

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING – April 6, 2009**

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, Mr. T. Auriemma, Mr. F. Gatti, Mrs. B. Muir
Mr. G. Shamey

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Mekovetz, Engineer Rob O'Brien

ABSENT: Attorney S. Dragan

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

<u>Subject Matter</u>	<u>Basis Of Public Exclusion</u>	<u>Date Anticipate When Disclosed to Public</u>
Personnel.....	Police.....	Certain information at the discretion of the Township Committee tonight...other information will remain confidential
Personnel.....	Code Enforcement.....	“ “ “
Contract Negotiations.....	Block 93, Lot 1 (Amawalk)...	“ “ “
Contract Negotiations.....	Block 94, Lots 15.01, 17 and 19 (Toll)	“ “
Contract Negotiations.....	Block 94, Lots 6.02, 8 and 11 (Daniels)	“ “
Contract Negotiations.....	Block 22, Lot 6 (Jensen).....	“ “ “
Contract Negotiations.....	127 Buttercup Court.....	“ “ “
Contract Negotiations.....	Professional Services γPrinceton Public Affairs Group	“ “ “
Contract Negotiations.....	Van Doren Sewer Agreement..... Block 21.13, Lots 13 and 14	“ “ “

Attorney-Client Privilege..... Executive Session Minutes..... “ “ “
(March 16, 2009)

Litigation..... Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; “ “ “
Block 56, Lots 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 39,
Lot 24 and Block 67, Lot 2
(Solberg Aviation/Hromoho)

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 Mr. Shamey to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

The meeting reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

Mayor Allen announced that the following business was completed during Executive Session:

Personnel/Police

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Gatti to promote Lieutenant’s Crater and Kaulius from probationary Lieutenant to Lieutenant effective March 18, 2009, seconded by Mr. Shamey and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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

Personnel/Code Enforcement

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Shamey to reduce the hours of the Plumbing Inspector from 7 to 6 hours per day for the designated days he works, to reduce the hours of the Building Inspector from 35 to 21 hours per week, and to reduce the days of the Part-time Clerk from 5 to 3 days per week, based on the recommendation of Mike Kovonuk, Construction Official, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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

Contract Negotiations/Block 93, Lot 1 (Amawalk)

Mayor Allen stated this matter remains in Executive Session.

Contract Negotiations/Block 94, Lots 15.01, 17 and 19 (Toll)

Mayor Allen stated this matter remains in Executive Session.

Contract Negotiations/Block 94, Lots 6.02, 8 and 11 (Daniels)

Mayor Allen stated this matter remains in Executive Session.

Contract Negotiations/Block 22, Lot 6 (Jensen)

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Muir to approve moving forward with a \$14,000 payment option on the Jensen property, seconded by Mr. Shamey and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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

Contract Negotiations/127 Buttercup Court

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Shamey to authorize Attorney Dragan to draft the contract to extend the deed restriction for 30 years, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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

Contract Negotiations/Professional Services/Princeton Public Affairs Group

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2009-41

***TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
RESOLUTION***

WHEREAS, there exists a need in the Township of Readington for Professional Services;
and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contract Law (*N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.*) requires that the Resolution hiring a professional for professional services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington as follows:

1. That the following contract has been awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1) (a)* of the Local Public Contract Law because the services rendered or to be performed are by persons authorized by law to practice their profession:
 - Princeton Public Affairs Group (PPAG) to represent the Township on all governmental relations matters relating to the Township's legislative and regulatory matters at a rate of \$250 per hour not to exceed \$5,000.
2. Said contract shall expire on January 31, 2010.
3. Copies of this Professional Service Contract are on file with the Municipal Clerk and are available there for public inspection.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Muir to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mr. Shamey and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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

Contract Negotiations/Van Doren Sewer Agreement/Block 21.13, Lots 13 and 14

A ***MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Muir to approve the sewer agreement as amended, seconded by Mr. Shamey and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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

Attorney-Client Privilege/Executive Session Minutes (March 16, 2009)

A ***MOTION*** was made by Mr. Gatti to approve the Executive Session Minutes of March 16, 2009 for content only, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, Mrs. Allen abstained since she was not present at that meeting.

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

Mayor Allen stated there was no discussion on this matter.

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 March 2, 2009 and March 16,2009
- *2. **Resolution to Rescind Budget Examination Election**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2009-42

RESOLUTION TO RESCIND PREVIOUS ELECTION NOT TO SELF EXAMINE THE 2009 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon passed a resolution dated February 2, 2009 electing not to self examine the 2009 budget,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has deemed it in the Township’s best interest to self examine the budget,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon hereby rescind the previous resolution and request that the Chief Financial office examine the 2009 municipal budget.

- *3. ***ANJEC Grant Application*** – Readington Township Open Space Stewardship Plan Proposal

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2009-43

***TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
RESOLUTION***

WHEREAS, the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions (ANJEC) is accepting applications for a grant to create a stewardship program for the Conservation Easements within the Township and the development of a consistent methodology for applying ongoing maintenance and care of such easements, and

WHEREAS, the Conservation Easement Development Plan developed over the period of the grant, June 2009 to June 2010, will address the inventorying and cataloging of the existing conservation easements, creating an easily accessible digital/GIS database of the information, assessment of environmental issues including invasive species and the development of methodology for and specific plans for stewardship plans for the easements, and

WHEREAS, the resulting public information and education materials, as well as the resulting protocols for uniformly addressing and monitoring future easements and other public land, will contribute significantly to the Township's ability to manage and provide leadership in the care and protection of these protected properties, and

WHEREAS, The grant and the resulting plan will support the Township's 2009 commitment to update our environmental regulations to further protect our natural resources, and

WHEREAS, the grant is understood to be a least a 50% matching grant of \$29,500, of which \$12,000 will be provided by ANJEC and remainder matched by the Township in the form of \$11,500 in in-kind services from volunteers and Township resources and \$6,000 in match budget support coming from the 2009 Environmental Commission and Open Space budgets, and

WHEREAS, The Environmental Commission will provide the leadership and coordination for the grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, that it supports the Readington Township Environmental Commission's application to the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions 2009-2010 grant for the purposes outlined in this resolution.

