discussed relates to:

Contract Negotiation regarding hiring of a new Township Manager.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the time when and the circumstances under which the discussion conducted in closed session will be disclosed to the public, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-14, and to the extent that it is not inconsistent with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2015—153 Approved

TREASURER REPORT APPROVAL

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilman Holley

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. Treasurer Report Approved.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 6, 2015 MINUTES

On motion by Deputy Mayor Anderson

Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Councilman Holley	Yes
Councilwoman Jennings	Yes
Councilman Walker	Yes
Deputy Mayor Anderson	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Motion carried. October 6, 2015 minutes approved

12/17/15

Public Comment:

Carl Turner: 86 Earnshaw Lane. Mr. Turner said he wished to talk about reading Ordinance 2015-11 Amending Recreation Department Fees. He asked if the numbers in the ordinance were for the entire year or per use. He directed attention to the section regarding classifications and asked for some clarification.

Mrs. Diggs stated that the Township did delete the classifications because they are going to rezone the building and the building is going to be zoned different areas because at the present time the building is all in one zone. She explained that deletes the classifications. Mrs. Diggs informed the public that the ordinance was only scheduled to be introduced tonight and not scheduled for public hearing.

Carl Turner: Mr. Turner stated that he wanted to question the difference in fees for usage of meeting rooms at the Kennedy Center from the ordinance to present time.

Maddie Mallory:5 Hudson Place Ms. Mallory said that her comments related to the music festival held in August. She said she had the opportunity to sit inside what she called the "infamous fence". She said she observed some things that were relatively disturbing to her. She said she knew that there was a fee charged to certain person for which there were certain perks associated with the fee. Ms. Mallory said she saw some citizens climbing under the fence. She said she also observed a gentleman wearing a white t-shirt and a he had a police badge around his neck and a cap who was letting people inside the fence. Ms. Mallory suggested that in future planning a different type of security is needed for the fence or the fence should be disregarded completely.

Ms. Mallory expressed another concern related to where she lives on Charleston Road. She said 2 weeks ago on a Sunday shortly after noon there was a relatively bad accident that involved her neighbor. She said it was an accident waiting to happen because the speed limit of 30 miles per hour is not being observed between Kennedy Way and Van Sciver Parkway. Ms. Mallory said she would like for Council to consider putting in speed humps or speed bumps between Kennedy and Van Sciver Parkway

on Charleston Road. She mentioned there are a lot of children that play in the area without any supervision and she fears for one of them being struck by one of the cars or the Freeholder sponsored transit bus that speeds through the area. Ms. Mallory mentioned that she has seen some of the residents in the area have posted signs that say "we love our children, please slow down". She said she would like someone to look into the matter.

Martin Nock: 18 Windsor Lane.

Mr. Nock addressed Mayor Campbell and said that as he was campaigning around the town he ran into a lot of people that asked him why are taxes so high that they can no longer afford to stay in their homes. He said that people have mentioned that they are on fixed incomes and have been retired for many years. Mr. Nock mentioned that over the last 6 months he has been putting in various OPRA requests with the Township. He said that he has a certain expectation of what to expect back from an OPRA request. Mr. Nock explained that there has been some controversy going on between Council people over the Jazz Fest, so he put in an OPRA request regarding the Jazz Fest. He said that received the information last Tuesday with an extension. Mr. Nock said that the order in which he received the information did not meet his expectation. He said that his expectations have been met on previous OPRA requests. Mr. Nock said he expected that the Jazz Fest would have budget in the form of a chart, but Ms. Diggs said that there is just one line item in the budget for \$50,000.00 for the Jazz Fest. Mr. Nock said his expectations for a three day event would include what he was spending the money on, what he was taking in for each day. He explained this is how things are done in business. Mr. Nock said that when he received the information he had to play auditor which does not bother him because he has been doing this work for 35 years. Mr. Nock said that he does not want to "blast" staff members because he is going to be eventually working with them, but his expectation were not met at all. He said he had to ask for copies of all contracts, vendor agreements and performance contracts; then he had to put everything together. Mr. Nock said he then lined up each day in terms of how much

money was taken in on Friday night which was the bowling night, Saturday night which was Deputy Mayor Anderson's affair for his company and Sunday night.

Mr. Nock explained that he ran for office because he believed that he could bring something to the Township with his skillset of running a business for almost 30 years. He said that when he saw that the Township spent \$146,000.00 on a Jazz Fest and only brought in \$112,000.00, while 34,000.00 in the hole, which does not include the \$50,000.00 that was given. Mr. Nock said that he blames Council, because this is where their oversight has to come. He said that employees will bring Council anything under the sun, including a Rolls Royce, but it is Council who is responsible to make sure that a \$50,000.00 budget does not mushroom into \$146,000.00. Mr. Nock then said he looked to see where the money went. He said that the bowling brought in a bit of profit thanks to Councilman Holley's donation. Mr. Nock said the bowling alley brought in \$667.00 as a profit. Mr. Nock said that Saturday night the income was a little over \$5,000.00 dollars. He said the Township spent \$10,000.00 dollars on Saturday night. Mr. Nock said that Sunday night took in \$104,000.00 and the Township spent \$133,000.00 for a total deficit of \$34,000.00 dollars.

