

**TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS
DENNISVILLE, NJ
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015**

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 that the roll call and flag salute be carried over from the Board of Health Meeting (DiCicco, Salimbene, Tozer, O'Connor and Murphy present).

Mayor Murphy indicated that we will have Special Presentations at this time.

Committeeman DiCicco and the Committee presented a Proclamation to Roberta Nuss and her Girl Scout Troop recognizing them for their efforts in landscaping around the Museum. Mrs. Nuss commented on the project and indicated that it is funded through Clean Communities. She asked everyone for plant donations.

Dennis Donegan and Tom Laughlin discussed the Township's email issues and the pros and cons of the third party hosting compared to Comcast. They discussed the issue with junk mail and the cost associated with going with Comcast. The Committee advised Mr. Donegan to proceed with switching to Comcast.

Committeeman DiCicco and Tom Laughlin of Power of Production Studios and the Township's webmaster commented on the Museum's Veteran's Stories which is going to require that the Museum have its own website.

James H. Pickering, Jr., Esq. was present along with his clients, Peter & Nancy Peragine and their son, Pete Peragine, they along with Matt Hand of EDA gave a presentation regarding amending their campground license (Sea Gove Campground). Township Solicitor indicated that he has a conflict of interest and any formal action needed on the part of the Township would be handled by Dan Young, Esq. Mr. Pickering commented on the existing campground and their proposed expansion plans. He indicated that they were currently licensed for 190 sites and that they wished to expand to 316 sites. Mr. Pickering continued to discuss the buffers and density and closed with requesting that the Committee consider adopting a resolution to authorize the additional sites conditioned upon the application to the Land Use Board and any other agencies approval required. The Committee asked various questions: verifying roads on the design, access roads and noticing requirements. Mr. Pickering reviewed the proposed site plan with the public. Mr. Pickering answered various questions from Carol Donovan of Academy Lane in Ocean View regarding buffers, permits and septic issues. Ms. Donovan and Mr. Pickering continued discuss her concerns and questions. Mr. Pickering asked the Committee to deliberate and look favorably on the request and he reiterated the advantages of the good ratable a campground is. Mr. Pickering commented on variances and they discussed the requirement for 30 ft. roads in the campgrounds and fire truck access.

Committeeman DiCicco commented on the amount of taxes that campgrounds pay and indicated that they are good business partners for the community.

Mayor Murphy asked if there were any comments on the consent agenda. Committeeman DiCicco clarified that we were not hiring a new Electrical Inspector we are just getting additional help to fill in during vacations, etc. There being no further comment, Mayor Murphy asked for a motion adopting the consent agenda, at this time the Solicitor indicated that he had reviewed the agreement for Resolution #2015-113 and it is satisfactory, motion was made by Tozer seconded by O'Connor, with 5 ayes and no nays, that the consent agenda be adopted.

The following motion was approved as part of the consent agenda:

Motion Increasing the Cost Threshold for Enrollment onto the Township's Fixed Asset Listing from \$500.00 to \$1,500.00, per the recommendation of the Auditor.

The following resolutions 2015-109 thru 2015-113 were a part of the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-109

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN ACTING
ELECTRICAL SUBCODE OFFICIAL
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Township's Electrical Subcode Official and Alternate Electrical Subcode Official at times are unavailable due to vacations, etc.; and

WHEREAS, an additional acting Inspector needs to be appointed so that inspections can be completed in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, the Upper Township Electrical Subcode Official has an excellent reputation and is willing to assist us in the matter.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that William J. Hoffmann of 21 Springers Mill Road, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 be appointed as an additional Acting Electrical Subcode Official at the rate of \$40.00 per hour effective 09/15/2015.

ATTEST _____ **ATTEST** _____
Jacqueline B. Justice, RMC/Clerk John Murphy, Mayor

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-110

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPOINTMENT OF A VOLUNTEER TO THE
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Township of Dennis has a number of residents with experience in emergency management; and

WHEREAS, several of these residents are willing to serve in a volunteer capacity to assist the Emergency Management Coordinator and the Office of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, these residents would serve on a purely volunteer basis; would not be employees and would not receive compensation or benefits, but would bring vital experience and assistance to the Emergency Management functions of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, in the County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, duly assembled this 15th day of September, 2015, as follows:

1. The preamble above is incorporated herein by reference as the findings of the Township Committee;
2. The following Township resident is hereby named Volunteer Assistant to the Emergency Management Coordinator and the Township Committee member having public safety oversight: Will Neely

3. Said resident shall perform functions as deemed necessary and useful for the Township by the Emergency Management Coordinator and/or the Township Committee member having public safety oversight;
4. This Volunteer Assistant to the Emergency Management Coordinator shall commence such volunteer service upon the adoption of this Resolution; shall have no independent authority or ability to bind the Township or make decisions; shall serve at the pleasure of the Township Committee and may be removed from this volunteer capacity by the Township Committee for any reason or no stated reason at any time by way of subsequent Resolution, in the sole discretion of the Township Committee.

