

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK HELD DECEMBER 16, 2014**

A Regular Meeting of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee was held on December 16, 2014 with Mayor Timothy W. Bradway calling the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**STATEMENT OF NOTICE GIVEN**

The Township Clerk read the following statement.

This is a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek being held in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" N.J.S.A. 10:4-6. To insure the right of citizens to have adequate advance notice of and the right to attend meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting them is discussed or acted upon. Advance written notice of this meeting was given by way of an Annual Notice, which was filed with the Lower Alloways Creek Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times, posted on the Township's Website and the Bulletin Board in the lobby of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Municipal Building in compliance with said Act.

**FLAG SALUTE** Mayor Bradway led in the Flag Salute.

**ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE**

**Present:** Mr. Breslin, Mr. Palombo, Mrs. Pompper, Mr. Venable, and Mayor Bradway **Absent:** None

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Also in attendance were -12- (Twelve) members of the Public and Jack Lynch, Superintendent of Public Works; Lewis Fogg, Public Works Foreman; David Sowers, Director of Public Safety ; George Rosenberger, Solicitor and the Township Clerk Ronald L Campbell Sr.

**APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS**

Motion (Pompper, Venable) that all properly audited vouchers be paid.

The motion to pay properly audited vouchers passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo, and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: Pompper # 17442, Breslin # 17418 Absent: none

**MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE**

The Mayor requested that the minutes reflect that the November 2014 Monthly Reports to the Township Committee have been received from the following Departments and are on file with the Clerk: Police Department, Municipal Court, Tax Collector, Sewer Collector, Construction Office, Engineer, Animal Control and Finance.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion (Pompper, Venable) to approve the Regular and Closed Session Minutes of the Meeting held November 17, 2014.

The motion to approve the Regular and Closed Session Minutes of the Meeting held November 17, 2014 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo, and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Mrs. Stratton of Stow Creek was given the opportunity to speak on the issue of Verizon phone landlines. Mrs. Stratton stated that she was one of several volunteers in Greenwich and Stow Creek that took on the Verizon Phone Line issue and as a result of several years of work and were able to get the gold standard, Fiber Optics installed to every home, business and the schools. The Stow Creek / Greenwich story which is a five year story, resulted in the NJ BPU issuing two show cause orders. One dealt with service quality issues on land line phones. Mrs. Stratton stated that we all are aware of the issues with Verizon landlines, which may fail to operate in certain weather conditions such as rain or dampness. We all have heard the

stories of getting your phone line fixed only to have a neighbor lose their service (switching pairs) or visa verse.

Mrs. Stratton stated that the other NJ BPU show cause order was about a Verizon internet upgrade program called Opportunity NJ, this was for Verizon to make available high speed internet to all residents of New Jersey by 2010. Verizon has closed this issue based on an agreement between the BPU and Verizon last spring, but basically nothing was ever accomplished by Verizon in this regard.

Mrs. Stratton stated that the first show cause order issue regarding land line issues is still open and Hopewell Township is currently actively pursuing compiling the resident's complaints. A survey pamphlet was put in their July tax bills for residents, they only received 32 back. People had just accepted that their phone would not work in certain conditions and had given up complaining about it or even talking about it.

Mr. Venable commented that Mrs. Stratton told him that she used the proximity to the Power Plants in her argument but that it did not seem to have any influence. Mrs. Stratton feels for LAC's situation with their proximity to the Nuclear Plants, a point she made at every meeting about Stow Creek and Greenwich being in the "ten mile circle", it is a shame that for emergency evacuation notifications alone that things were not corrected, but that fact never seemed to have any weight. Mrs. Stratton stated that with the advancement of the technology we have today with cell phones, that really, the Emergency Plan of the Nuclear Plant should be updated to include those technologies.

Mrs. Stratton commented that Stow Creek has a cell tower up and operating, but the one set for Greenwich has not been started yet. Like LAC, Greenwich has a problem with 911 calls going to Delaware, so this is an important issue.

Mrs. Stratton stated that Hopewell Township is now pursuing this issue, as you may have seen in the paper recently. Mrs. Stratton showed a map that was put together of Hopewell Township that includes placement of every home, where complaints are coming from and where Comcast cable exists. Mrs. Stratton stated that this map and the complaints were sent to the NJ BPU about two weeks ago. There has been a change of the guard at the BPU, so everything has slowed down internally there because of that.

