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Township Clerk, RMC

Nancy Power

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: Mr. Owens abstained from Purchase Order 20-01883, Invoices 472430, 4188, 418433, 418434. All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0.

**R-20:04-091**

**RESOLUTION TO ALLOW DISABLED VETERAN OR OTHER EXEMPTIONS AND CREDITS FOR TAX YEAR 2020 FIRST HALF AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CREDIT TAXES AND REFUND ANY OVERPAYMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the following names are owners and residents of property in the Township of Gloucester, and

**WHEREAS**, they have made proper application for Total and Permanent Service-Connected Disability tax exempt status on their property designated with the block and lots listed below and,

**WHEREAS**, they have submitted proper evidence of Total and Permanent Disability rating from the U.S. Veterans Administration in accordance with State Regulations.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the Tax Collector is authorized to grant said exemption, credit property taxes as stated 2020 second quarter and refund any resulting credit balances.

<b>Block</b>	<b>Lot</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Amount to be Credited</b>
8001	3 C5201	Ruth Tiernan	Add Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption As Of 03/30/20	2020 – 1,437.62 Assessment – 147,600
15703	4	Chante Thomas	Add Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption As Of 04/01/20	2020 - 1,143.84 Assessment – 113,900
19401	5	Michael James Louise	Add Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption As Of 04/09/20	2020 – 2,809.44 Assessment – 242,500

ADOPTED: April 27, 2020

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President of Council  
Orlando Mercado

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**GT E-GOV ACCESS:**

John Moyer of Jefferson Court asked Council the following question:

*1. Why?*

Mr. Mercado stated he is not sure what this question pertains to, but Mr. Mercado will reach out to Mr. Moyer for clarification.

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Paul Krugg of Blackwood Estates asked for an update regarding his suggestion of assisting small businesses within the township in regards to their property taxes during this time. Mr. Cardis explained municipalities do not have permission to waive taxes or extend the due date. Mr. Krugg asked if there is any assistance for small businesses at the county or township level. Mr. Cardis explained aid is coming down from the federal level but the township is looking into various grants for assistance. Mr. Hutchison suggested the township administration could research what other municipalities are doing throughout the state in assisting small businesses. Mr. Krugg asked Chief Harkins if the Howard Johnson hotel in Blackwood is a problem area and if the destination could be changed due to two separate incidents that occurred at the location. Chief Harkins explained in both situations, the individuals involved were transient and the hotel was cooperative. Mr. Krugg asked for clarification regarding the dismantling of a drug home in Downtown Blackwood. Mr. Krugg asked if Officer Flynn was removed from the township police force. Chief Harkins explained that he is unable to comment on this matter at the time as it has not been adjudicated in the court.

There being no further comment, the public portion was closed.

**POLLING OF DIRECTORS:**

Chief Harkins stated the police department continues to receive great support from the community.

**POLLING OF COUNCIL:**

Mr. Hutchison thanked all essential workers and the township residents for staying home.

Mr. Owens thanked everyone who joined the meeting tonight. Mr. Owens thanked Chief Harkins, his department, first responders, and public works employees. Mr. Owens urged residents to continue social distancing and urged residents not to ingest or inject disinfectant or cleaning products.

Mrs Stubbs expressed her appreciation for first responders during this time. Mrs. Stubbs thanked Chief Harkins.

Mrs. Winters thanked the first responders from the township for participating in the motorcades at the hospitals and made her proud. Mrs. Winters urged residents to support their local small businesses.

Mr. Mignone thanked the first responders and essential employees. Mr. Mignone thanked all of the residents for staying home.

Mrs. Trotto thanked everyone for what they are doing to keep everyone safe.

Mr. Mercado thanked everyone who joined the meeting and asked everyone to keep all of the township residents in their thoughts and prayers. Mr. Mercado told residents to keep referring to the township website for updates. Mr. Mercado urged residents who are having issues with their utility bills, to contact their customer service for assistance. Mr. Mercado informed residents who are having issues with unemployment to contact their Assemblywoman Gabriella Mosquera's office at 401-3073.

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Power  
Township Clerk, RMC

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Council President  
Orlando Mercado