

**TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS
DENNISVILLE, NJ
APRIL 03, 2012**

7:00 P.M. TWP. COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Glembocki opened the meeting in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act requirements.

Mayor Glembocki presided with Committeemembers: DiCicco, Murphy, Germanio and Teefy present.

Prior to the Moment of Silence, Committeeman DiCicco read the list of U.S. casualties in the last 2 weeks.

Motion was made by Murphy, seconded by Teefy, with 5 ayes and no nays, that the following Officer's Report were approved:

Municipal Clerk's Report	-	March, 2012
Registrar's Report	-	March, 2012
Construction Official's Report	-	March, 2012

Motion was made by DiCicco, seconded by Germanio, with 5 ayes and no nays, that the correspondence regarding the Certificate of Determination and Award of the \$1,390,000.00 Bond Anticipation Note from the Chief Financial Officer be received and filed.

Motion was made by DiCicco, seconded by Murphy that the meeting be open for public comment. The motion carried.

Cheryl Reardon a Project Director with Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions (ANJEC) commented on the 03/19/2012 letter from Executive Director, Sandy Batty regarding the Dennis Township Environmental Commission. Ms. Reardon indicated that she had a unique perspective because she has served on the Committee in Pilesgrove Township as well as the Planning Board. She commented on the good job the Environmental Commission does and indicated that they were an advisory board and one of their key roles is transparency. Ms. Reardon offered help thru ANJEC for questions and training. She closed with indicating that she did not feel that it was wise or in the best interest of the public to disband the Environmental Commission.

Committeeman DiCicco indicated that he agrees with Ms. Reardon.

Ms. Reardon left her card with her contact numbers on it and indicated that ANJEC would be more than happy to come down and work with the Township.

Eileen Turner, Chairperson of the Environmental Commission indicated that she would again like to invite the Township Committee to the next Environmental Commission meeting on April 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. She indicated that she especially wishes that Deputy Mayor Teefy and Committeeman Germanio could come.

Mary Jane Genestra of Ocean View commented on the Environmental Commission and indicated that she was flabbergasted that the Committee was considering disbanding the Environmental Commission with everything that is going on today with the environment. She asked why this is even being considered.

Mayor Glembocki indicated that they are changing the way Dennis Township does business and that they are not totally taking it away, that they are creating a Natural Resources Committee.

Ms. Genestra indicated that if something is not broke don't fix it and voiced concerns regarding the Natural Resources Committee and indicated that the Environmental Commission's webpage is awesome along with the Forestry Plan. She indicate that we need to start respecting nature.

Mayor Glembocki commented on the Committee living in wooded areas and enjoying their property. He commented on the Township's over regulation and that they are hearing that the Township needs to bring in ratables and the cost of doing business in Dennis Township. Mayor Glembocki indicated that what they are trying to do is to let people know that Dennis Township is open for business. He commented on types of business and indicated that we are at a financial crisis here in Dennis Township.

Ms. Genestra and Mayor Glembocki discussed the financial aspect of abolishing the Environmental Commission.

Ms. Genestra questioned the Natural Resources Committee and the membership. Mayor Glembocki indicated that some of the members may be the same as the members of the Environmental Commission. Mayor Glembocki indicated that our website has the form that residents who wish to volunteer on any of the boards can complete. He stated that it is called the Citizens Participation Form and anyone interested in serving on the Natural Resources Committee can download the form fill it out and send it into the Township.

Ms. Genestra indicated that one of the best things about the Environmental Commission is that they had a crossover member to the Planning Board. Mayor Glembocki indicated that the Natural Resources Committee may also have a crossover. Mayor Glembocki and Deputy Mayor Teefy stated that they were trying to make the Natural Resources Committee broader and better. Ms. Genestra indicated that if it is not broke, don't fix it.