Mrs. Stratton stated that she would suggest this as a strategy to LAC as well. Get motivated people to go door to door and get the complaints to the BPU, to show that there are problems that need correcting. Get the local State representatives involved, Mrs. Stratton stated that Ed Purcell from the NJSLOM was very helpful as well. This is the only way to get the BPU to make Verizon fix the land line problems.

Mayor Bradway thanked Mrs. Stratton for her comments and suggestions.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Motion (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2014-130 A Resolution authorizing Transfers in the 2014 Current Budget in the amount of \$ 5,000.00.

### **RESOLUTION 2014-130**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS IN THE 2014 BUDGET CURRENT OPERATING FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00.**

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek has found it necessary to recommend that Transfers be made within the Current Operating Fund of the 2014 Budget of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek on December 16, 2014 in the amount of \$5,000.00 ; and,

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey authorizes under N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, the transforming of funds from one line item to another during the last two (2) months of the current budget fiscal year, by a resolution adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the full membership, except that no transfers may be made from an appropriation outside the CAP to an appropriation within the CAP; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does concur with the Chief Financial Officers recommendation to make such Transfers as follows:

FROM:		
Administration		
O/E		<u>\$5,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$5,000.00

TO:		
Telephone		
		<u>\$5,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$5,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, no less than 2/3 of the full voting Committee affirming, that these transfers be made on December 16, 2014 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 in the 2014 Budget Current Operation fund as follows:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the CFO, Kevin Clour.

The motion for Resolution 2014-130 authorizing Transfers in the 2014 Current Budget in the amount of \$ 5,000.00 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Palombo, Venable) for Resolution 2014-131 A Resolution to authorize a Shared Services Agreement by and between LAC, Elsinboro and Mannington Townships for Trash & Recycling Pickup and Disposal Services in 2015.

**RESOLUTION 2014- 131**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH AND BETWEEN ELSINBORO TOWNSHIP, MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP AND LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP FOR TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES IN 2015**

WHEREAS the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to continue a Shared Services Agreement for Trash and Recycling Services with Elsinboro and Mannington Townships, and;

WHEREAS, municipalities can enter into such Shared Services Agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 et seq., and;

WHEREAS, the three Townships have agreed to the terms, conditions and scheduling to be memorialized within the Shared Services Agreement for Trash and Recycling Services in 2015.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Trash and Recycling Services with and between Elsinboro Township, Mannington Township and Lower Alloways Creek Township with the following cost sharing agreement;

	<b>2015</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Quarterly</b>
	Elsinboro	\$ 87,636.00	\$ 21,909.00
	Mannington	\$ 78,705.00	\$ 19,676.25

	LAC	\$110,951.00	\$ 27,153.50
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Clerks of the Township of Elsinboro, the Township of Mannington and the Superintendent of Public Works for Lower Alloways Township.

The motion for Resolution 2014-131 to authorize a Shared Services Agreement by and between LAC, Elsinboro and Mannington Townships for Trash & Recycling Pickup and Disposal Services in 2015 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Palombo, Venable, Breslin, Pompper and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2014-132 A Resolution authorizing the 2015 Senior & Disabled Transportation Agreement with the County of Salem.

**RESOLUTION 2014-132**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK AND THE COUNTY OF SALEM FOR SENIOR AND DISABLED RESIDENTS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE YEAR 2015

WHEREAS, The Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, recognizes the need for transportation services for senior and disabled residents in Salem County; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to enter into an agreement with the County of Salem to provide for the transportation of senior and disabled residents for the year 2015; and,

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8a-1 et seq. authorizes and empowers local government entities to enter into such agreements; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Lower Alloways Creek as part of the transportation service may lease through the County of Salem, motor vehicles to be used to transport senior and disabled residents and provide drivers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Lower Alloways Creek that it authorizes an agreement for Senior and Disabled Transportation Services by and between the Township of Lower Alloways Creek and the County of Salem for the year 2015.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of Lower Alloways Creek that it authorizes, an agreement for the leasing of motor vehicles from the County of Salem to be used for the transportation of senior and disabled residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute agreements with the County of Salem for the transportation of Senior and Disabled residents and the leasing of motor vehicles for the transportation of the same after approval of the documents by the Township Solicitor.

