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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 Thursday, March 24, 2016, 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, Coppola, Gallagher and Brueno

ABSENT:

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:

**HANOVER EAGLE
MORRIS COUNTY'S DAILY RECORD
THE STAR LEDGER**

and by filing same with the Township Clerk.

(Signed) Ronald F. Francioli, Mayor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

PRESENTATIONS

Awarding of Plaque to Former Mayor and Township Committeeman Robert A. Steiger in Grateful Recognition of Fifty-One (51+) Plus Years of Service to the Hanover Township Community.

Mayor: We have an honor, a very nice honor tonight on behalf of the Township Committee for a Presentation; Bob this is a presentation from all of us on the Township Committee who appreciate all the years 51+ years of service that you have given to our community and to our Township. You and I have worked together countless of those years. You out-measured me by about 20 of those years! I say with a fondness because we didn't give all this time and effort because we didn't like what we were doing, we did it because we wanted a better community for all of us. If you measured it in hours and you got paid a nickel an hour you'd probably be a millionaire by now, there is no question about that and it's so true about so many people giving so much of their time to the Township, but we truly had lots of discussions and we do truly want to honor you for all of the years of service; you serviced in just about every committee inside this Township, including Mayor, you sat right here as well; so you know the responsibilities that were involved. You've served well on our Open Space Committee; you fought very hard, you are dedicated to see more open space for this community. I'll use my cute little joke when I used to talk to Lenny about returning the Town to dirt roads and teepees but I know you tried to get us there too but you know what we worked to the center and we worked to a good community and we got a balance in the Community. I think that what you have accomplished over the years has set a trend and pace for what we are doing now going back to the Bee Meadow Pool, when that began and all of the efforts serving with Phil Godfried, God Bless You; I served with him too. But we all had wonderful good moments and accomplishments; shortly we are going to hand you this beautiful plaque that cost us a lot of money with a lot of brass on it. I know you are going to appreciate it, I truly do.

John Ferramosca: Outside of Town Hall Mr. Steiger has also been a very active member of the Hanover Community. Bob has distinction having previously served as a leader in our Seniors Club, he served as President. Bob is also a very active member

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and contributor to his Church, Notre Dame of Mt. Carmel, where he has been a leader and a key member called "Christ Helpers" in serving others throughout the Hanover Community. He is an active member of the Knights of Columbus as well. Bob has served as a member of the Morris County Republican Committee for many years for his district. Bob I know is an ardent environmentalist and he has championed many numerous environmental causes within our Township and I give him credit in being an active supporter as well for championing needs of special needs people within Hanover Township and for that I personally thank him.

Tom Gallagher: I would like to say thank you very much to Bob Steiger, I personally like Bob a lot and I'm proud to call him my friend. I respect him, and I believe friendship and respect is earned. I appreciate everything he did for Hanover Township, I appreciate the time that I served with him on the Environmental Commission and the Green Team. Bob has also taken the time to talk to me about Township Committee service and even when I was on the Board of Education I had some very good conversation with Bob; I think what people give up themselves to make other people better off is a beautiful thing and Bob I appreciate everything you have done and thank you very much for being here tonight, it means a lot to me.

George Coppola: Bob you have always been my mentor, since I can remember when I first ran on the Committee and I always use your phrasing, your comment, whenever people say to me "why are you building this and why you building that?" I always say "Bob Steiger taught me right from the beginning, if its zoned for a specific use you cannot deny it." I remember that from a Planning Board class and I just thought anytime I needed information to be a sounding board, you were always there both yourself and Dot. I know she was a big part of your life, now she is not with you, she is with her eternal family in heaven right now, but you know I always appreciated your friendship. I know your involvement with the Knights of Columbus yourself, Jimmy as well as the Church and you continued to take more and more responsibilities and you have always been there for a lot of people. I see it now that I'm part of the Senior Club attending their meetings and I see Bob Steiger doing Bingo that in itself has got to be quite an achievement. It's not easy ~ Bob I just want to congratulate you and say thank you for all you have given to the Community. I always say that Hanover Township is what it is today because of the base that was established by folks like yourself. People that were in office long before me, fore members of this Governing Body right now, you were the ones that set the base, you are why we are debt free, you are the ones why there are a lot of things the esthetics, I'll go back to the pool and say, who had the vision to do that as beautiful as that pool is right now. It's gorgeous, the ambiance you couldn't buy it but someone had the vision to do something like that. And for that you have given a lot to the Community and I think you deserve a lot more recognition, I wish there was more they could do, but you deserve it Bob, and I thank you for all you have done, and I thank you for being my friend.

Mr. Steiger: I've had a lot of help over the years, we had some wonderful people, and we had a base to work from it.

Mr. Coppola: But you set the base and we are just building on that.

Robert Brueno: So I'm the only one standing in between Mr. Steiger and receiving this beautiful plaque, so I will make this brief, but 51 years when you think about it it's just incredible that somebody dedicated themselves to be a public servant for that amount of time, I'm doing this 5 years and I still can't wrap my head around doing it for 51! I really commend you Mr. Steiger and I know one of your achievements notable achievements is getting Bee Meadow Pool going and it's still a beautiful thriving probably one of the nicest community pools in the county still going to this day, and it probably wouldn't have happened without the effort that you put forth. So on behalf of myself and the whole community really not just the Township Committee but I think you really appreciate volunteerism when you sit on this side of the desk verses sitting out in the audience it sounds wow you know he must have put a lot of time in ~ but you just can't appreciate it until you sit on this really how much time and effort goes into it and most of it is unnoticed and most of it thankless which is why it is great that Mr. Steiger is here tonight and he can be recognized for all he did for Hanover Township, so once

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again on behalf of myself and all the residents thank you so much for the time you put in.

Mr. Steiger: You are quiet welcome, and Dot deserves as much of the credit as I do.

Mayor: Bob if you allow me I will read this plaque and this is to you:

“Hanover Township’s Distinguished Service Award is presented to you in gratitude and appreciation of 51+years of dedicated service Mayor, Township Committeeman And Member Of The Board Of Recreation Commission, Board Of Adjustment, Planning Board, Environmental Commission, Green Team And Open Space Advisory Committee By The Township Committee,” it’s truly from all of our hearts for 51 years, and I served here a long time, you know that, but I don’t think I’ve ever served with anybody besides yourself who put in that kind of dedication and commitment for 51 years.

Mr. Steiger: Sal Iannaccone was appointed the same year I was! He’s got a year up on me already!

Mayor: Calls me weekly to give me hell.