Mr. Nock said that if at some point there is some accountability in some way from Council or somebody in terms of Council then someone would have asserted to make cuts in certain areas. Mr. Nock said that he spoke with Mrs. Diggs and the Township has non-exempt employees working on a Sunday, those hourly workers should be included in the true cost of the affair for the day. Mr. Nock said this figure was missing and that number was \$428.00. He said that because he had to decipher the figure for himself and because it was not put in manner that would make it user friendly, he allocated funds. Mr. Nock then addressed Saturday night where he said there was controversy over the Deputy Mayor Anderson's "Nothing But Green Living". He addressed Deputy Mayor Anderson by telling him that he stood on the dais and said that the

Township and his company paid for all of his affair, even though there was not one check from his company. Mr. Nock said that there was a check from Deputy Mayor Anderson's campaign account and another campaign account. He then told the Deputy Mayor that he owes the Township another \$5,000.00 +. Mr. Nock told Deputy Mayor Anderson that the bottom line was that the affair was his doing and the Township should not be in a deficit in paying for it. He continued to say that spending \$146,000.00 for a Jazzfest is great, but that money could be spent for what he calls an economic development person or a grant writer that is needed on staff. Mr. Nock said that these are things that cannot be done anymore. He said that these are the actions of a town that has a lot of surplus dollars, which Willingboro knows it does not.

Mr. Nock continued to say that the company Radwell is coming into the Township and taking the property of Medco. Mr. Nock said they are coming into the Township getting \$21 million because the state has declared the Township a distressed community. He said that as much as he does not like the concept, they are getting the money out of a part of the state budget called NJ Growth which is for distressed communities. Mr. Nock said that if the funds are being distributed per worker, then Council should make sure that Radwell hires people from the distressed community, so the people can work and no longer be "stressed". Mr. Nock said that while he knows Radwell is a private firm, he knows that they will be coming back to the Township to discuss the part of the PILOT left from Medco that was not used for the rest of the 18 years. Mr. Nock said that he would tell them that they already have \$21 million that Willingboro is already included in. He said that he wants to know how Radwell intends to back up their numbers to hire Willingboro people to do this.

Mr. Nock said that he is doing this because he felt that he had something to bring to Council. He said that he has been in the Township for nearly 30 years and he thinks some things need to change a little bit. He said it is great the Township has a double A minus bond rating and he

understands what that says, but there are still major things that need to improve. Mr. Nock addressed Deputy Mayor Anderson again and said that he does not care where the money comes from, but he needs to repay the Township for all the expenses for his Saturday night event. Mr. Nock said that going forward as part of Council he is going to be a voice for these kind of things that should not happen. He said he knows something about budgets, finance, running a company, large numbers of people and he knows what employees will do to hide dollars in line items and the rest; and he is going to be looking at the budget. He said that the message needs to get out that at least one person is going to be looking at the budget.

Thomas Floyd: 8 Buckingham Drive. Mr. Floyd said that he comes tonight as a member of the organization at Buckingham Park to give Council their year-end report. Mr. Floyd said that he feels the need to address the issue concerning Van Sciver Parkway. He said that the citizens of Buckingham Park have to ride on the road which the citizens of Buckingham Park told the Township that something was wrong with it. Mr. Floyd said that the public was told then that the road was the County's responsibility, and the Township would save a ton of money doing the job the way it was done. Mr. Floyd said that the same ton of money should be used to make the job right. He said that to him it seems that the citizens of Buckingham Park are like second class citizens to this community. He said that the citizens of Buckingham Park do work in the community, pay their taxes, put money on the table for projects to be done in the community and their time. Mr. Floyd said that the average citizen of Buckingham Park puts in over 100 man hours a year into making their community better. Mr. Floyd said that the least the Township can do is work along with them. Mr. Floyd said that the road should have been fixed when they told the Township that it was done wrong. He said that he then heard that the money allocated for the projects was too small so the money was taken and applied to Twin Hills.

Mr. Floyd continued to say that Council member need to be Council members only. He said that there is so much going

on that Council has to spend as much time looking over the things brought before them. He said that Council members are not able to do what is asked of them if they are working for WMUA, or on another or various boards because all those boards require so many hours out of their days. Mr. Floyd told Council if they do not have the time, they should not raise their hand for the job. Mr. Floyd said that he originally came to give his year-end report, but he hears things that he feels are an insult to the public's intelligence. Mr. Floyd said that the public and the Township does not have the money nor the time to be wasted.

Mr. Floyd said that the failures in the year-end report are big. He said that the first on the list of failures is that the Township is not currently breaking ground on a new firehouse. He hopes next year they will. He said that not one street in Buckingham Park was paved. Mr. Floyd said that the Township Engineer's presentation on the state of the streets in Willingboro showed that 95% of the most distressed streets are in Buckingham Park. Mr. Floyd said that every year somehow money allocated to fix the streets gets diverted from Buckingham Park. Mr. Floyd mentioned that Van Sciver Parkway is not completely fixed. He mentioned litter patrols should be formed to get the litter off of the streets, yet that did not happen this year either. Mr. Floyd said that the houses in the area for sale cannot be sold if the realtors have to kick trash out of the street when showing a home. Mr. Floyd addressed the green spaces and the storm drains running under the road.