Bobbie Babbitt, North West Dennis, indicated that she has been here for 45 years. She indicated that they have a 16 acre parcel that is swampy now, but that it used to be forested and had trees. She commented on the salt water intrusion. Mrs. Babbitt indicated that she has read the Environmental Commission's Forestry Plan and commented on all the jobs it places on the Public Works Department. Mrs. Babbitt indicated that she is sure that the members of the Environmental Commission are sincere, but that one issue cannot tie-up the entire Public Works Department. Mrs. Babbitt commented on a Planning Board questionnaire that was part of the Plan Endorsement Process. She commented on appointments made by Mayors to the different boards and indicated that she knows their hearts are in the right place, but questioned their qualifications. Mrs. Babbitt commented on the Environmental Commission's meetings in 2011 and the attendance and lack of quorums. She indicated that putting the recordings of the meetings on the Township website for people to listen to and be informed was the best thing. She commented on agenda items of the Environmental Commission and the credentials and backgrounds of people serving on the different boards. Mrs. Babbitt commented on abolishing the Environmental Commission and establishing a new Committee that will review items and report to the Committee not the Planning Board.

Mayor Glembocki clarified that Mrs. Babbitt was referring to missing minutes of the Environmental Commission not the Township Committee.

Mrs. Babbitt concurred and commented on the records she keeps of the different boards.

Alma George, Route 9, Ocean View commented on issues with membership that the Environmental Commission experienced. She commented on the Forestry Plan that was done by arborist, Mickey Riggin. Mrs. George commented on Committeeman Germanio and Deputy Mayor Teefy alerting her that the Annual Accomplishment Report for 2011 needed to be completed. She indicated that she had contact Todd Wyckoff at Community Forestry Program and advised him that it is coming. Mrs. George read the Annual Accomplishment Report onto the record along with the cover page. Mrs. George indicated that we are in compliance and that she has completed the C.O.R.E. training. Mrs. George commented on the Environmental Commission and distributed copies of Chapter 17 of the Code of the Township of Dennis which established the Environmental Commission and details the duties and powers.

Mrs. Babbitt interjected that all this information is on the website. Mayor Glembocki indicated that Mrs. George had the floor.

Mrs. George commented on the website and read parts of Chapter 17. She indicated that the Environmental Commission has been around since 1979 and during that time they have never approved or denied any application because they do not have the power to do so. She indicated that they only make recommendation based on their research. Mrs. George stated that she does not understand the Committee's idea that the Environmental Commission is stopping businesses from coming into Dennis Township. She commented on protecting our environment and water resources.

Mr. Babbitt interjected something regarding oil wells and Mayor Glembocki reiterated that Mrs. George had the floor.

Mrs. George commented on the Environmental Commission and indicated that they need to look at items other than applications. She stated that they have a lot to do and invited the Committee to come to their meeting and discuss it further.

Mike Donohue, Township Solicitor, questioned if the Township Committee or Environmental Commission needed to request an extension for the Annual Accomplishment Report that was due in February.

Mrs. George indicated that she has been in contact with Mr. Wyckoff of the Community Forestry Program and that they had a 60 day extension and that Mr. Wyckoff was very understanding and helpful.

Committeeman DiCicco indicated that he believes they would not make a decision on one year that they would look at the whole body of work, that you don't do a snap-shot you do the full motion picture and that is his recommendation.

Mrs. George indicated that one of the topic of discussion at the next Environmental Commission meeting is the County's Earth Day that they are to be participating in on 4/21. She questioned if the proposed ordinance would be tabled on April 16th.

Mayor Glembocki indicated that it will be discussed on April 16th and will probably go thru. Deputy Mayor Teefy indicated that the County could be contacted on April 17th to advise them of the outcome of April 16th.

Mrs. George thanked the Committee for their attention and indicated that she appreciated the open dialogue.

Thomas Laughlin of 1378 Route 47 indicated that he has lived here for 60 years. He stated that he is all for an Environmental Commission or the new Natural Resources Commission. He understands that they are just changing the Commission so it reports to the Township Committee and he believes that is the way all the Commissions and Boards should do. Mr. Laughlin commented on the Environmental Commission's website and indicated that they used their resources rather than coming under the Township's "umbrella" for its website.

Mrs. George indicated that the website domain costs is \$120 per year and that one of the Members maintains the site for free. Mr. Chelius indicated that when he joined the Environmental Commission he was informed that they had difficulty getting Mr. Laughlin to get their information on the website and that is why he donated his time.

