

# TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON

## REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 18, 2009

6:30 P.M.

1. Council President Stinney announced that notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by roll call.

### PRESENT

Ken Cartier  
Tom Inge  
Richard Prickett  
Sherry Scull  
Diane Stinney

### ABSENT

Also present: Mayor David Patriarca, Business Administrator Chris Vaz, Township Solicitor Andrew Bayer, Township Solicitor Representative Antonella Colella, Township Engineer Representatives Kelly Willis and David Cella, Township Clerk Mary Ann Young

2. Chairwoman Stinney called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.
3. Closed Session Resolution No. 81-2009

#### RESOLUTION NO. 81-2009

WHEREAS, SECTION 8 OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231, P.L. 1975 PERMITS THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND  
WHEREAS, THIS PUBLIC BODY IS OF THE OPINION THAT SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES PRESENTLY EXIST;  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

1. THE PUBLIC SHALL BE EXCLUDED FROM DISCUSSION OF AND ACTION UPON THE HEREINAFTER SPECIFIED MATTERS.
2. THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE SUBJECT MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED IS AS FOLLOWS:  
PERSONNEL MATTER INVOLVING EMPLOYEE AND COUNCIL PERSON  
WC SETTLEMENT FOR OFFICER WALTER STEWART
3. IT IS ANTICIPATED AT THIS TIME THAT THE ABOVE-STATED SUBJECT MATTERS WILL BE MADE PUBLIC WHEN THE MATTERS HAVE BEEN RESOLVED.

Mrs. Stinney noted for the record that Mr. Inge will recuse himself from the Closed Session of the personnel matter involving employee and Council person.

Motion by Cartier and Scull to approve Resolution No. 81-2009. Cartier, yes; Scull, yes; Prickett, yes; Inge, yes; Stinney, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Stinney confirmed with the solicitor that there are no other topics for Closed Session.

### 4. CLOSED SESSION

Council President Stinney convened the meeting at approximately 6:30 P.M. and for Council to go in to Closed Session. Council President Stinney reconvened the meeting at approximately 7:02 P.M.

Mrs. Stinney advised that copies of the agenda for tonight's meeting are at the back of the room.

5. Formal action as necessary pursuant to closed session.

Mrs. Stinney advised there will be no formal action but Council will be returning to Closed Session at the end of tonight's meeting.

**6. Public comments on consent agenda items only.**

Mrs. Stinney opened the meeting to public comments on consent agenda items only. Mrs. Stinney asked the public to please print their names on the sign in sheet and speak clearly in to the microphone. Mr. Prickett noted to Mrs. Stinney that there is a resolution to be added and asked if she would like to let the public know what the resolution is. Mrs. Scull commented that it is not on the consent agenda and will be added on later. There being no members of the public wishing to comment on consent agenda items, Mrs. Stinney closed the meeting to public comments.

**\*7. Consent Agenda: All items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered to be routine by the Township Council and will be enacted by one motion. Should a Council Member wish to discuss a consent agenda item separately, that item can be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the regular agenda.**

**\*8. MINUTES FILED BY MUNICIPAL CLERK**

**\*a. Regular Meeting, March 4, 2009.**

**\*9. CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 82-2009**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO REFUND MONIES TO THE FOLLOWING PERSONS FOR THE AMOUNTS AND REASONS SET FORTH:  
LIFE CENTER ACADEMY, \$114.38, DUPLICATE PAYMENT OF 3<sup>RD</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER 2008 SOLID WASTE BILL, BLOCK 379, LOT 65.

**RESOLUTION NO. 83-2009**

WHEREAS, PRESIDENTIAL LAKES FIRE COMPANY DESIRES THAT, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 15:8-4, CERTAIN PERSONS BE APPOINTED TO PERFORM PERMITTED POLICE DUTIES AT FIRES AND FIRE DRILLS;  
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE BELOW LISTED MEMBERS BE APPOINTED AND DESIGNATED AS FIRE POLICE OFFICERS FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS APPOINTMENT TO PERFORM DUTIES AS PRESCRIBED IN N.J.S.A. 15:8-4 UPON TAKING APPROPRIATE OATH BEFORE THE TOWNSHIP CLERK, A COPY OF WHICH IS TO BE FILED WITH THE CLERK AND ALSO THE SECRETARY OF THE FIRE COMPANY.

JOSEPH PULLEN  
PATRICIA PULLEN  
BRADLEY HITCHNER

**RESOLUTION NO. 85-2009**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 99 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997

WHEREAS, THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THIS MUNICIPALITY HAS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED AN ASSIGNMENT OF A TAX SALE CERTIFICATE TO SUSAN IWANOFF WHICH CERTIFICATE IS DATED AUGUST 14, 1943 COVERING PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AND REFERRED TO AS BLOCK 79 LOT(S) 29-32 AS SET OUT ON THE MUNICIPAL TAX MAP THEN IN USE WHICH CERTIFICATE BEARS NUMBER 2321.

WHEREAS, THE PURCHASER OF THE AFORESAID ASSIGNMENT OF THE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE HAS INDICATED TO THE TAX COLLECTOR THAT THEY HAVE LOST OR OTHERWISE MISPLACED THE ORIGINAL TAX SALE CERTIFICATE AND HAVE DULY FILED THE APPROPRIATE AFFIDAVIT OF LOSS WITH THE TAX COLLECTOR, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON THAT THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY BE AND IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED, UPON RECEIPT OF THE APPROPRIATELY EXECUTED AND NOTARIZED LOSS AFFIDAVIT AND THE PAYMENT OF \$100.00, TO ISSUE AN APPROPRIATE DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE TO THE SAID PURCHASER COVERING THE CERTIFICATE LOST AS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 99 OF PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION AND THE LOSS AFFIDAVIT BE ATTACHED TO THE DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE TO BE ISSUED TO SAID PURCHASER AND THAT SAID DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE SHALL BE STAMPED OR OTHERWISE HAVE IMPRINTED UPON IT THE WORD "DUPLICATE" AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

**RESOLUTION NO. 86-2009**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING A REAL ESTATE APPRAISER/CONSULTANT

WHEREAS, THERE EXISTS A NEED FOR THE SERVICES OF A REAL ESTATE APPRAISER/CONSULTANT; AND

WHEREAS, THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER HAS CERTIFIED THAT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THESE SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT AND ACCOUNT NUMBER AS STIPULATED IN THE ATTACHED CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS; AND

WHEREAS, THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COUNCIL ACCEPTED PROPOSALS AND STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO AN RFP/RFQ PROCESS; AND

WHEREAS, THE MAYOR AND A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL HAVE THOROUGHLY REVIEWED THE PROPOSALS AND DETERMINED THAT TODD AND BLACK, INC. IS QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS REAL ESTATE APPRAISER/CONSULTANT AND MOST CLOSELY SATISFIES THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES NEEDED BY THE TAX ASSESSOR AT THIS TIME; AND

WHEREAS, THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, ET SEQ., REQUIRES THAT THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONTRACT AWARD TOGETHER WITH THE CONTRACT BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK; AND

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, THAT THE GOVERNING BODY CONFIRMS THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF

TODD AND BLACK, INC. AS REAL ESTATE APPRAISER/CONSULTANT COMMENCING UPON ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION AND ENDING 12 MONTHS FROM THAT DATE.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY, AS FOLLOWS:

1. THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH TODD AND BLACK, INC.
2. THE CONTRACT IS AWARDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, ET SEQ., THROUGH THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, ET SEQ.
3. THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONTRACT AWARD TOGETHER WITH THE CONTRACT BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK

**RESOLUTION NO. 88-2008**

WHEREAS, SCHNEIDER REALTY HAD PREVIOUSLY POSTED A TEN-YEAR CASH STORM WATER DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE, FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 552, LOTS 15-18, WHICH GUARANTEE WAS POSTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,696.00.