Mr. Floyd mentioned the achievements for the year from his organization. He said there were 31 projects done this year. Mr. Floyd said that he had over 400 people cleaning the streets of the Township and not all of them were from Willingboro. Mr. Floyd said the surveys done by his organization were done by the parents and college age kids who brought their younger sisters and brothers to do community service. Mr. Floyd said that on average, they each person yielded 50 hours of community service. He said that at \$8.00 per hour, that yields over \$160,000.00 for

that amount of service which the organization did not bill Willingboro for. He said they cleaned the storm drains 30 times this year. He said they trimmed the sidewalks in the cracks in the sidewalks. He said that his organization does these things because they know the Township cannot do them.

Mr. Floyd said that his organization gives the Township surveys to tell them where the debris, TV's, basketball courts and various other code violations are present. Mr. Floyd explained the newest program called the neighborhood appreciation program to encourage residents to take pride in the upkeep of their homes. Mr. Floyd said that he appreciates Council putting money into the program along with some organization members. He said they will be looking to reward people that work hard and take pride in decorating their homes for the Christmas season.

Mr. Floyd said that he reported deer getting hit by a car but animal control did not show up. He said that police officers had to respond to the call 45 minutes later. Mr. Floyd said congratulated all those that retained their seats on Council. He said that he will be looking for the public to get a better result from Council. Mr. Floyd said that if he has offended any director's it was not his intent. He said that he and the public will be looking to see who the person is that will be taking over Mrs. Diggs position. He said he hopes they get someone that shares his same enthusiasm for the community.

Pat Lindsey-Harvey:Henderson Lane. Ms. Harvey asked again where the Township is with the search for a new Township Manager. Ms. Harvey said that in October Council said that they would have executive search firms come to the meetings and it is now December and the public has not seen anything yet. She said that she does not agree. She asked if anyone has inquired about the position. She also asked if Donna McGilbury a Willingboro citizen.

Thomas Clark Express Lane.

Mr. Clark said he has a concern with the position of Township Manager position. He said that it started out for a meeting about that was posted on the 9th and the meeting

was held of the 12th of October in the afternoon on a holiday after just having a meeting on the 6th of that month. Mr. Clark asked if Councilman Walker was available as he had a question for him as well. He asked why the meeting was called so hastily. He said that he thought that Council wanted as few people as possible to be there. Mr. Clark said that he sent the following letter to the Township Clerk to be put into the record:

To: Willingboro Town Council

Subject: Township Manager Search

I strongly suggest, request that Mrs. Joanne Diggs, Willingboro Township Manager be included in the pre-discussion regarding the nationwide search for the next Township Manager. Understanding this is a Council function, I also realize Mrs. Diggs has extensive job knowledge and knowledge of the municipal government. Her insight will prove extremely valuable in the successful selection of Willingboro's next municipal manager. I would also suggest that the Council keep politics and other non-productive factors out of the selection process and work as a team, which I have seen very little of since I have been coming to the meetings. There is inter-bickering within the Council and I just can't understand how you get anything done for the betterment of Willingboro when you can't seem to agree within the Council. If I am wrong I apologize to all.

P.S. I truly hope this is not just an exercise for appearance, and the next Township Manager has already been decided upon coming from within the current employment.

And I also understand that we are paying something like \$50,000.00 for the nationwide search agency. Mr. Clark said that if his understanding is incorrect, please give him the correct figures. He said that if this is true, then why the Township is spending \$50,000.00 if a Township Manager has already been selected from within.

Mr. Clark addressed Councilman Walker and Deputy Mayor Anderson. He asked them if they can come to some

kind of a peace agreement. He asked Councilman Walker that before he discuss what he suspects at a Council meeting for the public to draw impressions, that he validates his facts. He said that he is not calling Councilman Walker wrong, he is simply saying that to make allegations at a Township meeting which he admits he is not sure of toward another Council member would be something one would think they may want to check out prior to making public. Mr. Clark asked Mr. Walker if it was his intention to simply make it public information.

Mr. Clark said questioned the format of the Council Meetings. He said that the public comes up and makes their comments and some of them are answered and some of them are not. He said that if the Council and Township open comment were tweaked a little it may help.

Councilman Walker addressed Mr. Clark's question as to whether or not he did his homework before making allegations. Councilman Walker said that like all of Council, he received reports from the Jazz Fest, and as he looked over the reports and the contributions that were made from different companies and different individuals, it did not add up. Councilman Walker said that what he said was not allegations but factual information. He said that there was no money paid from the company who supposedly sponsored the VIP night and also had their banner at center stage.

Mr. Clark:

Mr. Clark asked Councilman Walker not to lecture him. He told Mr. Walker that he is simply asking him to stop the bickering between Council and start working for the people.

Councilman Walker told Mr. Clark that he asked him a question and now he did not want his answer and that was not fair. He said told Mr. Clark that he made an assumption that he did not get his facts. Councilman Walker said that the statements that he made were based off of facts. He said the statements he previously made line up with the paperwork that he has now.