Mr. Steiger: I didn’t come for pole barriers ~ I thank you and it is very attractive it really is. The kids will have it in the dumpster in 6 months. After 51 years I think I have the right to decide who I want to take my picture with, don’t take it now, I want Ace Gallagher and George Coppola would accompany me I would appreciate it. If you would rather not, you don’t have to. (Photo Taken)

RESOLUTION NO. 63-2016

A PROCLAMATION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER PROCLAIMING APRIL, 2016 AS “NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH” IN HANOVER TOWNSHIP AND URGING ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TO BECOME BETTER EDUCATED ON THE SUBJECT OF AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS

WHEREAS, autism is a pervasive developmental disorder affecting the social, communication and behavioral skills of those affected by it; and,

WHEREAS, as more health professionals become proficient in diagnosing autism, more children are being diagnosed on the autism spectrum, resulting in rates as high as 1 in 68 children nationally and 1 in 45 in New Jersey; and,

WHEREAS, while there is no cure for autism, it is well-documented that if individuals with autism receive treatment early in their lives, it often is possible for those individuals to lead significantly improved lives; and,

WHEREAS, individuals with autism often require a lifetime of specialized and community support services to ensure their health and safety and to support families' resilience as they manage the psychological and financial burdens autism presents; and

WHEREAS, Autism New Jersey, is spearheading an awareness effort in order to educate parents, professionals and the general public about autism and its effects; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee recognizes the seriousness of autism as a pervasive developmental disorder and desires to bring to the attention of the Hanover Township community about the importance of educating the public about autism and its effects.

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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 proclaims April, 2016 as NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH in Hanover Township and urges all employees and residents to participate in National Autism Awareness Month activities in order to become better educated on the subject of autism spectrum disorders.**

Proclaiming April, 2016 as "National Autism Awareness Month" in Hanover Township and urging all Members of the Community to Become Better Educated on the Subject of Autism Spectrum Disorders.

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

Ms. Ms. Dominicci-Fifoot and her son Peter were in attendance to accept this Proclamation. (Photo Taken)

COMMUNICATIONS

Resignation of Daren P. O'Connor as a member of the Township's Open Space Advisory Committee

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Motion made to open the meeting to the public made by Member Ferramosca and seconded by Member Brueno and unanimously passed.

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

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APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 2016 and the Bid Reception Meeting of March 15, 2016 have been presented to the members of the Committee prior to this meeting by the Township Clerk.

Member Ferramosca moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2016 and the Bid Reception Meeting of March 15, 2016 be accepted and approved as presented by the Township Clerk. The motion was seconded by Member Brueno and was unanimously passed.

PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 11-2016

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING PART II ENTITLED GENERAL LEGISLATION OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP WITH THE INCLUSION OF A NEW CHAPTER 220, TO BE ENTITLED "RETAIL BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS HOURS OF OPERATION"

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Proof of Publication that the Ordinance and the Notice of Introduction for Ordinance 11-16 appeared in full in the March 16th, 2016 issue of the Daily Record in accordance with the law.

Mr. Ferramosca: I would like to make a motion and a statement concerning 11-2016; The Township of Hanover is a suburban municipality and takes great pride in its suburban quality of life. Despite this the Township has experienced and will continue to experience various development pressures. While the Township encourages appropriate development the Township also hopes to avoid development that threatens the public health the safety, welfare including its quality of life. One way that these goals can be achieved is my regulating late night and early morning business operations. Unprotected understaffed business establishments are prey to the criminal element in our society during overnight hours. In addition the overnight operation of business near residential properties can have a detrimental and disruptive affect upon the quality of life of our area residents. Despite these concerns the Township also realizes that there can be some public benefit in accommodating overnight operations for certain uses and certain locations primarily along Route 10; a heavily traveled commercial corridor that serves not only the Township but also the region. By directing overnight operations to appropriate locations, the Township can provide reasonable accommodation to the travel public and address the needs of area residents and businesses. It is for all of these reasons that the Township Committee has proposed the adoption of Ordinance 11-2016. The Ordinance will promote the protection of employees, patrons, and law enforcement officers will help preserve the suburban character of this community and in doing so will promote the quality of life of Hanover Township Residents. Thank you.

Motion to open public hearing made by Member Francioli and seconded by Member Gallagher and unanimously passed.

Public hearing closed by Member Francioli and seconded 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 PART II ENTITLED GENERAL LEGISLATION OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP WITH THE INCLUSION OF A NEW CHAPTER 220, TO BE ENTITLED "RETAIL BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS HOURS OF OPERATION,"**" be passed on final reading and that a Notice of the final passage of the Ordinance be published in the March 30th, 2016 issue of the Daily Record.

Member Ferramosca: As Director of Planning I make the Motion this was unanimously supported by the Planning Board.

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

So Adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2016

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER AUTHORIZING MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS TO THE WADING POOL AND MAIN POOL AT THE BEE MEADOW SWIMMING POOL FACILITY AND FURTHER APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$50,000.00 FROM THE SWIMMING POOL ENTERPRISE FUND – CAPITAL ACCOUNT FOR 2016 AND ALL PRIOR YEARS FOR THE FINANCING OF THE PROJECT

Proof of Publication that the Ordinance and the Notice of Introduction for Ordinance 12-16 appeared in full in the March 14th, 2016 issue of the Daily Record in accordance with the law.

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Motion to open public hearing made by Member Brueno and seconded by Member Coppola and unanimously passed.

Public hearing closed by Member Coppola and seconded by Member Gallagher and unanimously passed.

Now on Adoption, Be it resolved, that an Ordinance entitled "**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER AUTHORIZING MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS TO THE WADING POOL AND MAIN POOL AT THE BEE MEADOW SWIMMING POOL FACILITY AND FURTHER APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$50,000.00 FROM THE SWIMMING POOL ENTERPRISE FUND – CAPITAL ACCOUNT FOR 2016 AND ALL PRIOR YEARS FOR THE FINANCING OF THE PROJECT,**" be passed on final reading and that a Notice of the final passage of the Ordinance be published in the March 30th, 2016 issue of the Daily Record.

Motion on adoption made by Member Brueno and seconded by Member Coppola and unanimously passed.

Mr. Gallagher: I would like to thank Committeeman Brueno, because we all talk about different passions and all being together as a group and we all bring our own individual vision and passion to the Township Committee; this is perfect Bob, I appreciate you doing this. Bob is all about the pool, he is all about the kids and all about the sports, the absolute best guy to be doing this. His excitement with all of these improvements it means a lot to me, because it's our families and our kids and Bob I just want to say thanks for giving 100%.

Mr. Brueno: You are welcome and having said that, just remind everybody that we are taking registrations for the pool. Committeeman Gallagher mentions it, these repairs are very substantial, obviously very costly and we have done a lot over the last couple of years to make it even more family friendly than it already was, with addition of a basketball court, a diving board in there now and lots of great stuff, so if you haven't been to Bee Meadow Pool in a while we certainly encourage you to take out a membership or even a one day pass and come over and cool off during those warm summer months.

POSSIBLE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2016

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 125-4 ENTITLED "RECREATION DEPARTMENT FEES" UNDER CHAPTER 125 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER ENTITLED FEES WITH THE INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL POOL MEMBERSHIP TYPES AND FEES FOR THE YEAR 2016 BEE MEADOW SWIMMING POOL SEASON AND ADDITIONAL FEES FOR VARIOUS RECREATION AND PARK ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the Township Committee adopted Ordinance No. 4-2016 which Ordinance described the new 2016 Bee Meadow Swimming Pool Season pool membership fees and other program and activities fees charged by the Township's Recreation and Park Administration Department; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Recreation Commissioners have recommended to the Township Committee that Ordinance No. 4-2016 be amended and supplemented with the inclusion of additional pool membership types and fees and additional fees for various recreation programs and activities.