- *4. ***Team Somerset Bicycling Club*** – letter requesting permission to use Township roads – May 9, 2009
- *5. ***Annual Poppy Drive*** – letter dated March 12, 2009 from Elizabeth Richards requesting permission to hold annual drive throughout the month of May
- *6. ***Four Seasons at Readington / Block 21, Lot 29*** – release of cash surety (\$880.73)
- *7. ***Postponement of Mortgage*** – 117 Dove Cote Court
- *8. ***Postponement of Mortgage*** – 715 Well Sweep Road
- *9. ***Santiago Cuellar Jr. / Block 12, Lot 25*** – release of escrow (\$1,042.97)
- *10. ***Blue Light Permit*** – Braden K. Moore
- *11. ***Payment of Bills***

<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Fund No.</u>	<u>Received Total</u>
CURRENT FUND	8-01	\$ 13,832.24
CURRENT FUND	9-01	\$1,011,656.08
SEWER APPROPRIATIONS	9-02	\$ 100,465.78
TRUST FUNDS	X-03	\$ 16,761.07
2004 CAPITAL APPROP.	X-04	\$ 6,866.94
MISC REFUND, COUNTY TAX, LIENS	X-05	\$5,316,244.13
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	X-06	\$ 284,256.05
REGIONAL & LOCAL SCHOOL TAX	X-07	\$2,485,176.00
DUE TO STATE OF NJ	X-09	\$ 225.00
2008 CAPITAL	X-88	\$ 5,160.18
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS		\$9,240,643.47

*12. *Tax Refunds*

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

READINGTON TOWNSHIP

HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has recommended the following refunds:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>REFUND TO</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>2008</u>			
21.06/201.15	Apgar, Jaynie	senior deduct.	\$250.00
<u>2009</u>			
95/12.375	Gherardi, Robert	duplicate payt	\$932.77

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Township Treasurer be authorized to refund the amounts recommended.

*13. *Lien Redemption – Block 48, Lot 38*

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

RESOLUTION

READINGTON TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY

WHEREAS, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 48, Lot 38 known as Tax Sale Certificate #547 and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lien holder the redemption amount,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$35,516.77 plus a premium paid in the amount of \$21,100 to the lien holder, Park Finance LLC.

*14. ***Lien Redemption – Block 36, Lot 5.04***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

RESOLUTION

READINGTON TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY

WHEREAS, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 36, Lot 5.04 known as Tax Sale Certificate #527 and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lien holder the redemption amount,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$22,216.01, to the lien holder, James Pilewski.

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

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

Clerk read by Title:

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN EASEMENT DEDICATED ON A PORTION OF BLOCK 42, LOT 15 FOR DRAINAGE PURPOSES ON KOSCIUSZKO ROAD IN THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FROM SCOTT CROMWELL AND KRISTINE CROMWELL

ORDINANCE # 13 -2009

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.

Scott Cromwell, 147 Kosciuszko Road, reported that there were drainage problems on his property and thanked the Committee for any assistance that could be provided to alleviate this problem.

Ingelore Krug, 20 Old Readington Road, stated she also drainage problems on her property.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Mr. Shamey 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:

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ORDINANCE # 13 -2009

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

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

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER INFORMATION

1. Memorandum dated March 10, 2009 from Sharon L. Brienza, Municipal Clerk, Township of Branchburg regarding **An Ordinance Amending the Land Development Ordinance of the Township of Branchburg by Amending Subsection 7-2.1 to Increase the Escrow Deposit for a “d” Variance.** No action taken.
2. Memorandum dated March 18, 2009 from Judith A. Sullivan, Municipal Clerk, Township of Bedminster regarding **An Ordinance Amending Section 13-522 Entitled “Wireless Telecommunications Equipment and Facilities” of Chapter XIII Entitled “Land Management” of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bedminster , to Update and Revise the Township’s Regulations of the Location and Construction of Wireless Telecommunication Equipment and Facilities within the Township.** No action taken.
3. Letter dated March 23, 2009 from Thomas Aufferorde, Assistant Vice President, EcolSciences, Inc. regarding **An Application for an Extension of Letter of Interpretation: Line Verification, Block 2.01, Lot 9, Township of Readington.** (Entire File Available in Clerk’s Office for Review) No action taken.
4. Letter dated March 2009 from Alex DeCroce, Assembly Republican Leader, Republican Office, State House, regarding **A Resolution in Opposition to Governor Corzine’s FY 2010 State Budget.** No action taken.
5. Memorandum dated March 24, 2009 from Sharon L. Brienza, Municipal Clerk, Branchburg regarding **An Ordinance Amending the Land Development Ordinance of the Township of Branchburg by Replacing Section 10-1, Entitled “Tree Removal and Protection” in its Entirety with a New Section Entitled “Tree Removal, Reforestation and Tree Protection”.** No action taken.
6. Mayor Fax Advisory dated March 23, 2009 from William Dressel, Jr. Executive Director, NJLM regarding **A Resolution in Connection with “Support Our Troops Day on April 19, 2009.**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

