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Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey was held on Monday, December 21, 2015, at 8:30 o'clock in the evening, prevailing time, at the Municipal Building, 1000 Route 10, in said Township.

PRESENT: Mayor Francioli, Members Ferramosca,
Gallagher, Coppola, and Brueno

ABSENT: None

STATEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by posting written notices and agenda of the meeting on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, 1000 Route 10, Township of Hanover and by hand delivering, mailing or faxing such notice and agenda to the following newspapers:

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and by filing same with the Township Clerk.

(Signed) Ronald F. Francioli, Mayor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Motion to open made by Member Coppola and seconded by Member Ferramosca and unanimously passed.

Motion to close made by Member Coppola and seconded by Member Brueno and unanimously passed.

APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 10, 2015 have been presented to the members of the Committee prior to this meeting by the Township Clerk.

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Member Brueno moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2015 be accepted and approved as presented by the Township Clerk. The motion was seconded by Member Gallagher and was unanimously passed.

COMMUNICATION:

Letter dated December 21, 2016 addressed to the Township Committee and myself it reads as follows:

“I would like to inform you that I have applied for my pension and will be retiring effective March 1, 2016. It has been a pleasure and an honor serving the people of Hanover Township over the last 34 years. It has been a great career for me from protecting and meeting the President of the United States of America to being present for the arrest of bank robbers and assisting people in need. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Joe Giorgio, he has always been helpful no matter what the issue was or what time of day or night, Joe was always there with guidance. I will truly miss our daily morning talks. I would like to thank the entire Township Committee over the last thirteen years for having the confidence in me to keep the Township of Hanover safe. I would like to thank my Committee Liaisons John Tort and George Coppola for all of their help over the years; because of them my job has been that much easier. Lastly, I would like to thank all of the men and woman of the Township of Hanover Police Department for their support over the years; they are honestly the best group of people that I have ever worked with. If I can be of any assistance prior to and afterwards, please let me know I will be glad to provide whatever assistance I can to assure smooth transition. Thanks Again, Stephen W. Gallagher, Chief of Police.

Motion to accept letter of resignation made by Member Coppola and seconded by Member Brueno and unanimously accepted.

Mayor: It goes without saying that all of us on the Township Committee truly appreciated all the work of Chief Gallagher over the years. Chief will be sorely missed there is no question about that, but we are also do wish you all the best you have a lot to offer and you are a young man that is going to go forward and I'm sure that there are other mountains for you to climb. So we hope Hanover Township was a good experience for you as it was for us, you protected this Town and made it for what it is today and we thank you for all of the time you have given to us, so much appreciated Steve as you go forward.

Mr. Coppola: I would like to add that I have worked with Chief Gallagher for seven years and it really has been a pleasure. I say that because there has been a lot of give and take. It's never been a one sided situation and he was always willing to work together with the Committee. The Committee has been very supportive with going through some tough times and when we had layoffs and when things got better the Committee saw the need to again to support the Police and for the services that they provide to our community. I know I'm going to miss him a lot because he usually comes down where I work or I come into his office and we really have a lot of fun talking with

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each other, and whenever there is a nature we manage to work through it. So Chief, I know his wife is going to keep him busy, he already told me that. But all and all I wish him much happiness and much love and success as he moves forward. He is going to be very much happier in his retirement. I want to thank the Committee for always being supportive of the Police Department.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

The following reports were presented and ordered filed as received:

Township Engineer	G. Maceira	Reports
Property Maintenance	E. DeSimoni	Month of December
Police Department	S. Gallagher	Annual Summary of 2015
CFMO	S. Esposito	Summary of Budget Revenue
Construction	S. Donlon	Month of November

All reports are on file in the Business Administrator's Office.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE 32-2015

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 166 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP ENTITLED LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT LEGISLATION, BY AMENDING THE REGULATIONS FOR THE R-10A ZONE DISTRICT

Note for the record: Ordinance was sent to the Hanover Township Planning Board for review and referral in accordance with the Municipal Land Use Law. Also any one affected by the change in this ordinance within 200 feet all the property owners of this zone have been notified.

Proof of Publication that the Ordinance and the Notice of Introduction for Ordinance 32-15 appeared in full in the November 16th, 2015 issue of the Daily Record in accordance with the law.

Ordinance 32-15 was filed with the Morris County Department of Planning and Public Works in accordance with the Municipal Land Use Law.

Letter from the Planning Board dated December 8, 2015:

"Dear Mr. Giorgio: At it's December 8, 2015 meeting the Planning Board reviewed and discussed Ordinance 32-15 which had been referred by the Township Committee as required by the Municipal Land Use Law at NJSA 40:55d-26A which reads as follows: 'Prior to the adoption of the development regulation, revision or amendment thereto, the Planning Board shall

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make and transmit to the Governing Body within 35 days after referral a report including identification of any provisions in the proposed development, regulation, revision or amendment which are inconsistent with the Master Plan and recommendations concerning these inconsistencies and any other matters as the Board deems appropriate.' The amendments proposed by the Ordinance 32-15 would permit the development of single family attached dwellings, also known as townhouses, as an alternative to single family detached dwellings and with different standards. The Planning Board has determined that Ordinance 32-15 is inconsistent with the Master Plan. The 2 R10A zones affected by Ordinance 32-15 are located on North Jefferson Road and at the intersection of Park Avenue and Whippany Road. The land use element of the Master Plan recommends an R10A Zone classification for the North Jefferson Road zone and an R15 Zone classification for the Park Avenue Whippany Road Zone. In addition the Master Plan recommends single family detached homes in the R10A Zone whereas Ordinance 32-15 would permit townhouse development. Finally, the Master Plan recommends a density limitation of 16 units for property in the R10A Zone whereas both the existing R10A Zone regulations and the amendment proposed by Ordinance 32-15 would permit more than 16 units. In considering the amendments proposed by Ordinance 32-15 the Planning Board offers the following comments:

1) The Board has previously supported the two Ordinances that created and subsequently expanded the R10A Zone district, noting various public benefits that would result from adoption of said ordinances. Following adoption of the ordinances to the development applications for single family detached homes were submitted and have been approved by the Planning Board most recently for the property at the intersection of Park Avenue and Whippany Road;

2) As a result of the Planning Boards review and approval of the site plan application for the property in the intersection of Park Avenue and Whippany Road the Board determined that an approved layout could be achieved if townhouse development were permitted, the benefits that could be realized through such a layout include but are not necessarily limited to the following:

- a) more efficient and effective use of open space;
- b) improved roadway layout;
- c) increased setbacks of buildings from Park Avenue & Whippany Road;
- d) reduced coverage by improvements;
- e) improved buffers; and
- f) improved dwelling rear yard layouts.

