

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK HELD SEPTEMBER 15, 2015**

A Regular Meeting of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee was held on September 15, 2015 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 -2- (two) members of the Public, Lewis Fogg, Public Works Foreman; David Sowers, Director of Public Safety; Jean S. Chetney, Solicitor and the Township Clerk Ronald L Campbell Sr.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Motion (Venable, Pompper) 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: Venable, Pompper, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

The Mayor requested that the minutes reflect that the August 2015 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 and Finance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion (Pompper, Venable) to approve the Regular and Closed Session Minutes of the Meeting held August 18, 2015.

The motion to approve the Regular and Closed Session Minutes of the Meeting held August 18, 2015 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

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

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

RESOLUTIONS

Motion (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2015-101, A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Cumberland to oppose and prevent Verizon NJ from discontinuing landline transmission maintenance.

RESOLUTION 2015-101

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND FOR SERVICES RELATED TO A PETITION BEFORE THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES REGARDING THE INTENDED DISCONTINUANCE OF MAINTENANCE OF COPPER LANDLINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS WIRING BY VERIZON NEW JERSEY, INC. (VERIZON NJ)

WHEREAS, the rural areas of the State of New Jersey are serviced by Verizon New Jersey, Inc. (Verizon NJ) with respect to landline telephone service; and,

WHEREAS, landline telephone service and copper wiring utilized in connection therewith also transmits DSL internet service; and,

WHEREAS, existing landline services are necessary and instrumental to existing telecommunications facilities; and,

WHEREAS, Verizon NJ has declared its intention to meet its Opportunity New Jersey (ONJ) obligation in rural areas through DSL and not fiber optic technology; and,

WHEREAS, DSL service is transmitted over copper wiring transmission lines which is also utilized for landline telephone service; and,

WHEREAS, Verizon NJ has declared that it no longer intends to maintain landline telecommunication wires and facilities in rural areas of the State of New Jersey, and has requested the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) to allow Verizon NJ to discontinue maintaining copper landline transmission facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the discontinuance of such maintenance would directly and significantly adversely affect the users of landline service, including, but not limited to public entities, private companies and private enterprise, private individuals and residents in rural areas; and,

WHEREAS, the discontinuance of maintenance of copper landline transmission facilities would inevitably result in the deterioration of communication facilities within the rural areas of New Jersey, resulting in loss or diminution of telephone services and internet services; and

WHEREAS, the deterioration of such facilities and communication capabilities would result in deterioration of economic opportunities and activity, all of which would have serious repercussions to the economic and social well-being of residents and businesses within in rural areas of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek deems it to be essential to the public interest to oppose and prevent Verizon NJ from discontinuing landline transmission maintenance which would have significant economic and social consequences to the region; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek is desirous of preventing discontinuance of landline transmission maintenance by Verizon NJ and has agreed to work with the consortium of municipalities and other entities to petition the BPU in an effort to prevent

Verizon New Jersey from abandoning landline maintenance in rural areas of New Jersey; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek is desirous of assisting and cooperating with other public entities as set forth in this agreement to pursue a petition before the BPU to prevent discontinuance of maintenance respecting landline transmission facilities; and

WHEREAS, the parties are authorized pursuant to the Uniformed Shared Services Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40:65-1, et seq. to enter into a shared services agreement to provide such services that either party, acting alone could provide on its own behalf.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the shared services agreement between the County of Cumberland and the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek for the reasons set forth in the preamble hereto, is hereby approved in the form on file with the Clerk of this governing body.
2. That this agreement may be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and authorization is hereby extended to file and return the shared services agreement and to file same with the Clerk of this governing body.