R-2009-44

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
HUNTERDON COUNTY
RESOLUTION**

Resolution #R-2009-44 cont'd:

WHEREAS, the people of this municipality support the New Jersey National Guard and Reserve in the strongest possible terms, are immensely proud of their accomplishments, and are extremely grateful for their services to this State and to the nation over the years;

WHEREAS, in the highest American tradition, the patriotic men and women of the Guard and Reserve voluntarily in an honorable and vital profession by responding to their community and their country in time of need,

WHEREAS, it is right and proper that we set aside time to honor these fine men and women for the sacrifices they make for every one of us,

WHEREAS, the New Jersey National Guard State Family Readiness Council is honoring them with a concert by the Blawenburg Band at the National Guard Armory in Lawrenceville on "Support Our Troops Day" on Sunday, April 19, 2009,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, hereby resolves that it honors these service members and the day of appreciation set aside for them,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the New Jersey National Guard State Family Readiness Council and the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Appointment of Open Space Chair and Vice-Chair**

A MOTION was made by Mr. Shamey to appoint John Klotz as Chair and Juergen Huelsebusch as Vice-Chair of the Open Space Committee, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

2. **Upper Ground Enterprises Inc. / Kitchen Nightmares-** request to film an episode between the dates of April 27-May 28

A MOTION was made by Mr. Shamey to approve this request, subject to the approval of the police department and notification of the filming location to Mr. Shamey and Mr. Auriemma, seconded by Mr. Auriemma with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

3. **Three Bridges Volunteer Fire Co.** – letter dated March 23, 3009 requesting permission to sponsor Second Annual Three Bridges 5 Mile Run

A MOTION was made by Mr. Shamey to approve this request, seconded by Mr. Auriemma with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

4. **Ferreira 2000, Block 39, Lot 61.04** – request to reduce Performance Guaranty

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

R-2009-45

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
RESOLUTION**

Resolution #R-2009-45 cont'd:

WHEREAS, Ferreira Construction Co., Inc. did on May 6, 2008 file a written request with the Township of Readington for a reduction in Cash Performance Guarantee Check #30154 in the amount of \$32,910.00 for work completed on Block 39, Lot 61.04; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has confirmed that a certain amount of work has been done by Ferreira Construction Co., Inc. on said property; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Municipal Land Use Law the Township may retain up to 30% of a Performance Bond to assure the completion of site work;

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has supplied a reduced bond amount for Cash Performance Guarantee Check #30154, as indicated in his letter of February 26, 2009 based upon the Municipal Land Use Law

CHECK	ORIGINAL BONDED AMOUNT @ 120%	RECOMMENDED REDUCTION FOR WORK COMPLETED	REMAINING PERFORMANCE GUARANTY @ 120%
Check	\$32,910.00	\$24,682.50	\$822.75
Bond			\$7,404.75
Total	\$32,910.00	\$24,682.50	\$8,227.50

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that authorization is hereby given to reduce Cash Performance Guarantee Check # 30154, as recommended by the Township Engineer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a two year Maintenance Guaranty for landscaping and public improvements shall be posted in the amount of \$3,801.00 as calculated by the Township Engineer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that authorization is given to the Township Clerk to forward copies of this Resolution approving these reduced amounts to the applicant.

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

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

5. **An Ordinance of the Township of Readington, County Of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey Prohibiting Parking on a Portion of Fire Lane in the Township and Establishing Penalties for the Violation thereof**

The following Ordinance was offered for introduction:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROHIBITING PARKING ON A PORTION OF FIRE LANE IN THE TOWNSHIP AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

Ordinance cont'd:

WHEREAS, Fire Lane is located wholly within the jurisdiction of the Township of Readington in the County of Hunterdon; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the N.J.S.A. 39:4-8c, the Township may prohibit parking along the roadways within the Township's jurisdiction without having to obtain approval from the New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the East Whitehouse Fire Company is located on Old Highway 28, at the northerly end of Fire Lane. The fire company has requested the Township to prohibit parking on the west side of Fire Lane because a safety issue has arisen due to vehicles parking on both sides of the aforesaid street, making it difficult for fire trucks to navigate the narrowed roadway; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received a recommendation from the municipal Police Department concurring that vehicles should not park on the west side of Fire Lane due to the inability of fire trucks to maneuver safely due to parked cars on both sides of the street. Accordingly, the Township believes that it is within the interest of public safety to prohibit parking along the westerly side of Fire Lane for its entire length from Old Highway 28 to Route 22.

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

Section I. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to prohibit parking on the portion of Fire Lane described below so as to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Township of Readington, by not impeding fire trucks traveling from the East Whitehouse Fire Company building as they travel down Fire Lane in order to answer emergency calls, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

Section II. Prohibited conduct.

There shall be no parking at any time along the westerly side of Fire Lane, from its beginning at Old Highway 28 to its end at Route 22.

Section III. Signage.

Upon final adoption of this ordinance, for the benefit of the public, signs shall be posted at two intervals along the westerly side of Fire Lane as recommended by the Readington Township Police Department clearly indicating that parking is prohibited, at all times, in accordance with D.O.T. guidelines for placement of signage.