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

RESOLUTION NO.: 2015-111

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS,
 COUNTY OF CAPE MAY AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY
 AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO
 JOHN C. GIBSON, P.E. FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION AND
 REALIGNMENT OF THE INTERSECTION OF FIDLER ROAD
 AND ACADEMY ROAD IN DENNIS TOWNSHIP,
 CAPE MAY COUNTY, NEW JERSEY.**

WHEREAS, John C. Gibson, P.E. is the Engineer for the Township of Dennis;
 and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee believes it is in the best interests of the municipality to reconstruct and realign the intersection of Fidler Road and Academy Road in Dennis Township; and

WHEREAS, John C. Gibson, P.E. has submitted a proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", in an amount not to exceed \$30,605.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, in the County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, that a Contract be and the same is hereby awarded to John C. Gibson, P.E. as a Professional Services Contract, in an amount not to exceed \$30,605.00, for the reconstruction and realignment of the intersection of Fidler Road and Academy Road in Dennis Township, New Jersey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to publish in the official newspaper of the Township a copy of this Resolution.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-112

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF VARIOUS 2015 TAXES
 WHICH ARE A RESULT FROM THE REVALUATION PROCESS**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector, Michele T. Heim, has notified the Clerk of various taxes that need to be cancelled; and

WHEREAS, the taxes are a result of deed gaps that the State required the Township to add as parcels to the Tax List which the revaluation company erroneously assessed value to; and

WHEREAS, said deed gaps are listed as Unknown in care of the Township and are therefore uncollectible.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the following taxes:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Owner</u>
79	18	\$ 35.60	Unknow % Dennis Township P. O. Box 204 Dennisville, NJ 08214
96	13.01	\$ 16.18	Unknow % Dennis Township P. O. Box 204 Dennisville, NJ 08214
120	500	\$ 15.88	Unknow % Dennis Township P. O. Box 204 Dennisville, NJ 08214
251	108.02	\$ 12.70	Unknow % Dennis Township P. O. Box 204 Dennisville, NJ 08214
261	12	\$ 4.77	Unknow % Dennis Township P. O. Box 204 Dennisville, NJ 08214

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk forward certified copies of this Resolution to the Tax Collector.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-113

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A BOUNDARY LINE AGREEMENT WITH BELLEPLAIN EMERGENCY CORP TO RESOLVE AN ENCROACHMENT DISPUTE AS IT RELATES TO THE FENCING ON THE T-BALL FIELD AT THE RECREATION CENTER AND THE BELLEPLAIN EMERGENCY CORP PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 98, LOT 100, 595 DENNISVILLE ROAD

WHEREAS, a dispute exist between Belleplain Emergency Corp and the Township of Dennis over the above described property; and

WHEREAS, it's in the best interest of the Township to amicably resolve the dispute; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" resolves the dispute.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, in the County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute Exhibit "A".

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Jacqueline B. Justice, RMC/Clerk

John Murphy, Mayor

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 Salimbene, seconded by DiCicco, with 5ayes and no nays, that the payment of the following bills was approved:

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

038601-Twp. Of Dennis Payroll Account	\$ 56,685.63
038602-Super Valu	576.06
038603-Action Creations, LLC	15,000.00
038604-Advantage Rental Center, Inc.	510.80
038605-Animal Control of South Jersey	600.00
038606-Blue Quality Lawncare, LLC	1,050.00
038607-Bowman & Company, LLP	4,105.00
038608-A.A.C.M.C.	50.00
038609-Cape May County M.U.A.	13,854.63
038610-County of Cape May	27,000.00
038611-Computer Access Systems	85.25
038612-Coastal Landscaping	2,023.00
038613-Constellation New Energy, Inc.	39.41
038614-Nelson B. Creamer	104.90
038615-Crystal Springs	60.91
038616-Dennis Twp Fire District #1	87,500.00
038617-Dennis Twp Fire District #2	66,460.25
038618-Dennis Twp Fire District #3	41,071.00
038619-Dennis Twp Board of Education	4,009.42
038620-Delta Dental	8,258.40
038621-Dunbar Armored Inc.	634.06
038622-East Coast Distributors	142.50
038623-Jeanette M. Ennis	104.90
038624-Garden State Highway	1,690.40
038625-Mike Gardner & Son, Inc.	316.26
038626-Gentilini Ford, Inc.	2,266.91
038627-Government Finance	170.00
038628-Gerald C. Harris	110.90
038629-Herald Newspaper, Inc.	86.88
038630-Joe Holiday	300.00
038631-Home Depot Credit Services	317.73
038632-Keen Compressed Gas Co., Inc.	20.57
038633-Kimball-Midwest	168.53
038634-Edward F. Leith, Jr.	104.90
038635-Madison Square Garden Enter	1,500.00
038636-Nextel Communications	238.85
038637-NJ Div of Alcoholic Beverage	6.00
038638-NJ Dept Health/Senior Services	5.40
038639-New Jersey State	495.00
038640-Parker McCay PA	207.00
038641-PECO	920.00
038642-Pioneer Manufacturing Co.	499.00
038643-Power of Production Studio	385.00
038644-The Racket Shop, Inc.	18,732.00
038645-Remington & Vernick Engineers	1,210.00
038646-Rodio Tractor Sales, Inc.	100.54
038647-Arthur Schellinger	99.99
038648-Thomas G. Smith, P.C.	30.00

Committeeman DiCicco commented on the Township's surplus more than doubling and the current Bond Rating of AA which is a high rating for a municipality our size. He commented on the employees and Committee doing a great job. Committeeman DiCicco indicated that the Emergency Management and Emergency Services personnel will be meeting with the School Superintendent to discuss the active shooter drill and other issues. He commented on the Museum project and reviewed the State Police report for August.

Deputy Mayor O'Connor indicated that he had no comment at this time.

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

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