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER HAS RECOMMENDED THAT THE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE BE RELEASED; AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL DEEMS IT APPROPRIATE TO GRANT THIS RELEASE;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE FOUR-YEAR CASH DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE OF SCHNEIDER REALTY FOR MAINTENANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS TO PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 552, LOTS 15-18 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,696.00 ALONG WITH INTEREST ACCRUED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4.34 FOR 2009, PLUS ANY ADDITIONAL INTEREST EARNED UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT FUNDS ARE PAID, IS HEREIN AUTHORIZED TO BE RELEASED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 89-2009**

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON HAS MADE AVAILABLE, AS A BENEFIT TO ITS VARIOUS OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES, CERTAIN SHORT TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS, WHICH ARE PROVIDED THROUGH A FULLY INSURED PLAN RATHER THAN THROUGH THE STATE PLAN; AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP DESIRES TO CONTINUE PROVIDING SAID BENEFITS TO ITS EMPLOYEES DURING THE 2009-2010 PLAN YEAR (APRIL 1, 2009 TO MARCH 31, 2010); AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION HAS EVALUATED THE COST EFFECTIVENESS, THOROUGHNESS AND EFFICIENCY OF THE CURRENT SHORT TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS PROGRAM AND DETERMINED THAT THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT WAY OF PROVIDING SAID BENEFITS TO ITS EMPLOYEES IS TO RENEW THE FULLY INSURED SHORT TERM DISABILITY PLAN PROVIDED BY HARTFORD LIFE GROUP INSURANCE COMPANY; AND

WHEREAS, THE RENEWAL IS AT A 0% INCREASE OVER THE PRIOR PLAN YEAR'S COSTS;

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP'S CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER HAS CERTIFIED THAT THE FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE AWARD OF SAID CONTRACT;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK ARE AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT PROVIDING FOR SHORT TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS WITH THE HARTFORD LIFE GROUP INSURANCE COMPANY.
2. THE CONTRACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT ON APRIL 1, 2009 AND TERMINATE ON MARCH 31, 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL IS SATISFIED THAT HARTFORD LIFE GROUP INSURANCE COMPANY IS QUALIFIED TO OFFER SHORT TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS AND IS EXEMPT FROM THE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS OF THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(M); AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS CONTRACT ACTION SHALL BE PUBLISHED IN THE TOWNSHIP'S LEGAL NEWSPAPER.

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

- a.** Requests from various departments to expend funds in excess of \$2,000.00 for the following purchases:

- \*1. Public Works Dept.:** For purchase of six tires for #37 Road Grader from Custom Bandag, Inc., in the amount of \$2,434.50.
- \*2. Police Dept.:** For purchase of simunitions from state contract vendor Lawmen Supply Company, in the amount of \$5,995.08.
- \*3. Police Dept.:** For purchase of ammunition from state contract vendor Eagle Point Gun, in the amount of \$6,332.00.

- \*b.** Applications submitted for memberships, licenses, permits:

- \*1. Annual Used Car License Applications:**

Herbert L. Boone, T/A Herb's Used Cars	848/19.03
Stanley Danley T/A Danley's Used Auto	810/1
Andrew L. Mull, T/A Mull Auto Sale	857/40.04
Pine View Terrace	855/12.01, 856/2
Lakeshore Mobile Village	775/20
Hilltop Mobile Village	527/8
Browns Mills Coaches & Sales	848/3.01
Dee Auto Sales	802/1.04

- \*2. Loud Speaker Permit Application:** Yvonne Townsend, for DJ/equipment, for sweet 16 birthday party to be held from 4pm-10pm, on 12/19/09 at the Dominique Johnson Rec. Center.

**\*11.** Approval by Council required for payment of vouchers on bill list dated **3/13/09**.

Mr. Cartier requested to pull Resolution No. 87-2009. Mr. Inge requested to pull Resolution No 84-2009.

Motion by Scull and Cartier to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Scull, yes; Cartier, yes; Inge, yes; Prickett, yes; Stinney, yes. Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTIONS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Cartier informed he has concerns with the language in the resolution and has asked Mr. Bayer who so diligently through Closed Session worked on rewriting it. Mr. Bayer is prepared to give the rewording. Mr. Bayer advised that Councilman Cartier felt the language in the draft resolution didn't match the language in the letter from the Freeholder Board that was attached. Mr. Bayer matched the language in the resolution to what was explained by the coordinator of the Farmland Preservation Program on behalf of Burlington County. Mr. Bayer continued that the second whereas clause would read:

WHEREAS, the Burlington County Agricultural Development Board has proceeded with the preservation of the following farms: Christopher Pettit, Block 778, Lot 4, (the subject property for the purposes of the resolution) through the Farmland Preservation Easement Purchase Program; and

WHEREAS, the County has advised the Township that it is seeking cost sharing through the State of New Jersey's Garden State Preservation Trust in order to offset the cost of acquisition of the subject property; and

WHEREAS, the County advised the Township that the County is not seeking the 20% municipal cost share in this instance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Pemberton, County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey that this resolution evidences the Township's support for the acquisition of development easements on the subject property through the Burlington County Farmland Preservation Program.

Mr. Bayer explained that in terms of the substance, all the letter indicates is that the County needs a letter of support that the Township is supporting that acquisition and that's what the change at the end is. The way the draft was written, it stated the Township was granting approval and the Township wasn't really approving it since the County had acquired it already. This resolution is amended which is evidenced the Township Council's support for that acquisition rather than approving the acquisition.

Motion by Cartier and Scull to make the changes read by Mr. Bayer to Resolution No. 87-2009. Cartier, yes; Scull, yes; Prickett, yes; Inge, yes; Stinney, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cartier and Scull to approve Resolution No. 87-2009. Cartier, yes; Scull, yes; Prickett, yes; Inge, yes; Stinney, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Cartier thanked Mr. Bayer.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 87-2009**

PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP FINAL APPROVAL OF FARMLAND APPLICATION(S)

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON IS COMMITTED TO PRESERVING, TO THE EXTEND POSSIBLE, FARMLAND WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON AS WELL AS FOR THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND FOR THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY; AND  
WHEREAS, THE BURLINGTON COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD HAS PROCEEDED WITH THE PRESERVATION OF THE FOLLOWING FARMS: CHRISTOPHER PETTIT, BLOCK 778, LOT 4 (REFERRED TO AS THE SUBJECT PROPERTY) THROUGH THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION EASEMENT PURCHASE PROGRAM; AND  
WHEREAS, THE COUNTY HAS ADVISED THE TOWNSHIP THAT IT IS SEEKING COST SHARING THROUGH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY'S GARDEN STATE PRESERVATION TRUST IN ORDER TO OFFSET THE COST OF ACQUISITION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.  
WHEREAS, THE COUNTY ADVISED THE TOWNSHIP THAT THE COUNTY IS NOT SEEKING THE 20% MUNICIPAL COST SHARE IN THIS INSTANCE.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THIS RESOLUTION EVIDENCES THE TOWNSHIP'S SUPPORT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF DEVELOPMENT EASEMENTS ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY THROUGH THE BURLINGTON COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAMS.

Mr. Inge informed his question would be to Administration and the Engineer as he thought funds were allocated to remove the contaminated soil from Imagination Kingdom. Mayor Patriarca replied funds were allocated and this is to put in for a grant to get reimbursed for those funds that were already expended. Mr. Inge asked if there was any more contaminated soil. The Mayor responded no, the site has been remediated. Mr. Prickett inquired that since this is being applied for after the soil has been removed will that handicap the possibility of our ability to get these monies with this grant. Mr. Cella answered it could handicap us but at this point there is no harm in trying for the money. Mr. Prickett asked how much the grant is going to cost to put together. Mr. Cella replied Council authorized a proposal at the last meeting for \$1,000. Mr. Cella apologized and added it might have been done through Administration. Mr. Prickett asked how much the grant is for. Mr. Cella advised \$22,000.

**RESOLUTION NO. 84-2009**

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING REDEVELOPMENT STUDIES & WORK AT THE IMAGINATION KINGDOM PLAYGROUND PROPERTY 559 PEMBERTON-BROWNS MILLS ROAD, BLOCK 845, P/O LOT 20.02 PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP, BURLINGTON CO, NJ

WHEREAS, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, HAS UNDERTAKEN REDEVELOPMENT STUDIES AND WORK; AND DESIRE TO COMPLETE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE IMAGINATION KINGDOM PLAYGROUND PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 845, P/O LOT 20.02, LOCATED AT 559 PEMBERTON-BROWNS MILL ROAD (HEREIN REFERRED TO AS THE "PROPERTY"), HAVING DETERMINED THAT IT IS AN AREA IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT ACCORDING TO THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN N.J.S.A.40A:12A-5C; AND

WHEREAS, THE GOVERNING BODY OF PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE HAS BEEN, OR IT SUSPECTS THAT THERE HAS BEEN, A DISCHARGE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES OR A HAZARDOUS WASTE ON THE PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON IS APPLYING FOR FUNDING FROM THE HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUND FOR THE ASSESSMENT/ INVESTIGATION AND CLEANUP CONDUCTED AT THE IMAGINATION KINGDOM PLAYGROUND PROPERTY IN ORDER TO PROPERLY ADDRESS THE EXISTENCE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES/ HAZARDOUS WASTES ON THE PROPERTY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, THAT PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP IS COMMITTED TO THE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE IMAGINATION KINGDOM PLAYGROUND PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RETURNING THE PROPERTY TO A VIABLE PRODUCTIVE PART OF THE COMMUNITY, WHICH NOT ONLY STIMULATES FURTHER ECONOMIC GROWTH BUT IS ALSO PROTECTIVE OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT. FURTHERMORE, WITH THE ASSESSMENT/ INVESTIGATION AND CLEANUP COMPLETE, THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON FINDS THAT A REALISTIC OPPORTUNITY EXISTS FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY WITHIN A THREE-YEAR PERIOD.

