

TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON
REGULAR MEETING
August 20, 2014
6:30 P.M.

FLAG SALUTE

Council President Cartier led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, announced that notice of the meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and followed by roll call.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Norma Trueblood
Diane Stinney
Sherry Scull
Jason Allen
Kenneth Cartier

ABSENT

None

Also present: Mayor David Patriarca, Business Administrator Dennis Gonzalez, Solicitor Andrew Bayer, Engineers Dave Cella and Kathryn Cornforth, Planner Rick Ragan, and Township Clerk Amy P. Cosnoski.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Cartier called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution 182-2014 Authorizes Council to go into Closed Session.

There was no Closed Session held at this meeting, this resolution was not acted upon.

Council President Cartier recessed the open meeting at approximately 6:35 PM and reconvened the open meeting at approximately 7:00 PM.

Consent Agenda: All items listed under the consent agenda are considered to be routine by the Township Council and are enacted by one motion. Should a Council Member wish to discuss a consent agenda item separately, that item can be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the regular agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Council President Cartier opened the meeting to the public for comments on the Consent Agenda.

Richard Prickett, Pemberton - 1. Questioned Resolution 196-2014 and asked how much the asphalt purchase was for? Mayor Patriarca advised it was for \$350,000.00. Mr. Prickett asked if this allows for the asphalt to be purchased Council President Cartier advised it did and there is no time limit on the purchase. Mr. Prickett asked if there were tests done on the material. Council President Cartier advised he did not know technical aspects of this. Solicitor Bayer advised is being purchased through a cooperative contract with Burlington County according to their specifications. **2.** Questioned regarding Resolution 195-2015, what is CDBG and who is the officer. Solicitor Bayer advised CDBG stands for Community Development Block Grant and Dave Benedetti is the officer. **3.** Asked about the plan description for Resolution 193-2014. Administrator Gonzalez gave explanation of plan description and requirements for grant program to allow eligibility. Mr. Prickett asked for description of what the plan is and are citizens volunteering to review something and what is it they are reviewing or what is their role. Are citizens appointed and who appoints them. Solicitor Bayer advised Resolution approves participation plan by DCA is adopted and Township is agreeing to follow DCA regulations. Attached to Resolution from Department of Community Affairs are all requirements. Mr. Prickett asked will there be public hearings and how does the public participate. Council President Cartier read the procedures. Mr. Prickett commented that it sounds like OPRA. Council President Cartier advised no that it states local meetings. Mr. Prickett asked if use of money would be discussed publicly and the public would have the opportunity to comment on. Council President Cartier stated that is what

it sounds like. Mr. Prickett asked if Public would be able to have document after meeting. Council President Cartier said yes. **4.** Questioned Resolution 192-2014 assumed \$5,000.00 is being added to the budget. Council President Cartier said he was correct. **5.** Asked about Resolution 188-2014 and what needs to be fixed as the Digital Tax Map cost the Township over \$500,000.00. Council President Cartier advised it is the annual review and update of the Tax Map. **6.** Asked about release of Closed Session Minutes. Council President Cartier advised it was for the full year of 2006. **7.** Asked about Resolutions 185-2014 and 186-2014 and do they go together. Mr. Gonzalez advised is a requirement of the State as a prerequisite to apply for CDBG Grants and Small Cities Grants and is same plan that has been done for many years. Mr. Prickett asked if written by the Township. Mr. Gonzalez said it comes from the State and has been approved by Council each year for the last 5 to 6 years.

Council President Cartier seeing no further residents wishing to be heard, closed the meeting to the Public.

Councilwoman Stinney requested page 4 for PO 4-01-20-155-000-271 be pulled from the consent agenda for Legal Services, EMS Litigation for \$15,260.33. Also asked for page 4 PO 4-01-20-155-000-277 to be pulled for Legal Service, Litigation Cost, Historical Trust for \$926.06.

