

June 5, 2019
Municipal Building
121 Evergreen Road
New Egypt, NJ 08533

The Workshop Session of the meeting of the Plumsted Township Committee was called to order by Mayor Trotta.

STATEMENT: “This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. It was advertised for publication in the Asbury Park Press and posted on the bulletin board.”

THOSE OFFICIALS PRESENT WERE:

COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO COMMITTEEMAN GRILLETTO DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK
COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI MAYOR TROTTA DAVID LEUTWYLER, CDC
BA ELLEN REILLY-PRIVETT ATTORNEY KELLY MUNICIPAL CLERK WITHAM

Mayor Trotta asked everyone to rise for the flag salute followed by a moment of silence. The mayor asked all to remember the victims in Virginia Beach.

Mayor Trotta said there were minutes to approve, certificates and proclamation for two high school senior and a proclamation for the library. The high school seniors were unable to attend due to their senior class trip. The library proclamation will be presented next Saturday at the 20th Anniversary of the Plumsted branch of the Ocean County library.

There is an ordinance to introduce, 2019-08, regarding the memorial bench program. There are the usual resolutions to consider. One is to memorialize the fact Len Grilletto was appointed, a blue light permit, land preservation, etc.

Committeeman Marinari asked about the property on Brynmore Rd. Leutwyler called the county and left a message; he will follow up.

Mayor Trotta said there were a few resolutions for the performance bonds with the senior development. They are for the first three phases of construction, already approved by the Land Use Board. The reason the resolutions include Lot 1 on Evergreen Rd, is that the underground utilities will go across that property to the senior development. It is not for any construction of a development on Evergreen. Lot 10 is the large parcel and Lot 18 is the entranceway.

Committeeman Lotito asked about Lot 1. There is the possibility that Lot 1 may be adjusted in the future for what could be built. Lotito asked Trotta about that proposed amendment. There was some discussion and questions among the committee. Trotta said that it wasn't up for discussion at this time; it was not of interest at the moment. There have been multiple statements to the public about not considering it at this time. Lotito asked if it was on the website. Trotta said that we can discuss whether or not to put it on the website.

Trotta said there was a resolution for Kenyon Drive since the work is complete, there will be a maintenance bond. The annual liquor license renewal resolution is on the list, rules and regulations for the police department, a new phone system, Clean Communities grant received, Ocean County Sheriff's program for Rt 539, support of Senate/Assembly bills regarding vacant property fees and using them to maintain an abandoned property, Loveman Rd grant, and the loan from NJIB for the sewer system. There is one add-on resolution supporting a bill for courtesy busing.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik spoke about the proposed ordinance regarding a memorial bench program. Attorney Kelly drafted an ordinance. It will be a fee-based process; the CFO will be able to accept donations to a trust. The applications will be reviewed and if approved, the bench will be purchased, remain property of the town and have a brass plate. It will be cemented in the ground.

To avoid people buying their own benches, we will have a standard for the township. The dollar amount was decided to be \$2200 as the bench along with the plaque and installation is \$1800-\$2000. The benches are made of a Trex-type material and meant for commercial parks. Trotta said that Jackson just passed an ordinance where they are donating parks in someone's name for a certain period of time.

The benches have a 20+ year life span. This would reduce the amount of maintenance required for them. There was discussion among committee about how long the benches would be in their honor. And also about having just one person be the coordinator but a committee of 2-3 people. It was determined that it would be a Memorial Bench Committee with approval of the Township Committee.

It was suggested the benches remain in someone's honor for 7 years and then reapply. If there was a lot of demand, it would give the Township a chance to offer it up to someone else who may want to dedicate a bench. We wouldn't necessarily have to remove a plaque but it gives the Township an option of doing so. Marinari asked if only residents could donate one. As it stands right now, it says taxpayers applying for a bench.

Attorney Kelly said that there are some changes to the ordinance so not sure if it was going to be introduced tonight or not. Committeeman Marinari brought up issues with graffiti and vandalism. The ordinance says the Township is not responsible for the damage. If it just has to be cleaned up, who will do it? Attorney Kelly said that the Township retains ownership of the bench. The applicant has the option of replacing it or not if something happens to it.

Sorchik said that the person would make a donation to the trust. The money is for the price of the bench/plaque and additional to maintain it. Trotta said that changes will be made and then it will be considered for introduction at the next meeting.

