

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
MEETING – April 15, 2013**

Mayor Allen *calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.* announcing that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

**PRESENT:** Mayor J. Allen, Deputy Mayor B. Muir, Mr. T. Auriemma, Mrs. B. Fort, Mr. F. Gatti

**ALSO PRESENT:** Administrator Mekovetz, Attorney S. Dragan

**ABSENT:** None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Clerk read the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION**  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

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

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

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

**EXHIBIT A**

<b><u>Subject Matter</u></b>	<b><u>Basis Of Public Exclusion</u></b>	<b><u>Date Anticipated When Disclosed to Public</u></b>
Local No. 317 / Lieutenants.....	Contract Negotiations.....	Certain information at the discretion of the Township Committee tonight...other
Grant Agreement / ..... Farmland Preservation Program (Readington Township / Toll)	Contract Negotiations.....	“ “ “
Executive Session Minutes..... • April 1, 2013	Attorney-Client Privilege.....	“ “ “
Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; Block 56, Lots 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 39, Lot 24 & Block 67, Lot 2 (Solberg Aviation).....	Litigation.....	“ “ “

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

2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

The meeting reconvened at 7:25 p.m.

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

***Executive Session:***

***Contract Negotiations / Local No. 317 / Lieutenants***

Mayor Allen stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

***Contract Negotiations / Grant Agreement / Farmland Preservation Program (Readington Township / Toll)***

A ***MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Muir to approve the Grant Agreement for Block 94, Lot 17, seconded by Mrs. Fort and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Gatti	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Aye
Mayor Allen	- Aye

***Attorney-Client Privilege / Executive Session Minutes / April 1, 2013***

A ***MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Fort to approve the Executive Session Minutes of April 1, 2013 for content only, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

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

Mayor Allen stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

***CONSENT AGENDA:***

Mayor Allen read the following statement:

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

- \* 1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of meeting of April 1, 2013
- \* 2. ***Release of Police Escrow*** (CBS Outdoor - \$77.51)
- \* 3. ***Release of Police Escrow*** (Ernest Renda Contracting - \$546.82)
- \* 4. ***Resolution Authorizing the Morris County Cooperative Purchases (Traffic Signal Maintenance and Repairs)***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2013-50**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Readington wishes to purchase services for traffic signal maintenance and repairs from an authorized vendor under the Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Jen Electric, Inc., 631 Morris Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081 has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract No. #37 for traffic signal maintenance & repairs for the period three (3) years, July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing Agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best price available, not to exceed \$25,000.00;

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

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that Jen Electric, Inc. be awarded a contract for services for traffic signal maintenance and repairs; and

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

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

- \* 5. **Resolution Authorizing the Morris County Cooperative Purchases (Cinder Block and Concrete)**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2013-51**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Readington wishes to purchase cinder and concrete blocks from an authorized vendor under the Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

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

**WHEREAS**, The Phillips Company / Harrison Supply, P.O. Box 161, Sparta, NJ, 07871, has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract No. #19 for cinder and concrete blocks, for the period one (1) year, January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing Agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best price available, not to exceed \$30,000.00;

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

**Resolution #R-2013-51 cont'd:**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that The Phillips Company be awarded a contract for cinder and concrete blocks; and

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

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

\* 6. **Resolution Authorizing the Morris County Cooperative Purchases (Catch Basins and Manhole Castings)**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2013-52**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Readington wishes to purchase catch basins and manhole castings from an authorized vendor under the Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Campbell Foundry Company, 800 Bergen Street, Harrison, NJ, 07029, has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract No. #14 for catch basins and manhole casting, for the period one (1) year, January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, General Foundries, Inc., 1 Progress Road, North Brunswick, NJ, 08902, has also been awarded some items within Morris County Cooperative Contract No. #14 for catch basins and manhole casting, for the period one (1) year, January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing Agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best price available, not to exceed \$65,000.00;

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

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that Campbell Foundry Company be awarded a contract for catch basins and manhole castings; and