Mr. Clark:

Mr. Clark said that he hears a lot of "I'm not sure" and "I don't know" from Councilman Walker.

Councilman Walker said that the Recreation Department did not receive a check from that particular company. He said there was a sponsorship, there was a deficit, and where there is a company banner and a three day event there should be a check from that company and it was not there.

Harry Walker Jr.--Eastgate Lane. Mr. Walker asked about the status of the national search, if there are already consultants in place.

Mayor Campbell directed Mr. Walker to ask his next question.

Harry Walker Jr.: Mr. Walker said that his next question was contingent on the first question.

Councilman Walker asked why Council cannot just say "no".

Harry Walker Jr.: Mr. Walker said that the answer to his first question is always "next meeting". He asked when Council will have a yes or no answer.

Mayor Campbell told Mr. Walker that is the job of the Township Council to search for and find a Township Manager to be put into place. He said it is not the job of the public of Willingboro to look for a manager.

Harry Walker Jr.: Mr. Walker asked Mayor Campbell if he has done his job.

Mayor Campbell told Mr. Walker that Council is doing its job and does not have to report to him every day.

Deputy Mayor Anderson said that Council will respond to his question during council comments.

Harry Walker Jr.: Mr. Walker asked if there was a way to appoint a committee to go to various organizations including the Municipal Manager's Association or the League of Municipalities before spending the \$50,000.00 for no reason.

Mayor Campbell asked Mr. Walker where he got his figure of \$50,000.00 from.

Harry Walker Jr.: Mr. Walker referred to the general consensus of the room from the public.

Mayor Campbell said told Mr. Walker that this was information he got from the public and not Council.

Harry Walker Jr.: Mr. Walker posed the same question to Deputy Mayor Anderson. He asked if Council was already in the process of searching for a township manager. He also asked if a community committee could be appointed to do so.

Deputy Mayor Anderson told Mr. Walker that his comments were noted and will be answered during council comments.

Iris Vaughn--21 Berskhire La.

Ms. Vaughn said that in watching the debate taking place tonight, she was reminded of how passionate she feels about this community. She told Council that she just wanted to make the statement to please take the people seriously. She told Council that the Township is her heart's passion because she lives here and she just want the best for the town. She said that they hear about neighboring towns and how well they are doing and they want to do well also. She said that she was watching Council's demeanor during the public comments to see who was actually paying attention to those who got up to speak. She mentioned Mr. Floyd and his passionate words. She said that she hope some of the things that Mr. Floyd spoke about tonight can get done because she lives in Buckingham Park. Ms. Vaughn said that the road is bumpy and she has a brand new car which she hopes to ride smoothly on the road.

Ms. Vaughn addressed Mr. Armstrong and said that during public comments he was not really looking at anyone for a long time. She told Mayor Campbell that he was looking, but he did not look happy about anything that was being said. She addressed Deputy Mayor Anderson and said that he was focused on the people the entire time. She urged Council to please listen to the public when they come to the meetings and understand that they are passionate about what they say and they are concerned about their town. Ms. Vaughn also said that some of the public that got up today should be running. She addressed Ms. Harvey and stated that she knows she has been coming to the meetings for years. She encouraged Ms. Harvey and others to advance themselves. She thanked Mr. Martin Nock for what he did, and for coming to Council. She said that the Township needs people that are truly going to help the town because at the present time some people have their own agendas. She urged Council to please pay attention to the public because the Township is their heart.

Gary Johnson: 54 Gramercy La.

Mr. Johnson said that he was almost not going to speak, but he felt compelled to come up because he has brought his issue to Council before. He said that to him this is a really

great example of a municipal government meeting. He said that there were actually some of the towns people coming to the meeting and speaking to Council about issues that concern them. He mentioned that they are not just specific issues, but general issues of the Township. Mr. Johnson told Council that he has told them before that they volunteered, got their names on a ballot and then got elected to be on their seats. He said that in Willingboro just as much as many other towns that is about as good a guarantee as anywhere else that as long and they want to sit on Council they are going to do so. He said that the public does not have much of any choice about that. He said that an elected Council members they community is looking to them for leadership. Mr. Johnson said that he agreed with the public comments today that the public is not looking for intramural bickering. He said that is not the transparency the public wants. Mr. Johnson said that the public is looking for information like the Township Engineer just went through today in reference to Van Sciver Parkway. He said that this is the type of information and leadership that they expect from the Township Council and the public expects more of it. Mr. Johnson said that he thinks it is great that the community is coming out in larger numbers and speaking to Council and they need to listen. He said that he hopes to see more productivity in the coming year. Mr. Johnson said that this time of year during the holidays is a time for giving thanks and reflecting. He said that while surfing the web he came across something that struck him as profound. He said it was a picture of people sitting and eating at a long table and over the picture was written: "When you have more than you need, build a longer table not a higher fence". Mr. Johnson told Council that this was food for thought going into the season.

The Deputy Mayor closed public comments.