3) The amendment proposed by Ordinance 32-15 would reduce the maximum density permitted in the case of townhouse development in order to achieve the benefits sited above.

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4) The Board believes that the amendments proposed by Ordinance 32-15 would promote these and other benefits and therefore recommends the adoption of Ordinance 32-15 as introduced.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on Ordinance 32-15. Very Truly Yours, Robert Nardone, Chairman on behalf of The Hanover Township Planning Board.”

Motion to convene a public hearing made by Member Ferramosca and seconded by Member Brueno and unanimously passed.

Diana Plaza, 2 Briarwood Court, Whippany: I just want to make sure that I am clear on the impact that this amendment will have to the property on Jefferson Road, there are a lot of different ordinances that were brought up and I just want to make sure that I’m crystal clear on what that means. Will there be any change to currently what has been approved on Jefferson Road was built on Jefferson Road will there be any extension of this change in this zoning, etc., so should in five years the Birchwood Manor for example sell, is this an amendment effect anything that is there or that could be there in the future.

Blais Brancheau: The zoning amendment that is proposed would allow what is there to continue and would allow what is there to be torn down and be rebuilt again. It would also allow what’s there to be torn down and rebuild townhouses with somewhat different standards than what is there the standards that are somewhat different intend to achieve a better layout and improve setbacks and improve use of open space which was read in the letter. It’s not envisioned however that anyone having just built single family homes that are there today; would now tear them down and build townhouses, for one they would get fewer units so that not likely to happen on North Jefferson Road.

Ms. Plaza: Then I guess to me it’s not clear why we would approve an amendment for something that A) not likely to happen and B) that could turn out to be a whole bunch of townhouses that were rejected by this Committee after a two year discussion, so why would we amend that at this point?

Mr. Brancheau: Two issues, there are two properties that are in the R10A Zone; the one on North Jefferson and the one at Park & Whippany. It will make a difference at Park & Whippany cause that was not built yet, so that is why we would make the change so it’s to achieve those benefits that have been identified in the Planning Board’s letter at the Whippany & Park site. The second concern you stated that a bunch of townhouses that were previously rejected; what was rejected by the Governing Body last year was for townhouses at a much higher density and what this is proposed, so this is lower density than what was proposed and it’s even lower density than for the single family homes that have been built, so again, I don’t see a lot of economic incentive for builder to have

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just spent money on building new homes to tear them down to build few townhomes.

Ms. Plaza: So then the question I guess then the question is why is this just included, why was this property even included in that amendment?

Mr. Brancheau: Because we are amending the zone regulations, that property just happens to be the same zone, but we don't envision any change to occur there.

Ms. Plaza: But it could in the future, if we adopt this amendment then it could in 30 years happens or less.

Mr. Brancheau: It's theoretically possible again, it's just something that we don't think it's likely to happen for the reason why I just explained, could it happen, anything is possible, that could happen, but even if it did happen, we believe that the result would be a better result.

Ms. Plaza: This part of it can't be removed from this amendment, the property on Jefferson?

Mr. Brancheau: By State Law the rules to particular type of development have to be uniform throughout the zone, the only other way of removing that would be to create another new zone, which means there would be one zone on North Jefferson and a separate zone at Park & Whippany, that would be the only way to change that.

Ms. Plaza: And what would be the down side of doing that?

Mr. Brancheau: Well it's just, we could put every property on its own zone but it's just really becomes unworkable so, it's more efficient to do it this way.

Mayor: This amendment clearly from the points that the Administrator read from the Planning Board, provides the Township and of course it certainly was attractive to the Township Committee because it provides nearly double the amount of rear yard space that the housing proposed on this property on Park Avenue and Whippany Road. The same is true from the distances from Whippany Road in this is a significant increase in the distance from the road in. The road system in this plan is a driveway not a road system, with a housing it was a road system with a cul-de-sac or key turn which we did not find acceptable. The impact of the development in this zone 10A for Park Avenue and Whippany Road is far far more desirable than would have been single families standalone homes that was proposed there, all of which with the landscaping and the buffers increasing here was taken into consideration with the Planning Board, so that's why it was revisited. As you remember the original plan for the single family homes was approved and I think it was not on the

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developer's end the urging to revisit this, it was on the Township's end that we urged the developer to revisit this, we did not like the density, 20 foot yards between housing, is not sufficient and there were too many negatives, he did and this was the outcome.

Ms. Plaza: And the maximum number of units, I don't think I heard that.

Mr. Brancheau: What was approved was 25. The density and this ordinance will reduce that to 24, not on North Jefferson but on Park and Whippany.

Ms. Plaza: And, on North Jefferson that max will be

Mr. Brancheau: It's 16 today and I haven't done the calculation but it would be at the most be a reduction to 15.

Ms. Plaza: Okay, thank you.

Mr. Coppola: I would like to add, I was one of the people who were against this original proposed condominiums, I saw the proposal for the individual houses and I saw the overlay for these carriage houses and when I tell you it is absolutely beautiful you will not see them the landscaping is beautiful, and when I saw how it overlaid and what a mess the 25 houses looked like as compared to what is being proposed now is absolutely gorgeous, beautiful, it's going to be a beautiful site, driving into Hanover Township. You probably won't notice it that much, but when you do it'll be beautiful.

Ms. Plaza: My final question, is there a maximum number of condominiums that we can offer in our Township? We are ten miles of a Township is there a maximum number that we are able to build? Or can we just build 100s of condo units if that's what we wanted to do here? We already have a substantial amount for a Township of this size.