Motion by Inge and Prickett to approve Resolution No. 84-2009. Inge, yes; Prickett, yes; Scull, yes; Cartier, yes; Stinney, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Stinney asked Council to add Resolution No. 90-2009. Mr. Prickett confirmed the resolution number with Mrs. Young.

**RESOLUTION NO. 90-2009**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AN ANJEC SMART GROWTH PLANNING GRANT IN CONNECTION WITH A PROJECT ENTITLED "ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE INVENTORY"

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON IS APPLYING FOR A MATCHING GRANT FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONS (ANJEC) SMART GROWTH PLANNING GRANTS FOR MUNICIPALITIES - MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR FUNDING IN CONNECTION WITH A PROJECT ENTITLED "ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE INVENTORY" ("PROJECT"), THE TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT BEING \$12,000; AND

WHEREAS, THE DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (DVRPC) WILL CONTRIBUTE MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000 TOWARD SUCH A PROJECT WHEN CONDUCTED BY DVRPC ON BEHALF OF PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP; AND

WHEREAS, IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE ANJEC GRANT FUNDS, IT IS NECESSARY THAT THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON CERTIFY THAT MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000 WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON FOR THE PROJECT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON:

1. THAT THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON WILL SUBMIT A PROPOSAL TO ANJEC FOR A SMART GROWTH GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,000 (50% OF TOTAL COST) TO CARRY OUT THE PROJECT; AND
2. THAT UPON APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE GRANT PROPOSAL THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON WILL ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH ANJEC TO CONDUCT THE PROJECT, WITH COMPLETION WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE AWARD OF THE GRANT, AND WILL ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH DVRPC TO CARRY OUT THE PROJECT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON; AND
3. THAT UPON APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE GRANT PROPOSAL THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON AGREES TO PROVIDE THE FUNDS FOR PAYMENT OF THE DVRPC COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 FOR THE PROJECT; OF WHICH \$6,000 WILL BE REIMBURSED BY THE GRANT FROM ANJEC UPON COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT.

- THE FULL REQUIRED MATCH TO THE GRANT WILL CONSIST OF \$4,000 FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON, WHICH WILL BE THE TOWNSHIP'S FINAL COST, AND \$2,000 FROM MATCHING FUNDS FROM DVRPC; AND
4. THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

Motion by Cartier and Scull to add Resolution No. 90-2009. Cartier, yes; Scull, yes; Prickett, yes; Inge, yes; Stinney, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Stinney stated for the record and to let the public know what this resolution is about is it is authorizing the Mayor to apply for an ANJEC Smart Growth Planning Grant in connection with a project entitled Environmental Resource Inventory. It basically states the Township will submit a proposal to ANJEC for a Smart Growth Grant in the amount of \$6,000; 50% of the cost to carry out the project. Upon approval of the grant, the Township will enter in to an agreement to conduct the project. The full required match to the grant will consist of \$4,000 from the Township of Pemberton which will be the Township's final cost at \$2,000 from matching funds from DVRPC. Mrs. Stinney asked the Mayor if Mr. Vaz can elaborate. Mr. Vaz answered \$12,000 was put in the Environmental Commission budget that was discussed on Saturday at the budget hearing. The Township will get all but \$4,000 of that back once this is complete.

Motion by Cartier and Scull to approve Resolution No. 90-2009. Cartier, yes; Scull, yes; Prickett, yes; Inge, yes; Stinney, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Stinney opened the meeting to general public comments. Those wishing to comment were: **Ann Quinn:** 1. Lives in Country Lakes and has had previous conversations with the Mayor on various issues in the town. Mrs. Quinn advised that she has also sent emails to Council. Ms. Quinn thanked Mr. Prickett for responding to her in length and also thanked Council. 2. Mrs. Quinn stated the tax hikes have to stop. Mrs. Quinn suggested that Council has to look at it from her point of view as a tax payer and a family person who is trying to put food on the table and government from Trenton on down wants to raise taxes. To Council, 9.6 cents may not be a heck of a lot of money but a tax rate increase is an increase. One increase now and another one later, and they keep coming. She has lived here for seven years and asked Council why until now does the Township not want to address the problem that we have 616 school districts in this state but nobody wants to talk about merging services between the school districts and the municipalities to save money. Only now does she hear talk amongst elected officials who now say they have to address the problem. Mrs. Quinn commented our economy was sliding two years ago and nobody did anything about it. She is here to tell Council that she makes less than \$50,000 a year. She has a daughter who wants to go to college who she has to tell that she can't afford to even send her to a community college. Mrs. Quinn is in the process of trying to finish her own education that she worked her diligently to pay for on her own and she is in fear of losing it because she won't have the funds to even finish her education but yet Council wants to keep on raising taxes. Mrs. Quinn conveyed her house is not valued at the same amount of money it was seven years ago when she bought her house but Council wants to raise taxes. In the seven years that she has lived here, the roads continue to get worse. Her husband, like many people, is hearing whispers that he's going to lose his job. Council has jobs and salaries, she's been there and has lost her job and health benefits and quite frankly, she doesn't want to have to do it again. Wants Council to find some way to merge services to save money in order to cut taxes. It's not just property taxes. She pays for the collection of trash, she pays for her sewer, which in seven years since she has lived here, has continually gone up. It can't come from the residents anymore. She is not against paying her fair share of taxes. Nobody seems to listen to the little guys in the community. Mrs. Quinn has a challenge for every Council person including the Mayor. The only time she ever saw Council or the Mayor at her front door is when they were running for office. A government is for the people and by the people. She has never seen Council or the Mayor at her front door since they took

this position. Suggested to Council and the Mayor that if they are going to represent her as a citizen and everybody else that lives in Country Lakes, then come to them and come knocking on their door after they come home from work or Saturday or Sunday. Ask them what they think and what they think is wrong. Hear them out for ideas that might help save money for this Township. She can't pay any more higher taxes and she is sure there are other people in this room who can't pay higher taxes. Mrs. Quinn stated Council has to figure out how to cut taxes and spending. Mrs. Quinn remarked that our Township has a Police force for a population that she estimates to be 50,000 plus, and we have a Police force of less than 100 officers. The State Police come through here once in a while. Expressed to not cut the Police Department; they are a vital part of any town or city. Suggested to merge the school districts. We don't need two superintendents, or four or five administrators that are part of their staff. There are ways to cut money. Her budget is already cut and she has had to make sacrifices in her own house but she has seen none except Council wanting to raise taxes. To Council 9.6 cents may not be a lot of money but wear her shoes and then ask her the same question. Taxes need to be cut and her taxes have gone up since she moved here. She loves living here and moved here from Philadelphia. Mrs. Quinn reiterated that taxes need to be cut and Council needs to be more visible to the citizens of this Township and show them that Council really cares. Council and the Mayor need to come out in the community and listen to what they have to say. If you are serious about holding this position and doing better for this Township and for the residents of this Township, then you need to come out in to the Township in to the neighborhoods and listen to the people. **Ardith Bowers: 1.** Mrs. Bowers expressed her concern with an on-going problem with Skips Bar and Grill, LLC. She believes that Skips has become a nuisance business in the community and deserves the attention of this Council. She moved in to the home directly behind the bar in August and since November she has complained of loud music, noise, fighting and illegal parking almost every Friday and Saturday evening. Mrs. Bowers suggested to check the Police log and see how many times they have been called to this location. Mrs. Bowers would like to thank the Township Police Department for their quick responses to all of her calls and their continued efforts to react to the many situations arising at the bar because of the unruly crowd that this bar is attracting. Mrs. Bowers reiterated that she has emailed most of Council regarding this matter and is pleased at the many responses she has received. This business is in clear violation of General Code E, every Friday and Saturday when the bar has entertainment. The DJ is playing the music so loudly that it is plainly audible in her living room as if she is sitting in the bar. She should be able to sit in her own home and not hear any music from this bar according to the code. Mrs. Bowers is especially concerned now that warm weather is approaching, and she would like to be able to open her windows or sit in her own back yard without any distress. Mrs. Bowers expressed concern for her child's safety. Many evenings she has seen people urinating down the rear of the building, on her fence or on their own cars. She has found beer bottles and trash thrown over her fence in to her yard. Last Saturday, she awoke to a car parked in front of her house with two sleeping individuals in it and had to call the Police to have them removed. This bar is open until 4:00 am. Mrs. Bowers relayed that she does not understand why Council approved this establishment's license on June 18, 2008 to operate until 4:00 am especially when this bar is surrounded by homes. The minutes for June 18, 2008 show that all of Council was in attendance. Mrs. Bowers has signed complaints, called the Police and she is frankly at her wits end; this situation cannot continue to escalate. It is costing the Township many, many dollars to send Police Officers to Skip's Bar every Friday and Saturday evening let alone the cost of surrounding communities and districts that also have to support them because of the size of the crowd. The crowd is so large especially on Fridays that she is sure the bar is over capacity in regard to fire regulations. The bar's patrons are parking in front of their homes, in surrounding businesses and attracting an unruly crowd most of which are not even Township residents. Mrs. Bowers is pleading with