Mr. Laughlin, Mrs. George and Mr. Chelius continued their comments regarding the website.

Committeeman DiCicco indicated that Mr. Laughlin does a great job for the Museum.

Mrs. Babbitt commented on the Community Forestry Plan and environmental issues such as the algae bloom on the Dennisville Lake.

Mayor Glembocki requested the Clerk to get him a copy of the Community Forestry Plan and Mrs. Babbitt indicated that he did not have to wait and supplied him with one.

Bob Dempsey of 888 Court House/So. Dennis Road (County Route #657) commented on the Bond Ordinance to provide funding for drainage improvements for Beaver Dam Road. He indicated that he believes the Township is wasting their money. He commented on the drainage easement across his property of the County. Mr. Dempsey indicated that the County is responsible for the drainage. He commented on a meeting with his lawyer, the County Engineer, Dale Foster, and then Municipal Engineer, Andy Previti, met and the County would be hiring a drainage expert to resolve these problems. Mr. Dempsey also commented on a missing drainage plan from 1971 to 1983.

Township Engineer, Jack Gibson, indicated that the proposed drainage improvements for Beaver Dam Road will only work in a low ground water situation. Mr. Gibson indicated that Mr. Dempsey is the most affected property owner, and due to his knowledge of the history he has other ideas that involve cooperative efforts with the County which Mr. Gibson indicated he believes is an idea worth exploring.

Mr. Dempsey commented further regarding the drainage issue and Committeeman DiCicco commented on how decent and cooperative.

There being no further comment from those present, motion was made by Teefy, seconded by DiCicco, that the public comment portion be closed.

Township Solicitor, Mike Donohue, commented on the New Jersey Shade Tree and Community Forestry Assistance Act Annual Accomplishment Report that was due in February and the 60 day extension that was granted. He indicated that there would not be another

Township Committee Meeting before the extension expired and so he suggested that a motion be made authorizing the Mayor to sign said Report so that it can be submitted.

Motion was made by Murphy, seconded by Germanio that Mayor Glembocki be authorized to sign the Annual Accomplishment Report for the Community Forestry Program. The motion carried.

Let the record reflect that the following Resolution Nos. 2012-57 thru 2012-60 were part of a consent agenda with a block roll call vote.

Motion was made by Murphy, seconded by Teefy, with 5 ayes and no nays, that the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-57

**RESOLUTION RENEWING THE RECOGNITION OF THE DENNIS TOWNSHIP
SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 41, ARTICLE 1
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS**

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk has received an application from the Dennis Township Senior Citizens Association for renewal of their recognition by the governing body for the promotion of senior citizen activities in the Township of Dennis; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk has reviewed the application in accordance with Chapter 41, Article 1, and has submitted a recommendation to the Township Committee for renewal of their recognition.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the Dennis Township Senior Citizens Association is hereby recognized as an organization for the promotion of senior citizen activities pursuant to Chapter 41, Article 1 for the year 2012.

ATTEST _____ **ATTEST** _____
Jacqueline B. Justice, RMC/Clerk Eugene L. Glembocki, Mayor

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-58

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS OF A
SENIOR CENTER TRIP**

WHEREAS, the Dennis Township Senior Citizen Center had scheduled a trip to the Azalea Festival on April 26 - 29, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk has received notification from the Senior Center's Director that due to lack of participation the trip has been cancelled; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received payments for this trip that must be refunded.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized and directed to refund the following payments made for the cancelled April 26 - 29, 2012 Azalea Festival trip:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Emergency Temporary Budget be adopted extending the Temporary Budget in the amount to equal 75% of the introduced 2012 Municipal Budget and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer.