Committeeman Lotito proposed a resolution by title tonight that would appoint a chaplain for Plumsted Township. Lotito has been working with Marinari and prayer coordinators so he proposes a resolution to appoint a chaplain for the purposes of coordinating prayer for the township meetings. Lotito approached Pastor Cuzzo who is part of our Land Use Board and he would like a resolution naming Cuzzo as chaplain.

Attorney Kelly would like the opportunity to look at this more as he doesn't know if other towns have this in place. In the past, there was significant legwork to be sure we were in compliance with state statutes relating to prayer for this Township. Lotito said that we have had chaplains in the past. Trotta said that was done through the police and that was done incorrectly.

Committeeman Lotito said that he had sample resolutions from people that argued in front of the Supreme Court from that time. Lotito would like to start the conversation and introduce by title and worked through the minutia. For instance, there were two people scheduled for tonight and one person was unscheduled and then there was no one here tonight. Trotta said there was a moment of silence which is acceptable.

Lotito said that this process should be simple but it is overwhelmed with two coordinators and two committeeman, etc. Grilletto said that sometimes it's easier to have one person involved to coordinate prayer than too many to keep it less complicated. Anyone that services this community should have the opportunity to provide prayer at a meeting. A committeeperson should oversee what it being done by the person appointed.

Committeeman Marinari said that we did develop a system with two coordinators but in the long run, it didn't seem to work. BA Reilly said that there was a list for the year so not sure why it didn't work for tonight.

Attorney Kelly stated that a process was put in place similar to what is being described. Committeeman Grilletto said that double coordinators is too much. It should be one coordinator. Committeeman Lotito said it should be a simplified process. Committeeman Marinari said this is for the betterment of the room and community but it seems to be an endless issue. Committee Marinari said that if it didn't work, he would walk away from this. Mayor Trotta said that he is not prepared to vote on a resolution tonight. Trotta said it is the first time he is hearing of this. Committeeman Lotito will work with Attorney Kelly on this.

Committeeman Lotito also asked about public relations since they were unable to get a mid-monthly meeting together to come up with a game plan. He is looking to communicate with the public better. There is so much going on in the town, it's important to communicate more clearly. Mayor Trotta said that he was waiting to hear from all committeeman before answering so he doesn't influence everyone. Committeeman Lotito said that perhaps everyone didn't reply all with the email. Deputy Mayor Sorchik said that he has no problem with this and spoke with Bob Vosseller and said it would be good if he could work with Lotito. Trotta said that he has concern about what is being put out; Bob V has made mistakes in what has been put out so it's important to double check his work. Also, Bob V doesn't answer his emails right away so if

something is sent to him, he needs to answer. Bob V is very busy with a full time job and other things so we need to stay on top of him. Committeeman Grilletto said that if he is too busy, we need to consider meetings to figure out how best to reach our community.

Mayor Trotta said that he was personally attacked on Facebook and said that is fine but we cannot have a meeting every time someone puts something on social media. Grilletto said that announcements have to be framed in the proper way and when it's a major event, the committee needs to speak to one another.

Committeeman Lotito said we need a unified front. Marinari said communication is key. Marinari values his name in this community - 17 years as a BOE member, 14 years as president and now a short time on this committee. He does it for the community and parents to have pride on graduation day. He is trying to do what is best for the community and doesn't feel it anymore. He is okay with anyone's opinion, as long as they get all the facts they can. Marinari has never lied once to this community and never will.

Committeeman Grilletto brought up closing on Main Street. He said that he thinks there should be an in-depth meeting with business, engineers and P&A Construction to explain dates and the work being done. We need better public relations, signs ready to go for the construction, etc. If you make some extra effort, people appreciate it. It's important to be responsive to the businesses.

Mayor Trotta said that several months ago Marinari and he said the same thing. Things are not getting done. Trotta took the blueprints with all of the dates when things will be happening. He and his wife wrote out all of the roads and dates so that we can distribute it to residents. We all have the same authority but with the title of Mayor, you'd think things should be getting done. It is a frustrating thing. We tried to avoid this happening and it still is.

Marinari said that we are dealing with all sorts of things, construction, weather, DEP, etc. Trotta said that we were supposed to be given two week notices. He spoke with the MUA Director the other day. He understands why T&M was appointed their engineer again but once again, we are getting killed by them. He is upset with T&M and their employees at this point. There is no reason they can't get better information from the contractor.