Mr. Ferramosca: The Township conducted a socioeconomic study, Township in its Master Plan desires the future of Hanover to remain a suburban township, we evaluated all different specifications in terms of numbers, I'm not going to get us into a whole Master Plan review tonight but we are at a point where I think we are in the right balance, I don't think that there is any real opportunity of burning platform to start leveling communities to put up townhomes, I think the Township is representing the people in Hanover very well in terms of defending it's housing plan, so I don't see that being tremendous challenge at the moment but I thank you for raising the issue.

Ms. Plaza: And, a socioeconomic study was conducted? So is that something that I can request via OPRA the outcome of the study?

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Mr. Ferramosca: It's deliberative work, when it's finalized you can OPRA it and you get a copy of it.

Mr. Gallagher: I would like to say one thing, when the initial proposal came through, like Committeeman Coppola I wasn't in favor of it; when the second proposal came in I thought it was the better of the two evils, a lot of us would like to have the R15 like we all have; I work in a lot of different towns everyday and Mendham Commons, the Mayor referred to at our last meeting, is a beautiful facility and it looked like houses but they are just connected, the yards are great, so we talked about Mendham Commons and different developments we have in Chatham, and to me personally I chose to move her and raise my family here I think it is more consistent with the look that I would like for Hanover Township again out of what we had to choose from, and I think you are really going to be impressed with what this looks like and like Ron said they are not twenty feet apart, we have a lot of space and a lot of backyards and lot of distance from the street, they are actually are beautiful and I was a person not too long ago jumping up and down about condos, I don't consider these condos, I really don't I think they are beautiful place that somebody will like to live in and have a lot of private homeownership and want to be in Hanover Township. I think you are going to like them, and we spent 6 months battling this out, and I think it's a good outcome.

Ms. Plaza: I look forward to seeing them, I just want to make sure that we don't become this ultra-dense condo community, and I less worried about builders knocking down what is there, I'm more worried about the under developed land that we still have in our town that can become condo city for us and I don't want us to turn into like some of our neighboring towns, like Parsippany for example, where there is condos.

Mayor: We have to consider each piece of zoning, not to belabor this, but each piece of zoning that we look at has very unique issues, or nonissues etc., and giving consideration I think the property that we looked at Park Avenue and if you were at the hearings and I'm sure you were, you heard from the sellers the Reverend that was selling the property, etc., and heard all of the options available to us at that time, you also heard there were absolutely no interest in single family homes on that property based on the zone that it was, so it was the proper move to make on part of the Township and I think the outcome, and by the way you are certainly entitled to see the elevations and the plans of the townhouse community much like the Veira on Horsehill road, these are not apartment type of units that people have this stigma for and they will add considerably to the Township and there is a need I might add for this. These are also age controlled so we are very confident that the child population out of these will be near zero and the history on looking at these units in other towns it is showing that the population from the schools is near zero so that is not an impact that we are concerned with. The biggest problem before Hanover Township right now is one that we are all aware of and that is the challenge by COAH if there is

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anything that is going to bring housing into this Township is not from within it's going to be the challenges and the court from COAH if we are to allow that and we are defending against that. It's not vision to see Hanover dotted with condominiums but on the other hand in approved areas appropriately placed there are a fine addition to the community and they serve us well.

Joe just explained that the characteristics of this development and 50% of the master bedrooms are on the first floor with the kitchen, I should take a look at one, I'm really getting tired of my house....but they are on the first floor and that's another incentive for those of us who want all of our living on one level as well, I invite you to take a look at Viera again on Horsehill Road it's typical to that, it's a gated type community, so I think this is going to be upscale from that standpoint.

Joe Giorgio: Just as public record, as Committeeman Ferramosca mentioned the Township did commission a socioeconomic impact study which is still in draft format, so it's a deliberative work so it is not available at this time.

Ms. Plaza: Do you have an anticipated date of when it will be available?

Joe Giorgio: I cannot say, I would have to defer to Committeeman Ferramosca on that.

Mr. Ferramosca: It's still being worked upon as part of the Master Plan process but once it is available just like the Master Plan is completed we will present it to the Community.

Ms. Plaza: So like what three months, six months, a year. No idea???

Mr. Ferramosca: I think it would be unfair for me to state a specific date at this point, work of that nature is very sensitive work, its complicated work, and it's an ongoing process.

Ms. Plaza: I will follow up with you then. Thank you.

Motion to close public hearing made by Member Francioli and seconded by Member Coppola and unanimously passed.

Mr. Giorgio: Before the Township Committee can consider Adoption of the Ordinance the Municipal Land Use Law requires that because the recommendations of the Planning Board set forth inconsistencies with the Master Plan concerning 32-15 the Township Committee must pass a Resolution setting forth the reasons why it is adopting the Land Use Ordinance 32-15 which is inconsistent with the Master Plan. All those items were already read into the record. I would ask that the Township Committee provide a motion to not only accept the letter into the record but also to vote on the Resolution which memorializes all the reasons:

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Mr. Ferramosca made a motion to accept the letter and to accept the Motion based upon the reasons stated and I just want to summarize some of the key ones; first of all the Planning Board and the Township Committee worked very diligently, comprehensive fashion to review R10A; with the intent to evolve R10A, what we were trying to do was from a Planning standpoint we saw that there is a need for this type of housing that would require less outdoor maintenance, people want to live in suburbia but some of them want to live in suburbia in a different structure of home, these carriage homes meet that criteria, so we will provide an opportunity for individuals to live. R10A design is such that it will provide us with housing that will have little to no impact upon the schools, Planning Board worked to shape the density component to reduce the impervious coverage which is very important from the Planning standpoint. We improved open space, we improved setbacks, we improved buffers, and again I really think this evolved ordinance is beneficial and therefore I will make a motion for its approval. Second made by Member Coppola and unanimously passed,

Now on Adoption, Be it resolved, that an Ordinance entitled "**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 166 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP ENTITLED LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT LEGISLATION, BY AMENDING THE REGULATIONS FOR THE R-10A ZONE DISTRICT**" be passed on final reading and that a Notice of the final passage of the Ordinance be published in the December 28th, 2015 issue of the Daily Record.