Councilwoman Scull asked for Resolutions 183-2014, 185-2014, 186-2014 and 194-2014 to be pulled from consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

MINUTES FILED BY CLERK

Minutes for Meeting on August 6, 2014

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

- 172-2014 Authorizes a Corrective Action Plan for the 2013 Audit Report. *Tabled from 8/6/2014 Meeting*
- 173-2014 Group Affidavit attesting Council's review of required Audit sections. *Tabled from 8/6/2014 Meeting*
- 183-2014 *This Resolution was pulled from Consent Agenda and considered later in the meeting.*
- 184-2014 Authorizes purchase of Fire Protection Gear from Continental Fire and Safety, Inc. under State Contract #80945 in the amount of \$20,260.00
- 185-2014 *This Resolution was pulled from Consent Agenda and considered later in the meeting.*
- 186-2014 *This Resolution was pulled from Consent Agenda and considered later in the meeting.*
- 187-2014 Authorizes release in full or in part of Executive Session Minutes, also know as Closed Session Minutes, for the year 2006.
- 188-2014 Authorizes contract with Civil Solutions for modifications to the Township's digital tax map in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00.
- 189-2014 Authorizes purchase of testing and maintenance services for Emergency Standby Generators from EMR Power Systems, LLC under State Contract #A81474 in the amount of \$2,210.00.
- 190-2014 Authorizes the reduction of the Performance Guarantee for improvements made to the property located at Block 772, Lots 19-22 & 45-47 (DaVita Dialysis Center).

- 191-2014 Authorizes award of a contract for the provision of various plumbing supplies to Atlantic Plumbing Supply Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$59,314.91.
- 192-2014 Requests Permission from Division of Local Government Services for insertion of special item of revenue, 2014 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00.
- 193-2014 Establishes Township's Citizen Participation Plan for the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Small Cities CDBG Program.
- 194-2014 *This Resolution was pulled from the Consent Agenda and considered later in the meeting.*
- 195-2014 Identifies the Township's CDBG Fair Housing Officer.
- 196-2014 Authorizes purchase of hot mix asphalt from American Asphalt Company, Inc. under Burlington County Cooperative Contract No. BUCCP-13039.

Motion by Scull and Stinney to approve consent agenda as amended.
 Scull, yes; Stinney, yes; Trueblood, yes; Allen, yes; Cartier, yes.
 Motion carried.

BILL LIST

Approval by Council required for payment of vouchers on bill list dated 8/15/2014.

OTHER RESOLUTIONS

- 183-2014 Authorizes application to NJDCA for Small Cities Housing Rehabilitation Grant of approximately \$125,000.00 for a program to address code violations in homes of low and moderate income residents and a Small Cities Public Facilities Grant of approximately \$400,000.00 for infrastructure improvements (roadways, curbs, sidewalks, water and sewer lines within the portion of Browns Mills which front on Bobolink Boulevard, Reeves Avenue, Belleview Boulevard, Eagle Avenue and Evergreen Boulevard.

Councilwoman Scull advised she was confused as to why both issues are on same Resolution. Are we looking to spend \$125,000.00 in same area so was combined. Mayor Patriarca advised they are separate programs and gave overview of what money was being used for. Councilwoman Scull asked if money was limited to one area. Mayor Patriarca advised that it was for the whole Township.

Motion by Scull and Allen to Approve Resolution 183-2014. Scull, yes; Allen, yes; Trueblood, yes; Stinney, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion Carried.

- 185-2014 Authorizes a Shared Services Agreement between Pemberton Township and Burlington County whereby the County Community Development Office shall provide management and administration services for the Township's housing rehabilitation program.

Councilwoman Scull asked if we are appointing Dave Benedetti why are we going to pay and what is the difference in paying the County \$2000.00 for Shared Services. Administrator Gonzalez advised of the differences and the function that Dave Benedetti will serve as housing officer as well as provide oversight. Mr. Gonzalez noted an issue that that was had last year with company hired. Gave an overview of what the County would be doing. Councilwoman Scull asked if we would approve the Homeowners that participate or would it be the County approving. Mr. Gonzalez advised we would be approving and the County would be reviewing all the documents and advising if the homeowner is eligible. Council President Cartier asked if

people would obtain the information from the Township or the County. Mr. Gonzalez noted we would direct them to the County. Councilwoman Scull commented on the public participation portion of the grant and her idea of its meaning. Mr. Gonzalez explained the aspects of the program and the grant funds. Councilwoman Scull advised she was happy about advertisement of grant for residents to be made aware of program. Mr. Gonzalez asked for ideas to be offered on cost effective ways to advertise and explained a few ideas already available.