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

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

\* 7. **Resolution Authorizing the Morris County Cooperative Purchases (Bagged Cement and Poured Concrete)**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2013-53**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Readington wishes to purchase bagged cement and poured concrete from an authorized vendor under the Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Phillips Company (Harrison Supply), P.O. Box 161, Sparta, NJ, 07871, has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract No. #24 for bagged cement and Joel Tannis & Sons, Inc., 17-68 River Road, Fairlawn, NJ 07410 has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract No. #24 for poured concrete, for the period one (1) year, January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing Agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best price available, not to exceed \$30,000.00;

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

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that County Concrete Corporation be awarded a contract for bagged cement and poured concrete; and

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

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

- \* 8. **Resolution Authorizing the Morris County Cooperative Purchases (Drainage Pipe)**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2013-54**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Readington wishes to purchase drainage pipe from an authorized vendor under the Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

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

**WHEREAS**, Campbell Foundry Co., 800 Bergen Street, Harrison, New Jersey 07029 has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract No. #7 for drainage pipe for the period one (1) year, January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing Agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best price available, not to exceed \$65,000.00;

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

**Resolution #R-2013-54 cont'd:**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that Campbell Foundry Company be awarded a contract for drainage pipe; and

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

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

\* 9. **2012 Recycling Tonnage Grant Application Resolution**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2013-55**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**2012 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grants may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs, and to continue and expand existing programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to Implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for the 2012 Recycling Tonnage Grant will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and indicate the assent of the Township Committee of the Township of Readington to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates Director of Public Works/Municipal Recycling Coordinator Scott Jesseman to ensure that the application is properly filed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

\* 10. **Tax Identification Statement Resolution**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2013-56**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**RESOLUTION  
TAX IDENTIFICATION STATEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Recycling Enhancement Act, P.L. 2007, chapter 311, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grants may be made to municipalities in order to encourage a local source separation and recycling programs; and

**WHEREAS**, there is levied upon the owner or operator of every solid waste facility (with certain exceptions) a recycling tax of \$3.00 per ton on all solid waste accepted for disposal or transfer at the solid waste facility.

**WHEREAS**, whenever a municipality operates a municipal service system for solid waste collection, or provides for regular solid waste collection service under a contract awarded pursuant to the “Local Public Contracts Law”, the amount of grant monies received by the municipality shall not be less than the annual amount of recycling tax paid by the municipality except that all grant monies received by the municipality shall be expended only for its recycling program.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Readington that the Township of Readington hereby certifies a submission of expenditure for taxes paid pursuant to P.L. 2007, chapter 311, in 2012 in the amount of \$15,423.09. Documentation supporting this submission is available at Municipal Building, 509 Route 523, Whitehouse Station, 08889 and shall be maintained for no less than five years from the date.

- \* 11. **Release of Security Deposit for Hunting Properties** (Oak Ridge Sportsmen’s Association, Inc.)
  - Thor Solberg Road (Block 57, Lot 2)
- \* 12. **Permit Fee Refund** (228 Potterstown Road / Somerville Aluminum)
- \* 13. **Lien Redemption**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP**

**HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 22, Lot 66 and,

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lienholder the redemption amount.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$43,137.57, known as Tax Sale Certificate #608, to the lienholder, Tad J. Dabrowski.

- \* 14. **Lien Redemption**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP**  
**HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 73, Lot 40.01 and,

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lienholder the redemption amount.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$11,227.65, plus a premium paid in the amount of \$5,100.00, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2012-014, to the lienholder, KCC Promised Lands, LLC.