Section IV. Enforcement.

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Readington Township Police Department pursuant to N.J.S.A. Section 39:4-2 once it becomes effective and signs have been put into place.

Section V. Violations and Penalty. Any vehicle parked in the prohibited parking area created by this ordinance may be towed at the expense of the owner. Any person who violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding \$250 (plus court costs, if contested) and/or a period of community service not exceeding 15 days, or both. Each day a violation continues after the time required for the abatement thereof shall constitute a separate offense.

Section VI. Repealer. This ordinance supersedes and repeals any ordinances, sections or portions of any other Township ordinances inconsistent herewith.

Section VII. Severability. Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding and holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

Ordinance cont'd:

Section VIII. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption and final publications according to law.

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

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

The Public Hearing was scheduled for April 22, 2009 at 8:00 p.m.

6. ***Introduction of Various Improvement Bond Ordinance - \$1,485,000.00***

Administrator Mekovetz stated this bond ordinance is for the roads that the Committee had agreed to reclaim this year and for certain equipment for the Department of Public Works and the Recreation Department.

The following Ordinance was offered for introduction:

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$1,485,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,410,750 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "Township") as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$1,485,000, including the aggregate sum of \$74,250 as the several down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments are broken down as follows, \$54,250 is from the Capital Improvement Fund and \$20,000 is from the Recreation Trust Fund.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$1,410,750 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

Ordinance cont'd:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) Providing for the reclamation and overlay of several roads throughout the Township, consisting but not limited to: Suydam Street, Mountain Road, Forest Hill, Dorset Lane, East Militia Road, Rebel Road, Hickory Lane and Horseshoe Road, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$1,115,000	\$1,059,250	10 years
b) Acquisition of a single axle dump truck for the Department of Public Work, including all related costs, expenditures and appurtenances necessary thereto.	\$165,000	\$156,750	5 years
c) Acquisition of a zero turn mower, one ton roller and leaf vacuum for the Department of Public Works, including all related costs, expenditures and appurtenances necessary thereto.	\$85,000	\$80,750	10 years
d) Repairs and upkeep to the Cushetunk Dam, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$ <u>120,000</u>	\$ <u>114,000</u>	15 years
TOTALS	\$ <u>1,485,000</u>	\$ <u>1,410,750</u>	

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the down payment for each purpose.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Ordinance cont'd:

Section 5. The Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements that the Township may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the costs thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 9.84 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$1,410,750, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$125,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated costs indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.

Section 7. The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue the bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Ordinance cont'd:

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

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

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

The Public Hearing was scheduled for April 22, 2009 at 8:00 p.m.

7. ***Introduction of Stormwater Management Plan Bond Ordinance - \$1,020,000.00***

Mayor Allen stated this bond ordinance is needed to satisfy a state mandated Stormwater Management Plan that must be implemented by the Township this year. Mr. Shamey expressed concern over the cost of the paving of the parking lot. Mrs. Muir suggested that alternatives be sought, possibly with shared services, to reduce the costs involved. Administrator Mekovetz stated that if the Township does not comply with this mandate within the specified time line, the Department of Environmental Protection could fine the Township.

The following Ordinance was offered for introduction:

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS RELATED TO A STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$1,020,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$969,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "Township") as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$1,020,000, including the aggregate sum of \$51,000 as the several down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments are now available from the Capital Improvement Fund.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$969,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

Ordinance cont'd:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) Washbay addition to pretreat wash wastewater for discharge into the sanitary sewer system, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$410,000	\$389,500	40 years
b) Reclamation and paving of parking areas, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	<u>\$610,000</u>	<u>\$579,500</u>	10 years
TOTALS	<u>\$1,020,000</u>	<u>\$969,000</u>	

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the down payment for each purpose.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements that the Township may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the costs thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 22.05 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been

Ordinance cont'd:

filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$969,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$100,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated costs indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.

Section 7. The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue the bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

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

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

The Public Hearing was scheduled for April 22, 2009 at 8:00 p.m.

8. ***Special Emergency Resolution/ Master Plan***

Mayor Allen stated the Planning Board is in the process of a full update of its Master Plan and this is an expensive process. This resolution will allow

the Township to pay for the professional services of updating the Master Plan over five years.

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2009-46

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON**

**SPECIAL EMERGENCY RESOLUTION – NJS 4A:4-53
(5-YEAR SPECIAL EMERGENCIES)**

WHEREAS, it has been found necessary to make an Emergency Appropriation to meet certain extraordinary expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by Preparation of Master Plan and,

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-53 provides that it shall be lawful to make such appropriation, which appropriation and/or the “special emergency notes” issued to finance the same shall be provided for in succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of an appropriation of at least one fifth of the amount authorized pursuant to this act.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, (by not less than two-thirds of all governing body members affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of NJS 40A:4-55:

1. An emergency appropriation is hereby made for Preparation of Master Plan in the total amount of \$175,000.00.
2. That emergency appropriation shall be provided for in the budgets of the next succeeding years by the inclusion of not less than \$35,000.00.
3. That an “emergency note,” not in excess of the amount authorized pursuant to law, be provided.
4. That such note shall be executed by Thomas J. Carro, CMFO and Vita Mekovetz, Administrator/Municipal Clerk.
5. That said note shall be dated April 6, 2009, may be renewed from time to time provided that such note and any renewals shall mature and be paid in the amount of not less than one-fifth of the total amount appropriated by this resolution in each year after the authorization.
6. That the statement required by the Local Finance Board has been filed with the Clerk and a copy will be transmitted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.
7. That two (2) certified copies of this resolution will be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; however, no approval is required from the Division.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Gatti to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mr. Auriemma and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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