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

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Section 1. Section 125-4. Entitled “Recreation Department Fees” under Chapter 125 of the Code entitled Fees is hereby amended with the inclusion of the following additional pool membership types and fees:

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	NEW MEMBER RATE (1ST Time Joining Or Returning After One or More Years Away)	RETURNING MEMBERS’ RATE (Must be Postmarked on or Before April 22, 2016)	RETURNING MEMBERS (Postmarked After April 22, 2016)
Resident Senior Couple With Grandchildren Maximum of Three	\$265.00	\$265.00	\$290.00
Resident Senior Single With Grandchildren Maximum of Three	\$190.00	\$190.00	\$215.00
Non-Resident Family	\$555.00	\$555.00	\$580.00

Section 2. Section 125-4. Of the Code of the Township is hereby amended and supplemented with the inclusion of new fees for the following 2016 programs:

A. **Summer Plus Program:**

	ONE SESSION	TWO SESSIONS	THREE SESSIONS
One Child	\$130.00	\$240.00	\$350.00
Two Children	\$235.00	\$430.00	\$630.00
Three Children	\$330.00	\$615.00	\$900.00

B. **Traveling Teams Program:**

1. For the four (4) week program beginning July 5, 2016 through July 29, 2016, the cost will be \$900.00 per person if early bird registration is done before May 15, 2016;
2. After May 15, 2016, the registration cost will be \$950.00;

C. **Summer Sports Clinics** - the fee is \$65.00 per person; and

D. **Counselor in Training Program** – the fee is \$180.00 per person.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. In case for any reason, any fees or any Section or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect any other membership fee or program fee, or any Section or provision of this Ordinance except insofar as the membership fee or program fee so declared unconstitutional or invalid, shall be severed from the remainder of this Ordinance or any portion thereof.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with law.

The Ordinance will be further considered for Public Hearing and Final Passage at the April 14th, 2016 meeting of the governing body and at time any person wishing to be heard will be given the opportunity to speak. The Ordinance and the Notice of Introduction will be published in full in the Daily Record in accordance with the law.

Motion on introduction made by Member Francioli and seconded by Member Ferramosca and unanimously passed.

So Introduced.

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ORDINANCE NO. 14-2016

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING
CHAPTER 257, TRAFFIC CONTROL REGULATIONS, TO ADD ARTICLE II, DON'T
BLOCK THE BOX**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-8 & 39:4-197 empowers the Township of Hanover to take regulatory action to govern traffic within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hanover has determined that traffic at the following intersections located within the Township has been intensified by the blockage of intersections:

South Jefferson Road and Ukraine Road
North Jefferson Road at the Police Headquarters Driveway
North Jefferson Road and Paper Mill Drive at the Town Hall Driveway; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hanover has determined that to prevent the blockage of these intersections, it is necessary to stripe the intersection to indicate a "box," to install signage instructing motorists not to block the "box," and to amend the Township Code to permit enforcement of an ordinance restricting this activity; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-67, motorists are prohibited from obstructing traffic at intersections.

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

Section 1. Part 1, entitled "General Legislation," Chapter 257, "Traffic Control Regulations" of the Code of the Township of Hanover is hereby supplemented and amended to create Article II, "Traffic Control," Section 257-10, "Don't Block the Box" which shall read in its entirety as follows:

Section 257-10. Don't Block the Box.

No person shall stop or stand a vehicle upon any of the following marked intersections, unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection to accommodate the vehicle without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians:

South Jefferson Road and Ukraine Road
North Jefferson Road at the Police Headquarters Driveway
North Jefferson Road and Paper Mill Drive at the Town Hall Driveway

Appropriate striping and signage shall be provided at these intersections. Enforcement of this Ordinance shall be by the Hanover Township Police Department pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-67. There shall be a penalty of \$54 for each violation of this Ordinance.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistency, hereby repealed.

Section 3. In case, for any reason, any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect any other section or provision of this Ordinance, except so far as the section or provision so declared unconstitutional or invalid shall be severed from the remainder or any portion thereof.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the law.

The Ordinance will be further considered for Public Hearing and Final Passage at the April 14th, 2016 meeting of the governing body and at time any person wishing to be heard will be given the opportunity to speak. The Ordinance and the Notice of Introduction will be published in full in the Daily Record in accordance with the law.

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Motion on introduction made by Member Francioli and seconded by Member Ferramosca and unanimously passed.
So Introduced.

RESOLUTIONS AS A CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTION NO.64-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER APPOINTING CHRISTOPHER CONKLIN TO SERVE AS THE ALTERNATE 1 MEMBER OF THE HANOVER TOWNSHIP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM OF OFFICE EXPIRING ON DECEMBER 31, 2017, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 21-2.D. AND 21-2.E. OF CHAPTER 21 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP ENTITLED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2009, the Township Committee adopted Ordinance No. 12-09 which established an Economic Development Advisory Committee (hereinafter referred to as "EDAC") and set forth the duties and responsibility of EDAC; and

WHEREAS, to enhance the diversification of backgrounds and expertise in membership, the governing body adopted Ordinance No. 5-2010 during its February 25, 2010 regular meeting increasing the membership from seven (7) to nine (9) regular members and from four (4) to six (6) alternate members; and

WHEREAS, with the resignation of Russell Dobson as the Alternate 1 EDAC member, a vacancy exists; and

WHEREAS, **Christopher Conklin**, a resident of 30 Heritage Lane in the Whippany Section of the Township has expressed an interest as serving as an alternate member of EDAC; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman and members of EDAC interviewed **Mr. Conklin** and recommend that **Mr. Conklin**, a Vice President of Brokerage Services at an area brokerage firm, would be an excellent addition to EDAC due to his in-depth knowledge of the local and regional real estate markets; and

WHEREAS, because of his skills and expertise in commercial real estate, Committeeman Ferramosca as Liaison to EDAC, believes that **Mr. Conklin** can bring to EDAC a wealth of experience that will be beneficial in helping to formulate an economic development plan for the Township that will help to retain current businesses and attract new commercial development; and

WHEREAS, at the Township Committee's March 24, 2016 conference work session, the governing body interviewed **Mr. Conklin**, and as a result of that interview, the Township Committee believes that **Mr. Conklin's** corporate sector experience makes him well qualified to serve as the Alternate 1 EDAC member ; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions set forth in Sections 21-2.D. and 21-2.E., related to alternate membership and terms of office, under Chapter 21 of the Code of the Township entitled Economic Development Advisory Committee, it is the intention of the Township Committee to appoint **Christopher Conklin**, to serve as the Alternate 1 member of EDAC in filling Mr. Dobson's vacant seat.