Council Comments:

Councilman Walker said that it is really good to see so many people out here. Just to listen to the different views and perspectives of others. As I listen to Mr. Nock talk about the Jazz Fest

and listen to Mr. Floyd speak about Buckingham Park and his passion and all he does and I say it all the time; I applaud you for what you do. I never even thought about it the way you broke it down into the man hours and if that translated to money how much it would be that you are saving the town, so your organization should be applauded for that. I have a lot of respect for you and your organization for what you guys do.

I have had many conversations with our Director of Recreation, Jill Cyrus and know her and her staff and her new staff. You have George (Brown) that is here and Dionne Bolden in the back who runs the banquet center. They put into putting the Jazz Fest together you know, I have to say we up here on the dais have to take responsibility for that because we never said here is a budget and go with that. We just let her have at it and just do it and try and make the best of it and it has expanded and the monies that are being spent have expanded. I feel like moving forward there will be more of a handle on how things are done through sponsorships and things like that. I think it will be more of a collaborative effort. Not that there was an effort to not be collaborative if that is right. But you guys know what I mean. So I applaud her for hours she and her staff have put into this. It is a great show. We have to do better at what we do to make sure that we put things and guidelines in place for our township manager to convey to her and our will and wishes to them so we can all do a better job there. For me, it is a struggle because understand being here, a lot comes with it a lot goes with it. We are going to sit and take a lot of criticism for some things that we can control and somethings that we cannot control. I truly have thick skin. I really do. You know, I can honestly say that the only time that I was offended sitting up here through anything that anybody ever said is when I was called a thief and I was called a liar and all of those things. It is just amazing some of the people who have said that off of some false allegations that were planted. They come up and then say: do not say this unless you have done your homework. Most times I do my homework. I will say all the time I do my homework. I am not going to sit here and make a statement without knowing what I am talking about. I might not be the smartest person in here. But I am far from the dumbest. When I make statements I know when we sit here, the things we say, as you once said to me Mr. Clark, when we speak, it is a little louder. It means a little more than a non-elected official. So I am careful and I temper my statements. So when I made the statements it is based off of responsibility. Not based off of my opinion, not based off of my personal feelings, it is based off of responsibility. The things that I said and the Mayor called for an investigation. I do not know whether it was done or not, but the documents that were put out there through an OPRA request went right along and substantiated the statements that I made based off of having reports. Not my opinion, not something put together, but the reports from the Jazz Fest that were provided to us. I often say we are only as good as the information provided to us. I made my decision, my statements and based my opinions off of the information that was provided. Because we have a responsibility to make sure that as an elected official we do not abuse our power, we do not abuse our position for any gain for our self. So, that is what it is for me. That is what it is for me. I will continue to do that. I will not stop doing that. That is what it is for me. So again, I sat here once upon a time sometime last year when some stuff came out and I said do any

investigation and make sure it is the most thorough and efficient investigation ever conducted. When that information comes out from that investigation, let us talk then. You know what I am referring to. No one wanted to have a conversation when that investigation was conducted. Now, the Mayor called for another investigation. I do not see any information. I said last month, do not just take my word for it, do the investigation and provide the information and then we will see then. I do not know where we are with an investigation. I know the documents that I saw through the report and I know what is in this sealed envelope because I requested the information that was put out through the OPRA request. Here it is right here sealed. I have not looked in here yet. But I had it from the report. Again, I do not know where we are from our legal team or whatsoever. But I know based off the information Mr. Nock just spoke about where we are at a deficit. How do we deal with that? I am sure based off of that some other stuff will come because this is what we do. You talk about the bickering and fighting. You have never seen me throw a dagger at any Council member. You have not seen it. You have not seen me do it. So when you talk about the bickering back and forth, you have not seen me do it. See, I know for a fact there has been information provided to members of this community and including you to come up here at other Council members. You are okay with that. I am okay with you having your personal feelings against me. I am okay with that. I am a big boy. I can take it. But just go across the board. Be fair with it.

So I will end on a positive note. Councilman Holley and I along with Councilman Elect Martin Nock with Accents Barbershop, Kuttin Zone Barbershop, The Hair Spa, The Kappa's, The Alphas, The Omegas, The Deltas and the WEA Willingboro Education Association will be doing our toy giveaway. We did it last year. We gave out almost 450 toys to elementary school kids here in Willingboro. We are going to do it again. I hope this year that we are going give out over 500 toys. It will be on December 23rd. I think it is from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. or 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Excuse me. 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. We will have Santa Claus come out again as he did last year. So we will get all of the information out. It was a wonderful time last year. The kids loved it. They packed over the senior center and I am sure this year we will be utilizing our new banquet center so we will pack that. Again, it will be December 23rd from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. For all you kids that have kids and know kids bring them out and we are going to have a good time. Thank you.

Councilwoman Jennings said, I have a question (speaking to Councilman Walker). Last year the event was a Council event along with the community, so are you cutting the Council out of it this year? Because we talked about it with other people, you were not at the meeting, so we were not able to talk to you about it. I am not bickering, but are you cutting the Council out of it this year? Because I participated last year, and I am just asking, is this your way of cutting everybody on the Council out?

Councilman Walker: Do you want me to answer that?

Councilwoman Jennings: I do.