The motion for Resolution 2015-101 authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Cumberland to oppose and prevent Verizon NJ from discontinuing landline transmission maintenance 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 2015-102, A Resolution in support of the replacement of County bridge 1399 over the Alloway Creek.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK, COUNTY OF SALEM,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY REGARDING THE REPLACEMENT OF THE ROUTE 623 BRIDGE
OVER THE ALLOWAY CREEK

WHEREAS, Salem County over the course of the past twenty-five years has been aware that bridge #1399 over the Alloway Creek on County Road 623, commonly known to the area residents and others as “New Bridge” would not continue to be and is not now structurally adequate for vehicle traffic; and,

WHEREAS, Salem County did close and block off entirely bridge #1399 over Alloway Creek on County Route 623 in the mid 2000’s because it was not structurally adequate to bear vehicle traffic; and,

WHEREAS, bridge #1399 over the Alloway Creek on County Road 623 is now in such a state that its fate seems to be collapsing down into the Alloway Creek; and,

WHEREAS, over the last twenty-five years several engineering reports and studies commissioned by Salem County and the Salem County Engineer’s Office, have concluded that an entire new bridge structure needs to be erected over the Alloway Creek on County Road 623 to accommodate vehicle traffic; and,

WHEREAS, bridge #1399 over the Alloway Creek on County Road 623 remains unusable and deteriorating as the Salem County Freeholders have not provided for its replacement as it has for many other County bridges, large or small in need of replacement or repairs; and,

WHEREAS, a functional bridge over the Alloway Creek on County Road 623 would be an artery for vehicular traffic providing connection with other highway system routes, such as State Route 49 and beyond, contributing not only to the flow of traffic to and from Lower Alloways Creek Township, but also providing a corridor for economic opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, a functional bridge over the Alloway Creek on County Road 623 would provide for an emergency evacuation route for residents of Lower Alloways Creek and employees of PSEG, Nuclear, LLC as it had in the past; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek is in support of Salem County securing funding for and the replacement of County bridge #1399, at the soonest opportunity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, County of Salem and State of New Jersey to hereby go on record once again in the support of the replacement of County bridge #1399 over the Alloway Creek on County Route 623.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Salem County Freeholder Board, the State Representatives in the Legislature and Senate and to the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

Mrs. Pompper stated that she had been discussing with a Freeholder the traffic pattern at the intersection of New Bridge and Beasley Neck Road and it was mentioned that the County was trying to sell the bridge on Govdeals.com. Mrs. Pompper told the Freeholder that the Township still was waiting for it to be replaced. Mrs. Pompper was told that the Freeholders did not think LAC was interested in getting the bridge fixed. Mrs. Pompper stated to the Freeholder that LAC has always wanted the bridge fixed and will send the Board a resolution stating such, that is how this resolution has come about.

The motion for Resolution 2015-102 in support of the replacement of County bridge 1399 over the Alloway Creek 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 2015-103, A Resolution to approve a Green Communities Grant / Community Forestry Management Plan Agreement with the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection Grant Identifier FS16-132 in the amount of \$3,000.00.

**GRANT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP
AND
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BY AND FOR
THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
GRANT IDENTIFIER: PF11-031
GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION 2015- 103**

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of approximately \$ 3,000.00 to fund the following project:

Green Communities Grant
Community Forestry Management Plan.

THEREFORE, the governing body resolves that, Kevin S. Clour or the successor to the office of Township Chief Financial Officer is authorized (a) to make application for such a grant, (b) if awarded, to execute a grant agreement with the State for a grant in an amount not less than \$ 3,000.00 and not more than \$ 3,000.00, and (c) to execute any amendments thereto any amendments thereto which do not increase the Grantee's obligations.

* The Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek authorizes and hereby agrees to match 50% of the Total Project Amount, in compliance with the match requirements of the agreement. The availability of the match for such purposes, whether cash, services, or property, is hereby certified 100 % of the match will be made up of in-kind services (if allowed by grant program requirements and the agreement).*

The Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable federal, State, and municipal laws, rules, and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

The Clerk stated that this is a replacement grant for one the Township was to receive two years ago, but it has been on had waiting for the Forrester to make the Township's Community Forestry Management Plan.

The motion for Resolution 2015-103 to approve a Green Communities Grant / Community Forestry Management Plan Agreement with the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection Grant Identifier FS16-132 in the amount of \$3,000.00 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 (Pompper, Venable) for Resolution 2015-104, A Resolution approving the submitting of a grant application and authorizing the executing of a grant agreement with the NJDOT for the Alloways Creek Neck Road Project Section III.

RESOLUTION 2015-104

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTING OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTING OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NJDOT FOR THE ALLOWAYS CREEK NECK ROAD PROJECT SECTION III.