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. In accordance with Chapter 21 of the Code of the Township entitled Economic Development Advisory Committee, as set forth under Sections 21-2.D. and 21-2.E., **Christopher Conklin** residing at 30 Heritage Lane in the Whippany Section of the Township is hereby appointed to serve as the Alternate 1 member of the Economic Development Advisory Committee in filling Russell Dobson's vacant seat.

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2. Pursuant to Section 21-2.E. of Chapter 21, **Mr. Conklin's** term of office shall take effect immediately with the approval of this resolution and shall expire on December 31, 2017, or until such time as his successor shall be duly appointed and qualified.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Chairman of EDAC.

INTRODUCED AND SPONSORED BY COMMITTEEMAN JOHN L. FERRAMOSCA AS LIAISON TO EDAC.

RESOLUTION NO. 65-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER APPOINTING STEPHEN E. MANNEY AS A NEW PROBATIONARY PATROLMAN FOR A ONE (1) YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2016 THROUGH TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2017 AT A BASE SALARY OF \$55,289.00 AT STEP 1 OF THE SALARY GUIDE SET FORTH IN ORDINANCE NO. 21-2014 (CONDITIONAL OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO RECEIVING SATISFACTORY MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS, A NEGATIVE DRUG TEST AND COMPREHENSIVE BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION)

WHEREAS, the authorized strength of the Hanover Township Police Department is thirty (30) superior officers and patrolmen; and

WHEREAS, with the retirement of the Chief of Police on March 1, 2016 and a Sergeant on February 1, 2016, the promotional process to fill these positions is underway; and

WHEREAS, as the Department undergoes reorganization in ranks, the need exists to employ two (2) patrolmen; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Township's job application process, the Police Department reviewed forty (40) applications for the position of patrolman; and

WHEREAS, initially, the Police Department's Interview Committee interviewed thirty (30) candidates and then narrowed down the selection to ten (10) candidates for a second interview; and

WHEREAS, except as otherwise provided by State Statute, Section 53-11.1 of Chapter 53 of the Code of the Township entitled Police Department describes the minimum educational background a candidate must have in order to be considered for the rank of patrolman; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the second round of interviews, the Interview Committee recommended two (2) candidate whom they believe are qualified and meet the Township's hiring standards and criteria in performing the duties and responsibilities of a patrolman; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Interview Committee, it is the desire of the Interview Committee to recommend that the individual named below be appointed by the Township Committee to fill one (1) of two (2) patrolman positions, and to serve as a probationary patrolman for a one (1) year period commencing Monday, April 11, 2016 and ending on Tuesday, April 11, 2017:

**Stephen E. Manney
62 Windswept Lane
Freehold, New Jersey 07728; and**

WHEREAS, as a conditional offer of employment, **Mr. Manney** must receive satisfactory medical and psychological examinations, a negative drug test, and a negative background investigation; and

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WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Township Committee to accept the recommendation of the Interview Committee and appoint **Mr. Manney** as a probationary patrolman.

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 **Stephen E. Manney** residing at 62 Windswept Lane in Freehold, New Jersey 07728 is hereby appointed to serve as a probationary patrolman effective Monday, April 11, 2016. **Mr. Manney** will serve in a probationary capacity for a one (1) year period which shall end on Tuesday, April 11, 2017.
2. In accordance with Salary Ordinance No. 21-14 and the current 2014-2017 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township and the Hanover Township Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, PBA Local #128, **Probationary Patrolman Stephen E. Manney** shall receive a base salary of \$55,289.00 at Step 1 of the Patrolmen's Step Classification Guide.
3. As a conditional offer of employment, **Mr. Manney** must receive satisfactory medical and psychological examinations, a negative drug test, and a negative background investigation. In the event **Mr. Manney** fails any of the examinations set forth above, the conditional offer of employment may be withdrawn immediately.
4. During the probationary period, **Probationary Patrolman Manney**, as a newly appointed patrolman, does not retain any type of permanent status within the Police Department and may be dismissed at the discretion of the Township Committee only after proper preliminary notice has been given an opportunity for a hearing afforded the patrolman. This condition of employment is in conformance with Section 53-9.D.1 set forth under Section 53-9. Entitled "Qualifications for Appointment." Pursuant to Chapter 53 of the Code of the Township entitled Police Department.
5. That certified copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Captain of Police, the Township's Chief Municipal Finance Officer and **Probationary Patrolman Manney** for reference and information purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 66-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER APPOINTING MATTHEW P. ROSSI AS A NEW PROBATIONARY PATROLMAN FOR A ONE (1) YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016 THROUGH TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017 AT A BASE SALARY OF \$55,289.00 AT STEP 1 OF THE SALARY GUIDE SET FORTH IN ORDINANCE NO. 21-2014 (CONDITIONAL OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO RECEIVING SATISFACTORY MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS, A NEGATIVE DRUG TEST AND COMPREHENSIVE BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION)

WHEREAS, the authorized strength of the Hanover Township Police Department is thirty (30) superior officers and patrolmen; and

WHEREAS, with the retirement of the Chief of Police on March 1, 2016 and a Sergeant on February 1, 2016, the promotional process to fill these positions is underway; and

WHEREAS, as the Department undergoes reorganization in ranks, the need exists to employ two (2) patrolmen; and

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WHEREAS, in accordance with the Township's job application process, the Police Department reviewed forty (40) applications for the position of patrolman; and

WHEREAS, initially, the Police Department's Interview Committee interviewed thirty (30) candidates and then narrowed down the selection to ten (10) candidates for a second interview; and

WHEREAS, except as otherwise provided by State Statute, Section 53-11.1 of Chapter 53 of the Code of the Township entitled Police Department describes the minimum educational background a candidate must have in order to be considered for the rank of patrolman; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the second round of interviews, the Interview Committee recommended two (2) candidate whom they believe are qualified and meet the Township's hiring standards and criteria in performing the duties and responsibilities of a patrolman; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Interview Committee, it is the desire of the Interview Committee to recommend that the individual named below be appointed by the Township Committee to fill one (1) of two (2) patrolman positions, and to serve as a probationary patrolman for a one (1) year period commencing Monday, April 18, 2016 and ending on Tuesday, April 18, 2017:

Matthew P. Rossi
3310 French Drive
Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807; and

WHEREAS, as a conditional offer of employment, **Mr. Rossi** must receive satisfactory medical and psychological examinations, a negative drug test, and a negative background investigation; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Township Committee to accept the recommendation of the Interview Committee and appoint **Mr. Rossi** as a probationary patrolman.

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 **Matthew P. Rossi** residing at 3310 French Drive in Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807 is hereby appointed to serve as a probationary patrolman effective Monday, April 18, 2016. **Mr. Rossi** will serve in a probationary capacity for a one (1) year period which shall end on Tuesday, April 18, 2017.
2. In accordance with Salary Ordinance No. 21-14 and the current 2014-2017 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township and the Hanover Township Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, PBA Local #128, **Probationary Patrolman Matthew P. Rossi** shall receive a base salary of \$55,289.00 at Step 1 of the Patrolmen's Step Classification Guide.
3. As a conditional offer of employment, **Mr. Rossi** must receive satisfactory medical and psychological examinations, a negative drug test, and a negative background investigation. In the event **Mr. Rossi** fails any of the examinations set forth above, the conditional offer of employment may be withdrawn immediately.
4. During the probationary period, **Probationary Patrolman Rossi**, as a newly appointed patrolman, does not retain any type of permanent status within the Police Department and may be dismissed at the discretion of the Township Committee only after proper preliminary notice has been given an opportunity for a hearing afforded the

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patrolman. This condition of employment is in conformance with Section 53-9.D.1 set forth under Section 53-9. Entitled "Qualifications for Appointment." Pursuant to Chapter 53 of the Code of the Township entitled Police Department.