Council to act now. This license is up for renewal on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June. Mrs. Bowers urged Council to not let these violations continue to disturb the law abiding residents any longer. Mrs. Stinney thanked Mrs. Bowers and she enjoyed both the conversation with her and the emails. Mrs. Stinney asked the Mayor if he had that response when she forwarded the letter to him. Mayor Patriarca answered that he did respond to that and he did forward that to the Chief and the Chief did respond also as Mrs. Bowers knows. There are lengthy investigations and he has been involved in these types of investigations in the past himself with an establishment that we had in town, and we had to go through the same process. We were eventually successful in closing it down. The Mayor continued that it is a lengthy process, and he is assured by the Chief of Police that they are working on this problem. He has been continuing to push him in that direction that it has to be addressed. The Mayor stated that he can only believe that they are addressing the issue but once the violations are continued to be recorded and we get to the point of license renewal, Council can certainly take that in to consideration. In the meantime the Police Department needs to continue their actions, continue to violate the offenders there and it's not just the establishment. He has been in the business and you can't tell him that there's not infractions continuously going on out in the parking lot, on the sidewalks and anyone who walks out of that bar in most cases is going to be in some type of infraction. That's the avenue that he has instructed the Chief to pursue; zero tolerance on that establishment if it's creating that type of an issue in that area. Mayor Patriarca knows this because Mrs. Bowers is not the only one that has come to them and complained. Mayor Patriarca advised that he actually spoke to an owner of a former establishment where the same DJ used to perform and he told him flat out that he threw him out because all they did was attract hoodlums and drug dealers and he wasn't having it and he said he didn't need the money that bad. Mrs. Bowers stated that unfortunately people that are running the establishment now aren't thinking that way; they are thinking and seeing green dollar signs and with the size of the crowds she is sure they are doing very well. Mrs. Bowers expressed she is very much concerned and she wanted to bring this before the Council personally so that they could see her face and know who she is. Mrs. Bowers reiterated that she is very pleased with the response from the Police Department. It is unfortunate that they have to come every Friday and Saturday. She is very much concerned especially for her son and the other small children that are in her household and hopes something can be done before June when their license is up for renewal. Something needs to be done now. Mrs. Stinney thanked Mrs. Bowers and informed that Council hears her. Mrs. Stinney advised she will forward Mrs. Bowers emails to Mrs. Young who will ensure all of Council receives it. Mrs. Bowers thanked Mrs. Young for sending her the information she requested. Mrs. Scull thanked Mrs. Bowers for bringing it to her attention and added that is the first she has heard about this. Mrs. Bowers suggested she drive by some Friday evening after midnight so she can see for herself what is going on, where they are parking and the type of crowd. Mrs. Scull commented she will put that on her schedule. Mrs. Stinney advised Council that she did receive another complaint from a person where they are now parking across the street in the empty parking lot and it's becoming a very dangerous situation for these people to walk across the street either from the bar to their car or from their car to the bar. Mrs. Bowers commented if you can get through the crowds fighting in the middle of the street. Mrs. Stinney wanted to make sure Council knew that. Mr. Prickett asked Mr. Bayer that since the renewal is coming up on June 30<sup>th</sup>, he knows that you just don't renew something if there are some problems so he would like Mr. Bayer to give Council some advice as to whether they can not renew or hold this up until the problem is resolved. Mr. Bayer replied Council can condition the renewal and there would need to be support in the record to do that. Mrs. Bowers stated there are already conditions on the license that they are to keep their front and rear doors closed which they do not do. She even has pictures which she did not bring this evening where the doors are being bungy corded open when there is entertainment and they are in violation in doing so.



Mrs. Bowers continued that they are not suppose to be parking in the rear of the building and that is another condition on their license and they are parking there. Mr. Bayer stated he knows she has been talking to the Police and asked if they are aware of the license issues. Mrs. Bowers replied yes. Mr. Bayer suggested to the Mayor that they speak to the Chief. Mayor Patriarca advised that he has instructed Mr. Vaz to set up a meeting with the Chief before the weeks out on this. Mr. Bayer stated that without making a comment about what is or is not occurring there, because he doesn't know. Mr. Bayer conveyed that ultimately the Council would have to decide something based on what is in the record but certainly if there is a violation of a condition of the liquor license, Council can take certain actions so they may want to talk about that. Mrs. Bowers stated one of the new things she discovered this evening when she came home was there was a beautiful picnic table at the rear of their entrance which is not suppose to be used at all, and there is also a smoking container there which is not suppose to be used as a smoking area. The picnic table is certainly going to pull people to congregate in that area which is between the rear of the bar and her home. With the picnic table there, they are certainly going to go there since they can't smoke in the facility and she understands that is a law that they have to smoke outside. There are those conditions on their license and they are violating them. Mrs. Stinney thanked Mrs. Bowers again and for taking the time to come out and introduce herself to Council. Mrs. Scull asked Mr. Vaz when they meet again about the ordinance, to have the ordinance that controls the hours of the bars so Council can look at that as well. Mr. Vaz agreed.

**Michael and Gloria Bell: 1.** Mrs. Bell stated she has been in touch with Council via email and they have all been very informative and she thanked them very much. She has also spoken to the Department of Agriculture and the DEP. Mrs. Bell understands the fly over spraying and the 40 acre requirement. She also gotten a petition going and out of approximately 98 houses, she has received 69 signatures. Mrs. Bell advised that she can provide a copy to Council. Everybody that she spoke to in her neighborhood was interested in seeing something done in a spraying situation from overhead. Helicopters can be contracted if that is looked in to. Mrs. Stinney informed Mrs. Bell to provide the petition to Mrs. Young. Mrs. Bell reiterated it is a petition from Oak Pines saying that they want to be included in some form of aerial spraying. Mr. Bell expressed the reason they are concerned with the aerial spray is because they have also spoken to various spraying companies that can provide this from the ground; it seems that they just cannot reach the areas that the aerial spray can. Mr. Bell informed a helicopter would provide the kind of coverage that they are looking for. When he spoke to certain people that do spray from the ground, they say they can only reach about as high as a telephone pole. Their trees are a little larger than the average telephone pole. Unfortunately, many of these masses are in areas that they might be able to reach but there are many more over and above that. They might be able to cover about half of the territory that needs to be covered. Secondly there are issues of where they can actually spray. Because of the laws that regulate where and how you can spray a property, they can't necessarily be pointing their spray toward another property unless that property is involved in that particular service by that particular service provider. With that in mind, much of the property is still not going to be sprayed. You're only covering about half of it to begin with from the ground and that's assuming that you're able to spray toward your neighbor if he is also having that same process done. If unfortunately, your neighbor is not, you are no longer going to cover all of your border trees. There is even less that is going to be covered. The recommendation by everybody and even everything that you see in the emails is go out and get as many of those masses off by yourself that you can. It requires a big ladder and it is a lot of work. The real problem is they can't reach it all; even if they could get up high enough, they couldn't be supported to try and get that sort of thing off. Mr. Bell questioned what to do with it afterwards. Mr. Bell informed they say put it in a bag and nuke it, but he is not sure he wants to put that in his microwave. There is an issue and they realize they can't do the airplane thing because the trigger time and everything