9. **Resolution Regarding Readington Township's Requested Third Round Substantive Certification-** designation of representatives to negotiate on behalf of municipality

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2009-47

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 5:95-3.7 REGARDING READINGTON TOWNSHIP'S REQUESTED THIRD ROUND SUBSTANTIVE CERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Township of Readington, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, has petitioned the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing for Third Round Substantive Certification; and

WHEREAS, said Petition was filed with the Council on Affordable Housing ACOAH@ on December 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Readington has been advised that objections to the filing were received, and as a result, COAH will appoint a mediator and mediation will be scheduled; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:95-3.7, Readington Township desires to designate representatives and authorize those representatives to negotiate on behalf of the municipality in connection with said mediation; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Readington does hereby appoint Valerie Kimson, Esq., Mary Beth Lonergan, P.P., Julia C. Allen and Cheryl Filler as a representative named by the Readington Township Planning Board to negotiate on its behalf, however, since the Township of Readington is a municipal body, any negotiation is subject to review and approval by the full governing body.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Township of Readington, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, on this 6th day of April, 2009, that Readington Township hereby designates and appoints Valerie Kimson, Esq., Mary Beth Lonergan, P.P. Julia C. Allen and Cheryl Filler as a representative named by the Readington Township Planning Board to participate in mediation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-3.7 with the Council on Affordable Housing and objectors to the Petition filed by the municipality, any such negotiation being subject to final review and approval by the full governing body; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Readington Township hereby directs that a copy of this Resolution be provided to the Council on Affordable Housing.

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

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

10. **Revision of Construction Code Fee Schedule** – consideration

Administrator Mekovetz stated this is part of a routine review of the construction code fees and this recommendation was made by the Construction Code Official.

The following ordinance was offered for introduction:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 96 (UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODES)
 SECTION 4 (CONSTRUCTION CODE FEE SCHEDULE) OF THE CODE OF THE
 TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 96-4 Fees of the Municipal Code of the Township of Readington, shall be amended as follows: (additions are highlighted in **bold** , deletions are indicated []) See attached “Schedule A”:

Section 2. If any portion of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid, the same shall not effect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any portion thereof other than the portion so adjudged invalid.

Section 3. All other provisions of the Ordinance which this Ordinance does not amend shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the adoption and publication in the manner provided by law.

SCHEDULE “A”

Readington Township
 Uniform Construction Codes

Construction Codes Fee Schedule

Fire Subcode Fees

Automatic Sprinklers

1 to 20 Heads .....	.....	...[\$60.00]	\$85.00
21 to 100 Heads (in addition to above).....	.....	[\$120.00]	\$150.00
101 to 1000 Heads .....	...per Head....	.....	\$2.00
Over 1000 Heads .....	...per Head....	.....	\$1.50

Standpipe Systems

3” and 4” Risers .....	...Each.....	.....	\$150.00
Over 4” Risers.....	...Each.....	.....	\$225.00
Private Hydrants.....	...Each.....	.....	\$125.00
Fire Pumps.....	...Each.....	.....	\$125.00
Fire Tanks.....	...Each.....	.....	\$150.00
Underground Piping – No domestic Use.....	...Ea. Supply...	.....	\$75.00

Pre-Engineered Systems

CO2.....	.... Each.....	.....	\$120.00
Dry or Wet Chemical .....	....Each.....	.....	\$120.00
Halo Generated.....	.....	.....	\$150.00

Alarm Systems

All Use Groups (except R-3, \$-5)			
Pull Station, Detector, Sensor, or Flow Alarm ...	.....Each.....	.....	\$3.00
Groups R-3, R-5 .....	.....Flat Fee.....	[\$50.00]	\$60.00
Smoke Removal and Preaction Systems.....	.....Each.....	.....	\$150.00

Mechanical Systems and Appliances

Gas/Oil Heating w/o Plumbing-R-3, R-5.....	.....	.....	\$100.00
Gas/Oil Heating w/o Plumbing (A,B,F,I,H,M,R,S,U)	.....	.....	\$175.00
Gas/Oil Heating w/ Plumbing-R-3, R-5.....	.....	.....	\$ 25.00
Gas/Oil Heating w/ Plumbing (A,B,F,I,H,M,R,S,U)	.....	.....	\$ 50.00

Replacement of Above (except R-3, R-5).....	.....	.....\$100.00
Industrial/Commercial Ovens.....	.....Each.....	.....\$ 60.00
Hoods and Kitchen Exhaust – Commercial.....	.....Each.....	.....\$ 90.00
Hoods and Kitchen Exhaust – R-3, R-5 .....	.....Each.....	.....\$ 25.00
Spray Booths.....	.....Each.....	.....\$ 90.00
Incinerators.....	.....Each.....	.....\$225.00
Crematoriums .....	.....Each.....	.....\$225.00
R-3, R-5, New Appliances .....	.....Each.....	.....\$ 25.00
Commercial New Appliances – (A,B,F,I,H,M,R,S,U) .....	.....Each.....	.....\$ 45.00
Unit Heaters – (A,B,F,I,H,M,R,S,U).....	.....Each.....	.....\$ 65.00
Unit Heaters – R-3,R-5 .....	... Each.....	.....\$ 40.00