5. That certified copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Captain of Police, the Township's Chief Municipal Finance Officer and **Probationary Patrolman Rossi** for reference and information purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 67-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER ENDORSING THE HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of the Township of Hanover, County of Morris, State of New Jersey ("Planning Board"), adopted a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan ("HEFSP") pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-28 on September 28, 2010, which HEFSP was submitted to the Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") for Substantive Certification; and

WHEREAS, the Township's 2010 HEFSP never received Substantive Certification due to invalidation of COAH's third round methodology based on growth share; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Supreme Court issued a decision and order on March 10, 2015, In re Adoption of N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97 ex rel. New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing, 221 N.J. 1, which required adoption of a new HEFSP to be prepared in accordance with COAH's prior round rules; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Court's decision, the Planning Board has prepared a proposed new HEFSP ("2016 HEFSP"); and

WHEREAS, the new HEFSP was adopted by the Planning Board on March 15, 2016 after notice and hearing pursuant to applicable law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:91-2.2(a) requires the adoption of the HEFSP by the Planning Board and endorsement by the Governing Body.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hereby endorses the 2016 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan as adopted by the Township of Hanover Planning Board on March 15, 2016.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION NO. 68-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ENDORSING THE SUBMISSION OF A MORRIS COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND 2016 CONSTRUCTION GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PRESERVING HEADSTONES AT THE TOWNSHIP'S HISTORIC WHIPPANY BURYING YARD AND FURTHER PLEDGING A \$10,000.00 CASH MATCH

WHEREAS, the Township of Hanover is the owner of the historic Whippany Burying Yard, (hereinafter referred to as the "Burying Yard") also known as the Whippany Cemetery, located on the southerly side of New Jersey State Highway Route 10 eastbound, is the earliest colonial graveyard in northwest New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Burying Yard in 1718 predates the founding of Hanover Township and Morris County, and is the site of the first school and church in the County of Morris; and

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WHEREAS, the Township's Landmark Commission, in keeping with the purpose and intent of its creation to protect, enhance and preserve sites and structures which exhibit historical, architectural or cultural significance, serves as the "caretaker organization" over the Burying Yard; and

WHEREAS, age and weather conditions have taken their toll on many of the gravestone monuments/markers at the Burying Yard; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the deterioration and disintegration of various headstones, the Landmark Commission proposed a long term plan to stabilize, restore and preserve various interment monuments, gravestones and markers; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the goals and objectives of preserving and restoring various headstones at the Whippany Burying Yard, the Township retained the services of artisans having experience and expertise in the repair, rehabilitation and restoration of gravestones; and

WHEREAS, since 2002, the Township has completed five (5) phases of successfully preserving and restoring forty (40) headstones at the Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the Landmark Commission is interested in continuing work to restore and preserve additional gravestones at the Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the Landmark Commission has selected twenty-five (25) "top priority" gravestones in need of restoration as identified in the Whippany Burying Yard Historic Preservation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Landmark Commission, with the support and endorsement of the Township Committee, is applying to the County of Morris for a 2016 Construction Grant in the amount of \$40,000.00 to be applied toward the \$50,000.00 project cost to continue its work in protecting and preserving the artifacts of an important historical Township and County landmark; and

WHEREAS, in support of the Township's application for a \$40,000.00 grant through the Morris County Historic Preservation Trust Fund, the Township Committee commits to a match of \$10,000.00 in cash, or 20% of the total project cost of \$50,000.00.

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 endorses and supports the submission of a 2016 Construction Grant Application in the amount of \$40,000.00 to the County of Morris' Historic Preservation Trust Fund. The purpose and intent of the Grant Application is to assist the Township in continuing its work to restore and preserve additional gravestones at the Township's historic Whippany Burying Yard.
2. To support the work to be performed under the Grant Project, the governing body commits and guarantees a \$10,000.00 cash match, or 20% of the \$50,000.00 project cost.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the County of Morris along with the Grant Application, to the Landmark Commission, Township Engineer and Chief Municipal Finance Officer for reference and information purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 69-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE A THREE (3) YEAR SHARED SERVICES

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AGREEMENT WITH THE HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION CONCERNING THE USE AND MAINTENANCE OF FIFTEEN (15) COMBINATION BOARD OWNED BASEBALL, SOFTBALL, SOCCER AND FOOTBALL FIELDS FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES BY THE TOWNSHIP, BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2016 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2019, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF THE SHARED SERVICES ACT, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4. ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, the Hanover Township Board of Education is the owner of fifteen (15) combination baseball, softball, soccer and football fields at various locations within the Township; and

WHEREAS, since July 1, 1991, the Township of Hanover and the Board of Education have entered into Interlocal Services Agreements for the purpose of permitting the Township's Parks and Recreation Department to utilize the fields in connection with various sports activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Shared Services Act, at N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4. et seq., the Township and the Board desire to renew the former Interlocal Services Agreement whereby the Township, in lieu of rental payments to utilize the athletic fields, will continue to provide field maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the arrangement between the Township and the Board has worked very well for twenty-four (24) years, and it is the intention of the Township Committee and the Board of Education to continue with the shared use and service arrangement for an additional three (3) year period commencing April 1, 2016 and ending on March 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq., a copy of the Interlocal Services Agreement is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution as if set forth in full.

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. Pursuant to the provisions of the Shared Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4. et seq., the governing body authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to execute a three (3) year Shared Services Agreement with the Hanover Township Board of Education for the use and maintenance of fifteen (15) Board owned combination baseball, softball, soccer and football fields.

2. The term of the Agreement shall be for a five (5) year period commencing April 1, 2016 and ending on March 31, 2019.

3. A copy of the Agreement, prepared by the Township, is attached hereto, and made a part of this resolution, as if set forth in full and is available for public inspection in the office of the Business Administrator/Township Clerk.