Grilletto said that he was speaking with a resident on Story Street and the contractor damaged his driveway. Trotta said that when there is an issue with something, everyone cannot take control. There has to be a specific chain of command. Trotta said that everyone cannot call the resident when there is an issue. All five of the committee cannot do that; it is overkill. It has to be a specific chain of command; there is no time for that. The committee has to be on the same page; one cannot just do what he wants. Grilletto said that if someone just calls to listen to the problem and show some effort and that you care, people appreciate it.

Committeeman Grilletto had another question with the construction and development of homes. The first phase of the three, are the first responders able to handle the additional residents? There have been meetings with the fire department and police are aware. Lennar should be updating us with numbers in construction; Trotta confirmed we have those numbers.

Committeeman Grilletto also asked about the planned capacity of 452 homes. What is the wastewater capacity? Trotta deferred him to Peter Ylvisaker. Finally, the MUA audit should include how they are doing the accounting. It has to be an accrual basis. Trotta said it is an MUA issue and they will handle it.

Trotta asked Sorchik about the DEP. Sorchik said that based on a couple of meetings in the past, there were resident concerns regarding the administrative court order on the farm owned by Sam Russo. Sorchik asked the DEP to come and speak with the public and address some of the questions we had for them. The DEP didn't want to appear as they are currently conducting investigations. Sorchik went through all of the questions and the DEPs response to the same. Should anyone want a copy of the answers, we will provide them. Sorchik said that he spent a morning together with Mr. Weidemann to get his questions that were then sent to the DEP.

Sorchik has addressed traffic on E. Millstream Road with the police chief. Grilletto asked about the testing of wells on adjacent properties. That hasn't been done at this time.

Trotta advised that the executive session will be done later in the meeting due to the length of the workshop session. He asked Walt Bronson to come forward with the engineering status. Bronson first discussed the Kenyon Drive culvert collapse that has been worked on since the

beginning of the year. The completed work was inspected and is acceptable and operating properly. There is a recommendation to pay the contractor the final payment. The DEP required an investigation of Swamp Pink, an endangered species. Originally they investigated within 100 feet but the DEP asked they look out 500 feet each way. There was no Swamp Pink found within 500 feet. The report was submitted to the DEP.

Lepky Ave – Moslowski went out and smoothed the road and used specialized cold patch. There is no drainage off that road. There is a lot of water that sits there. It is more passable than it was but it is not an ideal condition.

Kuzyk Rd - culvert failure and the police station culvert. They can be very expensive if we have to do the whole thing. There is a test done with a camera to see how extensive the damage is to get a better assessment of what it will cost.

The Venue at Crosswicks, which is now Longview Farm, the clearing has been done. Some of their basins are being worked on now. They then anticipate putting structures to those basins in the next couple of weeks.

The erosion issue at Meadowbrook Lane has been looked at. There are 30-40 homes back there. The pipe that carries the runoff goes to a bank. It's about a 10-foot drop from that to the culvert and stream. It has to be repaired or the sidewalk will be lost. They will put together a concept plan to deal with that. Sewers are going up the center of the road so no danger to that. The culvert at the bottom of the slope appears to be ok, it's just the slope has to be fixed.

Bronson understands the committee will consider approving the Loveman Road project to be sent out to bid. Mill and overlay on that road Hawkin to 537.

DOT grant applications are due in July. Hoping to include the police station in that. The Township should consider paving 1-2 miles of roads each year.

Trotta and Sorchik thanked Bronson for coming out to provide an update.

MINUTES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, THE REGULAR SESSION MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2019 WERE APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, THE WORKSHOP/EXECUTIVE/REGULAR SESSION MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2019 WERE APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

CORRESPONDENCE: none

PRESENTATION:

A Certificate of Recognition was read for Holly Wetzal and Ellie Witham for scholarships they received from the Ocean County Mayors' Association. A proclamation was read for both high school seniors for the Mayor's Scholar.

There was also a proclamation for the 20th Anniversary of the Plumsted Branch of the Ocean County Library. The proclamation will be presented at their anniversary celebration on June 15th at 10:30 am.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, THE PROCLAMATIONS WERE APPROVED: ALL AYES.

