

**TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS
DENNISVILLE, NJ
MARCH 01, 2016**

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: Fry-DeRose, Tozer, Salimbene, O'Connor and Murphy present.

Mayor Murphy asked that everyone please stand for the flag salute, moment of silence.

Mayor Murphy asked for a motion for Resolution No. 2016-42, motion was made by O'Connor, seconded by Tozer, with 5 ayes and not nays, the following resolution was adopted:

TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-42

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS, COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF UP TO \$140,000 OF SPECIAL EMERGENCY NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS; MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS TO MAINTAIN THE EXEMPTION OF THE INTEREST ON SAID NOTES FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION; AND AUTHORIZING SUCH FURTHER ACTIONS AND MAKING SUCH DETERMINATIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE TO EFFECTUATE THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE NOTES

BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, the Local Budget Law, Chapter 169 of the Laws of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Budget Law") authorizes, inter alia, municipalities to adopt ordinances authorizing special emergency appropriations for a complete program of revaluation of real property ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee ("Committee") of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, New Jersey ("Township"), has duly and finally adopted ordinance 2013-01 ("Ordinance"), appropriating the sum of \$350,000 to pay the costs associated with the Project; and

WHEREAS, Section 55 of the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-55, authorizes the Township to issue special emergency notes to finance the costs of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township has heretofore issued its special emergency notes in the principal amount of \$210,000 to finance a portion of the cost of the Project ("Prior Notes"); and

WHEREAS, the Prior Notes mature on March 11, 2016; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township to issue its special emergency notes in the principal amount of up to \$140,000, as further described in Exhibit "A", the proceeds of which, together with other available funds in the amount of \$70,000, will be used to: (i) repay the Prior Notes at maturity; and (ii) temporarily finance the cost of the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Budget Law and the Ordinance, it is the intent of the Township Committee to hereby authorize, approve and direct the issuance and sale of such special emergency notes for the Project as further described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, to ratify and confirm certain actions heretofore taken by or on behalf of the Township, and to make certain related determinations and authorizations in connection with such issuance and sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS, COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY (NOT LESS THAN TWO-THIRDS OF THE MEMBERS THEREOF AFFIRMATIVELY CONCURRING), PURSUANT TO LOCAL BUDGET LAW, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to the Local Budget Law, the issuance of special emergency notes of the Township, to be designated, substantially, "Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, New Jersey, Special Emergency Notes of 2016, Series A" ("Notes"), in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$140,000, is hereby authorized, approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 2. The Chief Financial Officer, with the assistance of the law firm of Parker McCay P.A., Bond Counsel, is hereby authorized and directed to award and sell the Notes at a public or private sale at a price of not less than par, and to deliver the same to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of the payment of the purchase price thereof.

Section 3. At the next meeting of the Township Committee after the sale of the Notes, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to report, in writing, to the Township Committee, the principal amount, rate of interest and the name of the purchaser of the Notes.

Section 4. The Notes shall be dated the date of delivery thereof and mature no later than one year from said date. The Notes will not be subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Notes may be renewed from time to time, but shall be paid and mature in accordance with the provisions of Section 55(b) of the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55(b).

Section 5. The Notes shall be issued in bearer form in denominations of \$10,000 or greater. The Notes shall be executed in the name of the Township by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer, and shall be under the corporate seal of the Township affixed, imprinted, or reproduced thereon, and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Township Clerk.

Section 6. The Notes are ultimately payable from ad valorem taxes that shall be levied upon all taxable real property in the Township without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 7. The Township hereby covenants that it will not make any use of the proceeds of the Notes or do or suffer any other action that would cause: (i) the Notes to be "arbitrage bonds" as such term is defined in Section 148(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), and the Regulations promulgated thereunder; (ii) the interest on the Notes to be included in the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income taxation purposes; or (iii) the interest on the Notes to be treated as an item of tax preference under Section 57(a)(5) of the Code.

Section 8. The Township hereby covenants as follows: (i) it shall timely file, or cause to be filed, with the Internal Revenue Service, such information report or reports as may be required by Sections 148(f) and 149(e) of the Code; and (ii) it shall take no action that would cause the Notes to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code.

Section 9. The Township hereby covenants that it shall make, or cause to be made, the rebate required by Section 148(f) of the Code in the manner described in Treasury Regulation Sections 1.148-1 through 1.148-11, 1.149(b)-1, 1.149(d)-1, 1.149(g)-1, 1.150-1 and 1.150-2, as such regulations and statutory provisions may be modified insofar as they apply to the Notes.