Councilman Walker: But we are not bickering.

Councilwoman Jennings said, we are not, we are asking a question. Last year the Council did it. I contributed, Mr. Holley contributed, the whole Council. Mr. Campbell contributed. Mr. Anderson contributed. You contributed.

Councilman Walker: We are not bickering here though.

Councilwoman Jennings: That is not a bicker.

Councilman Walker said, last year, it was an idea that I came up with. I reached out to Councilman Holley to see if he would help me out with it. I really feel like I am in middle school answering this. You know, it is kind of petty, but the bottom line, it was an initiative that we came up with that Councilwoman Jennings was asked to be involved in and yes Councilman Anderson contributed some gifts. The Mayor contributed some gifts. You know what? I will tell you what. I am going to be a big boy. This will be a Council event. Are you happy? There you go. No one is excluded. December 23rd, there we go.

Mayor Campbell: Councilwoman Jennings, do you have anything?

Councilwoman Jennings said, I do have something. I appreciate everybody for coming out and what I want to do is to read the minutes and I am going to personally look at every single thing that was talked about tonight and give you an answer. I will work with you if you are asking to do anything to make sure that the community is actually what you all want. We are part of the community too. Mr. Floyd, you know that we do not disregard Buckingham. If I offended you I am sorry because you are one of my favorite people and I know all that you do for this community. I know it. So that is certainly not the point. This for Mr. Nock, I think mentioning that Radwell is coming I, I told you that they are going to hire. They have given us a number from 150 to 200 residents if that may people apply. So we can count on that and they are going to do outreach in the community. Also, there was one comment about the fact that we were going to hire somebody in town or already on the staff. I can tell you emphatically that we have not made that decision. I personally have two people that have called me to ask me questions about the position and both are going to apply, but I have not told anybody. We have not had a discussion about anybody being hired that is on the staff. So I will give you my word on that. That is all I can do. I guess I will save my happy holiday until the next meeting.

Councilman Holley said, good evening to everyone. He noted that there was discussion in regards to the special meeting that was held for the township manager search. I believe at the last meeting I kind of cleared this up. That date was chosen I believe it was on Columbus Day, the Council agreed to select that date because I was off from my primary job on that date. There was not any board action that was taking place, so there was not necessarily anything that we were looking to hide at that given time. We just wanted to get together to discuss a plan moving forward with our township manager search. Just to clear that up. Speaking of just moving

forward, all I really have to say is moving forward into 2016 we have a lot of obstacles that we as a Council have to overcome and the only way we are going to be able to do that is by working together. Working together as Council; working together with our community; working together with our residents that is the only way that we are going to be able to move this town forward. So I look forward to 2016 and strengthening the relationship here with my Council members as well as our residents because that is the only way we are going to get through this. That is just what we have to get done do move forward. I will look for your continued support, look forward to continuing to support you the residents in any way that I can or we can, and we just have our work cut out for us. I hope that some of our residents that are here tonight that are invested in the community as I am or as we are. We look forward to coming together and moving the Township forward in 2016. Thank you.

Deputy Mayor Anderson also said good evening to all. He said that since we last met several things have taken place. There have been several events. The first is a sad event. We lost a township employee, Ms. Carol Barnes Hightower. Since our last meeting, she was an intricate part of the Parks and Recreation department. I do like to say that the Recreation department came together as a whole because her family was from out of town, from Virginia. They hosted them and walked them through everything as far as the funeral, the repass and so forth. One of the family members said to us that they have never seen a municipality step up for an employee the way Willingboro did, and when we heard it, it was a great feeling. So I just wanted to report that back.

Also, Ms. Reva Foster was honored at the VFW for all the service that she has done in the community. I believe that was the weekend of the 21st (November). Our very own Jill Cyrus was honored by the NAACP since we last saw each other as well. Council members got together over the Thanksgiving holiday and distributed approximately 300 turkeys. So between the senior center, the VFW, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Alpha Baptist Church, Delaware Valley and Westley, we were able to contribute close to 300 turkeys. Now, in regards to the Jazz Fest I appreciate everyone that did their due diligence did the OPRA request and everything else. But what the OPRA request is not going to show you is when the conversation came to me for sponsorship it was not to sponsor the whole thing. It was asking me for roughly \$2,000 to \$2,500 to be a part of that event. To offset it, it was not a total "Nothing But Green". If you looked at the bags that were handed out, they said Willingboro Parks and Recreation on one side and "Nothing But Green" on the other side. So, with that amount of \$2,000 to \$2,500 which you saw because the initial allegation was if I recall correctly, that I used my influence to have the Township use my company's name. So in regards to the OPRA request, you did see approximately 5,000 dollars in checks and also what was paid out was an additional \$1,800. that I paid directly to the vendors. This can be confirmed by Parks and Recreation. So, when you come at me and say did not see this I did not see that, I just wish you would ask the proper questions. So it was not that I owe \$5,000. It was in conjunction with Parks and Recreation and whoever else they could get to help offset the event. I was the only one that stepped up to offset.