Motion by Scull and Trueblood to Approve resolution 185-2014. Scull, yes; Trueblood, yes; Stinney, yes; Allen, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

186-2014 Approves Grant Management Plan for Township's Small Cities Grant Applications.

Motion by Scull and Trueblood to Approve Resolution 186-2014.

Councilman Allen asked if there was a cost to the Township for the application to the grants. Mr. Gonzalez said there was not.

Scull, yes; Trueblood, yes; Stinney, yes; Allen' yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

194-2014 Authorizes the lease of a photocopier for the office of the Tax Collector from RICOH USA under State Contract #82709.

Motion by Scull and Allen to Approve Resolution 194-2014. Scull, yes; Allen, yes; Trueblood, yes; Stinney, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

197-2014 Authorizes Agreement between Pemberton Township and Pemberton Township Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for the provision of Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services.

Signing of contract will occur directly after Resolution adoption.

Motion by Allen and Trueblood to Approve Resolution 197-2014.

Councilwoman Scull asked why are they seeing this now when they have had the EMS and the Fire Department for a while. Mayor Patriarca explained that after many years of discussion, the fire companies are consolidating two companies into one. Councilwoman Scull asked what this changes for the Township. Mayor Patriarca explained the changes that will occur. Councilwoman Scull asked if we would be providing more funding. Mayor Patriarca said we will provide funding to maintain service but nor request for additional funding has been made. Mr. Gonzalez included that what was adopted in the budget is reflected in the agreement. Mr. Gonzalez also noted the necessity as Browns Mills Fire Company and Country Lakes Fire Company longer exists so a contract is needed with the new company. Councilwoman Scull asked about Lebanon Lakes Fire Company and is it still operating, wants to be sure that residents are safe and getting services needed. Mayor Patriarca advised they are getting the service and backing us up. Councilwoman Scull advised of her concerns and wanting the residents in that area to understand and feel they are protected. Mayor Patriarca advised the ambulances are a back up system to our primary system which is Lourdes. Council President Cartier advised we provide fuel to the ambulance service which can be misconstrued as payment. Mr. Gonzalez suggested that Chief Augustoni come up and answer and questions Council may have and describe operational services. Council did not need at this time.

Allen, yes; Trueblood, yes; Stinney, yes; Scull, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

Council President Cartier called to the floor the Mayor, Chief Augustoni and the Fire Company Officers for the signing of the Agreement. Mayor Patriarca spoke on how hard it has been to achieve this goal and he applauds the members for recognizing the time has come and what is needed and being

more accountable to the residents. Mayor Patriarca and the Fire Company Officers signed the contract. Chief Craig Augustoni gave an overview of the consolidation of the fire companies and the coverage they are providing to the Township. Chief Augustoni advised that recently found out that people's fire insurance would be going down and thanked everyone for their courage although they didn't believe in this at first. Councilwoman Scull confirmed with Chief Augustoni there is one fire truck and one ambulance in Lebanon Lakes. Councilwoman Scull asked if all applications were being considered. Chief Augustoni assured they take all applications, however all may not pass. Councilman Allen thanked the Chief and officers for their leadership and service.

198-2014 Authorizing the Contract with JCP&L for power supply at Country Lakes Dam #3 in an amount not to exceed \$22,176.04.
Added to Agenda at meeting.

Dave Cella, from ARH, advised the cost was higher than the allowance and the utility company came in higher than they originally advised. Solicitor Bayer added that this is a legal issue and this is in regards to the relocation of JCP&L lines that are in the Township's right of way and the Mayor will be going back to JCP&L to seek a reduction in cost. There is a legal argument as to if the Township has to pay these costs at all. Dave Cella stated the intention is to keep the project moving without delay. Mayor Patriarca noted the cost of litigation would be more than the cost to move it. It is something that has to be done.