Motion on Adoption made by Member Ferramosca and seconded by Member Brueno and unanimously passed.

So Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS AS A CONSENT AGENDA:

Mr. Ferramosca: Mr. Giorgio before we move on to the Resolutions, I would like to make a Motion to authorize the approval of a Memo of Agreement between Hanover Township and QuickChek Corporation. I am requesting that the Mayor and Township Clerk execute said Agreement.

Mr. Giorgio: We have a Motion and we will include that as part of the Consent Agenda, we have a motion by Member Ferramosca to approve and authorize a Memorandum Agreement by and between the Township and QuickChek Corporation further authorizing the Mayor and the Township Clerk to execute the Agreement; do we have a second on that motion? Motion made by Member Brueno and that would be incorporated as part of the Consent Agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 237-2015

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A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP AND QUICKCHEK CORPORATION AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, QuickChek Corporation is the owner of property located at 1001-1025 Route 10 and 6 South Jefferson Road in the Whippany Section of the Township and identified as Lots 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 in Block 2902 as set forth on the Tax Map of the Township of Hanover; and

WHEREAS, QuickChek Corporation submitted an application to the Township's Planning Board for preliminary and final site plan approval to construct a **QuickChek** food store with fuel sales, parking areas and driveways, stormwater management facilities, associated utilities, landscaping and other related improvements on the property described above (hereinafter referred to as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, on or about November 11, 2014, the Planning Board adopted a resolution granting **QuickChek** preliminary and final site plan approval and variance relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70 (c)(2) to permit the construction of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project, consisting of 2.254 acres of land has frontage on three (3) roadways; namely, the southerly side of New Jersey State Highway Route 10; the westerly side of South Jefferson Road and the northerly side of Ukraine Road; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 155-1. Under Chapter 155 of the Code of the Township entitled Gasoline Service Stations, due to the frontage on New Jersey State Highway Route 10, the gasoline service station portion of the Project is not restricted in terms of hours of business and may be operated twenty-four (24) hours per day; and

WHEREAS, the food store's hours of operation, however, are restricted pursuant to Section 184-3(K) of Chapter 184 of the Code of the Township entitled Noise whereby the conduct of business by a retail sales or retail service establishment located within 250 feet of any residential property within a residential zone district shall be restricted between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. the following day; and

WHEREAS, because the Project is located within 250 feet of a residential property within a residential zone district, the Township and the **QuickChek Corporation** have agreed on certain terms, conditions and limitations whereby the **QuickChek** food store may operate twenty-four (24) hours per day without restricting the hours of operation; and

WHEREAS, the terms, conditions and limitations have been reduced to writing in the form of a Memorandum of Agreement which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution as if set forth in full.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The governing body hereby approves the attached Memorandum of Agreement describing the terms, conditions and limitations under which the **QuickChek** Project may operate without restrictions on the hours of operation. However, if said terms are not complied with, the Township shall have the right to rescind this resolution.
2. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Memorandum of Agreement.
3. That certified copies of this resolution along with the signed Memorandum of Agreement shall be transmitted to the President of the **QuickChek Corporation**, **QuickChek's** attorney, the Township Attorney, the Township Engineer and Chief of Police for reference and information purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 238-2015

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER APPOINTING LISA CONOVER AS THE TOWNSHIP'S REPLACEMENT MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016 SUBJECT TO A SIX (6) MONTH PROBATIONARY PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2016 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2016 AND ESTABLISHING HER COMPENSATION AT \$75,000.00 PER ANNUM UNDER JOB GROUP IX IN ACCORDANCE WITH SALARY RANGE GUIDE "C" OF SALARY ORDINANCE NO. 10-2015 (CONDITIONAL OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO RECEIVING A SATISFACTORY MEDICAL EXAMINATION, NEGATIVE DRUG TEST AND NEGATIVE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK)

WHEREAS, the position of Municipal Court Administrator in the Township's Violations Bureau and Shared Municipal Court will be vacant as of December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Violations Bureau and Shared Municipal Court requires the appointment of a Bureau Head to manage the case load of both the Hanover and East Hanover Municipal Courts, and to provide the necessary management and oversight in the day-to-day operations of the Bureau and Shared Court; and

WHEREAS, effective September 13, 2011, the New Jersey Supreme enacted Rule 1:34-3 establishing a hiring process for Municipal Court Administrators and Deputy Court Administrators; and

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WHEREAS, with the enactment of Rule 1:34-3, the hiring process for the position of Municipal Court Administrator now requires the participation of officials of the Township as the appointing authority; the Municipal Court Judges of Hanover and East Hanover Townships under its Shared Court Agreement; the Morris-Sussex Vicinage Municipal Division Manager, and the Vicinage's Superior Court Assignment Judge; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Rule 1:34-3 and a December 5, 2011 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) executed by and between officials of the Township and the Morris-Sussex Vicinage, which MOU describes in full the hiring process, four (4) applicants for the position of Municipal Court Administrator were interviewed on November 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the interviews, the Interview Committee unanimously agreed that **Lisa Conover**, a current Court Administrator, has the necessary job qualifications, work experience, expertise and administrative skills to manage the Violations Bureau as the Municipal Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, in a letter dated December 14, 2015, sent to Superior Court Assignment Judge Stuart A. Minkowitz and Judge Andrew Wubbenhorst, the Presiding Judge over Municipal Courts, Hanover Township Judge Brian O'Toole advised Judges Minkowitz and Wubbenhorst that the Interview Committee recommended the appointment of **Lisa Conover** to the position of Municipal Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, by e-mail dated December 18, 2015, the Morris-Sussex Division Manager advised the Township that **Ms. Conover's** appointment as the Municipal Court Administrator was approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That **Lisa Conover** residing at 306 Mendham Road West in Mendham, New Jersey 07945 is hereby appointed to serve as the probationary full-time Municipal Court Administrator assigned to the Violations Bureau/Shared Municipal Court. **Ms. Conover's** appointment is effective Friday, January 1, 2016 for a one (1) year term. However, **Ms. Conover** shall begin her duties on Monday, January 4, 2016. She shall serve in a probationary capacity for a six (6) month period starting Friday, January 1, 2016 and ending Thursday, June 30, 2016.