is too precarious for the small area that they have. Mr. Bell suggested that it would require a helicopter. Mr. Bell remarked that he understands a packet has been provided to the Township that provides land sprayers as well as helicopter sprayers and they are all available to the Township for various rates and packages they can set up. These are options and we need to know how we can deal with it and move forward. Evidently with the state itself based on what has already been discussed, we can't quite make it for this year. Mr. Bell asked where do we go with trying to make sure that we are covered and how can we handle that. We know that we are paying taxes just as much as anybody else who will be sprayed. We just want to make sure that somehow we benefit from it. Mrs. Stinney stated this is the first time she heard about the helicopters and his question to Council is the expense of a helicopter would be from the Township funding. Mrs. Bell stated the taxes that the residents pay out. Mrs. Stinney deferred the money question to the Mayor and Business Administrator. Mayor Patriarca commented this is where he likes to say it is a Council meeting. The Mayor remarked that so the Bell's are not mislead in this process, he hears their pain but in reality he doesn't believe it would be possible because of the window of opportunity here. The Mayor thinks Council agrees that number one we are in the budget process so the money would have to be put in the budget to accommodate this which wouldn't happen for at least the next budget meeting or maybe quite sometime later and then there is also the process of bidding that project out because we would have to go in to public bidding and that would take a period of time. The Mayor doesn't believe that would be able to be done this year in that window of opportunity to spray which is somewhere in the first week of May when they usually spray. Mayor Patriarca added that we are pushing that now only six weeks away and you'll never get a bid out. Mrs. Stinney asked what the day of the opportunity of spraying occurs. Mayor Patriarca replied somewhere around the first week of May and asked Mr. Prickett if that is close to when it is as he went to the seminars. Mr. Prickett responded he is not sure and he would have to check the packet. The Mayor reiterated it is somewhere in the first week of May. Mr. Cartier informed his spray company sent him a letter requesting an advance to have that authorization to come out during one of the first two weeks in May. Mayor Patriarca advised all those things factor in to it so you don't think that Council can now go back to the table and possibly make this happen. They may not have the ability to make it happen because they may not be able to get the bid out and get the spray done in time for this year. Mr. Bell stated he is concerned about how long it does take for things to get done because they did come here in February to start this whole process and they thought maybe by the discussions that they've had and the resolutions that have been drawn up and there have been a number of meetings that this has been brought up, the packet and the possibilities of helicopters and looking in to such.....Mrs. Stinney interjected and asked Mr. and Mrs. Bell what the cost is. Mr. Bell replied that unfortunately he doesn't have that number. Mrs. Stinney asked if they gave them a cost. Mrs. Bell answered no and they informed her it would be in the packet. Mr. Bell added that Council has that information. Mrs. Stinney asked what packet they were speaking of. Mrs. Bell replied it is one that Joe from the Department of Agriculture gave the Township. Mr. Prickett commented that he emailed that packet to all of the Council members as well as Administration. Mrs. Stinney noted that she is asking the cost of their area. Mr. Bell responded no, the packet was for the Township itself and within that packet it provided a number of service providers. Mrs. Stinney advised that she is trying to see the area of their spray and what would that cost. It didn't specify and break out Presidential Lakes, Country Lakes or Oak Pines and that is what she is trying to get at. Mrs. Bell responded that would probably be something that once it was determined that you investigate that, the price would come up. Mr. Prickett asked if they knew how many acres they are talking about. Mrs. Stinney remarked that is what she is just asking about and they don't know, she just asked her. Mrs. Bell replied that she does not know the answer but knows that she has been told they don't have 40 contiguous acres so it has to be less than 40 acres. Mr. Bell added

which is why the whole issue of the helicopter came up. Mrs. Bell explained that she didn't recognize all of that at first until she actually began to look at things and she understands now where before she was a little upset as to why they weren't included in aerial spraying from the plane and now they understand that there is a trigger time, a velocity of the planes flying and the DEP can actually get on their case if they overstep those bounds. If there is another option to be able to cover from the top and Oak Pines is interested in that, it is something they would definitely hope Council would look in to. Mrs. Stinney explained that Council is in the budget process now as the Mayor stated and asked if any other Council members would like to address Mr. and Mrs. Bell. Mrs. Scull commented that Council had hoped that the State would add Oak Pines as they did Michelle Forman when she went to them because Council has no control over which area they suggested or informed could be sprayed. As Council has stated, there are a lot of areas as she knows in the Township that are not included. Mrs. Scull expressed concern with hiring a helicopter for one community and then there would be everybody coming from the other areas saying that they should get sprayed too. Mrs. Scull added that she understands how horrific it is and that would be her concern as she can see other folks coming in and saying if we knew we could come complain you can hire the helicopter for us too. Mrs. Scull reiterated that it's not that she's not sympathetic, she thinks Oak Pines should have been in the spray. Mr. Bell expressed that what they are trying to find out is based on the taxes that they are paying that is going to go towards somebody being sprayed, what kind of recompense would they be entitled to to possibly bring in a helicopter of their own. Mrs. Scull stated that is her point. They shouldn't have sprayed anybody if they weren't going to do everybody. Mr. Prickett advised he will try to find out how much it would cost to spray 39 acres and see if he can track that down. Mr. Prickett continued that when you lose trees, you lose property value and you live in a beautiful community and we need to protect those trees and they don't grow back over night. This would be the first time we looked at spraying with a helicopter and if there is a good reason to do that and if it's a hot spot it makes sense to extinguish that hot spot before it moves in to other areas. Mrs. Bell remarked the people on the petition would be glad to hear him say that. Mrs. Stinney commented it will be on the minutes and advised that she is sure that all of Council is sympathetic with that. Mrs. Stinney commented that they have heard about Mr. Inge's place, their place, the college, when she had the daycare center and how the kids had to come in and the college sprays themselves. The county comes in and sprays the area there and that was off on another time that wasn't with the spraying of Pemberton. Mrs. Stinney is truly very, very sympathetic with the gypsy moths there. Mr. Inge expressed he thought the county did an egg count and that's how they pick the areas that have to be sprayed. Mr. Inge asked the Bells if in their case the county didn't do an egg count. Mr. Bell replied they did and there were three basic criteria, the egg count, the acreage and one other. Oak Pines hit two of them and the one they did not make was the acreage; they did not have 40 contiguous acres. Mr. Inge stated if the county goes out for people to spray he doesn't see why they couldn't go out to bid if certain areas needed helicopters and they are available he doesn't understand why the county couldn't put those in the bid also. Mr. Bell asked if that was county or state and it is the state that is setting the criteria. Mrs. Stinney informed the state came back out after we sent all of the documents and she wanted to state for the record that we have done everything we possibly could to incorporate that back in to the areas of spraying. They have sent information overnight, they've made sure information was received at the State and the State came back out and reassessed the area and that's what they found out. They found out there were two criteria and they didn't have the acreage and she doesn't know how they come up with it, if it's there, it's there and why not spray. Mr. Bell conveyed they admitted it was a hot spot but was surprised that Mrs. Stinney stated they did come back out because they told them they definitely could not; they didn't have the manpower or the time. Mrs. Stinney informed that is what the letter said; they came back out and spoke to a neighbor or resident and