Motion by Scull and Stinney to Add Resolution 198-2014 to the Agenda. Scull, yes; Stinney, yes, Trueblood, yes; Allen, yes, Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Scull and Allen to Approve Resolution 198-2014. Scull, yes; Allen, yes; Trueblood, yes; Stinney, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE 11-2014

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON GRANTING RENEWAL OF MUNICIPAL CONSENT TO COMCAST OF GARDEN STATE L.P. TO CONSTRUCT, CONNECT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM IN PEMBERTON TOWNSHIP

Motion by Allen and Stinney to Introduce Ordinance 11-2014 with Public Hearing to be held on September 3, 2014. Allen, yes; Scull, yes; Trueblood, yes; Stinney, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING and/or FINAL ADOPTION

ORDINANCE 9-2014

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 98, LOT 45 IN THE TOWNSHIP BY GIFT FROM BETTY MCNAMEE.

Motion by Stinney and Scull to Adopt Ordinance 9-2014.

Council President Cartier opened the hearing for Public comments. Seeing none this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

Stinney, yes; Scull, yes; Allen, yes; Trueblood, yes, Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 10-2014

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON AMENDING CHAPTER 186 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE, ENTITLED "WATER."

Motion by Allen and Trueblood to adopt Ordinance 10-2014.

Council President Cartier opened the hearing for Public Comments. Seeing none this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

Allen, yes; Trueblood, yes; Stinney, yes; Scull, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of changing Closed Session policy of recessing meeting until 7 p.m.

Council President Cartier gave overview from last meetings discussion about not having a 30 minute wait if there are no Closed Session topics and instead moving straight to Council meeting. Councilwoman Stinney stated she had no problem with it as long as information out to the residents. Council President Cartier advised that a notice would be put on the Agenda as well as the website. Councilwoman Scull stated she felt it makes sense and the majority of those that attend the meetings do come at 6:30pm and it would benefit the public. Councilwoman Stinney advised the second meeting in September would be the start of this change.

Purchase over \$2,000

1. To fumigate the second and third floors of the Senior Center for bats also clean all areas and seal openings in an amount not to exceed \$8,995.00 by US Unique Services, LLP. *Added to the Agenda.*

Motion by Stinney and Scull to add to the Bill List. Stinney, yes; Scull, yes, Allen, yes; Trueblood, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Stinney and Trueblood to Approve Bill. Stinney, yes; Trueblood, yes; Scull, yes; Allen, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

Bill List

PO 4-01-20-155-000-271 for Legal Services, EMS Litigation in the amount of \$15,260.33. Councilwoman Stinney states she wants it on record that she wants the bills paid and is aware there is litigation going on, however are they aware if there is much more money that will be consumed from the residents regarding this matter. Solicitor Bayer advised it is nearing the conclusion. There was a court date yesterday but it was adjourned by the court.

Motion by Stinney and Trueblood to Approve bill PO 14-02138 in the amount of \$15,260.33. Stinney, yes; Trueblood, yes; Scull, no; Allen, yes; Cartier, yes. motion carried.

PO 4-01-20-155-000-277 for Legal Service, Litigation Cost, Historical Trust in the amount of \$926.06. Councilwoman Stinney asked what this was as she thought we were done with this. Solicitor Bayer advised that the portion of the case that the Township brought was completed however the Historic Trust had a damage claim against the Township, there was some back and forth on the case, the trust agreed to dismiss the complaint so this should be the end, this is over.