As an at will employee, continuation of employment as the Municipal Court Administrator is subject to the approval of the Township Committee during its annual Reorganization Meeting in January of each year.

2. In accordance with the Township's Job Classification Schedule "B" and Salary Range Guide "C" in Ordinance No. 10-2015, **Ms. Conover** shall

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be compensated at \$75,000.00 per annum under Job Group IX, and shall be compensated on a salary basis as an exempt employee as that term is defined by law. As an exempt salaried employee, she shall not be entitled to receive overtime pay. However, pursuant to Township policy, **Ms. Conover** shall be entitled to receive the annual cost of living adjustments that may be granted to non-union, civilian employees by the Township

Committee and subject to receiving a satisfactory evaluation by the Township Business Administrator. In addition, she shall be entitled to accrue compensatory time for night call outs.

In accordance with Township Policy, **Ms. Conover** must first complete her six (6) probationary period of service and receive a satisfactory job performance evaluation in order to qualify for any cost of living adjustment granted to all full-time and permanent part-time non-union civilian employees retroactive to the first day of employment.

3. In accordance with Rule 1:41-3. Entitled "Accreditation of Non-Certified Municipal Court Directors, Municipal Court Administrators and Deputy Municipal Court Administrators", **Ms. Conover** shall obtain full accreditation/certification by January 1, 2019.
4. In consideration of **Ms. Conover's** sixteen (16) years of experience in serving as a Deputy Court Administrator and Court Administrator for Shared Courts and a separate Municipal Court, the Township Committee has granted **Ms. Conover** prior service credit in terms of vacation time. During the first through the fifth full years of service, **Ms. Conover** shall receive a total of twelve (12) days in each year. Commencing the first day of her sixth year of service, **Ms. Conover** shall be eligible to receive fifteen vacation days pursuant to the Township's Vacation Schedule set forth under Section 61-10.D. under Chapter 61 of the Code of the Township entitled Salaries and Compensation; Personnel Policies.

In view of vacation commitments made prior to the offering of the Municipal Court Administrator's position, the Township shall permit **Ms. Conover** to take five (5) to seven (7) paid vacation days to be deducted from the twelve (12) allotted vacation days in 2016 which vacation days may be taken during her six (6) month probationary period.

5. Pursuant to the requirements of the Township's Employee Job Performance Evaluation as described in full under Section 61-18 of Chapter 61 of the Code of the Township entitled Salaries and Compensation, **Ms. Conover** shall serve the six (6) month

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probationary period commencing January 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2016. At least twenty (20) working days prior to the expiration of the six month probationary period, the Township's Business Administrator shall prepare a written job evaluation of **Ms. Conover's** performance. In the event that **Ms. Conover** receives an unsatisfactory job performance evaluation at any time during her probationary period **Ms. Conover** may be terminated at the conclusion of the probationary period or sooner, whichever case is applicable.

6. **Ms. Conover** shall be required to pay 25% of the total monthly premium cost for health insurance/medical benefits coverage under any one of the three (3) health insurance plans offered by the Township. This requirement is in accordance with Section 61-14.C. entitled "Health Benefits Coverage" under Chapter 61 of the Code of the Township.
7. In addition, **Ms. Conover** shall be eligible to earn and accrue .5 sick leave days per month up to six (6) leave days in each calendar year of service pursuant to Section 61-11.A.(3) of Chapter 61. **Ms. Conover** is not permitted to take any paid sick leave until she has satisfactorily completed her probationary appointment.
8. This offer of employment is conditional and subject to **Ms. Conover** receiving a satisfactory medical examination, a negative drug test and a negative criminal history record check all in accordance with the Township's Personnel Policies and Procedures and Section 61-29.N.(1) through (4) entitled "Alcohol and Drug Testing Policy for Civilian Employees" under Chapter 61 of the Code.
9. That certified copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to **Ms. Conover**, the Township's Chief Municipal Finance Officer and Human Resource Specialist for reference and information purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 239-2015

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF DAVID C. MANNHERZ AS A PART-TIME ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR/ASSISTANT ZONING OFFICERS/ASSISTANT PROPERTY MAINTENANCE OFFICER ON A TEMPORARY, AS NEEDED BASIS, AT THE RATE OF \$31.21 PER HOUR UNDER JOB GROUP IX, SCHEDULE "B" AND SALARY RANGE GUIDE "C" AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF SALVATORE SIMONETTI AS A PART-TIME PLUMBING INSPECTOR ON A TEMPORARY, AS NEEDED BASIS, AT THE RATE OF \$31.83

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**PER HOUR PURSUANT TO ITEM 4. OF SECTION 11. UNDER SALARY
ORDINANCE 10-15**

WHEREAS, the Township is experiencing significant residential and commercial development, and with the construction season in full swing, the Construction Official has requested that the Township Committee authorize the employment of one (1) part-time assistant building inspector and one (1) part-time plumbing inspector, on a temporary, as needed basis whenever the Construction Official deems such assistance is needed; and

WHEREAS, the Construction Official recommends that the following individuals who are licensed by the State of New Jersey to serve as a building inspector and plumbing inspector be authorized to perform building inspection and plumbing inspection services on an as needed basis:

**David C. Mannherz
Salvatore Simonetti**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The governing body hereby authorizes the Construction Official to retain the services of the individual named below as a temporary, part-time Assistant Building Inspector/Assistant Zoning Officer/Assistant Property Maintenance Officer in order to assist the Building Department with residential and commercial building inspections:

David C. Mannherz
4 Moraine Road
Morris Plains, New Jersey 07950

2. **Mr. Mannherz** shall be compensated at the rate of \$31.21 per hour under Job Group IX, Schedule "B" pursuant to Salary Range Guide "C" of Salary Ordinance No. 10-15. **Mr. Mannherz** shall not work more than twenty-eight (28) hours in any week.
3. The governing body hereby further authorizes the Construction Official to retain the services of the individual named below as a temporary, part-time Plumbing Inspector in order to assist the Building Department with residential and commercial building inspections:

Salvatore Simonetti
71 Mountain Avenue
Cedar Knolls, New Jersey 07927

4. **Mr. Simonetti** shall be compensated at the rate of \$31.83 per hour under Item 4. of Section 11. as set forth in Salary Ordinance No. 10-

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15. **Mr. Simonetti** shall not work more than twenty-eight (28) hours in any week.
5. The authorization given to the Construction Official to retain the services of **Messrs. Mannherz** and **Simonetti** as a temporary, part-time building inspector and a part-time plumbing inspector on an as needed basis shall expire on December 31, 2016.
6. As temporary, part-time employees of the Township authorized to work on an as needed basis, **Messrs. Mannherz** and **Simonetti** shall not be eligible to receive any prior service credit or receive or accrue any paid vacations, holiday pay, sick leave or health and dental benefits coverage of any kind whatsoever during their temporary employment with the Township.
7. That certified copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Construction Official, the Township's Chief Municipal Finance Officer and **Messrs. Mannherz** and **Simonetti** for reference and information purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 240-2015

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER ACCEPTING A 2015 MORRIS COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND GRANT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF LOT 4 IN BLOCK 8401 ENTITLED THE BEE MEADOW GREENWAY- PHASE III PROJECT AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders created the Morris County Open Space, Recreation, and Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, hereinafter referred to as the "Morris County Preservation Trust Fund" or "Trust Fund," in accordance with P.L. 1997, c.24 (N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.1 et seq.), and any subsequent amendments thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders also established the Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund Committee, herein referred to as the "Open Space Trust Fund Committee" to review, prioritize and make recommendations on the funding of projects; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hanover filed an application ("Application") with the County on June 19, 2015 for financial assistance in fiscal year 2015 under the Trust Fund for the acquisition of an approximately 1.97 acre tract of open space land designated as Lot 4 in Block 8401, and such Application is annexed hereto as Schedule "C"; and

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WHEREAS, the Township of Hanover has submitted the Application in accordance with the current Rules and Regulations of the Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Open Space Trust Fund Committee has reviewed said Application and found it to be in conformance with the scope and the mission of the Trust Fund, and recommended to the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the project entitled "Bee Meadow Greenway – Phase III" for the acquisition of Lot 4 in Block 8401 be awarded grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders confirmed the findings of the Open Space Trust Fund Committee and approved the project entitled "Bee Meadow Greenway – Phase III," hereinafter referred to as the "Approved Project," for funding; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hanover has agreed to hold and use the premises of the Approved Project in compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Trust Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The governing body hereby approves the acceptance of a fiscal year 2015 Morris County Preservation Trust Fund Grant for the acquisition of the "Bee Meadow Greenway – Phase III" land, an approximately 1.97 acre tract of open space designated as Lot 4 in Block 8401 as set forth on the Tax Map of the Township of Hanover.
2. In consideration of the grant award, and in accordance with the Application heretofore filed, and hereby incorporated into this Agreement as Schedule "C", the County and the Township of Hanover agree to abide with the terms and conditions set forth in the Grant Agreement, hereinafter referred to as "Agreement."
3. That the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the 2015 Morris County Preservation Trust Fund Grant Agreement on behalf of the Township.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be transmitted along with the signed Agreement to the Morris County Department of Planning and Development, the Township's Chief Municipal Finance Officer, Township Engineer and Chairperson of the Township's Open Space Advisory Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 241-2015

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING 2015
BUDGETARY APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A.
40A:4-58**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 sets forth the manner in which

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appropriation transfers may be made; and

WHEREAS, there appears to be insufficient funds in the following accounts (excepting the appropriation for contingent expenses or deferred charges) to meet the demands thereon for the balance of the 2015 current year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover, County of Morris, that this resolution be adopted (by not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) in accordance with the provision of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, part of the surplus in the accounts mentioned below be and the same are hereby transferred to the accounts (excepting the appropriation for Contingent Expenses or Deferred Charges) mentioned as being insufficient, to meet the current demands of the 2015 operating budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make the following transfers:

FROM:			TO:		
ACCOUNT			ACCOUNT		
<u>NO</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
125-0010	Municipal Ct SW	\$ 5,000.00	125-0012	Bldgs & Grnds OE	\$ 5,000.00
125-0019	Police S&W	5,000.00	125-0056	Defined Contrib OE	5,000.00

RESOLUTION NO. 242-2016

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
TO CANCEL VARIOUS ITEMS**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the amounts listed in the following items be and they are hereby cancelled:

OUTSTANDING CHECKS:

<u>ISSUE DATE:</u>	<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>Current Account:</u>		
February 1, 2015	41626	\$ 69.95
June 11, 2015	42355	10.00

ORDINANCES:
Capital Account:

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NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
30-2013	Melanie Lane	\$ 36,059.57
03-2014	Lawsoft Computer System	2,314.31
16-2014	Dial-A-Ride Van	3,150.00
41-2014	Route 10 Purchase	4,418.98
13-2015	Purchase CCO SUV	1,645.00
Multiple	Restoration	1,795.00
14-2010	Capital Projects	41,307.28
26-2013	DPW Overhead Doors	975.00

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Township's CMFO for his information and action.

RESOLUTION NO. 243-2015

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF REDEMPTION MONEYS TO AN OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER

WHEREAS, at the Township of Hanover Municipal Tax Sale held on December 2, 2013, a lien was sold on Block 4301, Lot 2, Qualifier C2602, also known as 2602 Whippanong Way, Whippany, New Jersey 07981, for 2012 delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate 2012-09, was sold to US Bank Cust for Pro Cap III, LLC for an 0% redemption fee and a \$1,000.00 premium paid; and; and

WHEREAS, Delores Bradicich, owner has affected redemption of Certificate 2013-05 in the amount of \$1,926.06.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,926.06, payable to US Bank Cust for Pro Cap III, LLC, f50 South 16th Street, Suite 1950, Philadelphia, Pa. 19102 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2013-09.