The motion for Resolution 2014-132 authorizing the 2015 Senior & Disabled Transportation Agreement with the County of Salem passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0-1

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin and Palombo

Nays: none Abstain: Bradway Absent: none

Motion (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2014-133 A Resolution to award a contract to Deerfield Electric Construction, Inc. for providing Electrical Services to the Township for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 at a cost of \$ 110.00 per hour, normal workday rate.

**RESOLUTION 2014-133**

A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO DEERFIELD ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION, INC. OF MILLVILLE FOR ELECTRICAL SERVICES FROM JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016 AT \$ 110.00 /HOUR AS A NORMAL WORKDAY RATE

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek has need of Electrical Services, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee had previously authorized the Township Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for Electrical Services, and;

WHEREAS, bids were received and opened on the day and time specified in the RFP Proposal, and;

WHEREAS, Deerfield Electric Construction, Inc. submitted the lowest responsible bid, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Purchasing Agent has recommended awarding a contract to Deerfield Electric Construction, Inc. for providing Electrical Services to the Township from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016 at a cost of \$ 110.00 /hour normal workday rate.

WHEREAS, the Township Purchasing Agent has or will certify that funds are available for this purpose from budget line items, 05-26-310-203 & 05-31-455-203 and other O&E line items as may apply.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does hereby award a contract to Deerfield Electric Construction, Inc. for providing Electrical Services from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016 at a cost of \$110.00 /hour normal workday rate.

The motion for Resolution 2014-133 to award a contract to Deerfield Electric Construction, Inc. for providing Electrical Services to the Township for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 at a cost of \$ 110.00 per hour, normal workday rate passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2014-134 A Resolution to cancel checks, which have not been deposited or otherwise, cashed in the amount of \$ 280.00.

**RESOLUTION 2014- 134**

A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL CHECKS WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN DEPOSITED OR OTHERWISE CASHED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 280.00

WHEREAS, there are checks that remain outstanding on the Current Account in the amount of \$280.00, and;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer is recommending that the Township Committee formally cancel from its books these outstanding checks that have not been deposited or otherwise cashed, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to cancel these outstanding checks that have not been deposited or otherwise cashed in the amount of \$280.00 to surplus funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways that the following checks are hereby cancelled to surplus funds:

<u>Check #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>
16249	10/09/2013	\$70.00	Barbara Garozzo
16316	10/28/2013	\$210.00	Salem County Clerk's Office

The motion for Resolution 2014-134 to cancel checks, which have not been deposited or otherwise, cashed in the amount of \$ 280.00 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway  
Nays: none      Abstain: none      Absent: none

Motion (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2014-135 A Resolution to approve an agreement with The South West Council, Inc. for Employee Assistance Program Services.

### **RESOLUTION 2014-135**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE SOUTHWEST COUNCIL, INC. FOR EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to acquire the Professional Services of a Substance Abuse Professional under provisions of the Local Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(7), "Extraordinary unspecifiable services", and;

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has determined and certified to writing that the value of the acquisition will not exceed \$ 3,500.00

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, in the County of Salem and the State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township Committee hereby appoints for the year 2015 The Southwest Council, Inc. for Employee Assistance and Substance Abuse Professional Services
2. The anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year
3. Certification of funds from the CFO has been or will be received stating that funds will be encumbered by Purchase Order as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4
4. Said appointment is made without competitive bidding as a professional service under the "Extraordinary unspecifiable services" provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law
5. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute agreements with the aforesaid in connection with such professional services
6. A copy of this resolution shall be published in "South Jersey Times" as required by law, within ten (10) days of the date of the passage of this resolution or in lieu thereof.

The motion for Resolution 2014-135 to approve an agreement with The South West Council, Inc. for Employee Assistance Program Services passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway  
Nays: none      Abstain: none      Absent: none

Motion (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2014-136 A Resolution to cancel certain Capital Ordinance Appropriations and their unexpended balances totaling \$ 308,756.26.

### RESOLUTION 2014-136

#### A RESOLUTION CANCELING UNEXPENDED BALANCES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 308,756.26 OF SPECIFIC CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township Committee of the Township of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek to cancel the unexpended balances of specific Capital Ordinance Appropriations previously authorized by the Township Committee, from which all encumbrances have been satisfied and projects completed; and

WHEREAS, the CFO recommends canceling certain Capital Ordinance Appropriations and their unexpended balances totaling \$ **308,756.26** and that the canceled funds, be placed back in the General Capital Account Fund for use on other Capital Projects so authorized by future Ordinances.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that the following Capital Projects, with unexpended funds be canceled and the funds in the amount of \$ **308,756.26** be returned to the General Capital Account Fund as recommended by the Chief Financial Officer.