Motion by Stinney and Trueblood to Approve bill PO 14-02139 in the amount of \$926.06. Council President Cartier asked the Solicitor if there were any lagging bills. Solicitor Bayer advised there could be some time spent in the beginning of August that may come through. Councilwoman Stinney said she is okay with it as long as it is related to this litigation and she does not want anyone to think she does not want the bills paid. Solicitor Bayer noted that if dismissal was after August 1st it will show up on September bill. Stinney, yes; Trueblood, yes; Scull, abstain; Allen, yes; Cartier, yes. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Bayer reported: 1. No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. Cella reported: **1.** Barrier free project update along Trenton Road is coming to a close this week. **2.** Mirror Lake Beach area bid is out for fencing and will be opened on the 26th of August. Council President Cartier asked if Barrier Free program was near Dunkin Donuts was our Project. Mr. Cella confirmed and advised where the County was. Councilwoman Scull thanked the engineers for getting the detour sign up on Chippewa. Council President Cartier asked Mr. Gonzalez after last meeting he had a meeting with the County and would ask about sidewalks. Mr. Gonzalez noted he did meet with the County Administrator and asked about the curb cuts as well as questions raised by residents that some of them appear to be going into traffic and are we getting sidewalks. Advised he was not sure if the County Administrator was aware of the details but did take notes and advised he would be speaking to his engineer. Does seem to look as though they trimmed the grass around them.

PLANNER'S REPORT:

Mr. Ragan reported: **1.** Public Hearing for Planning Board Agenda for update of Master Plan. **2.** No further information at this time on Dialysis Center as he believes they are still testing. **3.** Received a call from an interested party for an Auto related business in town. Councilwoman Scull asked if issue was looked into regarding the Century 21 building. Mr. Ragan advised he is working with Dave Benedetti on this.

MAYOR'S AND/OR BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:


Mayor Patriarca reported: **1.** Reported on the Movies on the Beach and his visit there with his wife and grandkids. They saw a good movie and was very well attended. **2.** The Farmer's Market came back today, still encouraging residents to come out, you can not get it any fresher. **3.** Finishing up on Catesville Road, finished pipe work today and still needs to be graded out. **4.** Working out in Presidential Lakes has been started but ran into some issues, finding that roads previously done were not up to standard and are now being brought up to date. **5.** Commented on question regarding the time frame for use on the PO and that he hopes it is used this year as it will have accomplished a lot of work in a short time. **6.** Commented on the Citizens Participation Program, advised can Google it and is a way to make residents aware. Councilwoman Scull asked about the settlement that was made at the last meeting regarding Imagination Kingdom. Can we look into the Ordinance, maybe ticket and give support to the Police. Mayor Patriarca advised that the Police do have the teeth they need to enforce the Ordinances and they can write a ticket, if an arrest does occur it is for another offense that arises out of the Ordinance. Solicitor Bayer advised on some of the specifics of the case, there were two individuals in the park approached by the Police. One refused to identify themselves and was arrested and in a struggle got their arm broken. It was shown that the arrest was lawful. The other individual gave identification and was issued a ticket. Councilwoman Stinney is a little confused as to what Councilwoman Scull is questioning, the cost was due to how the individuals arm got broken. Solicitor Bayer gave an overview of the incident and the intention of the Police was to only give a summons. Councilwoman Scull wondered if there was something that could have been in the ordinance that would have averted the situation. Solicitor Bayer said this was an unfortunate incident and Police already have the authority.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Council President Cartier opened the meeting to the public for general comments. Those residents wishing to be heard were as follows:

Jack Tompkins, Scrapetown Road - 1. There are two elementary schools on the street and a lot of traffic. He went out and brought a radar gun and clocked people doing 45 mph to 60 mph in a 25 mph zone, including the police. School will start and buses are decreased and someone will get killed walking. Never sees a cop in the area unless they are flying down the road. Wants to know what we are going to do about it. Council President Cartier asked for Administration to relay this information to the Police Department. Mayor Patriarca stated he will speak to the Chief of Police and also has concerns of his own as he has seen it on his street. Reminded Council of

the recent purchase of speed monitoring equipment and advised he will ask the Chief to have the equipment placed out on Scrapetown Road and inform him of the residents complaints. Councilwoman Stinney commented on the decrease in buses going before the Board of Education, and to bring these concerns to the Superintendent of the School. Mr. Tompkins stated the Superintendent is as blind to the problems of this town as other people. Commented on witnessing the death of a 5 year old girl who was killed by traffic. Councilman Allen asked the Mayor to have someone look at signage to be sure it is visible. Mayor Patriarca reminded everyone to be conscious of the rules from your drivers test, if no signs 25 mph in a residential area.