she'll have to go back and get that. Mrs. Scull asked if there was one specific address where the majority of the eggs were in that letter. Mrs. Stinney informed after the letter was sent over night, they came back out and it was Charlie or.....Mrs. Scull interjected there was something. Mrs. Bell expressed she thought it was a phone call.....Mrs. Stinney interjected that she thinks they came back and looked at that area and spoke to a resident and thinks that is what it said and spoke to a resident and then they said they could not come back out and asked the Mayor to help her out because she called back up then she underlined they said they could not come back and do the complete town. She said she is not asking them to come back....Mrs. Stinney then asked if that is the email. Mrs. Bell answered that she remembers that but they were not asked to re-evaluate the whole Township.....Mrs. Stinney interjected just that specific area there that they had sent all of the documentation out the next day. Mrs. Bell was also thinking that the other days and nights when she was walking around, she was looking at people's trees and what you see here is not as much as what is way up there and just wonders do they get out and walk every house and look or do they just drive by and see what is visible from their car. Mrs. Stinney replied that she does not know how they do it and didn't want to cut cross Mr. Inge's train of thought.....Mrs. Scull interjected that she thinks they do it from the air.....Mr. Bell stated we can't be trying to take the mind of the State here but he doesn't understand where they don't have 40 contiguous acres and it may not be Oak Pines itself but the surrounding area is all wooded and that has also been hit. The whole area has been totally devastated in this past year. Mrs. Scull informed her son lives across the road and two years ago he wasn't on the spray list and she doesn't know how they come up with their areas but it's not something that we get to pick and maybe we should. Mrs. Stinney confirmed that Mr. Prickett is going to look in to the acreage and asked Mr. Prickett if he said 39. Mr. Prickett replied 39 acres and added that he thinks we need to investigate that if you have a hot spot, what are the chances are that next year that is going to expand in to a couple of hundred acres and doesn't it make sense to deal with small areas instead of big areas. Mrs. Scull stated to put her son's acreage on there too. Mrs. Stinney stated we'll march to the state. Mrs. Bell commented that basically when she was walking around talking to people over on the wooded part of Oak Pines they had been hit badly the year before and last year they weren't hit so badly but she was. The folks over on the farm area part of Oak Pines, the nice clear area, weren't hit at all and she informed them they had egg masses on their trees. Mrs. Bell added that she knows it is hard work but they appreciate anything Council can do. Mayor Patriarca commented that he did find the correspondence from Joe Zotolski and it was sent on February 24<sup>th</sup> and it was sent to Mrs. Brown, his secretary in response to us asking him to go back out there and check the area. His response was, "Checked out the survey map. There was a hot spot qualifying area in the middle of Pin Oak Drive, but no other areas around this hot spot continued viable egg masses either along Magnolia or Oak Pines Blvd. Need a minimum of 520 egg masses per acre, 50% tree canopy cover and 40 acres. The hot spot meets the first two criteria but doesn't meet the 40 acre minimum. Spoke to a homeowner in this area today, 2/24/09, about the situation. The only thing she can do is hire a ground sprayer if needed. Don't have any staff to re-evaluate the entire Township, creating maps, writing federal funding applications and contracts. Sorry. Joe, NJDA". The Mayor noted he did go out in that particular area but didn't have the staff to do the entire Township as they had requested. That was the finding of his investigation. Mrs. Scull commented she knew it was one address on one of those roads and we all need to go to Pin Oak and tell them to spray. Mrs. Stinney advised we'll go back and get that information and thanked the Mayor. **Ann Quinn: 1.** This is her first time coming to a Township meeting. Given the state of the economy and the state's inability to govern itself, we are getting slammed for it. Council is in the middle of the budget process for this year. Mrs. Quinn asked Council what safeguards they are taking for the next budget and the budget after that. She would like to see the economy turn around by the end of this year but who knows when it's going to turn around.

Mrs. Quinn again asked what safe guards Council is going to take to control spending for the next two, three budgets given the state of the economy right now. Mrs. Stinney replied that Council is working with legislation all across from the top to the bottom, we're knocking on every single door trying to get what we can down here. As Mrs. Quinn can see, the economy is a day to day issue. You can say we're going to save this tomorrow and it's gone the next day. Mrs. Stinney gave an example of her funded daycare center back in April and 70 parents in two months had to find some type of childcare. They try to put safeguards in place.....Mrs. Quinn interjected that she understands her woes and what she does is not an easy thing but there are simple solutions to the budgetary problem and nobody seems to want to listen. Mrs. Stinney replied she doesn't know what is simple. Mrs. Quinn stated to merge the services and asked why does this Township have a school budget where she pays the majority of her taxes towards the schools and education is important. Mrs. Quinn continued that the problem with the education system is so much of the money that is given to each district goes towards administrative costs and the superintendents instead of getting in to the classroom where it needs to be. Mrs. Quinn asked why does she hear friends who are teachers who say they have to spend their own money to buy supplies because their kids in their classrooms don't have what they need but there is a superintendent that makes \$200,000 - \$300,000 as a salary plus benefits and expense accounts. Mrs. Quinn suggested there's a place to start. Mrs. Stinney stated she can't start at this level here and she can only encourage Mrs. Quinn to go to the school board members and to the school board meetings and tell those school board members where she wants her tax dollars spent. Mrs. Scull advised the school board meetings are the third and fourth Thursday of each month. Mrs. Stinney advised one is held here in the Brotherhood School and the other is held at the High School. Mrs. Stinney encouraged Mrs. Quinn to call the county superintendent and ask them why, and referred to an article in yesterday's newspaper, we're not merging and how can we merge. Mrs. Stinney suggested to Mrs. Quinn to be a part of that process. Mrs. Stinney can't go in there and tell a school district she wants them to merge. When she served on the school board, they tried to work with some things like that but she can't tell them what they need to do. Mrs. Quinn asked Mrs. Stinney why can't the Council if they are representing the residents in the Township, go to the school district and say, look now and as an example, Pemberton Township has a school district and Pemberton Borough. Mrs. Quinn stated to Mrs. Stinney that she is trying to tell her that she has no power what so ever to say that those two school districts should be combined in to one and the administrative and money better allocated to make a difference to the children. Mrs. Stinney responded that she can only say that her feeling of merging or where the money should be spent, she cannot tell them; she doesn't see their budgetary.....Mrs. Quinn interjected that it is her tax dollars that the Township is collecting that goes toward the school budget. She pays over \$1,000 in taxes that goes primarily to the school budget. Mrs. Stinney stated the school district is a whole different entity. They are a legalized entity as our municipality is in Pemberton. They can't come and say to us that they want us to merge with the Borough or Wrightstown or somebody. Mrs. Quinn asked Mrs. Stinney what do you do as a Township Council when the school district comes to you and says this is the budget that we want for this year and the budget will increase by a couple of thousand dollars and yet Council will come to her as a tax payer and a resident and say well your taxes are going up because the school district.....Mrs. Stinney interjected and stated she is not and she is going to ask her to go to the school board and the poll and vote whether she wants it. Mr. Cartier interjected and stated the school district does come to Council. Mrs. Scull stated to Mrs. Quinn that she will be more than happy any time she wants to sit down and they will go over how the school is funded and the taxes and that and it would be great because they need residents to understand that. However, she thinks all of Council sitting here would like to see the Borough and the Township be one. It's a terrible burden on all of the tax payers; however, there are people in

the Borough who don't think so. Mrs. Quinn asked if Council thought it could be merged. Mrs. Stinney replied that she thinks they should be and she is pushing it. Mrs. Scull commented that as far as merging goes, they are not looking so much at Pemberton and yes they are looking at the Borough because that is really a non-operating school district. They are keeping a couple hundred thousand in salaries and expenses that could go away easily but we are a K to 12 district. The districts they are trying to get to merge are all of those little ones that have like Northern Burlington for the high school and then there are the little six or seven little districts and that's what the state's focus is. We really can't merge much more than we are with anybody unless the Borough is willing to merge and they are not in the financial shape that is pushing them that way. It's not that any of Council is opposed to it and she does think Mrs. Quinn's questions are good ones because Council is concerned with what is happening next year and the year after. The Mayor is watching the money pretty seriously and we have already started this year not replacing staff and really looking hard at where the staff are and that type of thing. We are concerned about next year. Mrs. Scull asked Mrs. Quinn to come and visit her and she'll give her phone number to her and she'll be happy to explain that. Mrs. Stinney stated to Mrs. Quinn that Mrs. Scull is talking because she knows the school district. Mrs. Stinney advised that she used to serve on the school board and encouraged Mrs. Quinn that there is a budget process also with the school district and she is not sure.....Mrs. Scull interjected that their taxes are not going up this year for the school district.....Mrs. Stinney continued into the budget process but that gives you an opportunity to speak where she thinks the money should go and how much is being spent, if the superintendent is getting more and then it's your obligation if you agree with what the school board is doing separate from the Council then April 21<sup>st</sup>, you go to the polls and voice your opinion whether you want that.....Mrs. Quinn interjected that she goes to the polls all of the time and she understands what Mrs. Stinney is saying.....Mrs. Stinney continued where you want that school board budget to go. She often said when she came on Council.....Mrs. Quinn interjected and asked Mrs. Stinney if she came from Philadelphia.....Mrs. Stinney replied no.....Mrs. Scull interjected Pennsylvania, that's close.....Mrs. Stinney continued that when she came on to Council she could not understand why for the life of her that the two entities of the school district and the town Council could not meet periodically and talk on things. She and Mr. Inge are a part of like a liaison to the school district and she has even asked the Mayor if he would go and ask the superintendent to do like a superintendent-Mayor kind of type thing on Channel 19 so that the residents could know what the municipality is doing on our side because you can rest assured that some of them don't know what is going on on our side because their main objective is right there with the school district. Sometimes we don't know exactly everything that is going on if we don't read it or go on the email or talk to some of the people who are in the schools and that sort of thing. She had asked them a while back if they would do a match thing so the superintendent could let them know where the school district is going and we in the Township would let them go. Mrs. Stinney has her name and asked Mrs. Quinn to sign in and she does have her email and noted that Mrs. Quinn does have her telephone number and we're going to talk.....Mrs. Quinn brought to the Mayor's attention that maybe he is not aware that we recently built a 55+ community not too long ago from Ryan Homes and asked the Mayor if that is correct. Mayor Patriarca replied that is in Pemberton Borough and not in Pemberton Township. Mrs. Quinn stated that could affect Pemberton Township and she heard coming home tonight that the Governor wants to take the laws that are in place for an age community meaning it is for.....Mr. Bayer advised there is legislation pending which was approved by the house of the assembly and the senate which allows developers or owners of age restricted developments to convert those units to non-age restricted. It is sitting on the Governor's desk right now. Mr. Cartier asked why do we bother with zoning. Mrs. Quinn commented that the reason why she is bringing this to your attention is because it is going to put a strain on the services that you already provide to the