Section 10. The Township hereby designates the Notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" as defined in and for the purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. For purposes of this designation, the Township hereby represents that it reasonably anticipates that the amount of tax-exempt obligations to be issued by the Township during the period from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, and the amount of obligations designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" by it, will not exceed \$10,000,000 when added to the aggregate principal amount of the Notes.

For purposes of this Section 10, the following obligations are not taken into account in determining the aggregate principal amount of tax-exempt obligations issued by the Township: (i) a private activity bond as defined in Section 141 of the Code (other than a qualified 501(c)(3) bond, as defined in Section 145 of the Code); and (ii) any obligation issued to refund any other tax-exempt obligation (other than to advance refund within the meaning of Section 149(d)(5) of the Code) as provided in Section 265(b)(3)(c) of the Code.

Section 11. All actions heretofore taken and documents prepared or executed by or on behalf of the Township by the Mayor, Chief Financial Officer, Township Clerk, other Township officials or by the Township's professional advisors, in connection with the issuance and sale of the Notes are hereby ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted.

Section 12. The Mayor, Chief Financial Officer and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to determine all matters and execute all documents and instruments in connection with the Notes not determined or otherwise directed to be executed by the Local Budget Law or by this or any subsequent resolution, and the signatures of the Mayor, Chief Financial Officer or Township Clerk on such documents or instruments shall be conclusive as to such determinations.

Section 13. All other resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded and repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

Section 14. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption this 1st day of March, 2016.

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

Mayor Murphy asked for any public comment on agenda items. There being no comments from those present, Mayor Murphy asked for a motion adopting the consent agenda, motion was made by Salimbene, seconded by Tozer , with 5 ayes and no nays, that the consent agenda be adopted.

The following minutes were approved as part of the consent agenda: 12/15/2015 Regular Meeting Minutes.

The following correspondence was approved as part of the consent agenda: letter from the ACMJIF ref. 2015 Safety Incentive Program Awards.

The following resolution numbers 2016-43 thru 2016-50 were a part of the Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-43

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF VARIOUS
2016 CAMPGROUND LICENSES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 75 of the Code of the Township of Dennis, the Township Committee is required to approve the issuance of Campground Licenses; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk's Office has received the necessary compliance items to issue the following licenses:

Sea Grove Camping Resort – 190 Sites
Seashore Line Camper Resort. – 374 Sites

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the Clerk's Office is hereby authorized and directed to issue the 2016 Campground Licenses to the aforementioned campgrounds.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-44

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CAPE MAY COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE REVIEW AND SUBMISSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DENNIS' 2015 ANNUAL RECYCLING TONNAGE REPORT

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 13:1E-96 5.b(1), commencing in 2012, each New Jersey municipality is required by the Recycling Enhancement Act ("REA") to have mandatory Annual Recycling Tonnage Reports approved and signed by a Certified Recycling Professional ("CRP"); and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey (State) requires that municipalities submit their Annual Recycling Tonnage Reports by April 30 of each year; and

WHEREAS, the Cape May County Municipal Utilities Authority (Authority) has one or more employees that have obtained designation as a CRP; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has indicated a willingness to assist the Township of Dennis in securing their rightful recycling fund allotment from the State for its 2015 recycling activities; and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to memorialize each party's responsibilities in a Shared Services Agreement pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act (N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.) ("Shared Services Act"), whereby the Authority would review, certify, and submit, via email, to the NJDEP, the Township of Dennis' 2015 Recycling Tonnage Report; and

WHEREAS, under the Shared Services Act, any local unit may enter into an agreement with any other local unit or units to provide and/or receive any service that each local unit participating in the agreement is empowered to provide or receive within its own jurisdiction, including services incidental to the primary purposes of any of the participating local units; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, as follows:

1. The Township of Dennis hereby approves the "Shared Services Agreement Between the Township of Dennis and the Cape May County Municipal Utilities Authority to Review, Sign/Submit the 2015 Annual Recycling Report", in substantially the same form as currently on file with the Municipal Clerk.
2. The Mayor is authorized to execute said Agreement.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-45

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE DENNIS TOWNSHIP RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Township's Recreation Department coordinates an annual Summer CAMP Program; and

WHEREAS, the fees for said Program are set forth in Chapter 139, Section 13 (E) of the Code of the Township of Dennis; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 139, Section 13 (E) allows for the amendment of said fees from time to time by resolution and the last time they were amended was 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey that the fees established in Chapter 139, Section 13 (E) for the Summer CAMP Program be amended as follows:

- (1) Package 1 - \$625.00 (Ages 5 to 13) – Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays Sessions 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
- (2) Package 2 - \$375.00 (Ages 5 to 13) – Tuesdays and Thursdays Session 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-46

RESOLUTION RENEWING THE RECOGNITION OF THE DENNIS TOWNSHIP SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 41, ARTICLE I 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 I, 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 I for the year 2016.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-47

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECYCLING COORDINATOR TO SUBMIT THE 2015 TONNAGE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c. 102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grants may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is promulgating recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including, but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and indicate the assent of the Township Committee to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

WHEREAS, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure that the application is properly completed and timely filed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the Township of Dennis hereby endorses the submission of a Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Recycling and designates John C. Gibson, Municipal Engineer, 571 Petersburg Road, P.O. Box 204, Dennisville, NJ 08214, to ensure that the said application is properly filed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the monies received from the Recycling Tonnage Grant be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-48

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A MINING PERMIT FOR BLOCK 120, LOTS 63-67, 74, 75 & 79 – HANSON AGGREGATES BMC, INC.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 95-7 of the Code of the Township of Dennis Mining Permits are renewed through application to the Consolidated Land Use Board; and

WHEREAS, Hanson Aggregates BMC, Inc. Block 120, Lots 63-67, 74, 75 & 79 has applied to the Consolidated Land Use Board for renewal; and

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Land Use Board has adopted Resolution No. 2016-01 which recommends that the Township Committee renew Hanson Aggregates BMC, Inc’s Mining Permit with conditions.

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 hereby authorizes the renewal of the Mining Permit for Block 120, Lots 63-67, 74, 75 & 79 owned by Hanson Aggregates BMC, Inc. for a period of three (3) years (ending 12/31/2018) and subject to the conditions stated in the Consolidated Land Use Board Resolution No. 2016-01.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-49

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF A TAX PAYMENT
FOR BLOCK 225.01, LOT 5 C087**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector, Michele T. Heim, has notified the Clerk of a tax payment that was received while she was on a medical leave for Block 225.01, Lot 5, C087; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Dennis holds a tax title lien on Block 220.01, Lot 5, C087 and the statute requires that the lien be redeemed prior to the owner being able to make payments; and

WHEREAS, said lien has not been redeemed and the payment must be returned.

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 Finance Officer be and is hereby authorized and directed to refund the following tax payment:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Owner</u>
225.01	5, C087	\$ 412.09	Kevin & Denise Stelmach 626 Lilac Lane Deptford, NJ 08096

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-50

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE
NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 b and designated below:

Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege: Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer. Contract Negotiation.

Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship: Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting. Employment Relationship.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Dennis, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, assembled in public session on March 01, 2016, that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on March 01, 2016 prior to the close of the above night's meeting in the Dennis Township Municipal Complex, 571 Petersburg Road, Dennisville, New Jersey, for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designed above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Township Committee that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

ATTEST _____ **ATTEST** _____
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 Tozer, seconded by Salimbene, with 5 ayes and no nays, that the payment of the following bills was approved:

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

039198-Twp of Dennis Payroll Account	\$ 51,568.62
039199-Atlantic City Electric	4,373.21
039200-Animal Control of South Jersey	600.00
039201-A.N.J.E.C.	360.00
039202-Belleplaine Emergency Corp.	44,202.36
039203-Cape May County BOA Agent Acct.	80.00
039204-Computer Access Systems	86.25
039205-Chemsearch Corp.	398.97
039206-Thomas Cotellese	50.00
039207-Country Barn Florist, Inc.	65.00
039208-Dennis Twp Board of Education	1,215,536.79
039209-Delta Dental	2,752.80
039210-Sheree L. Dever	588.72
039211-Jeanette M. Ennis	113.50
039212-The Gem Grocery & Gas	58.72
039213-Roy J. Hope	299.79
039214-Kimball-Midwest	23.49
039215-K-Mart	124.11
039216-M.C.A.G.C.	40.00
039217-Nimco, Inc.	363.90
039218-NJ Shade Tree Federation	95.00
039219-Kathleen Pittaluga	242.59
039220-P.L.I.C. – SBD Grand Island	112.21
039221-Remington & Vernick Engineers	3,898.00
039222-Schoppy, Inc.	60.00
039223-Schwaab, Inc.	139.72
039224-Service Tire Truck Centers	829.84
039225-Shady Maple Smorgasbord	641.76
039226-Splash Zone Water Park	700.00
039227-Staples Credit Plan	517.88
039228-State Treasurer	50.00
039229-Kevin & Denise Stelmach	412.09
039230-Suburban Propane – 2115	1,012.21
039231-Carolyn P. Swagler	104.90

