

**TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS  
DENNISVILLE, NJ  
DECEMBER 2, 2014**

**6:30 P.M. (PREVAILING TIME) TWP. COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING**

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

Mayor Murphy requested the roll call. The Clerk called the roll with: Germanio, DiCicco, O'Connor and Murphy present, Committeeman Teefy was absent.

Mayor Murphy asked that everyone please stand for the flag salute, moment of silence and reading of the names of the lost soldiers. Committeeman DiCicco read the names of the fallen and commented on the loss of Dennis Township resident Chief Steve Coffey.

Mayor Murphy asked for any public comment on agenda items.

There being no public comment, Mayor Murphy asked for a motion adopting the consent agenda, motion was made by O'Connor seconded by Germanio, with 4 ayes and one absent (Teefy), that the consent agenda be adopted.

The following correspondence and minutes were approved as part at the consent agenda:

Letter of Retirement of a Parks & Recreation Employee and the 04/28/2014 Regular Meeting Minutes.

The following resolutions 2014-151 and 2014-152 were a part of the Consent Agenda:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-151**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING VARIOUS EMPLOYEES TO CARRY 2014  
VACATION DAYS INTO 2015**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has established a policy regarding vacation time to be carried into the upcoming calendar year; and

**WHEREAS**, for various reasons, certain employees have been unable to utilize their 2014 vacation allotment; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the vacation policy, the individuals requesting to carry vacation days have made their requests in writing.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The averments of the preamble are incorporated herein by reference.
2. The following employees are hereby authorized to carry vacation time into 2014 providing that such time is available to them.

Jacqueline B. Justice	25 days
Christina Jamison	6 days

Rosemarie Essig	15 days
Kimberly Herron	10 days
Sheree Dever	18 days
Glenn Clarke	25 days
Vernon Champion	3 days
Frank Laughlin	9.5 days
Arthur Schellinger	18.5 days
Patricia Sutton	25 days
Michele Heim	25 days
Monica Heim	6.60 days

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 Jacqueline B. Justice, RMC/Clerk      John Murphy, Mayor

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-152**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBORDINATION OF THE SMALL CITIES PROGRAM HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM MORTGAGE ON 626 PETERSBURG ROAD AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Carol Shoemaker of 626 Petersburg Road, Dennisville participated in the Small Cities Housing Rehabilitation Program which results with the Township filing a mortgage against the property dated 12/19/2002; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Shoemaker has experienced some financial difficulty and is obtaining a reverse mortgage to elevate the financial issues; and

**WHEREAS**, the reverse mortgage company requires the Township to subordinate its mortgage; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee believe it is in everyone’s best interest to subordinate said mortgage which will allow Ms. Shoemaker to remain in her home as well complete her tax redemption.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that this governing body does hereby approve the subordination of the Small Cities Housing Rehabilitation Program mortgage on 626 Petersburg Road and authorize the execution of the attached Subordination Agreement.

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The Mayor asked for a motion authorizing the payment of the bills, providing that proper vouchers have been filed and that funds are available.

Motion was made by DiCicco, seconded by O’Connor, with 4ayes and one absent (Teefy), that the payment of the following bills was approved:

**GENERAL ACCOUNT:**

037678-Twp. Of Dennis Payroll Account	\$ 53,141.25
037679-Catherine Dougherty	104.90

037680-Blaney & Donohue, PA	432.00
037681-Caprioni Portable Toilets	125.00
037682-Computer Access Systems	94.25
037683-Glenn O. Clarke (Petty Cash)	338.00
037684-Comcast	506.70
037685-Dennis Twp. BOE	725,269.00
037686-Delta Dental	2859.50
037687-Sheree Dever	200.00
037688-Edmunds & Associates, Inc.	3956.00
037689-Jeanette M. Ennis	166.90
037690-Mike Gardner & Son, Inc.	162.21
037691-John C. Gibson, P.E.	4,812.50
037692-Roy J. Hope	346.23
037693-H.R. Direct	239.00
037694-Edward F. Leith, Jr.	171.32
037695-NJ State League of Municipalities	606.00
037696-Paper Direct, Inc.	105.96
037697-Patti's Party World	116.59
037698-Cooltronics, Inc.	85.00
037699-Service Tire Truck Centers	91.00
037700-Bill Sheldon	170.00
037701-Shop Rite	32.59
037702-S.S.C.I.	20.00
037703-Suburban Propane	1,902.62
037704-Tri State Office Solutions	26.86
037705-Fleet Pride, Inc.	728.06
037706-Vision Service Plan	849.00
037707-Vital Communications, Inc.	733.04
037708-Waste Management of NJ, Inc.	14,733.00
037709-Rich Williams	50.00

Motion made by O'Connor, seconded DiCicco, all in favor and the motion carried, that the following Administrative Reports were adopted:

Municipal Clerk's Report	November, 2014
Registrar's Report	November, 2014
Tax Collector's Report	October & November, 2014
Construction Official's Report	November, 2014
Engineer's Report	12/02/2014

Mayor Murphy asked if there were any comments from the public this evening.