4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the Hanover Township Board of Education and the Superintendents of the Township's Recreation and Park Administration Department and Public Works, Buildings and Grounds and Park Maintenance Department for reference and information purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 70-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER REJECTING THE COMPETITIVE QUOTATIONS OF PYRO ENGINEERING, INC. D/B/A/ AS BAY FIREWORKS AND GARDEN STATE FIREWORKS AS DEFICIENT, DEFECTIVE AND UNRESPONSIVE IN NOT COMPLYING WITH THE TOWNSHIP'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND

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QUOTATION TO PROVIDE AN INDEPENDENCE DAY FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON THE EVENING OF JUNE 29, 2016 WITH A RAINDATE OF JUNE 30, 2016

WHEREAS, the Township of Hanover intends to provide a fireworks display for the 2016 Independence Day Celebration on June 29, 2016 with a rain date of June 30, 2016 or the next clear night in case of inclement weather at the Veterans Memorial Park Athletic Field located on North Jefferson Road; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.(1)(a)(ii) and N.J.S.A. 11-6.1 of the Local Public Contracts Law, the Township's Business Administrator/ Township Clerk mailed a Request for Proposal and Quotation (RFP/RFQ) to seven (7) Fireworks Display vendors on February 11, 2016 as follows:

1. Garden State Fireworks, Inc.;
2. Bay Fireworks;
3. Big Apple Pyrotechnics, Inc.;
4. D & M Fireworks, LLC;
5. International Fireworks;
6. Alonzo Fireworks;
7. Schaefer Pyrotechnics, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2016, a revised page 5 Addenda of the fireworks display specification was mailed to each of the seven (7) vendors above:

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2016, the Township's Bid Reception Committee received and opened two (2) sealed quotations as follows:

Pyro Engineering, Inc. d/b/a Bay Fireworks..... \$17,890.00; and
Garden State Fireworks, Inc. 17,952.30; and

WHEREAS, Pyro Engineering, Inc. d/b/a Bay Fireworks (hereinafter referred to as "Bay") was the apparent low bidder in submitting a quotation in the amount of \$17,890.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township's RFP/RFQ states in pertinent part that the Township Committee will award a contract to the fireworks vendor who submits the lowest responsive and responsible written quotation plus compliance in full with all the document requirements that are specified; and

WHEREAS, although Pyro Engineering submitted the lowest written competitive quotation, it failed to submit the Township's document entitled "List of Unit Prices and Extension Totals" and instead, submitted its own document entitled "Grand Illuminations"; and

WHEREAS, since Pyro Engineering did not comply with the Township's requirement, its competitive quotation is declared deficient and defective in that it deviated from the Township's RFP/RFQ and is therefore rejected; and

WHEREAS, the competitive quotation of Garden States Fireworks is also declared deficient and defective in that it contained a mathematical error in the computation of the total dollar amount of the fireworks display and therefore, is also rejected.

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 competitive quotation of Pyro Engineering Inc. d/b/a Bay Fireworks, the apparent low bidder in providing for a fireworks display on June 29, 2016, is declared deficient, defective and unresponsive in that Bay deviated from the Township's RFP/RFQ. The competitive quotation is hereby rejected.

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2. The competitive quotation of Garden States Fireworks is also declared deficient, defective and unresponsive in that it contained a mathematical error in the computation of the total dollar amount of the fireworks display and therefore is rejected.

3. The Departments of Administration and Engineering are hereby authorized and directed to solicit a new Request for Proposal/Request for Quotation in soliciting competitive quotations for a June 29, 2016 fireworks display.

4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Superintendent of Recreation and Park Administration, Pyro Engineering, Inc. and Garden State Fireworks, Inc. for their reference and information.

RESOLUTION NO. 71-2016

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the Budget of the county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

Section 1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2016, which item is now available as a revenue from:

Atlantic Health Systems:	\$10,000.00
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Section 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$10,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Other Operations Excluded from "CAPS":	
Atlantic Health Community Garden	\$10,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION NO. 72-2016

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

WHEREAS, at the Township of Hanover Municipal Tax Sale held on December 3, 2012, a lien was sold on Block 5604, Lot 9, Qualifier T01, also known as 38 Crescent Drive, Whippany, New Jersey 07981, for 2011 delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate 2012-17, was sold to Glen Carter for a 0% redemption fee and a \$500.00 premium paid; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$4,157.58, payable to Glenn Carter, 34 Briarcliff Road, Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2012-17.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Municipal Finance Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$500.00 (Premium) to the aforementioned lien holder.

Motion to approve as consent agenda made by Member Coppola and seconded by Member Gallagher and unanimously passed.

RAFFLE APPLICATIONS:

- BA – 2914 East Hanover PTA – Bingo**
- RL - 2915 East Hanover PTA – On Premise Raffle**
- RL – 2916 East Hanover PTA - 50/50 on premise**
- RL – 2917 Mental Health Assoc. of Morris County, Inc. – 50/50 off premise**
- RL – 2918 Mental Health Assoc. of Morris County, Inc. – on premise raffle**

Motion to approve made by Member Brueno and seconded by Member Coppola and unanimously passed

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Motion made to open to the Public made by Member Ferramosca and seconded by Member Gallagher and unanimously passed.

Barbara Eames, 6 Cove Lane, Whippany: The endorsing the Housing Element and the Fair Share Plan can you tell me briefly what it is about?

Member Ferramosca: For the past two years Hanover Township like many other Townships within this county and throughout the State of New Jersey has been addressing the Court issues related to Affordable Housing. For those of you who may not be aware of it, Hanover has compiled for over 30 years with the Council of Affordable Housing and has addressed affordable housing and has done it in an exemplary fashion. Most recently there was a group that was trying to advocate that numerous municipalities receive allocations as many as 1,000 affordable units, and the only reason that it stopped at 1,000 was because they couldn't give out a higher number. Hanover wisely has always done a program which we call inclusionary affordable housing, and as a result of inclusionary affording housing, if we were to use that methodology in order to put up 1,000 affordable housing units we would have to build 5,000 units in Hanover Township. So unless we start to double deck your houses with these units it's just impossible for us to accomplish that goal. So Hanover went back and went through a study and went through an analysis and through it's analysis came up with a plan which will be tonight, you've seen that, and that plan the assessment of that plan, the conclusion of that plan is that our affordable housing obligation to the year I believe to 2025 is closer to what is zero than closer to 1,000. So our Township has managed it's affordable housing obligation very seriously, we've made the commitment we've done it wisely and as a result the assessment indicates that Hanover is in a very good position regarding affordable housing and it's through the work of the entire group along with the Planning Board and special planners we brought in.

Ms. Eames: You are not telling me how many units that is, is that still public information?

Mr. Ferramosca: I said it's closer to zero. Incremental affordable housing units close to zero.

Mayor: Justifiably she is questioning it; this is a response to the court; this report followed a procedure, a planning board hearing, open public hearing that was conducted two weeks ago, and to my surprise very little attendance if any.

Ms. Eames: Sorry, I didn't know about it.

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Mayor: Published ~ but that being said; we complied with our hearing and this report will now go to the court, we have to April 4th in which to submit our answer to the Court, the Court was queering towns like us and saying if you don't answer then we are going to presume that you are taking 1,000 units; well our answer is that we have complied and as I just mentioned it looks like we have over complied in some cases. So, we feel that we have a defensible case.

Ms. Eames: I knew that you were going through that process I just didn't know where it came out; so congratulations and thank you for however that came about to be, I'm sure it wasn't easy.