residents and in addition to that, it's a reason to hike your property taxes because now it's going to become not an age restricted community but it's going to hit us all. Mrs. Quinn conveyed that she listens, she reads the paper and she is up on things and she appreciates the time Council gives her. Mrs. Stinney thanked Mrs. Quinn and added that she is grateful that she emailed and they will talk some more.....Mrs. Quinn continued that there are not a lot of people here tonight and everybody is out trying to work and trying to keep their jobs and trying to provide for their families and encouraged Council to come out to the community and come see them. Mrs. Stinney commented that she tries to get around. Mr. Prickett asked Mrs. Quinn if Council could come to her house on Saturday to have their budget hearing. Mrs. Quinn replied that she can give some ideas. Mr. Prickett responded that is what he was hoping. Mrs. Stinney commented that she wanted to let Mrs. Quinn know that Council does have a budget meeting this Saturday. Mrs. Quinn advised she got a lengthy email from him.....Mrs. Stinney interjected it is on the email and it has been posted and we try to.....she thinks.....she is going to let them talk. Mrs. Quinn conveyed that she wasn't suppose to be here tonight but as she stated to Mr. Prickett in her email, she is in the middle of mid-terms for preparation to graduate with an Associates Degree but where she lives and the community that she lives in and the issues that affect the community are just as important to her as anybody else, she's here and she wants Council to hear what she is saying. Mrs. Scull thanked Mrs. Quinn. Mrs. Stinney commented that she has Mrs. Quinn's number. Mrs. Scull added that Council is glad and she lives in Country Lakes too. Mrs. Quinn noted that she looked familiar. Mrs. Scull commented that she has seen her many, many times in the community somewhere. Mrs. Quinn stated for the sake of the residents, come knocking on their doors and ask them what they think. Being no other members of the public wishing to address Council, Mrs. Stinney closed the meeting to public comments.

Mrs. Stinney convened the meeting at approximately 7:15 pm for a short break and reconvened the meeting at approximately 7:21 pm.

#### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

**Andrew Bayer: 1.** Mr. Bayer informed he usually doesn't have matters for the public given the attorney client privilege but he does have one matter for the public tonight. That matter is after the Township had awarded a contract to its new solid waste collection vendor, Republic of South Jersey, there was a law suit that was brought by the current vendor who was a higher bidder challenging Council's award of the contract. Mr. Bayer advised he was in court last week on the matter and Judge Bookbinder found in favor of Council and found that the contract award was indeed legal. The good news is we have saved at least over the three year life of the contract, \$165,000 and if the Township extends the contract which it has a right to do up to five years, it could be up to \$285,000. It is a substantial savings and it is a good result. He doesn't think there will be an appeal filed but the plaintiff certainly has that right but it didn't sound like that was going to happen and since the law suit is concluded he wanted to bring it to everyone's attention. Mrs. Stinney thanked Mr. Bayer very much for the recommendation that he guided Council in to the right direction and savings the residents hundred of thousands of dollars. Mr. Prickett asked Mr. Bayer that Council is doing the 2009 budget and planned for this litigation and since it seems to have been solved at this point, is it possible to take some of that money out of the litigation budget for this year. Mr. Bayer responded that from what he was advised from the Mayor at least through the litigation through Mr. Vaz is that the Mayor had planned in his proposed budget the contract award to the lower bidder in other words the winner. Mr. Prickett stated he was talking about the litigation. Mrs. Stinney added the cost of litigation. Mr. Prickett continued that he was thinking that since we had more expanded litigation line maybe we could cut out say \$20,000 and there is a resident here having a hard time making ends meet.....Mr. Bayer stated we don't know



what is going to come and he doesn't think we are anticipating litigation when the Mayor planned the legal budget earlier in the year so the good news is we want it in a summary fashion so we submitted briefs and we didn't have to go through a full blown trial with witnesses. The judge did it based on the briefs so the matter is done and it was done in a relatively short time in about a month. Mr. Bayer advised he will certainly look at the budget issue.

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

**David Cella: 1.** Advised there is an item that may have been missed at the WaWa site. It would most likely appear on the county off site improvement bond and there's an inlet that is suppose to be before the bike path. They are going to reach out to the county and see why it's not installed, and it may have some impact on the storm water there. It might be something they could remedy but they will check with the county and get back to Council. Mr. Prickett asked if the bike path inlet is on Fort Dix Road. Mr. Inge commented that he had a chance to go out to the bridge in Presidential Lakes when they were cleaning up and he talked to a gentleman who showed him the pilings. He showed him basically what had happened and he said about four to six feet down from the top down is where the problem is with the pilings. Mr. Inge suggested that before they finish the back side of it, it would be much easier to take care of that problem now. Mr. Inge stated there are about six pilings on each side and then the 8x8's. Mr. Cella answered he is not sure what problem Mr. Inge is referring to. Mayor Patriarca advised Administration is on top of that and is scheduling a meeting with one of the engineer's, Mr. Ingram. Mayor Patriarca informed the meeting will probably be on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and they are addressing that issue and what needs to be replaced. Mayor Patriarca agreed with Mr. Inge that he is correct and it would be much cheaper to do it now while the contractor is on site. Mr. Inge commented there is another problem with vandalism. Kids are constantly vandalizing the pumps and they lose a lot of time because of the vandalism. It's pretty neat how they have it set up the way water from the lake goes in to this and it looks like a big pillow and then it gets pumped out so it doesn't take the settlement and stuff and put it in to the creek. Mr. Inge explained that a lot of times the kids mess with that and it shuts it down and then when they come in everything is flooded out and they have to pump everything out where they are working at. Mayor Patriarca conveyed that is the first time he has heard of vandalism out in any part of that site and he will look in to that and check with the contractor to make sure if they are having that problem that they are reporting it to the Police because that would be the only way that we would know it is occurring; they would have to report it. Mr. Inge informed they said they made five reports and called five separate times. The Mayor advised Administration will look in to that. Mr. Cartier stated he didn't have any questions. Mr. Prickett advised that he was out at the site last week and looking at the site and didn't see as much progress as he thought he was going to see. He saw a lot of dirt piled up on the beach and was curious where that dirt is coming from and why they are doing that and what the next step is. He knows the road is closed but he doesn't see any of the dam being built yet. Mr. Cella replied that he is not specifically involved in the project but he is under the impression that what you are seeing out there right now is a lot of the foundation work and once the foundation is established which is sometimes a lengthy process, once that is established you will start to see the improvement progress a little quicker. Mr. Inge informed they do have quite a bit of the steel work in. Mr. Prickett asked if it is pushed in to the ground. Mr. Inge answered yes, both sides, front and back and that is one of the things that they said they would like to find out as soon as possible about the pilings because of where they are at. Mr. Cella stated the pilings are in the ground so you wouldn't see most of the work that is taking place so far and there would be two different types of pilings that are there. Mr. Cella explained that there are what looks like telephone poles that are going in to the ground and then there is also sheet piling for protecting the erosion. A majority of that has been installed to date. The sheet piles are definitely in but he is not sure if



all of the piles are in. Mr. Cella commented the issue that Mr. Inge was referring to he knows they will be talking about it, but Mr. Ingram was getting a cost from the contractor to do it now and it's something that does need to be discussed in detail but he thinks Mr. Ingram is going through the overall budget on the project to present a change order and that may be the next meeting or the following meeting and he is not sure what his timing is on that. Mr. Inge stated he was lucky because everyone was leaving except for the manager and he took him down and the ground was hard enough where they could go down and he poked in to it and showed where the wood was rotted.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

