

**GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2021
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CHEWS LANDING NEW JERSEY**

Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

Statement: Mr. Mercado read a statement setting forth the time, date and place of this meeting, that it was properly advertised, posted and filed in the Office of the Township Clerk pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:	Ms. Grace	Mr. Carlamere, Solicitor
	Mr. Hutchison	Mr. Cardis, Business Administrator
	Mr. Mignone	Mrs. Power, Township Clerk, RMC
	Mrs. Stubbs-abs.	Mr. Lechner, Community Development
	Mrs. Winters	Chief Harkins, Police
	Mrs. Trotto	Mr. Chadwell, Engineer
	Mr. Mercado	

R-21:09-263 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM DISCUSSION OF EXEMPTED SUBJECT MATTER AT A REGULAR OR SPECIAL SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ. OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Power, RMC
Township Clerk

Council President
Orlando Mercado

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	Mrs. Trotto	Mr. Chadwell, Engineer
	Mr. Mercado	

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Peter Heinbaugh of Morningstar Court inquired into the resolution increasing the small business grant fund. A discussion was held. Mr. Heinbaugh asked if these funds could be used for rental and/or mortgage assistance. Mr. Botticelli clarified.

Ray Polidoro of Erial asked speakers to use the microphones.

Paul Krugg of Blackwood Estates asked if Public Works currently has the vehicles that they went out to bid for. Mr. Cardis explained. A discussion was held. Mr. Krugg asked council to review the inventory sheet and determine if the vehicles are passed their useful life.

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

WAIVE THE READING AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES:

Executive Session - August 9, 2021
Regular Session - August 9, 2021
August 23, 2021

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote:
Mr. Mercado abstained. All in favor. Motion carried. 5-0.

BID REPORT:

**ONE (1) 3 YARD DUMP TRUCK
BIDS RECEIVED AUGUST 31, 2021 @ 11:00 AM**

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Intercon Truck Equipment	\$111,100.00

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to accept the bid, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

**ONE (1) 7 YARD DUMP TRUCK
BIDS RECEIVED AUGUST 31, 2021 @ 11:00 AM**

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Hunter Keystone Peterbilt, L.P.	\$189,433.00

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to accept the bid, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

**ONE (1) 30 YARD TRIAXLE DUMP TRUCK
BIDS RECEIVED AUGUST 31, 2021 @ 11:00 AM**

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Hunter Keystone Peterbilt, L.P.	\$205,233.00

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to accept the bid, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

**ONLINE TAX SALE HOSTING SERVICES
BIDS RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 @ 12:00 PM**

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Realauction.com, LLC	\$15.00 per property advertised

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to accept the bid, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

**FY2021 NJDOT TRUST FUND RECONSTRUCTION OF KELLY DRIVER
ROAD – PHASE 4 BIDS RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BASE BID 1</u>	<u>BASE BID 2</u>	<u>BASE BID 3</u>	<u>BASE BID 4</u>
Asphalt Paving Systems	\$344,700.00	\$411,780.00	\$258,950.00	\$312,700.00

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to accept the bid, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

**CHERRYWOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PHASE 9
BIDS RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 @ 10:30 AM**

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BASE BID NO.1</u>	<u>BASE BID NO.2</u>
Asphalt Paving Systems	\$333,300.00	\$413,300.00

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT
OF VITAL STATISTICS**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the following refunds be and are hereby authorized:

Birth Certificate Request – Not Applicable

Donald Wayne Buri
C/O Cathryn Lande
6656 98th St. Cir S
Cottage Grove, MN 55016

Total Amount - \$20.00

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-266

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDING OF TAXES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester to authorize the refunding of the following credit balances:

BLOCK	LOT	NAME AND ADDRESS	YEAR	AMOUNT	REASON
6605	8	Joe and Marguerite Skelly 20 Garden Ave. Blackwood, NJ 08012	2021	\$572.23	Overpayment
13701	65	Corelogic Attn: Refund Dept. P.O. Box 9202 Coppell, TX 75019-9238	2021	\$2,335.07	Overpayment

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.
Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-267

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING OF BIDS FOR STRUCTURAL
REPAIRS TO THE OLD PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING**

WHEREAS, the 2021 Budget provides funds for the purchase of certain materials and
supplies and equipment whose aggregate value will exceed \$44,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the State Statutes require that items exceeding \$44,000.00 be properly
advertised and bids received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the advertising of bids is hereby
authorized in accordance with the respective specifications for the following items:

STRUCTURAL REPAIRS TO THE OLD PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.
Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-268

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING OF BIDS FOR PARTICIPATION
IN GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP'S SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the 2022 Budget provides funds for the purchase of certain materials and
supplies and equipment whose aggregate value will exceed \$44,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the State Statutes require that items exceeding \$44,000.00 be properly
advertised and bids received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the advertising of bids is hereby
authorized in accordance with the respective specifications for the following items:

SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACTORS FOR PARTICIPATION IN GLOUCESTER
TOWNSHIP'S SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.
Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-269

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE READVERTISING OF BIDS FOR VARIOUS
PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES**

WHEREAS, the 2021 Budget provides funds for the purchase of certain materials and supplies and equipment whose aggregate value will exceed \$44,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the State Statutes require that items exceeding \$44,000.00 be properly advertised and bids received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the advertising of bids is hereby authorized, in accordance with the respective specifications for the following:

One (1) 2021 New Chassis with Stand Up Right Hand Drive and 37 Yard Recycling
Body

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.
Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-270

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND INTERCON TRUCK EQUIPMENT FOR A
2021 THREE (3) YARD DUMP TRUCK**

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined there is a need for a 2021 three (3) Yard Dump Truck in the Township of Gloucester; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds have been provided; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has received bids or quotes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Intercon Truck Equipment in the amount of \$111,100.00 which was the lowest bid or quote received.