The only thing that I would like to add is that the HUD, the COAH, is all a part of the HUD grant, and just as an update to you the County has appointed a special counsel to look into the issue of HUD regulations, it came out in July which are like this just like the COAH stuff, and we had a meeting about 6 weeks ago with Larry Casha and another attorney from his firm and they did confirm that yes there are some really very grave concerns if you follow what happened to Westchester County, there is absolutely every justification to be very concerned about this and the reason that I asked is because if you filled out that AFFH form that is what triggers the HUD rules, I'm not familiar enough what grants you get but if you get those grants and you fill in that form and send off your demographics then there is process that triggers and at some point you can be sued down the line under the false claims act for not having met and mitigated all of those.

Mayor: There isn't a State or Federal Grant that I know of that doesn't have wonderful strings attached to it.

Ms. Eames: Too long to go in to; I'd be glad to go into a longer conversations but the County has looked into and they are very concerned because they do take some of those grants, and I'm guessing that you do to. Thank you for that.

The other thing really quickly, the Freeholder meeting last night, there were three kind of big things, the meeting went on till 10:15 at night from 7:00. Number one they did pass a resolution to begin to explore the option of leasing Morris View; selling it was a possibility because you may be now they are losing increasing amounts of money, revenue is declining and costs are going up, they did pass a resolution to explore the option of leasing it not selling it and that even got the support of a couple of the family members who testified, so that is good news on that.

Then they went onto the budget which is an \$11 million dollar increase in spending this year, which is a 7.5%, 3.43% increase in taxes.

Mayor: Wasn't it 2.?

Ms. Eames: You saw that too, yeah, what they did is called "Finagle Thrum" the increase is really 3.34% what they did to get the 2.8 or 9 whatever it was something like that I don't remember was that they decreased open space by \$.008 so they took that off, but if you look at the line item on the budget the expense is going up by \$11 million, taxes are going up by 7.5% so what's the difference of the two ~ so

Mayor: How did they get under the wire on that?

Silvio Esposito: Probably Capital.

Ms. Eames: They did a very interesting thing that I looked back, I don't know if you ever done this with your budget, they looked back over the last four budget years and where there had been no tax increases if you recall, so if you look back four years it's really only a .5 % increase, it's \$5.00 a year, well what accounting system allows you to look back over last budgets and average into this year? Very creative financing ~ It really is up 3.43% no cuts of any sort, except for open space, so that did get some testimony.

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Last thing is the apprenticeship resolution which we've been keeping you apprised, that discussion went on for an HOUR and a lot of interesting information came out, a lot of citizens, no members of the union as two weeks ago, but numerous citizens who almost all testified in opposition to it. But in the course of the conversation it came out from the freeholders themselves that the new team which is running against the three incumbents were in Trenton on February 28th soliciting the support of unions and one of the residents read two letters, I'm saying this in public because it was public last night at the meeting, they read two letters from the Carpenter's Union supporting the current Freeholder Team for reelection and another letter from the Freeholder team saying that they met with all of the unions and they were supporting and help promote among other things an apprenticeship resolution. So that was kind of interesting. It was a subject to a lot of conversation, the public was not happy with this and someone presented information about most of all they analyzed the Public works they are all union anyway so why are you doing this for, well we are thinking they took the money so this is the quick pro-quo so that will continue to ignite some concern on part of the citizens about the nature of Morris County and it's governance and excluding small business who frequently, generally don't have these apprenticeship programs from bidding at all and only 25% construction industry is apparently unionized so that might exclude a fair amount. So that's what went on at the Freeholder Meeting, thank you very much.

Carol Fomchenko, Malapardis Road, Whippany: I probably won't be able to make the April 14th meeting, so if you wouldn't mind I'd like a little clarification on the traffic control regulation 14-2016 "Don't Block The Box," can you tell me what exactly is being proposed.

Mayor: What we are proposing quite honestly are traffic fines, I have personally been aggravated by what I see on a daily basis, everybody rushing to get where they want to get an additional 25-30 feet that they can't give up so they have to block the box. If you continue to block the box after this goes into place then you are going to pay into our treasury. This is what this is all about ~ there will be proper signs posted near the Do Not Block The Box Signs themselves, we have several areas of locations in the Township including our own Police Department driveway here, so once again fair warning that if drivers do block the box they will be ticketed. This gives us the ability to do that. Heretofore, there was no penalty for blocking the box.

Ms. Fomchenko: Will these signs include what the fines are?

Mr. Ferramosca: Yes, it will. Very similar to what they have on Speedwell Avenue, near the Chase Bank.

Ms. Fomchenko: Oh, I'm never there. Well you know how this is going to impact our area, I understand it, and I don't disagree with it. But it's just going to be more difficult for us because we can barely squeeze through without having to temporarily block the box to get out of the street, and you know that. I understand it, I don't disagree with it, I'm a little concerned about it and I just wanted to clarify what it meant.

Mayor: Concerned about blocking of the box itself or concerned about the penalties.

Ms. Fomchenko: Penalties don't help ~ what we try to do, is when we know that the light is going to change we try and get into that box so that we can get into the right lane and because once the cars are stopped even if they aren't blocking the box, once they know the light is changing the creep starts and it doesn't buy us anytime so it's almost insult to injury because the impact of the Quick Chek is going to have and it was difficult for us to get out, we requested the box, we know we did, any that you would be proactive and not wait for Quick Chek to put the box in and for the town to do it and try to help us, but now if we do have to do it we are going to get fined.

Mr. Ferramosca: I think a practical application you might want to look at seriously, go to Morris Plains, by the Chase Bank, Speedwell Avenue, it works very well. It's predominately the way the signs are faced there it's to control the primary road

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which is Speedwell Avenue or 202 it's not Granis Avenue. So if I was trying to make a left onto Speedwell going north from Grannis Avenue I don't see any signage that would submit to me that there would be a penalty for me entering it, but if I'm going north or south on Speedwell that's where all the signs are; and they have a significant amount of signs that are advising people. I travel it regularly and I don't see conflict coming out of Grannis.

Ms. Fomchenko: I just wish, I know it's a hypothetical that somehow the cars that are going north somehow would if they could realize that when we are sitting there waiting there that if they would just give us the courtesy of getting out before they race to make the light.

Mayor: That's why this ordinance

Ms. Fomchenko: The thing is that we are going to get fined.

Mayor: The people that travel the same way most times every day and they do block the box, they might get ticketed once, I guarantee that they won't get ticketed a second time, because they are not going to block the box but without it we have no teeth and we need enforcement.

Ms. Fomchenko: But it doesn't give us any teeth either. You know the dilemma

Mayor: I'm hoping that the ordinance will change some of our habits.

Ms. Fomchenko: That's why I schedule everything I do after rush hour in the morning or before or after rush hour in the evening it's the only way to survive. Happy Easter everyone ~ Blessed Easter.

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

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Gallagher: Next Hanover Township Substance Awareness Council is scheduled for Tuesday, April 12th. We have Hanover PD and the Morris County Sheriff Department coming in to educate us the Substance Awareness Council and our sports boards, coaches, and PTA's on drug trends in the area, they are going to discuss alcohol and it's also going to help us with our new initiative to help educate us adults on the trends and what is going on so that we can better form a front line to protect our children. I'm very happy again with Hanover Township PD steering this initiative with us and also the Morris County Prosecutor's Office it should be a great event at MJS.

