

**GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2019
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CHEWS LANDING NEW JERSEY**

Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

Statement: Mrs. Trotto 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:	Mr. Hutchison	Mr. Carlamere, Solicitor
	Mr. Owens	Mr. Cardis, Business Administrator
	Mrs. Stubbs	Mrs. Power, Township Clerk, RMC
	Mrs. Winters	Mr. Lechner, Community Development
	Mr. Mignone	Chief Earle, Police
	Mrs. Trotto	Mr. Chadwell, Township Engineer
	Mr. Mercado-abs.	

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mrs. Trotto opened the public portion.

Peter Heignbaugh of Morning Star Court asked Council to explain the refunds presented on Resolution 27. Mr. Cardis stated that these refunds were for entities that were interested in the state approved marijuana distribution and are being refunded because the township was not awarded to have these facilities by the state in this first round. Mr. Heignbaugh asked if the two licenses being awarded in New Jersey have been awarded. Mr. Carlamere stated that he could not speak to whether or not the licenses have been awarded, but Gloucester Township was not chosen by the state. Mr. Heignbaugh asked Council to explain what is meant by Resolution of Need in regards to Resolution 30. Mr. Carlamere stated that Franklin Square Village is senior housing within the township, there are new owners, and the township approved abatement must transfer to the new owners. Mr. Carlamere stated that this is a standard resolution. Mr. Heignbaugh asked why Franklin Square Village is listed as tax exempt – charitable on the tax records. Mr. Cardis stated that they are under the payment in lieu of taxes program. Mr. Heignbaugh asked if the 24 units mentioned in the resolution count towards the township's affordable housing quota. Mr. Carlamere stated that these units are already existing in the township's quota.

Sam Sweet of Erial asked if Resolution 29, pertaining to the adoption of a temporary budget, is on the agenda only because Council has not received the actual budget yet. Mr. Cardis stated that this is by state statute which requires municipalities to complete this until the actual budget is adopted and that will supersede this. Mr. Sweet asked when the budget will be ready. Mr. Cardis stated that he doesn't believe the state has released a date yet. Mr. Sweet asked if the township has any oversight over AMR, mentioned in Resolution 33. Mr. Cardis stated that the township does not have any oversight over their operations, but we have assisted them in finding locations for their rigs. Mr. Sweet asked if overseeing AMR is something Council would consider after what happened with GTEMS and mismanagement. Mr. Cardis stated that there should not be a comparison between the two companies, that AMR is a nationally recognized company with the assets to support them. Mr. Cardis stated that the township will receive quarterly reports which was a requirement of the RFQ. Mr. Sweet asked if the contract with AMR is different from the contract signed with GTEMS. Mr. Cardis stated that they are different contracts.

Ray Polidoro of Erial asked who the new owner of Franklin Square Village is. Mr. Carlamere stated that he does not have that information with him. Mr. Polidoro asked if it was safe to assume that the new owner is not Franklin Square LLC who acquired this property in April of 2010. Mr. Carlamere stated that the former owner is Franklin Square Preservation LP. Mr. Polidoro asked if Council knows how much taxes have been collected from Franklin Square since 2010. Mr. Cardis stated that he does not have those figures on him.

Sam Sweet of Erial asked what payment in lieu of taxes meant. Mr. Carlamere stated that it is an agreed payment based on the revenue generated and is paid instead of taxes that goes strictly to the municipality. Mr. Sweet asked if Franklin Square Preservation LP was paying for all of their own rehab. Mr. Carlamere stated yes. Mr. Sweet asked if Council knows what municipalities in New Jersey are getting the marijuana facilities. Mr. Cardis stated he heard a rumor that Vineland was getting one. Mr. Sweet asked if the township is still waiting to hear if the state is legalizing it for recreational use. Mr. Cardis stated yes.

There being no comment, the public portion was closed.