RESOLUTION NO. 244-2015

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee, of the Township of Hanover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the following tax overpayments, as certified by Silvio Esposito, Collector of Taxes, be and are hereby refunded:

BLOCK	LOT	QUAL. #	NAME	AMOUNT
401	3		Francesco Bernardo	

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			299 Malapardis Road Morris Plains, NJ 07950	\$1,404.99
1502	21	C0063	Stefan Rokoszak, Jr. c/o Samuel F Deangelis, Esq. 36 Main Street #3 Madison, NJ 07940 RE: 199 Vista Drive	\$1,205.69
2002	8		Arnold & Kristen Peters 16 Academy Dr East Whippany, NJ 07981	\$11.61
4301	2	C2702	Allied Title, LLC 3 Laurel Drive Flanders, NJ 07836 RE: 2702 Whippanong Way	\$721.58
4401	7		Vincenza Donatiello Jazenback 14 Ertman Drive Whippany, NJ 07981	\$616.11

Motion as a Consent Agenda and including Resolution for QuickChek Agreement made by Member Coppola and seconded by Member Gallagher and unanimously passed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

The governing body approved a grand total disbursement of \$786,470.10 for the payment of all bills as of this Regular Township Committee Meeting. A copy of the "Bills Payment List – by Vendor" is hereby approved and made a part of this resolution as if set forth in full. Moved by Member Brueno and seconded by Member Gallagher and unanimously passed.

A copy of the Bill Payment List – by Vendor has been incorporated in the Supplemental Minute Book – Payment of Bills which is on file in the Township Clerk's office.

RAFFLE APPLICATIONS:

RL-2895 Whippany Fire Department 50/50 On Premises
RL-2896 Our Lady of Mercy Calendar Raffle

Motion for approval made by Member Brueno and seconded by Member Gallagher and unanimously passed.

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OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Motion to open to the public made by Member Ferramosca and seconded by Member Gallagher.

Jim Neidhardt, 3414 Appleton Way, Whippany: I noticed on the work session agenda the public portion of it that you had an item there to discuss related to a letter related to sanitation services for Eden Lane Condominiums, I was wondering if had gotten to discuss that yet?

Mayor: I think that is continued on our Agenda for this evening and we will discuss.

Mr. Neidhardt: Having lived in the condominium complex for the last eight years, I'm very familiar with it, we have two situations going on right now related to garbage collection, one is that not too long ago our collections were reduced from twice a week to once a week and we have a fixed number of sanitation bins we don't have the traditional garbage cans that the rest of the town has, we have commercial dumpster, very big ugly expensive dumpsters and they tend to overflow from time to time, especially at the holiday season, it's just one of those things, I understand that the Municipal Service Agreement we have with the Town they reduced our collection to once a week to be consistent with the other residents. The other residents were moved to once a week because of the one arm bandit, we don't have any of that in our condominium complex unlike Oak Ridge which has a combination they have dumpsters in the affordable housing area and they have curb side pickup in the rest of the condominium. I'm not sure what Hanover Hills an alike but Eden Lane has something in the magnitude of 40 some odd dumpsters some are in sheds that hold two dumpsters some have three dumpsters, because we have recyclable which are picked up by the county, and the sanitation that is picked up by you guys. So we have a situation that we have to deal with we have to be more compact with our garbage and fit it in there, we do have some overflow from time to time, but I understand that was to be fair to be all residents that it wouldn't be fair to give us two pickups when everybody else is getting one. Similarly all the other residents in the town get either \$55 or \$65 bins given to them which we do not, we currently have to pay for all of our bins and those bins are very very expensive right now we have about 15 – 17 of those bins which are rotted out and need to be replaced.

Mr. Giorgio: We provide containers which are either 60 or 95 gallons, when you talk about bins do you mean dumpsters?

Mr. Neidhardt: Dumpsters.

Mr. Giorgio: We don't pay for dumpsters in any development, just so you know. I just want to make sure there was a distinction between bins verses containers.

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Mr. Neidhardt: But up until recently the town didn't pay for receptacles for the other residents, but they started paying for that. So I think the residents are asking for is if we can be treated in kind with a similar average \$60.00 credit towards us that we can apply to our dumpsters we have 297 residents in our condominium complex and I just thought it would be really nice, since we are being treated like everyone else in terms of only having one collection a week instead of two we can also get in kind contribution to our dumpsters which would come to about \$60.

Mr. Giorgio: Mr. Foran the Superintendent and I have a recommendation to make to the Township Committee and it should be a positive that we will discuss in the conference room.

Mr. Neidhardt: Just wanted to give my opinion on that.

Mr. Giorgio: No problem, there is some light at the end of the tunnel, let me put it that way.

Howard Olsen, 93 Griffith Drive, Whippany: I just want to say thank you and no this is been coming for a long time for the sidewalk on Reynolds Avenue from Highland to Parsippany Road, that was well well deserved. I knew it took some time to get it done, but thank God for that, because I know eventually especially QuickChek being open with the kids walking that way, after school, somebody was going to get popped. Also, just an observation, with the Whippany Post Office, is there any way that we can possibly ask that building manger, owner to take his sign down, Whippany Post Office.

Mayor: They haven't been in there for years,

Mr. Olsen: When I go to Frank's for breakfast sometimes is still see people walking in there trying to pull the door open and everything, it would be nice to have it removed.

Mayor: Are they metal letters?

Mr. Olsen: Yes, they are on the building on the right hand side.

Mayor: What do you say about 10:00 tonight you and I go down there?

Mr. Olsen: Let's go, I'm ready.

Mr. Gallagher: I'll go

Mayor: We got some other volunteers,

Mr. Olsen: That would be nice because I know its steering people wrong.

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Mayor: I'M ONLY KIDDING FOR THE RECORD!! Make sure you all know we do not engage in criminal activity.

Mr. Olsen: I just want to say Merry Christmas to each and every one of you and thank you for a great job this past year.

Mayor: We can't agree with you more, I think that on that post office it's an eye nuisance now and it's confusing people do go to it. As long as it's there people are going to talk about it reopening, it's all the right reasons to deal with it, and it's under private ownership I would assume. I think the post office is out of the lease.