ORDINANCES: Second Reading and Public Hearing – none

ORDINANCE: Introduction - none

CONSENT AGENDA:

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ON A CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE AND SHALL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. SHOULD ANY MEMBER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SEEK SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF ANY ITEM,

THAT ITEM SHALL BE REMOVED AND DISCUSSED SEPARATELY. THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WILL BE VOTED ON IN ONE VOTE.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-185 - APPOINTING LEONARD GRILLETTO TO THE VACANCY ON THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF LARRY JONES AND APPOINTING LEONARD GRILLETTO TO VARIOUS MUNICIPAL APPOINTMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-186 - APPROVING THE PUBLIC DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS AT THE NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY ON JUNE 7, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-187 - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR A BLUE LIGHT PERMIT

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-188 - RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2019-170, AUTHORIZING THE ASSIGNMENT OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE NO. 18-00006 TO MTAG Cust for Ebury Fund 1NJ LLC FOR BLOCK 12, LOT 15, AC #268, KNOWN AS 24 Moorehouse Road

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-189 - APPROVING THE PUBLIC DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS AT THE NEW EGYPT SPEEDWAY ON JULY 5, 2019 (RAIN DATE OF JULY 7, 2019)

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-190 - AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF A RENTAL INSPECTION FEE TO CARLO PROPERTIES LLC

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-191 - AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL ENDORSEMENT FOR THE OCEAN COUNTY NATURAL LANDS PRESERVATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-192 - TO RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 2019-168 AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN PARTY RENTALS 4 U, LLC AND PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP'S MAIN STREET NEW EGYPT

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-193 - AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE POSTED BY MOSLOWSKI EXCAVATING, INC FOR THE KENYON DRIVE EMERGENCY CULVERT REPLACEMENT, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-194 - ACCEPTING THE SURETY/PERFORMANCE BOND POSTED BY LENNAR PLUMSTED URBAN RENEWAL, LLC, FOR VENUE AT CROSSWICKS CREEK PHASE 1 BLOCK 40, LOTS 1, 10 AND 18

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-195 – ACCEPTING THE SURETY/PERFORMANCE BOND POSTED BY LENNAR PLUMSTED URBAN RENEWAL, LLC, FOR VENUE AT CROSSWICKS CREEK PHASE 2 BLOCK 40, LOTS 1, 10 AND 18

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-196 – ACCEPTING THE SURETY/PERFORMANCE BOND POSTED BY LENNAR PLUMSTED URBAN RENEWAL, LLC, FOR VENUE AT CROSSWICKS CREEK PHASE 3 BLOCK 40, LOTS 1, 10 AND 18

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-197 – REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.40A:4-87 (MUNICIPAL COURT ALCOHOL EDUCATION, REHABILITATION AND ENFORCEMENT FUND GRANT (\$562.62)

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-198 – AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN AMAZING AMUSEMENTS & ENTERTAINMENT, INC. AND PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP'S MAIN STREET NEW EGYPT

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-199 - REAPPOINTING MEMBERS DUE TO A VACANCY ON THE LAND USE BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-200 – AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF VENDOR FEES AND DONATIONS FOR THE ROCKIN' FIREWORKS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-201 – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-202 – AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF A VENDOR FEE FOR FALL FEST AND THE ROCKIN' FIREWORKS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED TO DAVE FRANCIOSI OF KNOCKOUT FUNNEL CAKES

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-203 - AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF CERTAIN CLUB LICENSES, PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION AND PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-204 - ADOPTING THE REVISED RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-205 – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM FROM E.COMM TECHNOLOGIES THROUGH NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #80802

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-206 – AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF AN OVERPAYMENT FOR UNUSED ESCROW FEES FOR LAND USE BOARD APPLICATION TO CYNTHIA VANDENBOGART

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-207 – REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.40A:4-87 (CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM \$19,265.88)

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-208 - AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED AND THE OCEAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE FY2019 OCEAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-209 - SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL NO. A4610/SENATE BILL NO. S3482 (Sponsored by Assemblyman Ronald S. Dancer, District 12 and Senator Samuel D. Thompson, District 12)