**RESOLUTIONS:
CONSENT AGENDA**

R-19:01-025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, in the County of Camden, that the following bills are approved by the Township Council in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance 0-82-16 and certified by the Chief Financial Officer that the claims are proper obligation of the township, that adequate funds are available to honor these claims in the account indicated and the claim should be paid:

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 8,073,853.37

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Per attached computer read out of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 71,182.72

DEVELOPERS ESCROW

Per attached computer read out of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 4,467.44

TRUST

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 27,965.89

ANIMAL

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 26,342.93

MANUAL CHECKS

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 3,132,866.51

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST: _____
Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Stubbs. Mr. Owens stated he must abstain from 18-67437 and PO #190033. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

R-19:01-026

**RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE DAYS IN WHICH
THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED**

JANUARY 21 st	MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
FEBRUARY 18 th	PRESIDENT'S DAY
MAY 27 th	MEMORIAL DAY
JULY 4 th	INDEPENDENCE DAY
SEPTEMBER 2 nd	LABOR DAY
OCTOBER 14 th	COLUMBUS DAY
NOVEMBER 11 th	VETERAN'S DAY
NOVEMBER 28 th	THANKSGIVING DAY
DECEMBER 24 th and 25 th	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

JANUARY 1, 2020

NEW YEAR'S DAY - 2019

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

R-19:01-027

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT
OF FINANCE**

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

Escrow # 12554
Modern Remedies, LLC
Attn: Anthony Suppa
P.O. Box 68
Bridgeton, NJ 08302
Balance: \$50,000.00

Escrow # 12567
Harvest Mass Holding, LLC
8950 E. Raintree Drive
Suite 100
Scottsdale, AZ 85260
Balance: \$50,000.00

Escrow # 12568
Midwest Development Project, LLC
Attn: Geoffrey Kroff
6561 Westpoint Drive
Hudson, OH 44236
Balance: \$50,000.00

Escrow # 12594
Care Pharma Group, LLC
173 Bridge Plaza North
Fort Lee, NJ 07024
Balance: \$50,000.00

Escrow #12607
Liberty Plant Sciences
9690 Dallas Street, Unit B
Henderson, CO 80640
Balance: \$50,000.00

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

R-19:01-028

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, Office of the Attorney General, has awarded the Township of Gloucester a Safe and Secure Communities Program Grant (#19-0415) in the amount of \$90,000 for the purpose of partially funding the salary of four (4) police officers which foster a safer community and enable the continued implementation of the holistic Broken Windows approach from May 9, 2019 to May 8, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Gloucester will provide “fringe benefit” matching funds, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Gloucester, Camden County, New Jersey, that the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, Office of the Attorney General, Safe and Secure Communities Program Grant (#19-0415) in the amount of \$90,000.00 is hereby gratefully accepted.

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

R-19:01-029

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR 2019

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payment is to be made prior to the final adoption of the annual Municipal Budget, Temporary Appropriations shall be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the Temporary Appropriations shall be adopted within the first 30 days of the Municipality’s fiscal year, and shall not exceed 26.25% of the prior’s year’s adopted Budget, exclusive of appropriations made for Debt Service, Capital Improvements and Public Assistance; and

WHEREAS, the total amount appropriated in the 2018 Municipal Budget, as detailed above, was \$55,008,827.71; and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the above amount is \$14,439,817.28

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and the Township Council, that following Temporary Appropriations be approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an additional sum of \$3,500,000.00 be appropriated for Debt Service, Capital Improvements and Public Assistance, for a total Temporary Budget of \$17,939,817.28.

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

R-19:01-030

RESOLUTION OF NEED

WHEREAS, Franklin Square Preservation LP (hereinafter referred to as the “Sponsor”) proposes to rehabilitate a 224-unit senior housing project called Franklin Square Village (hereinafter referred to as the “Project”) pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Law of 1983, as amended (N.J.S.A. 55:14K-1 et seq.), the rules promulgated thereunder at N.J.A.C. 5:80-1.1 et seq., and all applicable guidelines promulgated thereunder (the foregoing hereinafter collectively referred to as the “HMFA Requirements”) within the Township of Gloucester (hereinafter referred to as the “Municipality”) on a site described as Lot 6, Block 1501 as shown on the Official Assessment Map of the Township of Gloucester, Camden County; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be subject to the HMFA Requirements and the mortgage and other loan documents executed between the Sponsor and the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (hereinafter referred to as the “Agency”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the HMFA Requirements, the governing body of the Municipality hereby determines that there is a need for this housing project in the Municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Gloucester (the “Council”) that:

- (1) The Council finds and determines that the 224-unit senior affordable housing Project proposed by the Sponsor to be rehabilitated meets or will meet an existing housing need;
- (2) The Council does hereby adopt the within Resolution and makes the determination and findings herein contained by virtue of, pursuant to, and in conformity with the provisions of the HMFA Law to enable the Agency to process the Sponsor’s application for Agency funding to finance the Project.