Fuel Storage Tanks – Underground Installation

Up to 2,001 gal.....	.....Each.....	.[50.00] \$100.00
2,001 to 10,000 gal.....	.....Each.....	[\$100.00] \$150.00
Over 10,000 gal .....	.....Each.....	[\$125.00] \$200.00

Fuel Storage Tanks – Above Ground Installation

Up to 10,000 gal.....	.....Each.....	..... \$ 55.00
Over 10,000 gal .....	.....Each.....	.....\$125.00

Fireplaces and Metal Chimneys

Log lighters, Vented gas fireplaces and fireplace Heaters.....Each.....\$ 75.00
Metal Chimneys – All fuel typesEach.....\$ 75.00

Minimum Subcode Fee

.....[50.00] \$55.00
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Electrical Subcode Fees

1. 1 – 50 receptacles, fixtures or devices rated 20 amperes or less and motors and equipment rated less than one horsepower (hp) or one kilowatt (kw). This shall include lighting fixtures wall switches, convenience receptacles, sensors, dimmers, alarm devices, smoke and heat detectors, communications outlets, light standards eight feet or less in height, emergency lights, electric signs, exit lights and similar electric devices

.....	.....	.....\$ 75.00
Each Additional 20 Units .....	.....	.....\$ 25.00

2. For each motor or electric device rated from one hp or one kw to 5 hp or 5kw: for each transformer or generator rated from one kw or one kva to 10 kw or 10 kva: for each replacement of wiring involving one branch circuit; each storable pool or hydro massage bath tub, each under-water lighting fixture, for each household electric cooking equipment rated up to 16kw, each security or burglar alarm control unit, each receptacle rated from 21 amperes to 50 amperes, each light standard greater than eight feet in height and for each communications closet

.....ea..\$ 50.00
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3. For each motor or electrical device rated from greater than 5 hp or 5 kw to 35 hp or 35 kw, each service equipment, panel board, switch board, switch gear, motor-control-center or disconnecting means rated 225 amperes or less, each transformer or generator rated from greater than 10 kw or 10 kva to 45 kw or 45 kva, each electric sign rated from greater than 20 amperes to 225 amperes including associated disconnecting means, each receptacle rated greater than 50 amperes

.....ea\$100.00
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4. For each motor or electrical device rated from greater than 35 hp or 35 kw to 100 hp or 100 kw, each service equipment, panel board, switch board, switch gear, motor-control-center or disconnecting means rated greater than 225 amperes to 600 amperes and for each transformer or generator rated from greater than 45 kw or 45 kva to 112.5 kw or 112.5 kva

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5. For each motor or electrical device rated greater than 100 hp or 100 kw to 200 hp or 200 kw, each service equipment, panel board, switch board, switch gear, motor-control-center or disconnecting means rated greater than 600 amperes to 1000 amperes and for each transformer or generator rated greater than 112.5 kw or 112.5 kva ea. \$500.00
6. For each motor or electrical device rated greater than 200 hp or 200 kw, each service equipment, panel board, switch board, switch gear, motor-control-center or disconnecting means rated greater than 1000 amperes ea. \$750.00
7. Fee for each permanently installed private swimming pool , spa, hot tub or fountain including any required bonding, and associated equipment such as filter pumps, motors, disconnecting means, switches, required receptacles and heaters, except panelboards and underwater lighting fixtures..... \$100.00
8. Fee for public swimming pool shall be charged on the number of electrical fixtures and rating of electrical devices involved in accordance with 1 through 5 above.....
 Minimum Fee..... \$300.00
9. Fee for the installation of single and multiple station smoke or heat detectors and fire, burglar or security systems in any one- or two-family dwelling ...ea unit . \$50.00

 For fire, burglar and security alarm systems and detectors in buildings other than one- and two-family dwellings the fee shall be charged in accordance with 1 and 2 aboveMinimum Fee \$75.00
10. For installations of multimeter stacks, the fee shall be based on the ampere rating of the main bus. Individual loadside panel boards shall be charged in accordance with 2 through 6 above.
11. For electrical work requiring replacement of service entrance conductors or feeder conductors only, the fee shall be charged in accordance with 2 through 6 above based on the rating of the overcurrent device of the service or feeder.
12. The fee for process equipment shall be based on the ampere rating of the overcurrent device protecting the conductor feeding the process equipment or the cutoff device.
13. For the purpose of computing these fees, all electrical and communication devices, utilization equipment and motors which are part of the premises wiring, except those which are portable plug-in type, shall be counted.
14. Demolition of electrical system\$75.00
15. Each Utility Load Management system\$46.00
16. Photovoltaic Solar System: **The fee shall be based on the designated kilowatt rating of the photovoltaic system as follows:**
 1. **One to 50 kilowatts the fee shall be \$150.00**
 2. **Fifty-one to 100 kilowatts, the fee shall be \$250.00**
 3. **One hundred-one to 999 kilowatts, the fee shall be \$ 650.00**
 4. **1,000 kilowatts and greater, the fee shall be \$1,100.00**