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-210 - AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2019-152 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR THE INSURANCE OPT-OUT PROGRAM FOR 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-211 - DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF ITS "NOTE RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION FINANCING LOAN PROGRAM OF THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK", TO BE ISSUED IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$25,000,000, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF SUCH NOTE TO THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF SUCH NOTE BY THE TOWNSHIP IN FAVOR OF THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK, ALL PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK CONSTRUCTION FINANCING LOAN PROGRAM

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-212 – AUTHORIZING DEWBERRY ENGINEERING, INC., TOWNSHIP ENGINEER AS PROJECT ENGINEER FOR THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT FY2019 MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO LOVEMAN ROAD

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, RESOLUTIONS NO. 2019-185 THROUGH 2019-212 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WERE APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

ADD ON RESOLUTION:

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN GRILLETTO, **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-213** SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 5253 (Sponsored by Assemblyman Ronald S. Dancer, District 12) WAS APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

MOTION TO CONSIDER:

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO, THE FOLLOWING RAFFLES LICENSE WAS APPROVED: RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2019-23 for an On-Premise Merchandise Raffle 7/27/19 for McKaig-Test-Mullen American Legion Post WAS APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS AND PROFESSIONALS:

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, THE AMENDED BILL LIST OF JUNE 5, 2019 WAS APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES WITH COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO ABSTAINING.

REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR COMMITTEE REVIEW: CONSTRUCTION REPORT APRIL 2019; FINANCIAL REPORTS - Revenue Summary by Month– April 2019; Abbreviated Summary Budget Account Status –April 2019, Treasurer's Report April 2019; TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – April 2019; PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP MUA MEETING MINUTES March 19, 2019 and April 15, 2019; PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT #1 MEETING MINUTES – April 1, 2019; PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORT STATISTICS – April, 2019

Mayor Trotta asked for any old business from the committee. Committeeman Lotito brought up the audit by ConvexServ. He just received information about it and will give it to the rest of the committee. Also, the Municipal Clerk emailed him saying that we need to provide some information to the JIF regarding Cybersecurity so he will look at it with her.

Committeeman Marinari said that several dates should be submitted to Witham about a possible meeting to discuss public relations. Sorchik is traveling during the week. Witham will reach out with some dates for a meeting.

Trotta said that the next meeting is July 3rd and the offices are closed on July 4th for the holiday. Marinari said that tomorrow is a special day. A lot of people made sacrifices so we could be here today.

Trotta asked for public comment. Pat Ahearn of 8 Lawrence Drive came forward and asked about the resolutions for performance bonds. He wanted to know exactly what they were for. Mr. Ahearn had emailed the Mayor but was still looking for more information. Trotta advised the resolutions are all the same. Attorney Kelly advised the requirements of the municipal land use law require the developer post performance bonds regarding what has to be provided to be sure everything is done according to their contract. Ahearn wants to know what is being performed for these bonds. Trotta said that they are approving them to construct the first three phases – everything. Lot 1 has to do with the utilities going to that other lot. Lot 10 is the largest lot where they are building.

Barbara Mislick came forward of 28 Jacobstown Rd. She advised she does get email alerts but she wondered why all of the roads are being detoured at the same time. And why are there so many post work collapses. And Route 528 is in such bad condition with that temporary patch, she refuses to travel on that anymore. Trotta explained the pipeline and other projects within the town are being done at the same time. We don't have control over the county projects. Trotta asked Leutwyler for any updates. The hope is to have Rt 528 open to one lane each way within two weeks. Leutwyler will follow up with NJNG. Mislick said that it is frustrating with all of the construction going on at once. And the roadwork on 528 is a temporary patch; it will be fixed once work complete.

Lynn Pryzbylkowski of 7 Rachel Dr came forward. She thanked Chief Meroney regarding her neighborhood on 528 because it is dangerous the way cranes are being left. A student almost got hit in the morning. The road is terrible. NJNG said that it may be a year before the road is repaved. The road is supposed to be closed for only 8 days but it has been many more than that. They weren't getting garbage services. Cannot pull in to their development because there were cones in front of it. It has been a major issue and no one has really communicated with them. Trotta understands. Pryzbylkowski said the road was supposed to be open at 7:30 pm but at 9 pm, it was still shut down. There is no communication regarding that work; never that work was even being done there. There is no UPS service or anything. There was no sign there either. Pryzbylkowski thanked Leutwyler as well.