Bob Grace 659 Petersburg Road commented on the speed of the Dunbar Armor truck, ordinances for property management of vacant properties, and two vacant properties in town that need to be cut. Committeeman DiCicco commented on sending out Code Enforcement and indicated that it is not as easy as it sounds with foreclosures. The Committee discussed having the properties taken care of and the cost becoming a lien. Mr. Grace commented on not having a branch of the County Library. Committeeman Germanio commented on discussions he has had with the County regarding this issue. The Committee discussed safety concerns regarding using the School as a possible site. Mr. Grace commented on computer access at library sites and the Committee indicated that part of the Comcast agreement was free computer access at the Senior Center. Mr. Grace commented on trucks driving down the middle of Petersburg Road and indicated that they do so because of the crown on Petersburg Road. He pointed out that Petersburg Road is a major thoroughfare to sand plants, asphalt plant and the landfill and questioned why the ones that are damaging the road can't help pay for the County to fix it. The Committee asked the Municipal Engineer if this could be discussed with the County Engineer, Dale Foster. Mr. Gibson commented on milling the crown down. Mr. Grace praised Waste Management and indicated that they are working out good. He questioned if the Committee has started working on next year's budget and the Mayor indicated that he has just started. Mr.

Grace recommended freezing part-time employees salaries if the funds are not available and he questioned if the day after Thanksgiving being off is contractual and the Mayor indicated that it was. Mr. Grace stated to keep up the good work, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Frank Hoff of 285 Gracetown Road questioned receiving grants and the Committee indicated that we just received \$400,000.00 for the ADA improvements.

There being no further comments from those present, motion was made by O'Conner, seconded by Germanio, that the public comment portion be closed.

The Mayor asked for comments from the Committee.

Committeeman Germanio expressed his condolences to Art Treon's family and commented what a good guy he was and a tremendous asset to the community. He asked that the Solicitor give an update on the status of the Outside Wood Boilers issue. Mr. April commented on the various options such as leaving the issue with the Cape May County Board of Health, regulating it through zoning or police powers and then in what areas such as lot size, setbacks, heights, etc. He recommended that what can be burned be left up to the Health Department as they have the expertise. He stated that they are still getting input from the Environmental Commission, Code Enforcement, Zoning and the public at large. Mr. April and Committeeman DiCicco continued to comment regarding the Outside Wood Boilers.

Committeeman DiCicco reminded everyone that the Environmental Commission has a facebook page that Cindy Leatherwood set-up and discussed Ms. Leatherwood's technology skills. He stated that the Dennisville Historic Home Owners had their installation of officers and he indicated that they showed an interest in helping with the Ludlam School and doing an assessment. Committeeman DiCicco commented on their efforts on an Active Shooter Tabletop Drill. Committeeman DiCicco asked the Emergency Management Coordinator, John Berg, if he had any comments. Mr. Berg commented on a meeting with Emergency Services representatives regarding Sea Isle Blvd. He indicated that a list was being compiled regarding all the concerns and then the Township Engineer is going to take it to the County Engineer, Dale Foster. Mr. Gibson commented on the meeting and indicated that it was good and everyone is on the same page. Committeeman DiCicco commented on the good relations with Sea Isle's Emergency Services. Mr. Berg commented on dual tons for emergencies, their game plan and additional discussions from the joint meeting. Mr. Berg also commented on Emergency Managements duties regarding the Christmas Parade. Committeeman DiCicco commented on the status of the deuce and half ton cargo truck and possibly getting it undercover. He also commented on recycling and trash pick-up being out of sync when there is a holiday and asked if they can explore ways to rectify this like when they are off on a Monday pick up Monday & Tuesday routes on Tuesday so the rest of the week will be in sync. The Committee discussed this and felt it could be done.

Deputy Mayor O'Connor commented on the Christmas Parade scheduled for this Thursday and indicated that it is always a good time. He commented on the Traveling Basketball's Scoop Taylor Tournament. Deputy Mayor O'Connor commented on Ryan Herlihy's Cross Country efforts and being named Cape Atlantic League Runner of the Year. He indicated that Ryan is going to Haverford College and commented on Dennis Township kids doing the right thing and making us DT Proud.

Committeeman DiCicco stated that there have been concerns regarding the Committee's lack of response concerning the ARC's application before the Land Use Board and he explained that the Committee is not allowed to comment on a pending application.

Mayor Murphy thanked everyone for coming.

Motion was made by O'Connor, seconded by Germanio, that the meeting be adjourned. All in favor and the motion carried.

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Jacqueline B. Justice, RMC/Clerk      John Murphy, Mayor