WHEREAS, the Public Works Superintendent has recommended that the Township Committee consider authorizing the submittal of a grant application for and executing an agreement with the NJDOT for the resurfacing of Alloways Creek Neck Road Section III, and;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek to apply for grant funds and execute an agreement with the NJDOT for such a project, and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as NJDOT SAGE # MA-2016-Lower Alloways Creek Township-000192 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Lower Alloways Creek Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement

The motion for Resolution 2015-104 approving the submitting of a grant application and authorizing the executing of a grant agreement with the NJDOT for the Alloways Creek Neck Road Project Section III passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

ORDINANCE (INTRODUCTION)

Motion (Breslin, Venable) to introduce Ordinance 2015-07, an ordinance to amend Chapter 138 known as “Streets and Sidewalks”, Section 138-22 Restoration of property, establishing procedures regarding the placement, replacement or removal of public utility poles or underground facilities pursuant to the authority provided in N.J.S.A. 48:3-17a.

ORDINANCE 2013-07

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 138 KNOWN AS “STREETS AND SIDEWALKS”; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES REGARDING THE PLACEMENT, REPLACEMENT OR REMOVAL OF PUBLIC UTILITY POLES OR UNDERGROUND FACILITIES PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY PROVIDED IN N.J.S.A. 48:3-17a

Be it ordained by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, as follows:

Section 1. The Lower Alloways Creek Township Code Chapter 138 known as “Streets & Sidewalks”, is hereby amended by to include the following addition language in Article VI, section §138-22:

ARTICLE VI

PUBLIC UTILITY POLES AND UNDERGROUND FACILITIES

§138-22 Restoration of property

A. After a public utility places a new pole or replaces a pole, all utilities that were located on the old pole or any nearby poles that can be placed on the new or replacement pole shall be transferred onto the new or replacement pole within 90 days.

B. After completing the placement, replacement or removal of a pole or an underground facility pursuant to this ordinance, the public utility shall remove from such right of way any pole or underground facility no longer in use as well as any other debris created from such placement, replacement or removal and restore the property including, but not limited to, the installation of a hot patch as needed to restore the property within the right of way to its previous condition as much as possible.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by the law.

Public Hearing on this Ordinance shall be on October 20, 2015 at 7:30 p.m., at the Municipal Building, 501 Locust Island Road, Hancock’s Bridge, New Jersey.

This Ordinance which was introduced for First Reading on September 15, 2015 shall be published by Title in the South Jersey Times and placed on the Township’s Bulletin Board giving notice of said Public Hearing as required by Law.

The motion to introduce for first reading Ordinance 2015-07 an Ordinance to amend Chapter 138 known as “Streets and Sidewalks”, Section 138-22 Restoration of property, establishing procedures regarding the placement, replacement or removal of public utility poles or underground facilities pursuant to the authority provided in N.J.S.A. 48:3-17a passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

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

ORDINANCE (PUBLIC HEARING)

Ordinance 2015-05, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 69 known as Boat Ramp, Municipal.

Mayor Bradway opened the meeting to a Public Hearing on Ordinance 2015-05

Public Comments:

There was a comment from the public that one sticker should be issued per vehicle (69-5b) and not include the boat. A vehicle may tow several different boats that a person may have, otherwise some residents will then need to have several stickers, to have one for each boat, but you can only tow one boat at a time.

Mayor Bradway closed the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2015-05

Motion (Breslin, Venable) for final adoption of Ordinance 2015-05, an ordinance to Amend Chapter 69 known as Boat Ramp, Municipal.

ORDINANCE 2015-05

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 69 KNOWN AS “BOAT RAMP, MUNICIPAL” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to amend Chapter 69 known as “Boat Ramp, Municipal” in its entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that:

Section 1. Chapter 69 of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek is hereby amended as follows:

CHAPTER 69

BOAT RAMP, MUNICIPAL

§ 69-1. **Purpose.**

§ 69-2. **Designation; availability.**

§ 69-3. **Applicable Area.**

§ 69-4. **Eligible Users.**

§ 69-5. **Stickers.**

§ 69-6. **Prohibited Activities.**

§ 69-7. **Parking.**

§ 69-8. **Violations and penalties.**

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek 12-20-1982 as Ord. No. 82-43. Revised 09-15-2015 by Ordinance 2015-05, Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Parks and recreational facilities—See Ch. 127.