She then asked about the school system and sewers. She never asked the question, are schools tapping in to the sewer system? Does the school need a bond to get in to them; who pays for the connection? Trotta said the MUA has had meetings with the BOE. The pipes to get to the road is being paid by the MUA. But the actual connection to the school will have to pay for the lateral out to the road per the engineer. It would be thousands of dollars, not tens or hundreds of thousands. Someone has to pay for it. Marinari advised that the monies that went in to the septic system will be able to be used for that. Pryzbylkowski asked about the budget. Marinari said that Mr. Gately would be working on that. Trotta said that Gately would be talking to Ylvisaker about that. Bronson advised that the school would have to connect to the sewers and would be planning on that. The primary expense would be the elementary school most likely.

Gary Weidemann of 304 Candace La spoke about Russo Farm. On the 12th of May, their farm was expanded to include his property. He had 21 cows running in his backyard for an hour which destroyed it. To date, he has not picked up the certified letter from the post office for the over \$1500 worth of damage done by the cows. The massive dirt pile that he has brought in is being built up in the wetlands. The stench is unbelievable from this pile. The height of the pigpen has increased over 5 feet. He just wanted to update the committee on this. Sorchik confirmed with Weidemann that a police report was made for this but you didn't notify your homeowners insurance. Weidemann said that he didn't put in claims because he didn't want his insurance to go up, just for making a claim. There was also an issue with a hot dog vendor and his umbrella flew and caused a transformer issue. Sorchik said that he has the police report and info regarding the damage to the property. The only other suggestion would be to contact your

homeowners insurance as they would subrogate the other insurance company. Sorchik will also pass on the DEP answers as well.

Ron Tabor of 24 Highbridge Road asked a question about the school hooking up to the sewers. When you hook that up, do you have to decommission your septic? And how will the school pay for that? Marinari would project that this whole issue is taking care of this as they are aware of it over a year ago. Tabor asked about decommissioning personal septic systems as well. Bronson said that the MUA is working on financing for the same to provide to residents to assist in those costs. Additional information will be put out in a couple of months.

Tabor apologized to everyone who he may offend because there are a lot of things going on in this town. All of the events in this town are at the exact same time and driving on roads that are in terrible condition and unpassable at some points in time. Every road is in bad shape. He knows that we are trying to improve but there had to be someone to coordinate everything. It's terrible the town allowed this. Trotta said that the county never told us about any construction process with the pipeline. They were issued in November of 2017 and didn't start to use them until a year later. There was no communication from NJNG until work was being started. We continue to try to get better information at all times. Trotta apologized and said that we are contacting them constantly. Tabor asked if something legal could be done. He hasn't been able to work on a lawn for two weeks for some customers. Attorney Kelly said that deliberately NJNG avoided all municipal roads to do this work.

Tabor's next statement is about the town not hosting the fireworks like they have the last 15 years. How could this town all of a sudden not have money to do this? Everyone loves this event and now we don't have it. Trotta advised that the town doesn't ever pay for this event. It is done by very generous sponsors that he is grateful for through the years. This year, we faced multiple issues; several smaller vendors that in total contributed \$3,000 that were unable to contribute and then we had additional two vendors wouldn't be able to contribute as well – a total of \$7,000. In total, \$10,000 that was not going to be received. There is no way to make that up at the last minute. No time to go door to door for donations. We have reached out locally and beyond. We have tried collecting money (even a dollar) at the gates as a donation for next year's event which is a great idea but that only earns about \$400 for the whole night but it's an \$11,000 budget. Next year, we will have the event. We just didn't have the sponsorship this year.

Tabor then asked how we would handle the traffic jam with the lacrosse tournament this weekend. Sorchik said that first responders have been preparing for all special events and establishing an incident action plan. We understand there will be substantial traffic; they are making plans for that. Chief Meroney said that he met with the lax coordinator and they will be directing traffic and have plans for parking. Tabor was concerned with the temporary light; Meroney had plans for that and, if needed, police will manually direct traffic.

Tabor spoke about Highbridge Road and the bend in the road with speeding on that road. He had issues with motorcycles on Memorial Day weekend going possibly in excess of 90 mph four times in one day. Chief understands the concern and with three officers on at one time, they are trying to monitor that road but they are responding to other calls within the town. Tabor offered to allow an officer to sit in his driveway to monitor the roads. Mayor Trotta said that the intersection has been brought up to the county for years at their annual meeting but nothing has been done about it yet.