Certificate and Other Permit Fees

<u>Certificate of Occupancy</u>	10% of Total Permit Fee.
<u>Certificate of Occupancy pursuant to a Change of Use</u> .....	...[\$100.00] \$200.00
<u>Certificate of Continued Occupancy -</u> .....	.....\$200.00
<u>Temporary certificate of Occupancy</u>	
First issuance and renewal.....	... .[\$30.00] \$35.00
Exception: There shall be no fee for the first issuance provided the certificate of occupancy fee is paid at that time.	
<u>Reinstatement of Lapsed Permit</u> .....	.....\$30.00
<u>Application for a Variation</u>	
Class I Structures.....	.....\$400.00
Resubmission for Class I Structures .....	.....\$125.00
Class II and III Structures .....	.....\$150.00
Resubmission for Class II and III Structures .....	.....\$100.00
<u>Lead Hazard Abatement Permit / Clearance Certificate</u> .....	....\$100.00/\$45.00
<u>Annual Inspection of Cross Connections and Backflow Preventors</u>.....	.....\$100.00
<u>Annual Electrical Inspection of Public Pools, Spas or Hot Tubs</u>.....	.....\$100.00

Plan review fee shall be 5% of the amount charged for the permit. This fee shall be paid before the plans are reviewed

The fee for review of any amendment or change to a plan that has already been released and does not require a subcode submittal shall be charged an hourly rate of \$70.00 per hour. A minimum review time of one-half hour will be charged. Review times will be rounded to the nearest quarter hour.

Mechanical

Inspection of replacement mechanical equipment, [except] **including electrical re-connections 20 A or less**, in Group R-3, R-4, and R-5 structures shall be \$85.00 for the first device and \$25.00 for each additional device. An electrical F-120 is required for all re-connections.

Elevators

Plan review, acceptance inspections and tests and semi-annual inspections Per State Fee Schedule

Building Subcode fees;

New Construction and additions.....

Use Groups R-3, R-5	[\$.04] \$.045 per cubic foot
Minimum fee for additions	[\$150.00] \$200.00
Pre-fab sheds 0-100 sq.ft.	No fee
101-200 sq.ft.	\$50.00
Over 200 sq.ft.	\$75.00

All other use groups	
Up to and including the first 100,000 cu.ft.	[\$.04] \$.045
Over 100,000 cu.ft.	[\$.02] \$.03
Minimum fee	[\$300.00] \$400.00
Bonafide Farm per N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.2(d)	\$.01 per cu.ft.

Renovations, Alterations and Repairs

Groups R-3, R-5 – Actual cost of work per \$1000.00 or portion thereof;	
First \$20,000 @ [\$25.00]	\$30.00 / Next \$20,000 @ \$25.00 / Over \$40,000 @ \$20.00
Minimum fee	\$75.00
All Other Use Groups - Actual cost of work per \$1000.00 or portion thereof;	
First \$20,000 @ [\$30.00]	\$35.00 / Next \$20,000 @ \$30.00 / Over \$40,000 @ \$25.00
Minimum fee	[\$150.00] \$200.00

Swimming Pools

In-ground	[\$150.00] \$200.00
Above-ground	\$ 75.00
Spa/Hot Tub	\$ 50.00

Decks

[\$25.00] \$30.00 per thousand of estimated cost of work ... minimum fee [\$75.00] \$ 100.00

Roofing – Siding – Fences greater than 6 feet for Groups R-3, R-5

Flat fee \$75.00

Demolition

One- and two-family structures	[\$65.00] \$ 100.00
Structures accessory to above and/or on bonafide farms	\$65.00
All other Use Groups	[\$120.00] \$175.00
Non-regulated fuel tanks	[\$45.00] \$ 50.00

Signs

\$3.00 per sq.ft. minimum fee [\$50.00] \$ 75.00

Temporary Structures including but not limited to tents and site trailers

[Each per six month period] [\$100.00] \$ 200.00 each

Building Moved or Relocated

Flat fee \$300.00 .. covers moving, foundation and necessary work for completion

Site construction associated with pre-engineered systems of commercial farm buildings, pre-manufactured construction and external utility connections

\$30.00 per thousand of estimated cost of work

Retaining Walls

Class 3 Residential structures with a surface area greater than 550 square feet .. \$200.00
 Class 3 Residential structures with a surface area equal to or less than 550 square feet .. \$ 125.00
 For all other Use Groups the fee shall be \$25.00 times the estimated cost of construction

Photovoltaic Systems

Groups R-3, R-5 ..	\$150.00 flat fee
All other Groups	1 – 100 kilowatts \$ 400.00
	Greater than 100 kilowatts \$ 800.00

Plumbing Subcode Fees

a. The fee shall be computed per fixture, piece of equipment or appliance connected to the plumbing system, and for each appliance connected to the gas piping or oil piping system except as indicated in b. thru d. below;

Groups R-3, R-5	[\$12.00] \$ 15.00
All other Groups	[\$18.00] \$ 20.00

b. The fee shall be per device for the following special devices: grease traps, oil separators, refrigeration units, utility service connections, backflow preventers with test ports, steam boilers, hot water boilers (excluding those for domestic water heating), active solar systems, sewer pumps and interceptors.

Groups R-3, R-5	\$ 85.00
All other Groups	\$ 120.00

c. The fee for all gas and oil piping, including provisions for the installation of up to four appliances shall be:

Groups R-3, R-5	\$ 65.00
All other Groups	\$ 95.00

The fifth and each additional appliance shall be an additional \$ 20.00 each.

d. The fee shall be \$60.00 for single-boiler hydronic piping for a single family residence. For all other structures, the fee shall be \$90.00 per floor of each structure or tenant.

e. The minimum plumbing subcode fee shall be \$55.00 for R-3 and R-5 structures and \$75.00 for all other Use Groups.