§ 69-1. Purpose. [Amended 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05]

This chapter is enacted for the purpose of designating the boat ramp which the Township of Lower Alloways Creek constructed at Front Street in Hancock's Bridge as the Municipal Boat Ramp. It is further intended to establish who shall be entitled to utilize the ramp and guidelines and procedures so that the facilities thereon may be safely used for the benefit of the general public and to establish penalties for unauthorized use of said ramp and parking area.

§ 69-2. Designation; availability. [Amended 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05]

The boat ramp located at Front Street in Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey, shall hereinafter be known as the "Lower Alloways Creek Municipal Boat Ramp". The Township reserves the right to close the boat ramp during inclement weather or other emergent situations.

§ 69-3 Applicable Area. [Amended 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05]

The area described in § 69-2 above shall consist of a public "Lower Alloways Creek Municipal Boat Ramp" area and a public parking area that surrounds the boat ramp.

§ 69-4. Eligible Users. [Amended 4-2-1996 by Ord. No. 96-3; 8-20-1996 by Ord. No. 96-8; 3-19-2002 by Ord. No. 2002-3; 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05]

Eligible User shall be defined as any member of the general public who has a current valid driver's license issued by the State of their residency.

§ 69-5. Stickers. [Amended 12-27-1994 by Ord. No. 94-12; 4-2-1996 by Ord. No. 96-3; 3-19-2002 by Ord. No. 2002-3; 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05]

Eligible Users shall:

- A. pay a required fee of two dollars (\$2.00) for residents of Lower Alloways Creek Township and ten dollars (\$10.00) for non-residents of Lower Alloways Creek Township to the Municipal Clerk for the issuance of decal stickers;
- B. display one Township-issued sticker on the intended towing or carrying vehicle to be parked in the parking area and a second Township-issued sticker on the vessel to be placed in the water, either on the windshield or side of the vessel above the waterline where it may be seen when the vessel is in the water; and
- C. acknowledge to the Township Clerk receipt and understanding of the rules for the use of the ramp and parking area as set forth in the Township Code. Receipt of the decal stickers by the Eligible User shall be evidence of said acknowledgement.
- D. if they are not the owner of the vessel and/or towing or carrying vehicle, be familiar with and comply with the rules and regulations of this chapter.

§ 69-6. Prohibited Activities. [Amended 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05]

- A. Swimming within the waters of the Alloways Creek
- B. Fishing or crabbing from the ramp, dock or lands thereof

- C. Advertising by means of posting or maintaining any sign or advertising material upon, above or adjacent to the Applicable Area
- D. Littering
- E. Blocking or impeding public access to the boat ramp beyond a reasonable time required to launch or recover a vessel
- F. Discharging any oil, gasoline, or other noxious or chemical substance upon the Applicable Area or the adjacent waters
- G. Maneuvering any vehicle or vessel on or adjacent to the Applicable Area in any manner that may endanger the life, limb, safety or property of any member of the public
- H. Engaging in any other activities dangerous to or constituting a nuisance to the users of the ramp and parking area or surrounding residents

§ 69-7. Parking. [Amended 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05]

- A. No person shall park any vehicle on the facility except in places clearly designated for parking.
- B. No person shall park any trailer except in that portion designated the public boat ramp area, nor shall any person park any vehicle or vessel overnight.

§ 69-8. Violations and penalties. [Amended 12-27-1994 by Ord. No. 94-12; 4-2- 1996 by Ord. No. 96-3; Amended 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05]

- A. Any person who shall be convicted of a violation of the provisions of this article shall be fined for each offense in an amount not more than \$1,000 or be imprisoned in the county jail or place of detention provided by the municipality for any term not exceeding 90 days or both.
- B. Whoever shall transfer a properly acquired sticker to another vehicle or boat not registered to the original recipient of the sticker shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100).
- C. Any person who aids, assists or abets in the violation of any provisions of this article shall be subject to the penalties herein provided for.

Section 2. Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

- A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Committee hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

This Ordinance which was introduced for First Reading on August 18, 2015 shall be published by Title in the South Jersey Times and placed on the Township's Bulletin Board giving notice of said Public Hearing as required by Law.