Tabor's final statement was about social media. While everyone is entitled to their opinion, he feels that people should have the courage to come to meetings and speak up and ask questions.

Marie Sylvain, 422 E Millstream Road came forward. She had photos of Lepky and said that while the patch has helped, she said that it is still an issue. Sylvain explained that the photos show thick ice on the road which is a danger for children walking and driving. Other photos show that water keeps coming out due to the high water table. Her home and a few others have water constantly coming in to their basements. Subpumps go on every 5 minutes and water pumps to their lawn and eventually their road. She doesn't know what to do with the water. She asked about dry wells but she was strongly advised against that. It seems that the road needs some drainage to go underground. She is asking for help and does not know what to do about it. It is a serious problem and she doesn't know what to do. She said a garbage truck even got stuck. Mayor Trotta said that a list of roads needing attention is being compiled at this time and Lepky is one of them. There was the hope the new development would have been started a few years ago and we would have some money coming in to pay for things like this. Unfortunately, it is just starting so we won't have any money coming in for a few years. The

township is looking for other ways to remedy this situation. The mayor and committee understand the concern and they are working on a solution.

Sylvain also asked about the power surge. There were many people that were affected by it. Mayor Trotta was told by JCP&L that they are not responsible; it is the owner of the umbrella that would be at fault. JCP&L claims there were witnesses to the incident.

Margaret Neuman of 324 Lakewood Rd came forward. She asked when Lakewood Road would be open again or any of the roads. Her concern is if there is an emergency; what is the response time? Sorchik advised that emergency vehicles will always be able to get through. Chief Meroney also said that roads would be accessible for first responders.

Neuman again asked when roads would be open. She heard Highbridge would be three years under construction. Committeeman Grilletto said that the tunnel would be complete by September of this year. There was a slight delay because of an issue with the culvert pipe.

Neuman said that there is a lack of communication about what is going on. There is a lot of frustration about what is going on and not knowing which way to go. Chief spoke about the Nixle alert system and encouraged people to sign up for them.

Neuman also talked about the fireworks being canceled and now being held at the speedway.

Stacy Reed of 791 Monmouth Rd and owner of Stacy's Sweet Shop on North Main Street came forward asking about peddler permits. She asked who was in charge of township events and the vendors for those events. Mayor Trotta advised Peter does NE Day and Dave does Fall Fest. He said that in the past, the businesses are always asked if they wanted to have a spot on that day in front of their store.

Reed's next question, if Peter was in charge of NE Day, then it would have been Peter who invited Mr. Softee to come and sell on Main St for NE Day. Trotta said for years, there has been ice cream at all events. Not sure if Mr. Softee was invited specifically but he is probably on a list that was developed over the years. Reed said that her questions should be directed toward Peter. Reed said that there are two ice cream stores in town so she doesn't understand why another vendor would be invited.

Reed asked when vendors come in for these events, are they required to have permits or do they pay a fee for the day? Trotta advised they pay a fee for the day. Reed said if people regularly come in to sell, are they required to have a permit? Trotta said yes from the understanding of the ordinance. Reed asked who is responsible for compliance? Trotta said that once we are told about a vendor, we will check it out. Sorchik said that it is helpful to hear from the public. Chief spoke about the No Knock Ordinance as well. Reed said that Mr. Softee comes from Burlington and drives the developments selling ice cream. She said that she had to pay for her permit/inspection fees so she feels that he has to as well. Chief said that as soon as it was brought to our attention, Mr. Softee was notified and he applied for the permit. Chief appreciates any help from the public since we cannot be everywhere in the town at the same time.

Reed then clarified the Memorial Day parade, Mr. Softee was invited by the church to sell for their picnic afterwards. There was some miscommunication with the minister. She said that apparently someone from the township told them that the church was responsible for getting the permit. Reed wants to know who is responsible, the property owner or vendor? Leutwyler said that he spoke with the pastor and perhaps there was some miscommunication. It is the vendor's responsibility.