039232-Township of Upper	2,473.31
039233-Verizon	1,629.13
039234-V.E. Ralph & Son, Inc.	53.14
039235-Vision Service Plan	770.98
039236-Young's Skating Center	75.00

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

Municipal Clerk's Report	February, 2016
Registrar's Report	February, 2016
Chief Finance Officer's Report	January, 2016
Engineer's Report	03/01/2016

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

Diann Walters of Scotty Drive in South Dennis updated the Committee on the ARC's grant application for funding from the County's Open Space Grants and how it relates to compliance with the Township's 1989 Zoning Board Resolution's conditions. She indicated that she had attended the Freeholders' meeting and Freeholder Morey advised her that they were moving forward on the grant and that the non-compliance with the 1989 Zoning Board Resolution was an issue she would have to take up with the Township. Ms. Walters commented further on the Freeholder meeting and indicated that she was having her attorney contact County Counsel, Jim Arsenault. The Committee commented and the Mayor instructed the Solicitor to contact County Counsel as well. Ms. Walters indicated that the portable toilets have been removed and commented on the respite program and the application from 2011. Mayor Murphy commented on the respite program and indicated that he will not go against the program that helps the handicapped. The Committee discussed the ARC's grant application and the 1989 Zoning Board Resolution conditions. Ms. Walters commented further on the application and indicated that the ARC's Engineer attributes some of the buildings issues with it being used as an office and she indicated that they say a future plan is to add on a larger conference center. Ms. Walters commented on attending the Zoning Board Meeting to keep them updated.

Motion was made by O'Connor, seconded by Tozer that the public comment portion was closed.

Mayor Murphy asked for comments from the Township Committee.

Committeewoman Fry-DeRose commented on the green assessment cards received in the mail and reminded everyone that if they plan to appeal their assessments they must file their appeal by April 1st. She also commented on the 7th & 8th Dennis Rec girls basketball team winning their championship.

Committeewoman Salimbene commented on the Dennis Township Environmental Commission and the items they have going on such as the guest speaker at their meeting from the American Littoral Society who talked about the aquifer, water conservation and storm water runoff. She indicated that the Environmental Commission was sponsoring a 4th Grade Poster Contest to address storm water runoff and littering awareness. Committeewoman Salimbene indicated that the Environmental Commission would be handing out seedlings on April 9th at the Community Day festivities. She stated that Ray Rebmann, Curator of the Dennis Township Museum, indicated that the Upper Township Historical Society is interested in making a switch regarding a historical base drum. She commended the Maintenance Workers at the Rec on getting the walking path cleared in a timely manner.

Committeeman Tozer indicated that he had no comments this evening.

Deputy Mayor O'Connor advised everyone that tomorrow night is the Reading Rumpus at the School and invited everyone to come out and that Sunday, March 20th is the Easter Egg Hunt at the Recreation Complex and it is always a fun time with the Recreation Staff doing a great job. He stated that the Middle Township High School Girls Team won the Cape Atlantic League Championship and that out of a roster of 13 girls 9 of them were from Dennis Township coming from the same program that Committeewoman DeRose's daughter played in. He commented on the kids coming from our community and indicated that won again tonight.

Mayor Murphy thanked everyone for coming this evening and indicated that we would be going into an Executive Session.

Township Solicitor Jeff April indicated that we are going into Executive Session to discuss Contract Negotiations and Employment Relationship. He noted that the Township's Labor Counsel, Bill Blaney, was present and that he does not anticipated that there will be any formal action after the Executive Session.

Motion was made by O'Connor, seconded by Tozer, all in favor that the Township Committee take a few minute recess and then have an Executive Session.

The Solicitor indicated that the record should reflect that in the Closed Executive Session the Committee discussed contract negotiations with Public Works Employees. He indicated that Labor Counsel, Bill Blaney, was present and that no formal action was taken, however, Mr. Blaney and Committeeman Tozer will be meeting with the Union Representatives this Friday at 3:00 p.m.. He stated that they also discussed with Mr. Blaney benefits as it relates to sick and vacation for part-time employees and that no formal action was taken on that matter and that the final item discussed was the Animal Shelter and as a result of that discussion he has been authorized to contact the County Solicitor, Jim Arsenault, to see if we can have a 1 year contract with four 1 year options.

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