ATTEST _____ ATTEST _____
 Jacqueline B. Justice, RMC/Clerk Eugene L. Glembocki, Mayor

Motion was made by DiCicco, seconded by Teefy, with 5 ayes and no nays, that providing that proper vouchers have been filed and that funds are available, the following bills are authorized to be paid:

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

034479-Twp of Dennis Payroll Account	\$ 57,701.47
034480-Dennis Twp Fire District #1	88,750.00
034481-Dennis Twp Fire District #2	60,300.25
034482-Dennis Twp Fire District #3	39,085.50
034483-Advantage Rental Center, Inc.	91.80
034484-Atlantic City Electric	8,017.01
034485-Blaney & Donohue, PA	4,583.33
034486-Cape May Technical High School	500.00
034487-Computer Access Systems	101.25
034488-Cody's Power Equipment	65.28
034489-Comcast	515.96
034490-Dennis Twp Board of Education	672,649.50
034491-Delta Dental	2,878.30
034492-Sheree L. Dever	226.04
034493-James & Rita DiBruno	200.00
034494-Pamela Eaves	489.00
034495-Anthony J. Harvatt, II, Esq.	500.00
034496-Brenda Holloway	200.00
034497-Home Depot Credit Services	325.80
034498-Roy J. Hope	326.26
034499-Gail Jones	489.00
034500-K-Mart	410.11
034501-Maser Consulting, P.A.	9,763.75
034502-Modern Gas Co., Inc.	262.00
034503-North American Benefits Co.	238.03
034504-NJ Dept Health/Senior Services	50.40
034505-Fernando Patino	150.00
034506-QC, Inc.	106.00
034507-Rutgers, The State University	345.00
034508-Senior Travel Service, Inc.	675.00
034509-Service Tire Truck Centers	1,278.19
034510-Shockey's Pure Water	437.70
034511-S.S.C.I.	80.00
034512-Carolyn P. Swagler	121.54
034513-T.C.T.A. of NJ	570.00
034514-Treasurer, State of New Jersey	50.00
034515-Tri State Office Solutions	26.86
034516-Pardo's Truck Service	2,016.12
034517-Phyllis Visalli	200.00
034518-Vision Service Plan	970.61
034519-Maser Consulting, PA	3,693.03

Committeeman DiCicco commented on the public meeting that South Jersey Gas had. He indicated that it was very successful and they discussed the gas line coming down County Route 610 and hooking up the Township and School and possibly a Phase II moving into South Dennis. Committeeman DiCicco indicated that the Gas Company would be dropping off information for the public.

Mayor Glembocki questioned if there was a time frame and Committeeman DiCicco indicated not at this time.

Committeeman DiCicco indicated that he volunteers at the Food Bank at St. Casimir's in Woodbine and commented on donations. He indicated that now donations are very light and if anyone can give all food banks could use help. Committeeman DiCicco indicated that Bill Watson, who wrote a book on the Civil War, would be giving a lecture down at the Cold Spring Villiage. Committeeman DiCicco commented on the escrow accounts and asked the Solicitor where we were on that.

Mike Donohue, Township Solicitor, indicated that we adopted Resolution No. 2012-59 tonight and it authorized the Frailinger as an alternate engineer to handle conflict and that will allow them to address this issue.

Deputy Mayor Teefy indicated that he had contacted Mrs. McFillin and she indicated that she had contacted two of the applicants and that they were settling their accounts.

Mr. Donohue indicated that Frailinger can step in now and hopefully the remaining account can be settled.

Committeeman Murphy indicated that he had no comment at this time.

Committeeman Germanio indicated that he had contacted Mr. Rutala regarding the South Jersey Power Cooperative and he indicated that the new rates should be effective around May. He indicated that South Jersey Gas was also having a meeting with the School Board on April 18th and that the Gas Company should start their door to door campaign the week of April 16th and that they would notify the State Police.

Committeeman DiCicco requested that a notice be placed on our website.

Deputy Mayor Teefy commented on their 2nd ATV meeting since he became involved. He indicated that there are different ideas and that they are moving forward and working on different ordinances. Deputy Mayor Teefy indicated that the next will be April 16th and that representatives from the State Police with be present to work with them.

Mayor Glembocki thanked everyone for coming out this evening.

Motion was made by Teefy, seconded by DiCicco, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

ATTEST _____ ATTEST _____
Jacqueline B. Justice, RMC/Clerk Eugene L. Glembocki, Mayor