Capital Account		Original Appropriation	Balance
ORD 2011-09	Solar Panels / Jaws of Life	\$1,012,000.00	\$ 307,838.52
ORD 2013-04	PW Equipment	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 917.74
	Totals	\$ <b>1,102,000.00</b>	\$ <b>308,756.26</b>

The motion for Resolution 2014-136 to cancel certain Capital Ordinance Appropriations and their unexpended balances totaling \$ 308,756.26 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2014-137 A Resolution supporting FOP Awareness.

### RESOLUTION 2014-137

#### A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FIBRODYSPLASIA OSSIFICANS PROGRESSIVA (F.O.P.) AWARENESS

WHEREAS, The Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee, having made this Resolution on behalf of Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva known as F.O.P. to hopefully one day display a Proclamation/Resolution book in Washington, D.C. on behalf and in support of the children/young adults in the state of New Jersey afflicted with F.O.P. and equally show concern for all other children afflicted with F.O.P.; and

WHEREAS, Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressive is a rare genetic condition in which the body makes additional bone where bone should not form, such as within muscle, tendons, ligaments and other connective tissues. Symptoms of FOP include excruciating pain and distortion of the existing skeletal frame; and

WHEREAS, A gene has been identified after 15 years of hard research by the University of Pennsylvania, the only known research facility currently investigating a cure for this; and

WHEREAS, Discoveries made in the F.O.P. lab by scientists and researchers may aid in the treatment or cure for other genetic diseases such as osteoporosis, arthritis, and spinal cord injuries; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of FOP usually begin in the first or second decade of life, with the majority of patients diagnosed by age 10, depriving children of normal development. One in every seven Americans suffers from musculoskeletal impairment causing physical disability and severe long-term pain. FOP affects approximately 2,500 people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, The Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee commends Gary W. Whyte and his wife and three sons for their dedication in making others aware of this affliction and for their work and support for the benefit of F.O.P. research;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does hereby proclaim to acknowledge and help enlighten the people of the United States with the book being sent to Washington, D.C. emphasizing the needed awareness of F.O.P.

The motion for Resolution 2014-137 supporting FOP Awareness passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway  
Nays: none      Abstain: none      Absent: none

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mayor Bradway stated that a letter had been received from the Township Solicitor regarding the placement of car seats in Police Vehicles and was in the agenda packet for the Committee to review, did anyone have any comments. No one had any comments on the letter.

Mr. Breslin stated that there was a letter in everyone's box from the CFO regarding the number of pay periods which needed to be determined for 2015. Mayor Bradway stated that the issue was resolved by scheduling 27 pays in 2015, because either way 2015 or 2016 would need to have 27 pays, so it was determined to make it 2015.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Bradway asked the Committee when they would like to schedule the 2015 reorganization meeting, it was normally held on January 1 at 10:00 am. No one had any objections to this date and time.

Motion (Breslin, Pompper) to approve the purchase of five (5) MSA L-30 Stealth Air Bottles from FFI Professional Safety Services at a cost of \$ 4,818.66.

The motion to approve the purchase of five (5) MSA L-30 Stealth Air Bottles from FFI Professional Safety Services at a cost of \$ 4,818.66 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Breslin, Pompper, Palombo, Venable and Bradway  
Nays: none      Abstain: none      Absent: none

Motion (Breslin, Palombo) to approve the purchase of one Thermal Camera Kit for the Fire Department from Jersey Fire & Safety Products at a cost of \$ 4,300.00.

The motion to approve the purchase of one Thermal Camera Kit for the Fire Department from Jersey Fire & Safety Products at a cost of \$ 4,300.00 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Breslin, Palombo, Pompper, Venable and Bradway  
Nays: none      Abstain: none      Absent: none

There was a discussion by the Committee about making repairs to a rusted flange on the Fire Company's Tanker Trailer, where the funds will come from and whether there are sufficient funds to make the repairs.

Motion (Bradway, Pompper) to get an estimate on what the repairs will be to have the Fire Tanker's rusted flange repaired and to proceed with the repairs if the estimate does not to exceed \$5000.00, otherwise further action will need to be taken at the next meeting.