- \* 15. **Payment of Bills** – (Complete bill list is on file in Clerk’s Office)

<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Fund No.</u>	<u>Received Total</u>
CURRENT FUND	2-01	\$ 7,661.74
CURRENT FUND	3-01	\$ 564,799.51
SEWER APPROPRIATIONS	3-02	\$ 9,591.88
TRUST FUNDS	X-03	\$ 64,652.51
MISC REFUND, COUNTY TAX, LIENS	X-05	\$ 68,564.62
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	X-06	\$ 176,684.36
DUE TO STATE OF NJ	X-09	<u>\$ 250.00</u>
<b>TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS</b>		<b>\$ 892,204.62</b>

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

- Mr. Auriemma - Aye
- Mrs. Fort - Aye
- Mr. Gatti - Aye
- Mrs. Muir - Aye
- Mayor Allen - Aye

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** for items listed on the agenda only

There were none.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

As it was after 8:00 p.m., A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Gatti to adjourn the regular meeting to hold a Public Hearing, seconded by Mrs. Fort with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

**An Ordinance to Provide for the Acceptance of the Street Known as Freeman Lane in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey from Carmine and Carmela Antonuccio**

◆ **Ordinance #07-2013**

Mayor Allen asked if there were any comments from the Governing Body.

There were none.

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

There were none.

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

Clerk read by Title:

***An Ordinance to Provide for the Acceptance of the Street Known as Freeman Lane in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey from Carmine and Carmela Antonuccio***

**◆ Ordinance #07-2013**

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

Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Gatti	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Aye
Mayor Allen	- Aye

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

Clerk read by Title:

***An Ordinance to Provide for the Acceptance of a Stream Corridor Protection Easement on a Portion of Block 38, Lots 54.11, 54.12 and 54.02 (to become Lots 54.01 through 54.14) in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey from Renda and Ridge Road Realty, LLC***

**◆ Ordinance #08-2013**

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

There were none.

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

There were none.

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

Clerk read by Title:

***An Ordinance to Provide for the Acceptance of a Stream Corridor Protection Easement on a Portion of Block 38, Lots 54.11, 54.12 and 54.02 (to become Lots 54.01 through 54.14) in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey from Renda and Ridge Road Realty, LLC***

**◆ Ordinance #08-2013**

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

Mr. Auriemma - Aye  
Mrs. Fort - Aye  
Mr. Gatti - Aye  
Mrs. Muir - Aye  
Mayor Allen - Aye

**CORRESPONDENCE / OTHER INFORMATION**

1. Resolution dated March 6, 2013 from Brenda Shepard, Borough Clerk, Borough of Frenchtown regarding **Resolution Seeking Legislative Support on Abandoned Property Enforcement**. No action taken.
2. Resolution from Ceil Covino, Municipal Clerk, Township of Clinton, regarding **Opposing S2364/A3553 Early Voting**. No action taken.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Board of Education 2013 Budget Presentation**

Dr. Barbara Sargent, Superintendent of Readington Township Schools, gave a brief update on the school district budget for the 2013-14 school year. Dr. Sargent highlighted the goals of the budget which included 1) balancing the class size guidelines, 2) to continue to enrich the student's academic experiences and 3) to continue support the district's strategic plan. Dr. Sargent also discussed the impact of the projected declined enrollment in the schools.

2. **An Ordinance Amending a Portion of Chapter 112 of the Code of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey Pertaining to Emergency Services Agency Members**

The following ordinance was offered for introduction:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A PORTION OF CHAPTER 112 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY PERTAINING TO EMERGENCY SERVICES AGENCY MEMBERS**

**ORDINANCE # 09-2013**

**BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the following amendments shall be made to Chapter 112 of the Code of the Township of Readington, entitled "Emergency Services" **and amending Ordinance #31-2012**. Additions are indicated **thus** and deletions are indicated **[thus]**.

**SECTION 1. Sec. 112-6 Notification of Arrest.**

Any member of a Readington Township Emergency Services Agency who is arrested in any jurisdiction, is required to notify the head of their organization as soon as possible, but not later than 72 hours after the arrest occurs. An[y] arrest in any jurisdiction **for an offense listed in Sec. 112-2F(1) and (2)** will result in immediate suspension for that member from any Readington Township Emergency Services Agency. **Suspension for any other arrest will be at the discretion of the Chief of Police. If a member requests an appeal of the Chief of the Police' decision, then a board consisting of the Chief of the member's agency, the Township Administrator, and the Township Mayor or his/her appointed designee from the governing body, will be convened. The decision of the board will be final.**

Upon conviction of an offense listed in 112-2F(1) and (2), **or any other offense that would indicate that the member may be a threat to the health, safety or welfare of the community,** the member shall be immediately removed from that Agency.