The other portion was covered by Parks and Recreation. You have the manager, you have the director sitting right there. So when you come at me and you say XY and Z, I appreciate the OPRA request, but have the complete conversations. So what came out of pocket total for me was roughly \$ 6,800. off of a \$2,000. request. So if you want to beat me up for that, go for it. But have the conversations. It was in partnership with parks and recreation. So, in regards to me owing \$5,000. that is false.

Deputy Mayor Anderson also said, that \$5,400. is false. It was a partnership, and as many people that wanted to step in and sponsor had the ability to do so. My request to have my banner at that Jazz Fest was \$2,000.to\$ 2,500. I can get the banner there and I can get my company logo at the event. That is what was offered to me. So when you do your homework, I appreciate it. I appreciate you doing your homework. Each of us should be held accountable. But at the same time, take the time out to ask the questions to the people who run certain departments to see if nothing is not being overlooked. But, once again, I appreciate it. In regards to other allegations that have come up against me, and Mr. Walker may note of it initially that my Township phone number was on my business cards. That is correct. Well, what I had to go do, and just to confirm, here is the IT policy. It states we can use the phone for personal use. Any additional apps that are downloaded are our responsibility. My cellphone is on my business card as an alternate number when I am not in my office. And a particular Council person said guess what? My phone is personal because I do not piggy back off of the taxpayers. But when I did my own OPRA request, wow the Council person's number is on here on an October 25th bill for a phone and a laptop. So when people say their personal stuff is not here I use my own stuff. I hear you, but I am going to do my homework. So that was false, and that is not an allegation because here are the facts. So when you point your finger at me, remember three are pointing back at you. Okay? It was also noted that an investigation was requested by the Mayor in regards to the Jazz Fest. But all you had to do was ask the department heads and ask the manager. They came up with the checks that were presented because once again the allegations were that I used my influence. But now all of a sudden I owe \$5,000. , because you saw there was \$5,000.another \$1,800. I put out of pocket to pay the vendors directly that I used to set up. But with that, there was an allegation early on about my company doing work at the Kennedy Center. We did an investigation, your tax dollars were used to come back to find out that it was all a lie. I have the report, so, once again, another investigation wasting taxpayer dollars. It is one thing to try and come at somebody, but do it for the right reasons. So when I have an investigation from special counsel that says there was no wrongdoing, there were no conversations had. Individuals say oh, well, that was my memory. That is not good enough for me and it should not be good enough for you. In regards to Buckingham Park Mr. Floyd, in regards to it being repaved on of the questions that I have asked, I spoke with Public Works Director Rich (Brevogel) and also the Engineer. They cannot just resurface some of the older parks. It is my understanding it is a total different process where the dollar amount if I am not mistaken is anywhere from a quarter of a million to a half a million dollars to do those roads. It is not the same process as the other streets. Once again, with the grant dollars that are being allocated that is a much bigger job and

much more planning. That should have been discussed or at least talked to you about; and I believe it is the older parks, am I correct Rich, that it is not the same process as some of these newer parks. So when you see dollars being allocated, they are able to do it in newer parks but not the older parks. That is something that has been brought to the table and has been discussed. It should have been communicated to you because sitting here other than me speaking to them directly it was the first time that I heard it as well. In regards to what I heard you say something about major failures. There is a process going on where we did bond, but there is a process. The firehouse is on our radar. That is something we know we need in this municipality, but once again it is a process. We were I believe preparing for the RFQ so that these folks can sharpen their pencils and get us real number. So that process is working – is in the process. In regards to your concern with the cleaning the greenspace areas, and I know you have asked for keys to certain areas, but in speaking with Public Works once again, it is more of a liability to have somebody go in there and fall or get hurt in one of those storm drains, then it falls back on the Township. It is my understanding that this was a conversation that Mr. Brevogel already had with you regarding the liability purposes of the greenspaces and storm drains.

Thomas Floyd: I did not have any conversations with him about that.

Richard Brevogel: Mr. Floyd, I spoke with you about a month and a half ago regarding that. That we would not let you go in there because it is a liability.

Thomas Floyd: Not with me.

Richard Brevogel: Yes sir I did. Mrs. Mack was sitting right there when I had the conversation with you.

Thomas Floyd: Well did you have the conversation with her or did you have it with me.

Richard Brevogel: I was talking with you and Mrs. Mack was right there (Mrs. Mack attested that to be the truth).

Deputy Mayor Anderson continued saying, okay, you also stated that Council members need to be in the community. Council members are constantly in the community. I am not sure how versed you are with Facebook and other things, but myself, other members of council, when we are in the community we post, I post, but we are in the community. But you have to understand, 5 Council members cannot handle the whole community. So we are inundated with requests as well. I think if there is something that comes to you that we do not know about, we are not going to know about anything. Bring it to the Township. It does not always have to be heard at a public session. Just say hey, this is what is going on. This is what is happening. You have my number, reach out. We are in the community, and that is what so many people do not understand. You see us here twice a month and that is all you think we do and that is not. Okay? We are constantly at different events trying to accommodate as many people as possible. But there is only so much that 5 members can do. So that is why I keep saying it is not us against