Jim Duckworth, Presidential Lakes - 1. Suggested that tonnage signs are put up around the dam in Presidential Lakes as well as throughout the rest of the town. Spent a lot of money putting in that new dam and is aware it is an earthen dam. Has observed tractor trailers, moving vans, and  things going over the dam, but there are no tonnage limit signs. Dam will wear quickly and with no signs there is no enforcement. Mayor Patriarca said this is a good suggestion and he will have the Engineer review the area to see what can be controlled there.

Tom Klink, Presidential Lakes - 1. Has an idea regarding the Presidential Lakes Firehouse and asked if it is vacant. Solicitor Bayer advised it is owned by Presidential Lakes Fire and Rescue, Inc. Mr. Klink asked if it is an active firehouse. Mr. Bayer said they did not join the current fire company when they consolidated, and are not providing service at this time. Mayor Patriarca advised there is Township equipment in the building right now. Mr. Klink asked if it could be made into a sub-station. Mayor Patriarca advised if the Township owned the building they could, but they do not own it. Solicitor Bayer gave a brief explanation of the lawsuit. Mr. Klink advised of incident he had with calling the fire company and commented on counting on Lebanon Lakes for fire support. **2.** Noted he needs some answers from meeting he attended 2 1/2 months ago regarding the litter on Magnolia Road and also commented on Coleman's Bridge Road and signs that were needed. Mayor Patriarca believes that signs are not the answer. We have speed limit signs and they don't pay attention to that. He picks up litter himself during Clean Communities often. **3.** Mr. Klink commented on crack deals in Sunbury Village and how they are doing the deals. Mayor Patriarca stated he does not agree that the town is filled with crack houses. **4.** Mr. Klink commented on speeding and the signs in Chatsworth about obeying the traffic laws and the signs in Springfield Township that state, "You want to speed, see our Judge", why we can't have signs up about obeying our traffic laws. Commented about the police getting the truckers on Magnolia Road. Commented on incident he had on Four Mile Road where a blue car had to drive partially off the road when a silver van passed him and another car in a double yellow line section of the road, the blue car was his daughter who is 3 months pregnant. States something must be done and cops must enforce laws and move around to see what's going on. Mayor Patriarca noted he will pass these concerns on verbatim to the Police Chief, does agree with him but neither the Council nor the Mayor has the authority over the Police Department to instruct them to do anything in an operational format, we can only make suggestions.

Jose Ramos, 144 Wilton Way - 1. Commented on Press Avenue and the flooding that takes place there. There is a collection of water during heavy rains or snow. The entire area from South Lakeshore over to Bishop almost to Ridge is below water table and there is saturation there. There was a drain put there years ago which put a dip in the road so now water collects here. Water sits for days and as cars travel through to turn they need to use their brakes and when they apply them they do not work. Is aware this is an engineering issue but is concerned that this is a liability issue and an accident waiting to happen. **2.** Spoke about speeding and litter and signs. Agrees with the Mayor that signs alone are not going to address the issue. There are those that care and the 1% that is indifferent. Gave overview of conscious efforts we can make regarding enforcement of traffic laws. Commented on Police changing their attitude on what they do and how they do it and the need to create a new mindset. Council President Cartier instructed Mr. Ramos to give his contact information to the Engineer and Administration. Mayor Patriarca is aware of the situation and will have the Engineers look at it again for a possible solution.

America Phillips, Presidential Lakes - 1. Asked about 200 New Hampshire Road and the lawn has not been cut. Mayor Patriarca advised the door was closed and they are checking the property regularly. They are addressing the issues in order of priority and will not be the weekly lawn service for this address. Looking to board up