**Ordinance #09-2013 cont'd:**

**SECTION 2.** This ordinance supersedes any ordinances, sections or portion(s) of Chapter 112 of the Readington Township Code or any other Township ordinance or portion of the Code inconsistent herewith.

**SECTION 3.** All other language contained in Chapter 112 of the Readington Township Code not specifically changed by this ordinance amendment shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4.** If the provision of any article, section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision or clause of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of any such article, section, subsection, paragraph or clause and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

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

Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Gatti	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Nay
Mayor Allen	- Aye

The Public Hearing was scheduled for May 6, 2013 at 7:45 p.m.

3. ***Ryland Inn / Declaration of Deed Restriction*** (Block 14, Lot 29)

Attorney Dragan stated that as a result of the preliminary site plan approval to the Ryland Inn in January, one of the conditions was to put in a buffer easement and it was recommended by the Township Planner to record this document. Attorney Dragan advised that the metes and bounds description be attached to the document prior to filing with the County.

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to approve the Declaration of Deed Restriction for the buffer easement for Block 14, Lot 49, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Gatti	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Aye
Mayor Allen	- Aye

4. ***Assignment of Sewer Allocation*** (Rolf Ackerman to Antonio Dos Santos / Block 4, Lot 77.01 / 21A Central Avenue)

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2013-57**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Rolf V. Ackermann, Executor of the Estate of Rolf Ackermann, Deceased (hereinafter “Ackermann”) is the holder of certain sewerage capacity in the Township of Readington as a result of a Sewer Plant Expansion Contribution and Allocation Agreement entered into between Rolf Ackermann and the Township of Readington dated February 4, 2002 (hereinafter “Sewer Agreement”) and subsequent Resolution #2004-15 (hereinafter “Resolution”) adopted by the Township on January 5, 2004, approving amendment to said Sewer Agreement; and

**Resolution #R-2013-57 cont'd:**

**WHEREAS**, the Sewer Agreement and Resolution amending same provided that the total sewer capacity allocated to Ackermann was three (3) sewer units to serve Block 4, Lots 77, 77.01 and 77.02 [ie. one sewer units (350 gpd) for each lot]; and

**WHEREAS**, Ackermann has entered into a contract to sell Block 4, Lot 77.01 in Readington Township (also known as 21A Central Avenue) for use as a single family residential unit to Antonio J. Dos Santos (“Assignee”) and has provided to the Township for approval, an Assignment Agreement dated April 8, 2013 transferring all of Ackerman’s right, title, claim and interest in and under the 350 gpd sewer capacity assigned to Block 4, Lot 77.01 to the Assignee, its successors in interest and assigns (hereinafter “Assignment Agreement”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Assignment Agreement is contingent upon the successful closing of title of Block 4, Lot 77.01 to the Assignee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee is in agreement with the proposed transfer as contemplated by the parties.

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

1. The Township Committee does hereby acknowledge and approve the assignment of requested 350 gpd sewerage capacity from Ackerman to Antonio J. Dos Santos, contract purchaser of Block 4, Lot 77.01 to serve a single family residential unit to be built on Block 4, Lot 77.01, contingent on the successful closing of the contract of sale between the parties, and as set forth in the Assignment Agreement which is attached hereto as Schedule A and made a part hereof. The gallonage being assigned is equivalent to one (1) sewer unit, in accordance with the Township’s sewer ordinances.
2. Any future assignment or different use of the aforesaid sewer capacity, as well as any remaining capacity held by Ackerman under the Sewer Agreement and Resolution #2004-15 must first come through the Sewer Advisory Committee for recommendation and then the Township Committee approval, in accordance with Township ordinances.
3. Billing for the above sewerage capacity shall be coordinated between the Tax Office and the Administrator/Municipal Clerk’s office.