Finally, Reed brought up the fireworks. In the article in the NE News, it was listed there were key groups that were no longer contributing. Reed wants to know if they are allowed to know who those key groups are. Trotta said that he doesn't want to throw anyone under the bus and doesn't want to talk about any of them. Reed read the article in the NE News and her question is about the businesses in this town that have been contributors for a decade but nowhere does it thank the past contributors. Mayor Trotta said that he thanks the contributors every single year. Reed said that many people do not know who has contributed in past years. Trotta said that they have been thanked by name in that newsletter, in emails, at township meetings every year. Reed said it isn't about a thank you and Trotta said that he knows that but he does thank them every year. Reed said that it is embarrassing that after ten years of contributing to the town that this is the thanks they get for not being able to contribute. She brought up the Fire Marshal has never paid permit fees. Trotta said that he was insisting on them this year and last year. Reed

said that when she read the paperwork, it seems that the fireworks company would be responsible. Trotta said that it's never been charged before and now they are no longer waiving the fees. If a bill will now be submitted, it is going to cost more for the fireworks to be put on so donations will go to that as well since the event is done solely by sponsors.

Reed claims bills were submitted for many, many years previously but never paid. Trotta said that we have never received a bill prior to last year. Trotta asked how the bakery was coming along; Reed said that it was slowly. Trotta said that he knows people are waiting for it.

Diane Ahearn of 8 Lawrence Drive came forward. She asked about the new development across from the high school on Evergreen Rd where townhomes will be. She asked about a zoning change. Trotta said that there is no plan for a development and no plan for the committee to consider a zoning change. Ahearn asked about the resolutions on tonight's meeting. Trotta again stated that Lot 1 had to do with underground utilities from Evergreen to the senior development.

Ahearn continued about a townhome development and the schools. Trotta said that it is not yet under consideration. School enrollment is down. She then said that she is still awaiting information about the performance bond in her development. She asked at the last meeting but hasn't heard yet. She said that things are sticking out of the ground where lights were not put in, there are no sidewalks, etc. Leutwyler said that he is still working on it with the finance department.

Carol Reed of 63 Brindletown Road said that she would like to make a statement about the fireworks. She feels that it has gotten out of hand. She said that the two big sponsors haven't been mentioned but they are NE Marketplace and Agway. She wanted to publicly thank them for everything they have done for the community and Big Woods as well. They are the three big businesses that she is aware of and wanted to thank them.

Barbara Diblin of Terrace Ave, New Egypt spoke. She said that she cannot hear the committee and asked they talk in to the microphones. She said that we need prayer in this town. She is happy to take care of it every month and they don't have to worry about it. She will coordinate pastors each month. She loves everyone and appreciates them. She will take care of prayer.

Janet Hesler of 101 Evergreen Rd commented. She thanked the committee for their service and they have great intentions for our community. Her whole reason for speaking tonight is asking the volume be increased. Trotta said there are headphones that could be used to pick up the microphones if necessary. She complimented the police department in our town and they deserve all of our support.

Jake Harlinski of 4 Lepky spoke. He wanted to reiterate the issue on Lepky. He said the cold patch works for a while but it rapidly deteriorates. Is there a more permanent solution until the road gets updated? Trotta said that at this time, not sure there is anything else to do. He is going to talk to the engineer again about this. Perhaps there is a better temporary solution. Harlinski said that he has water coming in to his basement and he lives right where it accumulates. The subpump was rerouted to going on to his front lawn by the prior owner. He cannot pump in the back because it will go on the neighbor's driveway. He doesn't have any other options for discharging water. Trotta said that the ordinance doesn't allow pumping in the street but there is no option for him and they know that. There has been so much rain this year so it is worse. Harlinski is facing social media comments about him but this is not his fault. He also received an anonymous letter stating that if he doesn't fix it, he will be getting their insurance bills. The committee understands the issue. Mayor Trotta said that in the winter, we have to make sure that we minimize ice. Leutwyler should make note of that.

Mayor Trotta asked for any further public comment; there was none. He asked for a motion to closure the public portion. Committeeman Lotito made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Marinari; all ayes.

Attorney Kelly read Resolution 2019-184 for Executive session. The following matters will be discussed – personnel, contractual-building security, and potential litigation-Block 58, Lot 13.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO, RESOLUTION NO. 2019-184 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE CONVENING OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

The committee returned from Executive session. Mayor Trotta asked for any other business; there was none. There was no public in attendance.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN GRILLETTO, SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Witham, RMC
Municipal Clerk