The motion to get an estimate on what the repairs will be to have the Fire Tanker's rusted flange repaired and to proceed with the repairs if the estimate does not to exceed \$5000.00, otherwise further action will need to be taken at the next meeting passed a vote of the Township Committee as Follows: 5-0

Ayes: Bradway, Pompper, Breslin, Palombo and Venable

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Venable, Pompper) to approve a scholarship to Salem Community College for Dylan Rush, tuition only.

The motion to approve a scholarship to Salem Community College for Dylan Rush, tuition only passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Pompper, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

**CORRESPONDENCE** None

## **REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Public Works**

Mr. Lynch stated that all the remaining issues the NJDEP has had with the well and water supply at Leisure Arms have been resolved. Mr. Lynch thanked Mr. Rosenberger for his advice and counsel over the years and that he wished Mr. Rosenberger well in his retirement.

Mr. Fogg commented that there was a blood drive in Honor of Mrs. Coleman and Mrs. Hill on the 18<sup>th</sup> and he wondered if the Committee would let Public Works Employees attend that drive starting at 2:00 pm. The Committee had no objections.

### **Public Safety**

Mr. Sowers stated that he would like recognize those who responded to a recent medical situation at the Leisure Arms Complex; Officers Rambo, Johnson and DeParre took turns with CPR and performed those duties well.

Mr. Sowers stated that the new sign for the Police Department entrance is almost completed.

Mr. Sowers stated that he would like to recognize Corp. Carlson for his efforts in the collection of Toys for Tots, over a hundred toys were given out to those in need and might not have had a Christmas.

Committee members wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and thanked Mr. Rosenberger for his service to the Township, wishing him a happy and long retirement.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mrs. Hill and representative from the Salem Little League spoke to the Committee about the need for ball fields for the league. There are several fields in the townships that make up the league's area that are used, but they are always looking for good locations to use. They feel each municipality should help support the league that their children play in. They are looking at the fields here at the Municipal Building Complex and at the pool. Any help the Township could give them would be appreciated, they do have insurance and are willing to work with the townships and practice will begin in April.

Mr. George Stiles thanked the Police Department who have helped him recently.

**Public Comment on the Hazardous Mitigation proposed Plan.** No one from the public had any comments.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Motion (Pompper, Venable) to convene into a Closed Session of Business 8:22 pm

**RESOLUTION 2014- 138**  
**A RESOLUTION FOR A CLOSED SESSION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that a portion of the meeting of the Township Committee be closed to the public to enable the Township Committee to discuss, and where appropriate, take action concerning the following matter(s) as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

\_\_\_ 3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

\_\_\_ 4. Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions, which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

\_\_\_ 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than in (4) above in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matter 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.

More specifically, the matter to be discussed involves the following:

- A. Personnel – Police Dept.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the matters discussed will be available for public inspection

- A. At such time the matter is concluded

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Closed Session is expected to continue for 15 (fifteen) Minutes and that further business by the Committee will take place at its conclusion.

The motion for the Closed Session of Business passed a vote of the Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Pompper, Bradway) to come out of the Closed Session of business. 8:41 pm

The motion to come out of the Closed Session of Business passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

**BUSINESS AFTER CLOSED SESSION**

Motion (Bradway, Pompper) for Resolution 2014-139 to promote Sergeant Richard W Venable Jr. to the rank of Lieutenant.

**RESOLUTION 2014-139**  
**A RESOLUTION PROMOTING LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP POLICE OFFICER,  
SERGEANT RICHARD W VENABLE JR. TO THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to make a promotion within the Lower Alloways Creek Police Department, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek may, using the provision found in Chapter 43, section 5, subsection B of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek make a promotion in rank and;

WHEREAS the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does desire to promote Sergeant Richard W Venable Jr. to the rank of Lieutenant.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek in the County of Salem, and the State of New Jersey that it hereby promotes Sergeant Richard W Venable Jr. to the rank of Lieutenant effective January 1, 2015.

The motion to promote Sergeant Richard W Venable Jr. to the rank of Lieutenant passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0-1

Ayes: Bradway, Pompper, Breslin and Palombo  
Nays: none Abstain: Venable Absent: none

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion (Pompper, Venable) to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.  
The motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.

Minutes of the December 16, 2014 Meeting were approved at a meeting held January 20, 2015

ATTEST: LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald L Campbell Sr. Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor, Timothy W. Bradway