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.
Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-271

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND HUNTER KEYSTONE PETERBILT, L.P. FOR A 2021 SEVEN (7) YARD DUMP TRUCK

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined there is a need for a 2021 seven (7) Yard Dump Truck in the Township of Gloucester; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds have been provided; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has received bids or quotes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Hunter Keystone Peterbilt, L.P. in the amount of \$189,433.00 which was the lowest bid or quote received.

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.
Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-272

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND HUNTER KEYSTONE PETERBILT, L.P. FOR A 2021 THIRTY (30) YARD TRI-AXLE DUMP TRUCK

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined there is a need for a 2021 Thirty (30) Yard Tri-Axle Dump Truck in the Township of Gloucester; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds have been provided; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has received bids or quotes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Hunter Keystone Peterbilt, L.P. in the amount of \$205,233.00 which was the lowest bid or quote received.

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.
Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-273

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND REALAUCTION.COM, LLC**

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined that there is a need for Online Tax Sale Hosting Services; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds have been provided; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council received bids or proposals/quotes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Realauction.com, LLC for Online Tax Sale Hosting Services in the amount of \$15.00 per property advertised payable by delinquent property owners. This agreement shall be effective for the time period of the 2021 Tax Sale.

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.
Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-274

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS, INC.
FOR THE FY 2021 NJDOT TRUST FUND RECONSTRUCTION OF
KELLY DRIVER ROAD – PHASE 4**

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined that there is a need for the FY 2021 NJDOT Trust Fund Reconstruction of Kelly Driver Road – Phase 4, and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds have been provided, and

WHEREAS, the Township Council received bids or quotes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. for the FY 2021 NJDOT Trust Fund Reconstruction of Kelly

Driver Road – Phase 4 in the amount of \$258,950.00 representing Base Bid Number 3 which was the lowest bid or quote received.

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-275

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS, INC.
FOR THE CHERRYWOOD ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – PHASE 9**

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined that there is a need for the Cherrywood Road Improvement Program – Phase 9, and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds have been provided, and

WHEREAS, the Township Council received bids or quotes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. for the Cherrywood Road Improvement Program – Phase 9 in the amount of \$333,300.00 representing Base Bid Number 1 which was the lowest bid or quote received.

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-276

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING SECURITY OF PARKE BANK AND AUTHORIZING

ACCEPTANCE OF A LETTER OF CREDIT FOR THE PROJECT “THE RESERVES AT INDEPENDENCE SQUARE: PHASE II” LOCATED AT BLOCK 18302 LOT 3

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, that Letter of Credit #21-13 of Parke Bank in the amount of \$743,123.88 is hereby accepted and filed to guarantee the completion of Public Facilities, Landscape Buffer, Safety and Stabilization, and Street Lighting project improvements required to be performed by Independence Square Equities, LLC, at Block 18302 Lots 3, under file #04-15-P-1166 as set forth in the Engineer’s Guarantee and Escrow Cost Estimate dated January 7, 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Council, of the Township of Gloucester, that the original Letter of Credit shall be submitted and certified prior to the issuance of Building Permits.

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-277

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF SECURITIES FOR THE ESTATES AT LAKESIDE PHASE I BLOCK 18301 LOTS 16,17 & 18 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER

WHEREAS, the developer of The Estates at Lakeside Phase I has supplied the Township of Gloucester with Letter of Credit #20511001 from the 1ST Colonial Community Bank in the original amount of \$643,804.92 for site improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer has inspected this project and has given his report to the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester does hereby authorize the reduction of securities for The Estates at Lakeside Phase I as follows:

	<u>Original Guarantee</u>	<u>Reduction #1</u>	<u>Reduction #2</u>	<u>Reduction #3</u>
Public Facilities	\$643,804.92	\$615,196.92	\$331,291.32	\$201,846.60

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-278

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF SECURITIES FOR
THE ESTATES AT LAKESIDE PHASE IV
BLOCK 18301 LOTS 16,17 & 18
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER**

WHEREAS, the developer of The Estates at Lakeside Phase IV has supplied the Township of Gloucester with Letter of Credit #20621001 from the 1ST Colonial Community Bank in the amount of \$298,470.60 for site improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer has inspected this project and has given his report to the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester does hereby authorize the reduction of securities for The Estates at Lakeside Phase IV as follows:

	<u>Original Guarantee</u>	<u>Reduction #1</u>	<u>Reduction #2</u>
Public Facilities	\$298,470.60	\$231,414.60	\$171,546.60

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-278

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IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER**

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WHEREAS, the Engineer has inspected this project and has given his report to the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester does hereby authorize the reduction of securities for The Estates at Lakeside Phase IV as follows:

	<u>Original Guarantee</u>	<u>Reduction #1</u>	<u>Reduction #2</u>
Public Facilities	\$298,470.60	\$231,414.60	\$171,546.60

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

ATTEST:

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

R-21:09-279

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
GLOUCESTER APPROVING REVISIONS TO THE PROGRAM GUIDELINES FOR
THE TOWNSHIP SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDED BY
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT CV-3 FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Township of Gloucester has created a Small Business Assistance Grant Program to provide COVID-19 relief to certain small businesses of the Township with funding from the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) CV-3 funding program; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Township of Gloucester finds it desirous to revise the program guidelines to increase the maximum award provided to these businesses from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and change the mechanism by which the award amount is determined; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG program requires the Township Council to approve any changes to the program guidelines before they may go into effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that the revisions are hereby adopted to the accompanying program guidelines to increase the maximum award provided to awardees of the Small Business Assistance Grant Program from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and change the mechanism by which award amount is determined.

Adopted: September 13, 2021

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk
Nancy Power, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

GT E-GOV ACCESS:

Quiana Berrios of Nashua Drive asked the following question:

1. *My family is new to South Jersey area. We moved from Central Jersey and decided to purchase our 2nd home in Sicklerville. Since May, I've been trying to reach the Department of Public Works regarding the large amount of trash along the side of Sicklerville Road (705) cross street Berlin Cross Keys. This truly makes the area look disgusting let alone its hazardous. Previously, there were overgrown trees which caused driving issues due to how far the branches stuck out. I called in about that and they came out and cut them. I've made many calls, sent emails and for months nothing has been done. Is there any reason why so much litter is not being removed from a county road? My hope is that this issue can be resolved. As a new family to the area we love the area but hate to see it so poorly maintained.*

Mr. Mercado stated the township will reach out to the county on Ms. Berrios' behalf.

Denise Coyne of Chews Landing Road asked the following questions:

1. *In November of 2019, Council approved an amended Redevelopment*

Plan and Study for the Villages of Gloucester. Mr. Lechner stated at that time that most of the lots in the study area would qualify and a few would not. He said the lots that did not qualify could be included because they would “advance the plan.” Two years later, only two of the 16 lots qualify and the draft report states, “none of the study area properties would be needed for effective development.” What changed? This is a result of T & M’s analysis.

2. *The Villages of Gloucester is approximately 187 acres. Why did we pay for a study to advance opportunities for only that one block area? This is the area included and these properties have a significant size and area than other properties in this area.*

3. *At the July 12th meeting, Council President said he would follow up with the Mayor to see if the community can be included in future redevelopment planning discussions. What was the Mayor’s response? The Mayor welcomes community involvement in these discussions.*

4. *There has been a Redevelopment Plan in place for the Villages of Gloucester since 2015. An amendment to that plan has been in the works for almost two years. Stakeholders exist, regardless of whether there have been stakeholder meetings or not. Why will T & M not identify who stakeholders are? No stakeholders have been identified yet nor meetings with stakeholders held.*

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Ray Polidoro of Erial asked how many times in 2020 and 2021 did the township appeal to the state regarding the streets. Mr. Chadwell stated once each year. Mr. Polidoro asked what the property tax would be for a home labeled market to affordable. Mr. Carlamere stated the value of the home would need to be reassessed. A discussion was held.

Paul Krugg of Blackwood Estates expressed his uneasiness with council’s level of awareness regarding the useful life of public works vehicles. Mr. Krugg expressed his interest in being included in Blackwood West Redevelopment Stakeholder meetings.

Denise Coyne of Chews Landing Road asked for a timeframe for the completion of the redevelopment study for the Villages of Gloucester. Mr. Lechner stated he did not have a definitive timeline. Mrs. Coyne inquired about invoices from T & M regarding meetings with business owners.

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

POLLING OF DIRECTORS:

Chief Harkins thanked council for attending the 9/11 ceremony this past weekend. Chief Harkins wish to remember Lieutenant Luis who passed away.

POLLING OF COUNCIL:

Mr. Hutchison stated Mr. Krugg should be involved with Blackwood West. Mr. Hutchison recalled 9/11.

Ms. Grace wished everyone a great night.

Mr. Mignone thanked everyone for coming out tonight.

Mrs. Winters asked everyone to stay safe.

Mrs. Trotto thanked everyone for coming out.

Mr. Mercado thanked everyone for coming out this evening. Mr. Mercado thanked the police and fire departments for their 9/11 remembrance ceremony. Mr. Mercado announced this Friday is the last movie night in the park and this Saturday is the time capsule burial. Mr. Mercado announced the Pumpkin Festival is cancelled this year. Mr. Mercado stated Benjamin Coates, who ran the local food bank on Church Street, passed away.

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Nancy Power, RMC
Township Clerk