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

5. **Special Event Permit Application**  
(Jessica Cassini Public Auction / Block 46.03, Lot 11.23) May 9, 2013

**A MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to approve the Special Events Permit Application for the Jessica Cassini Public Auction, seconded by Mr. Auriemma with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

6. **Special Event Permit Application**  
(Quick Check NJ Festival of Ballooning / Block 56, Lot 3) July 26 through July 28, 2013

**A MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to approve the Special Events Permit Application for the Quick Check NJ Festival of Ballooning, seconded by Mr. Auriemma with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

- \* 7. **Release of Police Escrow** (CBS Outdoor - \$77.51)

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

- \* 8. ***Release of Police Escrow*** (Ernest Renda Contracting - \$546.82)  
  
This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
  
- \* 9. ***Resolution Authorizing the Morris County Cooperative Purchases (Traffic Signal Maintenance and Repairs)***  
  
This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
  
- \* 10. ***Resolution Authorizing the Morris County Cooperative Purchases (Cinder Block and Concrete)***  
  
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- \* 13. ***Resolution Authorizing the Morris County Cooperative Purchases (Drainage Pipe)***  
  
This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
  
- \* 14. ***2012 Recycling Tonnage Grant Application Resolution***  
  
This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
  
- \* 15. ***Tax Identification Statement Resolution***  
  
This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
  
- \* 16. ***Release of Security Deposit for Hunting Properties*** (Oak Ridge Sportsmen's Association, Inc.)
  - Thor Solberg Road (Block 57, Lot 2)  
This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
  
- \* 17. ***Permit Fee Refund*** (228 Potterstown Road / Somerville Aluminum)  
  
This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

#### ***ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT***

Administrator Mekovetz made a recommendation that the Committee consider increasing the clean up permit fee and also the increase the liquor license fee the permitted 20%.

The following ordinance was offered for introduction:

***AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 66-5 OF THE CODE OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON PERTAINING TO THE FEES FOR  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES***

**Ordinance # 10-2013**

***BE IT ORDAINED***, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Readington in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Section 66-5 of the Code of the Township of Readington pertaining to the the fees for alcoholic beverage licenses is hereby amended as follows [additions are indicated **thus**, deletions are indicated **~~thus~~**]:

**66-5 Fees.**

The fees for alcoholic beverage licenses shall be as follows:

- A. For consumption and distribution licenses: ~~\$1,845.50~~ **\$2,214.60** (Plus the applicable State Fee to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control).

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance supersedes any ordinances, sections or portion(s) of the Code of the Township of Readington or any other Township ordinance inconsistent herewith.

**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

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

Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Gatti	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Aye
Mayor Allen	- Aye

The Public Hearing was scheduled for May 6, 2013 at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Auriemma commented that on several occasions he has witnessed trucks pulling trailers into the Recycling Center and would like to see the size of a vehicle limited to a pickup truck. The Committee discussed the size of the vehicles and the associated fees.

**A MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to increase the permit fee for a vehicle of household garbage to \$25, seconded by Mrs. Fort and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Fort	- Aye
Mr. Gatti	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Aye
Mayor Allen	- Aye

***ATTORNEY'S REPORT***

Attorney Dragan stated that she had nothing further to report.

***COMMITTEE REPORTS***

**Julia Allen**

Mrs. Allen reported that the Planning Board meeting is cancelled next week.

**Tom Auriemma**

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

**Betty Ann Fort**

Mrs. Fort reported that the Museums hosted *A Day in the Life of Mrs. Bouman*. Mrs. Fort also reported that the Historic Preservation Commission is looking for members.

**Frank Gatti**

Mr. Gatti reminded the Committee that there will be a budget meeting on April 17<sup>th</sup> and April 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

**Beatrice Muir**

Mrs. Muir reported there were some cases of rabies in the Township.

***COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC***

There were none.

***COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY***

Mayor Allen commented that the Volunteer Night last week went perfectly. Mrs. Fort commended Meg Slutter on the wonderful job she had done. Mayor Allen requested that the slide show be posted on the website and also the possibility of a press release be published in the Readington News.

As there was no further business, ***A MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Fort at 8:25 p.m. to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Gatti with vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vita Mekovetz, RMC/MMC/QPA  
Municipal Clerk