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

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

The Public Hearing was scheduled for April 22, 2009 at 8:00 p.m.

11. *Introduction of Ordinance Regarding Farmer's Market* – consideration

Mayor Allen stated that the Stanton Learning Center would like to host a Farmer's Market one evening a week in the parking lot of the church parking lot in Stanton.

The following ordinance was offered for introduction:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY" PROVIDING FOR A TEMPORARY FARMER'S MARKET TO BE HELD IN THE AR ZONE UP TO FOUR (4) HOURS ON ONE DAY DURING THE WEEK EXCLUDING SUNDAYS BETWEEN JUNE AND SEPTEMBER 30 OF ANY YEAR AFTER APPROVAL OF SAME BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE, THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND THE BOARD OF HEALTH, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon as follows:

Ordinance cont'd:

SECTION 1. Section 148-15 of the Land Development Ordinance is amended so as to include as permitted principal use in the Agricultural Residential (AR) Zoning District the following:

A Farmer's Market or portions thereof on any premises in addition to the permitted use or used thereon notwithstanding any municipal land use provisions limited the number of principal uses on one lot, but nevertheless subject to the terms and conditions contained set forth in Section 2 below.

SECTION 2. Application for a Farmer's Market shall be by permit to be issued by the Zoning Official after review and approval by the Township Committee, the Chief of Police and Board of Health under the following conditions:

- a. Such use shall be permitted only on properties having an existing improved (i.e. paved or gravel) parking lot capable of holding at least 30 cars, as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.
- b. Such use shall be conducted only between June 10th and September 30th of any year.
- c. Such use shall be conducted on one day per week, excluding Sundays for up to four (4) hours per day as may be approved by the Township Committee, the Chief of Police (as to the safety of egress/ingress and circulation); and the Board of Health (as to any necessary food handling/sanitation requirements).
- d. The said use shall be conducted only in accordance with such written plans for the same as may be required by the Township Committee, the Chief of Police and the Board of Health after those plans have been approved by each of them and only after any applicable licenses or permit as may be otherwise required have been obtained.
- e. Said use shall also be operated under the current guidelines of the New Jersey Council of Farmers and Communities (with approval and sponsorship of) (or "as set forth by") the New Jersey Department of Agriculture.

SECTION 3. All other ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed. All other provisions of this ordinance of which this ordinance does not amend shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. If any provision or portion of a provision of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional, preempted by federal or State law, or otherwise invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall not be invalidated.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication following final passage and filing of a copy with the Planning Board of the County of Hunterdon, as provided by law.

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

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

The Public Hearing was scheduled for April 22, 2009 at 8:00 p.m.

- * 12. ***Resolution to Rescind Budget Examination Election***

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
- * 13. ***ANJEC Grant Application*** – Readington Township Open Space Stewardship Plan Proposal.

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
- * 14. ***Team Somerset Bicycling Club*** – letter requesting permission to use Township roads – May 9, 2009

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
- * 15. ***Annual Poppy Drive*** – letter dated March 12, 2009 from Elizabeth Richards requesting permission to hold annual drive throughout the month of May

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
- * 16. ***Four Seasons at Readington / Block 21, Lot 39*** – release of cash surety (\$880.73)

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
- * 17. ***Postponement of Mortgage*** - 117 Dove Cote Court

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
- * 18. ***Postponement of Mortgage*** – 715 Well Sweep Road

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
- * 19. ***Santiago Cuellar Jr. / Block 12, Lot 25*** – release of escrow (\$1,042.97)

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.
- * 20. ***Blue Light Permit*** – Braden K. Moore

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Mekovetz reported that she had a meeting with Green Acres this week and we would be receiving a \$450,000 allocation this year.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer O'Brien reported that they met with Holland Brook School and finalized the sewer agreement and they are ready to proceed.

Engineer O'Brien also reported that Hatch Mott McDonald is complete with their work on the Waste Water Management Plan and is in the process of scheduling a meeting with the County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Julia Allen

Mayor Allen reported they are getting ready to close on the James easement with the County and receive reimbursement.

Thomas Auriemma

Mr. Auriemma requested Engineer O'Brien to consult with Engineer McEldowney on the status of the No Parking signs on Lightfield Road.

Mr. Auriemma requested Administrator Mekovetz to read the letter from the Recreation Committee recommending Melissa Adams as 2nd Alternate Committee Member on the Recreation Committee. Mr. Auriemma stated he knows Melissa personally and stated she volunteers quite a bit, recommending her appointment as the 2nd Alternate.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to appoint Melissa Adams as 2nd Alternate Member of the Recreation Committee, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Frank Gatti

Mr. Gatti stated he had nothing to report.

Beatrice Muir

Mrs. Muir stated she had nothing to report.

Gerard Shamey

Mr. Shamey stated he had nothing to report.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

John Klotz appeared before the Committee to represent the Open Space Committee. Mr. Klotz proposed to the Committee volunteer projects by three Eagle Scouts and also spoke about the general guidelines being drafted to review the proposals for Eagle Scout projects.

COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

Mayor Allen announced Jordan Schiff, Superintendent of Readington Schools, will be doing a presentation on the proposed school budget, directly after the Township meeting for anyone interested in attending.

As there was no further business, A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Muir at 9:00 p.m. to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Gatti with a vote of all ayes, nays none recorded.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vita Mekovetz, RMC/MMC/RPPO
Administrator/Municipal Clerk