The other event on May 13th used to be the Hanover Township Volleyball Game/Family Picnic now it's the Hanover Township The Big Night Out, you are going to hear plenty about it, we are going to start promoting it. It's Hanover working with many many groups, our fire departments and our Police Department, Morris County Sheriff and surrounding municipalities.

The last thing I want to say is that I put a picture on Facebook today of one of our baseball fields, the DPW have been out in force our fields are beautiful they are ready to go I posted that it was for baseball and softball and someone got in touch and said "And soccer" so absolutely, we have a lot of sports going on right now, I'm sure Committeeman Brueno is going to talk about big parade that will officially kick off the official season, but I just want to say once again thank you to Brian and the men our fields are beautiful and they are second to no one.

Mr. Ferramosca: Tonight marks the beginning of what they call the "March Madness, Sweet 16 of the NCAA Basketball Tournament" and tonight I'm happy to announce the Sweet 16 of Hanover's Road Initiative is well underway, with the first 8 of our roads scheduled to begin as early as the beginning of April. So here are the following 8 roads that will be going through the process of either repaving or reconstruction; Birch Hill Terrace, Beech Terrace, Mt. Vernon Way, Troy Road from

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Algonquin Parkway to the East Hanover boarder, Malapardis Road from Route 287 dead end portion to the Route 10 dead end; McNab Avenue from Slope Drive to Poplar Drive; and reconstruction activity will begin shortly thereafter probably in May for Erna Place and Baldwin Court. So there we are 8 of the 16 and we appreciate all of the support the Engineering Group and Township Committee with this initiative.

In addition to the sweet 16 we have April 30th we have free paper shred day, so make that on your calendars, you are going to be doing your taxes on April 15th and then you are going to have all of these old confidential papers that you want to dispose of environmentally so please come out to Employment Horizons on Ridgedale Avenue on Saturday, April 30th for free paper shred day.

George Coppola: As you all know this is going to quite a transitional year for our Police Department; we had a Sergeant that retired February 1st; our Chief retired on March 1st, that put us down two Police Officers so I'm very happy tonight that the Committee has noted in a resolution the hiring of these two new officers. One of these police officers are hear tonight ~ Matthew Rossi.

Briefly, we hired Stephen Manney, 23 years old, currently lives with his parents in Freehold. I presume he is going to relocate; he attended Cooks University and graduated in 2014 with a Bachelor in Science Degree in Criminal Justice. His father is a retired New Jersey State Police Captain. He graduated from Cape May Police Academy and was one of few select Class II Officers that based on his performance has been assigned to perform regular patrol duty and is employed year round. Stephen is a Certified Lifeguard, Certified in water rescue and also an Eagle Scout.

Matthew Rossi ~ 25 years old, lives with his wife in Bridgewater. Matthew was a lifelong resident of Hanover Township until he got married. He attended the College of St. Elizabeth and graduated in December 2010 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice. While attending college Matthew completed an internship with the Hanover Township Police Department. He graduated from Essex County Police Academy 2012 and also one of few select Class II Officers based on his performance has been assigned to perform regular patrol duty and is employed year round. Former member of the Chatham Emergency Squad, EMT and was nominated by the Hoboken Police Department, and a Life Saving Award Recipient from the Morristown Memorial Center.

I would like to welcome both of these new Police Officers, I thank Lt. Pselis for being here, I have spoken to Captain Waldron, Lt. Pselis and Lt. Roddy a number of times and spoke on different issues, I know we are currently going through an exam for our Sergeants. We have 14 Patrolman who took the exam, of them 6 were selected and they are currently in the process and hopefully early on in April we are going to be getting to the near completion of this process. I do welcome these two new officers.

One more comment, a MADD of New Jersey has recognized officers Eric Prach, John Schauder and Ed Zakrzewski congratulatory letter was sent to them thanking them for making the difference in saving lives by preventing crashes. Congratulations to these three officers for the work that they have been doing.

I'm happy we are starting to put back up the full force for patrol officers and the department itself, we are also going through the process of selecting a Chief, that is definitely getting to be quite an issue but I think we are going to work through it pretty nicely within the next few weeks. Other than that ~ welcome to Hanover Township and looking forward to having you with us and being part of this fine organization.

(APPLAUSE)

Bob Brueno: I just want to note that the Ordinance mentions the substantial investment that the Township is making in the pool that in fact is self-funded by the pool registration fees, so I don't want anybody to choke on that \$50,000.00 price tag and think that your tax dollars are subsidizing the pool ~ they are not. Registrations are being accepted, at the Recreation Center, but all the maintenance of the pool does come from registrations.

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High School turf fields I know in Mr. Lent's publication this week there was a note that East Hanover was looking at some additional turf fields, the ones that have been funded previously are getting very close to opening, both Hanover Park High School and Whippany Park High School, we are anxious to see what events will take place, probably track and field, but the turf fields are nearing completion and I know there are a lot of high school and town athletes that are very happy about that and anxious to get on the new field.

In terms of the baseball Little League opening day, April 23rd parade 9:30 a.m. at Veteran's Field, so hopefully that is on everyone calendar.

Happy Easter to everyone who observes.

Tom Gallagher: Before the Mayor's comments and maybe the closing of the meeting, I would just like to say something to Carol Fomchenko, I have one suggestion for you as far as that box, if you would get an American made pick-up truck an American made pick-up truck will let you in. That's all I wanted to say.

Ms. Fomchenko: I will take that into consideration. Mr. Mayor, I just wanted to thank you very much for all of your efforts with the Post Office. The only question that it begs is they've been paying the rent for the Whippany Post Office ever since it's been closed, that just blows my mind because they could have used that money to rent a different facility and we might have had a post office.

Mayor: It's terrible, I have to thank Administrator in one regard that brought it to my attention that the Federal Government is paying lease money on that property. The point with Federal Government, it a lease not unlike anyone else's lease, they have the option to getting that lease to a second party and why aren't they? But instead they write your check and my check to pay for the Whippany Post Office every month, but I will say this, in fairness to the Regional Director's that we met with the Cedar Knolls area particular and portions of Whippany area, I've talked to a lot of neighbors have realized a definite improvement in the delivery of their mail, I didn't say the quality of the mail, I didn't say if it was accurate or not I just said that when you get your neighbor's mail it's a little earlier than not!

Ms. Fomchenko: It's the neighbor right next door not down the block!

Mayor: I know I got my mail around 6-7:00 now I'm getting it around 2:30 now; so that's a start. Thank you for bringing this up ~ if you go online folks the Administrator has listed the locations of all of the letter boxes that the USPS has in our Town, one of them by the way you will notice is on the front steps of the Municipal Building, but all of the other locations of the letter boxes are now noted on our website. When they closed the Whippany Post Office they did take away that letter box, but they gave us some other areas. We are encouraging them into entering into agreements with other retailers in the town, CVS, Quick Check, etc., to put letter boxes at those locations too.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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