you and it should not be you against us. It is us working as a team. So if you hear something we do not hear, hey, call it in report it. You have my numbers. If you are not getting feedback, just say hey this is what is happening. That is all I am asking for. Ms. Harvey, you spoke about the status on the manager search. Well, as we discussed, we will be looking at several firms. We put information out; I believe 2 of the firms responded. But the date we were trying to get it on to hear it, they could not make the date. So we could not have it. So we are waiting for feedback to find out when they can come to a meeting. This way we can schedule it on a Council night or call for a special meeting. But the last update from the solicitor's office was they could not meet. So we are asking them to come in. In regards to a national search, the question, are we going to do a National Search? Then it was said to us by residents-- well, if you do a National Search, you may have to spend \$50,000 dollars or this or that. But there has been no determination made. We are looking to call this form in to get guidance on the best way to proceed. So when you are hearing bits and pieces of a conversation, it is not the whole conversation. So at this time, that has not been determined. So, in regards to appointing a Council committee at this point in time, that is not something we can make a decision on and make a judgement until one of these firms, they get back to us. We will follow up with the attorney in regards to what is happening. But, we have reached out, we have responses, they just could not accommodate prior to the holidays. So it is an ongoing. We are working on it. There is nothing that we are doing to keep you out of the loop. Alright? Thank you.

Mayor Campbell asked if there were any more comments from Council? There were several...as well as the comments that were made especially those by Mr. Floyd and others, we have been doing what our job title calls for us to do. It is up to the Council to hire a manager. That is exactly what we have been working on. I know that someone promised you that every time we have a meeting we call you in on the meeting. The meeting did not transpire yet, but it does not mean that we are not working on it. I do not believe that when the 1st of the New Year comes that you will find that you are without a manager. You will have a manager that may not have been done by a National Search, but you will have one. There were a lot of comments made that I agree with where you were talking about the Council not being able to get along with each other. Now those are some things that I have been talking to the Council about ever since the process started, or the disagreement started. That has been several months now. I agree with you there should be not dissent among Council people. There should be no dissent among Council people. You cannot get the job done if you disagree with your brother. You are sitting next to him, you step on his foot and you cannot say I am sorry. That does not work. You have got to agree with each other and I have said that several times. I do believe in it. I have been in this town for 46 and a half years and I do not think that I have ever run into a Council that was any more disagreeable from time to time that this one. I hate to say it but it is the truth and we must get it stopped. It has to stop. I know that I will be leaving here in one more meeting, I think I have got. Then the first of January I will not be here. You will get a new Mayor and I would imagine that he will carry a big hammer and keep cracking heads with it. But I want to let

you know that of the 46 ½ years that I have lived in this town, I have enjoyed almost every minute of it. It is my home; I came here when I was a teenager and now look at me.

(Laughter from the public)

I am only a few years from a hundred. I love my job here and I am going to miss it. I can tell you that right now. So I know where I go around the world and no matter where it is, I will call back and check on you. See who is doing the job as Mayor, see who the Manager is, see if everything is working alright. I know you do not want to hear it, but I will check back on you anyway. Because whenever I go on vacation, no matter where it is, I get calls, and not just from the Township, more than anything else I get them from my church, Tabernacle Baptist Church. The Clerk knows that if she is looking for me anytime during the day when I am not here, I am at the church. So they have questions just like the questions transfer here and I have been called many on Waikiki Beach asking questions. The questions are asked about things that they need a question answered, so I do not mind when that question is asked of me. I do not mind when the Township does it. It does not bother me at all. I know you would not have called if you did not need it. But 2:00 A.M. and 3:00 A.M. in the morning is not a good time. I am so sleepy I do not know what answer I gave you. I called my niece the other day and she goes to sleep as early as I do, and talked to her and for about 15 minutes into the next morning, she called and asked me if I was going to call her. She never heard a word I said. I will not have that happen here and I say again, that the people you have on Council will attempt to do their job. I know they will. You voted for them and they expect to do what you voted them to do when you put them into office. They can do it they are fully qualified to do it. It is just maybe on guy does not like the way the other parts his hair. So we are going to have to settle that, and then I think we can get on and get the job done. But, as I said before, this town allowed me to grow up from a teenager to an old fuddy. Thank you for tolerating me. I appreciate it so much. It is something you have got to look forward to though and get the things that are on the Council straightened out that are not where they ought to be. They can be there, and it can be done. I see Carl Turner back there; he was one of the people that worked with me when he was a Township Engineer. He did a good job, but he got tired of Willingboro and he left us and now he is back again giving us a problem.

(Humorous)

(Laughter from all)

Is there any other things that the Council wish to bring up at this time? Because now it is time for us to do our job and go into an executive session and it might be long so do not wait.


Mayor Campbell: Goodnight everybody thank you for coming out. God bless you.

Executive session began at 9:45
Executive session ended at 10:22PM (no votes were taken)


Motion to come out of executive session was done by Deputy Mayor Anderson and seconded by Councilman Holley. All in favor and none opposed.

Motion to adjourn was done by Councilwoman Jennings and seconded by Councilman Holley. All in favor and none opposed.

There being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 10:25PM


Eddie Campbell, Jr., Mayor

Attest:


Sarah Wooding, RMC
Township Clerk