lower half of house to avoid further entrance to the house. Commented on living next door to the house and having to deal with it every day. **2.** Glad the man came and spoke in reference to the dams and hopes they will listen to him as she feels she is ignored. Sees the trucks going over every day and was told it could handle unlimited weight so she doesn't say anything. **3.** Commented on the roads coming in Presidential Lakes (*INAUDIBLE*) and complaints for the last 30 years. **4.** Question Mr. Bayer in reference to the Fire Company and the cost to the tax payer for the lawsuit. Council President Cartier noted a bill was approved this evening for \$15,000.00. Commented on a member being refused, and she knows people have been denied membership in the Fire Company. **5.** Commented on Lebanon Lakes Fire Company and she does not pay her taxes Woodland Township. Commented on response time to Presidential Lakes from other areas of the Township. **6.** Commented on the trail in Pemberton and if it has been traded. Council President Cartier advised it had not and is not a rumor, it has been approved by this Council and waiting for the County to move forward. **7.** Commented on issues that have happened on the trail. Was walking Monday and found beer cans and remnants of a bonfire. A man was found passed out sleeping on the trail. **8.** Commented on the Presidential Lakes Fire Company and the that the building is the residents. Commented on her homeowners insurance and hopes the trucks will be back. **9.** Commented on vehicles parking at the park and the field being used for a helicopter landing.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:

Diane Stinney – Thanked everyone for coming out, knows signs do not stop things, but they are deterrents. Stated many people see machines that say to slow down and as personal opinion feels they are a deterrent. Have a good evening and have a safe trip home and be blessed.

Jason Allen - Commented to Mrs. Phillips about reporting suspicious activity which will document incident with the Police Department as well as coming to the Council Meetings. Commented to Mr. Ramos about signs and litter and educating the children about the affects it has on the environment and their towns. Announced the NJDEP will be having a job fair for veterans on September 17th and e can be contacted for additional information, it is strictly for veterans. Thanked all for coming out, good to see everyone and looks forward to seeing all in September.

Norma Trueblood – Thanked everyone for coming out and have a safe Labor Day weekend.

Sherry Scull - Noted to Mrs. Phillips that they would never think that she is stupid or crazy, and knows she cares about her community. It is unfortunate the situation in Presidential Lakes and the Council never had a vote regarding the litigation. Does have concerns about the safety of the children walking to school. Is not opposed to them walking but precautions need to be taken and speeding in the town is an issue. Agrees with educating the kids about litter is important. Teaching them to recycle, needs to be pushed more in our community and enforced by our parents. Commented on the drug issues and the homelessness in the town, there needs to be a solution. Many of the homeless are a result of mental health issues which are not being addressed. Commented on the playground equipment, some of it was in very good condition and may be able to be used in Presidential Lakes and Country Lakes to spruce it up. Stated we have a talented Public Works department. Commented on the transfer of the property, Council did vote on that about 4 or 5 years ago when the County accepted the museum and the rail cars. Not aware if a vote has to be done again and could be a thought for the next meeting. St. Ann's Carnival was fabulous and the food was good. Good mixture of events for the different ages. Advised there will be a Veteran's bus trip to Arlington and Washington, D.C. on October 17th, sponsored by the Pemberton Township Teachers Education Association grant through NJEA. Congratulated Councilman Allen and his wife on their recent nuptials. Mayor Patriarca advised that the deal with the County on the exchange of the land is still active and waiting to finalize some things with NJDOT. There are some issues with the grant from the DOT. Commented on the playground equipment and they did not mark when they took it apart so it can not be reassembled and was sent back to the donor. Councilwoman Scull asked if the Train Station was broken into. Mayor Patriarca said not to his knowledge but he would look into it. Also asked for mold results to be brought to next meeting.

Ken Cartier – Asked about blue recycling buckets and if residents are charged if they would like extra ones. Mayor Patriarca advised there is for extra. Council President Cartier asked if it is purchased is it then their property. Mayor Patriarca stated he will look into this. Council President Cartier advised everything goes in one bucket as of September. Councilwoman Stinney asked Councilwoman Scull about the Veteran's trip and where the sites they will be visiting, and she advised. Council President Cartier asked all to have a safe Labor Day weekend and enjoy summers last hurrah, has been a great summer weather wise. Couldn't ask for a better summer but afraid of the upcoming winter. Be safe, have fun and thank you.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy P. Cosnoski

Amy P. Cosnoski, RMC, Township Clerk