Mr. Giorgio: It's always been privately owned.

Mayor: I think we will have to deal, locate that private owner and see if we can do something about the signs and any other property or remediation's that we need to do over there.

Mr. Gallagher: I just wanted to address something that Howie said, and I know Mr. Olsen is the big public safety guy and all about our kids all the time but as you know Retired Deputy Chief Bolcar is our top crossing guard and he calls me every time there is a half day and he says to me I'm going to tell you how many kids used that sidewalk today, and it's usually between 200 and 250 and so like you said, I want to thank everybody including the Board Of Education Members and Scott Pepper a lot of people put a lot of time into that and I would say that that 200-250 kids would have been walking on Reynolds Avenue so thank you for recognizing that and thanks for all of your input on it too Howie.

Mayor: The other point that Ace didn't bring up, but it's an important point, that sidewalk and that property area there is a school zone with Memorial School is right there, so it's purpose is iatrical to school safety there, you would have that many children unless it was immediate school zone and it had to be addressed.

Motion to close made by Member Coppola and seconded by Member Brueno and unanimously passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Member Brueno: As we close out another year, I think it was a productive year for the Committee, certainly we had some controversial issues to deal with, I don't think that's unique this year, maybe next year it will be a bit smoother we can only hope. But I think we all worked hard and in conjunction with residents of the Town to hear their input and get their feedback on things and make decisions that are all best for the good of the community. We appreciate you support, we thank you for all your input and on that note I want to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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Member Coppola: We just had our Senior Luncheon and I thank the Mayor for coming down and swearing in all the new officers, I know they really appreciate it. On a public safety note, I would like to say I really know it's been tough with the roads and we had more road blockage than anyone could possibly imagine, but it all came together and everything is just about completed as we planned, I thank the Engineering Department, Bill Byrnes for all the work that they did, and considering that 3.6 miles of road that's a lot of road, but I thank the residents, I know at times it was a little testy but it's done and I'm glad. I thank the police and all the services that made it happen. Other than that, I do wish a very Merry Christmas and Happy Healthy and Blessed New Year.

Member Gallagher: Just want to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everybody, I think we did have a productive year; we got a lot of good things done in Hanover Township. I just want to say on a slightly serious note the Hanover Township Substance Awareness Council has a new partnership with the Hanover Township Police Department I know Jim Lent is waiting for our press release on this we are also be working with the Sheriff's department in Morris County, but the only thing I would like to say with the Holidays coming is for everybody to be careful, look out for one another. There are two big programs, Drive Sober get Pulled Over (?), and then Buzz Driving is Drunk Driving, we know people go to parties, we know people go to their relatives house and please just be extra careful, the roads are a little more dangerous I think this time of year statistically, so be careful. Also I would like to say the men at the DPW the way we work together and the way they work with our Recreation Department with our fields and maintenance, they had a great year, I think they put away their leaf machines, they are loud and all over town, but they have been doing a great job, and all of our improvements around the schools, although we take credit for our improvements with Engineering, DPW they also have input and they carry out the tasks and the actual improvements. So I want to say Hanover Township Police Department working with the DPW and us thank you for making Hanover Township what it is and I'm very grateful to live here and serve on this level, so thank you and Merry Christmas.

Member Ferramosca: To echo some of the commentary that was expressed regarding the roads, the road projects that we have done this year were exceptional in that the Township Committee was able to come up with the financial solution to do it that was obstacle number one and we thank the Township Committee for doing that. Secondly, in order to get this done this required true cross functional working together where engineering, worked very closely with the DPW who developed the strategies and managed the day to day process of the roads, but this also included Hanover Sewerage Authority which worked in supporting thing pipes beneath the roads because we are trying to not to just fix roads and then come back and have these roads torn up because of an utility issue. We also worked well with the Water Authority in terms of trying to plan to make sure the public utilities are not coming in after we spent \$1 million dollars fixing roads and then ripping them up. For those utilities who get the message and you plan to rip up our roads, you know we have an ordinance that we put in place that if you destroy that road lane you own that road lane now and you are not paving the crack you are paving the entire lane, so we appreciate your work proactively with us, but

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those of you who were not able to do that we are going to seek your support in keeping those roads whole.

In addition to the work done by HSA we also had Hanover's Finest Police Department, so it was a total team effort in order to make this happen and we appreciate all the members, and if I left anyone out who supported that initiative I apologize, I personally appreciate everything that was done because roads needed it. We had two disastrous winters in a row and now I'm enjoying this 70 degree weather in December.

Mayor: Engineering Department and conjunction with Public Works, etc., Bill Burn did a fantastic job in working with us on a consulting basis to jump start some of the road projects that we got done. If you think this was good hang on for 2016! Very aggressive road program including Ridgedale Avenue and some others that are going to be milled and/or repaved in some full fashion whether it's reconstruct or total milling, but a lot of the infrastructure is going to be improved, catching up and staying ahead. The outcome on Whippany Road, quick little joke, after I talked about Whippany Road and said it was going to be done by the first of the year, and many of the neighbors said to me, what year? And so I'm glad to sit back now and smile here we didn't hit the end of the year Gerry and you pulled it off! It's fantastic. Now it's monitoring system, I call people when I'm stopped by the light at Quick Chek and I tell them I can roll a bowling bowl down to the high school and it's phenomenal, we are monitoring it at peak hours, it's still going to have more traffic at peak hours certainly nowhere near the traffic levels that you sustained before this road improvement was done and we are hoping to continue that. Obviously, we have more work to do on a regional level, but Hanover is going to be pressing for that too.

Reminder to everyone January 1st Re-Organization date for the Township Committee 12:00 noon, here in this room, this Committeeman will be re-sworn in and the same time the Township will re-organize it's body, and shortly thereafter we always invite you to a reception, we would love you all to attend, please pass it on to your neighbors. Very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah which just passed, holidays for everyone else of good faith enjoy them and be safe on the roads.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Member Ferramosca and seconded by Member Gallagher and unanimously passed.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER
COUNTY OF MORRIS
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Joseph A. Giorgio, Township Clerk