Public Hearing on this Ordinance shall be on September 15, 2015 at 7:30 p.m., at the Municipal Building, 501 Locust Island Road, Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey.

Introduction: August 18, 2015

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. BRESLIN	M		Y			
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MRS. POMPPER			Y			
MR. VENABLE		S	Y			
MAYOR BRADWAY			Y			

Final: September 15, 2015

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. BRESLIN	M		Y			
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MRS. POMPPER			Y			
MR. VENABLE		S	Y			
MAYOR BRADWAY			Y			

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion (Pompper, Venable) to approve payment in the amount of \$7,134.17 to Lou’s Body Shop for various repairs made to Police Vehicles in January and February.

Both Mr. Venable and Mr. Breslin commented on the incidents which have lead to repairs being done, they are from the beginning of the year and this is the first time they have heard about them. Mr. Venable commented that action was taken against an employee that caused damage to a vehicle several years ago on their own property.

The motion to approve payment in the amount of \$7,134.17 to Lou’s Body Shop for various repairs made to Police Vehicles in January and February passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-1

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

Motion (Pompper, Venable) to approve the testing of various fuel oil lines at a cost of \$3,600.00 by A.T.S. Environmental, LLC.

Mr. Venable asked if this was required and that he remembers doing this recently. Mr. Fogg stated that it that been done two years ago as it was mandated by the JIF or they would not cover such claims, the JIF would provide funds to pay for it to be done. Mr. Fogg stated that all underground fuel lines would be tested, last time it was found that the vehicle diesel fuel line from the tank to the pump was leaking.

The motion to approve the testing of various fuel oil lines at a cost of \$3,600.00 by A.T.S. Environmental, LLC 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) to approve the request by Habitat for Humanity for the disconnection of the sewer line at Block 39, Lot 16; known as 884 Main Street- Canton, as require for the structure to be demolished.

The motion to approve the request by Habitat for Humanity for the disconnection of the sewer line at Block 39, Lot 16; known as 884 Main Street- Canton, as require for the structure to be demolished 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) to approve the preparation and submittal of an application to the NJDOT 2016 Municipal Aid Program for the reconstruction of Alloway Creek Neck Road Section 3 by Fralinger Engineering at a cost of \$300.00.

The motion to approve the preparation and submittal of an application to the NJDOT 2016 Municipal Aid Program for the reconstruction of Alloway Creek Neck Road Section 3 by Fralinger Engineering at a cost of \$300.00 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Breslin, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety: Mr. Sowers stated that the Department participated in an Active Shooter Drill, which is training for school emergency situations. Mr. Sowers stated that the Department has Body Cameras and is awaiting the final approval to use them from the County Prosecutor's Office. Mr. Sowers stated that he is redoing the rules and procedures for the Department.

Public Works Mr. Fogg stated that the garage roof had a tear in the membrane, that membrane was just put on several years ago to stop leaks at the back wall. The company that installed it, was called and they came out and made repairs which were covered under the warranty.

Fire Department: Chief Hinchman stated that the Tanker repairs have been completed and that the Tanker should be back in service as soon as the repairs are paid for and they release it to the Fire Department.

Mr. Breslin asked if the Township had any regulations about permanent Yard Sales. No regulation of yards sales is known to exist in the Township's Codes.

Mrs. Pompper stated that this Saturday is the Ruritan's Crab and Craft Festival here at the Municipal Grounds and Sunday is the Log Cabin Open house. 1- 4 pm

Mr. Venable, Mr. Palombo and the Mayor had no further comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT: A resident thanked the Township for mowing a problem property in Hancocks Bridge.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion (Pompper, Bradway) to convene into a Closed Session of Business 8:15 pm

RESOLUTION 2015- 105 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:

Possible Litigation:

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 five (5) Minutes and that further business by the Committee may take place at its conclusion.

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

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

Motion (Pompper, Breslin) to come out of the Closed Session of business. 8:23 pm

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

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

BUSINESS AFTER CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Pompper, Venable) to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.
The motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.

Minutes of the September 15, 2015 Meeting were approved at a meeting held October 20, 2015

ATTEST:

LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

Ronald L Campbell Sr. Clerk

By: _____
Mayor, Timothy W. Bradway