**David Patriarca:** 1. Spoke to the engineer on the Browns Mills Shopping Center project as recently as today, and they are constantly in contact. They were recently unsuccessful at the County Planning Board in getting a completeness at that level, but they are taking the plans back. They have a punch list from the County to address, and they are changing the plans. One of the key issues that they are dealing with is a right of way issue the County has been trying to impose to obtain more property along Route 530, Pemberton Browns Mills Road. That doesn't work with the plans that were approved with the shopping center because he is currently using that property as parking. It's a current use and it is intended to be a continued use in his plan, and the County wants that to be a right of way. He thinks they may have come up with an avenue that they want to pursue as possibly making that an easement. Somewhere down the line if it needs to be used, which he can't see that intersection ever being widened any more than it already is, it would give the County the ability. They might be able to work that out along with the changes in their plans that they are working on and get this through the County level. Their engineers informed him that they really foresee this happening in this year. They had some people out there last week and did some vapor testing as part of the preliminary work for the Dunkin Donuts and RiteAid and the development between the old Acme and the store on the end of the shopping center. Those results are suppose to be in in another week and a half to determine if there are going to be any problems there with the contaminated site in developing those new sites. They are still moving forward on their end. We are still hopeful that we will someday see a shopping center there. 2. A meeting is scheduled tomorrow morning with our architects in the Township to discuss some of the projects that we are looking at, the court room, the Dominique Johnson Building and this building in general. Some of the capital projects that we had already approved. They are going to come in tomorrow with some ideas on how we can address these issues in the most cost effective way for the Township and still get the results that we are looking for. Hopefully that will be a good thing tomorrow and not come out and tell us we can't afford it. Mrs. Stinney advised she had asked the Mayor about a program from the Recreation Department, the training, the on line registration and asked if he was able to get that update for her. Mayor Patriarca answered they just completed the seven day course with the company that they all took. The Mayor stated Mr. Vaz informed him by the second week of April we should be up and running with that program for on line registration. The Mayor asked if they will be able to pay on line even with a credit card. Mr. Vaz replied yes, it's a different system. Their training is done and now the next step is for us to merge part of that for instance the link from our website to the active net web base system where people will go. They spent a lot of the training time actually designing and typing in all of the information that is unique to Pemberton Township so that when a person clicks the link from our website they will be guided to the other website where all of that will start happening. We also have to set up the bank account where the money will sweep in to when the credit and debit cards are processed. Mrs. Stinney asked if there is any way possible Council can have the information the Auditor provided at the last budget hearing placed underneath the webpage under the budget draft. Mr. Vaz advised there is nothing there now and there is no budget draft now but does she mean once

the Council introduces the budget. Mrs. Stinney answered no, she would like to have it so that the people could understand a little bit more, the presentation that our Auditor provided and if a summary could be placed on our webpage. Mr. Vaz replied we could do that. It would sort of be in a vacuum because they won't have the budget document to go along with it but it has the raw data anyway. Mrs. Stinney conveyed just the explanation of basically where we are. Mr. Vaz answered revenue and expenses, yes. Mr. Prickett stated he thinks the agenda on the budget should be on the website and that is what he asked for so the residents knew where we were every time we met. Mr. Prickett conveyed to the Mayor that we are talking about these projects and asked how much was spent on this room. The Mayor interjected and stated we were in the fifties, maybe just under sixty for this room. Mr. Prickett asked how much is he anticipating the court room will cost. The Mayor answered he can pull up the capital and see what Council approved for that. Mr. Vaz added that is one of the reasons the architect is coming back is to give them an idea of what it could cost. They could tell him what the capital budget has in it but what it might cost is going to be a different story. Mr. Prickett asked if it is correct that we have not borrowed for that money and have not bonded for it. Mr. Vaz replied that is correct.

### **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:**

**Richard Prickett:** 1. Encouraged everyone to come out for the budget hearing this Saturday at 12:00 and the meeting next Wednesday is at 6:30 pm if needed. Mr. Prickett confirmed with Council. Mr. Prickett stated it is important for the public to come out to the budget hearings.

**Sherry Scull:** 1. Thanked everyone for coming out. 2. The Senior Prom is April 29<sup>th</sup> for the senior citizens from the PTEA. Looking forward to that. It was a grant so it doesn't cost the tax payers anything. Colonial Caterers will be catering a roast beef, chicken dinner. Clarence Watson will be performing with the jazz band. Even though some people don't think they are seniors, she thinks they should still come out and have a good time or come out without your husband and have a good time because it will be fun and she can guarantee that. 3. One of the other things she is working on is for the Memorial Day. She is also the liaison to the Veterans. They are working and are very happy with the response that they are getting from the Mayor and Recreation in planning a Memorial Day parade. We have a fly over scheduled and she is sorry the Bells have left because it was suggested to her that maybe.....Mrs. Scull asked if the flyers were gone now. The Mayor stated they are requested and Administration has not received confirmation and to not mislead all of these people. Mrs. Scull thought it was confirmed and stated they are lying to her then. Mr. Vaz stated you get the approval from the Department of Defense and then you are on a shopping hunt to get a plane. Getting a plane is the hard part. Mrs. Scull thought it was all set up from down by Atlantic City, Pomona. Mrs. Scull commented that hopefully we'll have a fly over. Mrs. Scull added that someone had suggested why don't we have the revolutionary and civil war re-enactors that are in the Township participate and she hadn't thought about that and of course Mr. and Mrs. Bell have left and maybe they'll read the minutes. She knows they are involved with both groups. 4. She is in the process of developing the program for that day with another grant she received. We will be honoring and spotlighting the soldiers that have given their lives since the revolutionary war times. As a note of interest, she went to the archives in Trenton to track down the World War I soldiers to make sure she wasn't missing anybody because she could only find three maybe five from the whole area and went through the list of fatalities and some from illness. There were over 3,300 in the state of New Jersey. Less than 20 Burlington County boys and there were three nurses. She thought that has always proven her point if she is going to battle, she wants to make sure she takes those county pineys and farmers with her because they already knew how to shoot the guns. Some people are

nodding they know where she is coming from. For Burlington County to only lose twenty when the whole state lost 3,300; a lot of them were Elizabeth, Jersey City, Bayonne, Trenton and Camden. It just made her proud to be from Burlington County and Pemberton. At this point, she is still looking and is going to put out a news release asking for information. Two of those soldiers have pictures in the archives and they will get those for the program and are looking forward to having a really larger parade. She did talk with the historic trust and they are willing to use the wagons in case some of our veterans who the march would be a little bit too much for can participate. They are working on those issues. Just appreciates everything and the time and the effort that our residents have taken to come out to our meetings and to our budget hearings and hopefully we'll see some folks Saturday.

**Tom Inge:** 1. Thanked everybody for coming out this evening and hopefully we'll see you Saturday. Wished everyone a good evening.

**Ken Cartier:** 1. Thanked everyone for coming out. 2. He learned something this evening. Mrs. Quinn and he will be graduating together this May and he congratulated her and wished her good luck on her final courses. 3. Wished everyone a safe trip home.

**Diane Stinney:** 1. Thanked everyone for coming out. 2. Reminded that the play Oliver at the high school will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Encouraged everyone to make that. 3. Budget hearing is Saturday at 12:00 noon. Encouraged everyone to come out and be a part of it. Noted to Mrs. Quinn that she and Mr. Inge are liaisons to the school district and hear like this so they will set up a meeting with the superintendent and go back and do another meeting with the superintendent. The last one was December and now it's March. Commented to Mrs. Young that they will get with the superintendent and set up a meeting at Mr. Inge's convenience. Mrs. Young asked for their schedules. 4. Thanked everyone for coming out tonight and for the record, Council will not be going back in to closed session. The matter is not ready for discussion and that matter is personnel matter involving employee and Council person. 5. Wished everyone a good night and thanked everyone for coming out.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Township Clerk