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

R-19:01-031

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the following persons be and are hereby appointed to the Gloucester Township Planning Board

Antonio Guevara	Class II Member	One Year Term 1/15/2019 - 12/31/2019
Jaelyn Bradley	Class IV Member	Filling unexpired of Antonio Guevara Expiring 12/31/2019
Michelle Botsford	Alternate #2	Two Year Term 1/15/2019 – 12/31/2020

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

President of Council
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

R-19:01-032

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the following persons be and are hereby appointed to the Gloucester Township Municipal Utilities Authority

Joe Pillo	Member	2/01/2019 – 01/31/2024
Ken Garbowski	Member	01/15/2019 – 01/31/2022
		(Filling the unexpired term of Dolly Guevara)
Frank Dintino	Alternate #2	01/15/2019 – 01/31 2021
		(Filling the unexpired term of Ken Garbowski)

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

REGULAR AGENDA

R-19:01-033

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER CONFIRMING THE SIGNING OF AN AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE MID ATLANTIC, INC. (AMR) TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER

WHEREAS, The Township Council of the Township of Gloucester did previously authorize the signing of an agreement with Gloucester Township EMS Alliance, a Not-for-Profit Corporation of the State of New Jersey, to provide emergency medical services within the jurisdiction of the Township of Gloucester, and

WHEREAS, The contract was awarded pursuant to a public advertised Request for Proposals with responses being provided by Gloucester Township EMS Alliance and American Medical Response Mid Atlantic Inc., and

WHEREAS, Without advance notice to the Township of Gloucester, all emergency medical services being provided by Gloucester Township EMS Alliance ceased for reasons internal to Gloucester Township EMS Alliance, and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Gloucester determined that as a result of the non-response by Gloucester Township EMS Alliance, an emergency exists affecting the public health, safety, and welfare within the Township of Gloucester, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.40A:11-6 authorizes the award of contracts without public advertising for bids when an emergency exists affecting the public health, safety, or welfare. And, noted, agreements for emergency medical services within the jurisdiction of the Township of Gloucester are provided without cost to the Township Government Administration, and

WHEREAS, It was further determined that delaying adequate emergency medical services to secure public advertising for proposal would unreasonably increase the risk to the general health, safety, and welfare within the Township of Gloucester, and

WHEREAS, It is determined that it is in the best interest of the Township of Gloucester and protection of public health, safety, and welfare, that the Township of Gloucester enter into an agreement with American Medical Response Mid Atlantic Inc. to provide emergency medical services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, It is herein resolved that an emergency did exist that placed the general health, safety, and welfare within the Township of Gloucester at sufficient risk requiring immediate response.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and or Business Administrator of the Township of Gloucester are authorized to enter into an agreement with American Medical Response Mid Atlantic Inc., to provide emergency medical services within the jurisdiction of the Township of Gloucester.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signing of an agreement with American Medical Response Mid Atlantic Inc. is hereby confirmed.

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

GT E-GOV ACCESS

Denise Coyne of Chews Landing Road asked the following question:

1. *What is the purpose of the Gloucester Township Multiple Dwelling Commission and why do we need it?* Mrs. Trotto stated that the members of that commission are Mr. Cardis and Mayer Mayor. Mr. Carlamere stated that the commission had a purpose of being available to make emergency decisions to either move a tenant or fund a tenant, in the event the landlord could not be contacted, and then reimbursement to the township would fall on the landlord.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mrs. Trotto opened the public portion.

Tom Jordan from Terrestria stated that the homeowners association painted lines for parking spots in the development and the lines are very long. Mr. Carlamere stated that the association bylaws would regulate how that should be done. Mr. Jordan asked if there are any regulations that are binding on the association to adopt. Mr. Carlamere asked Mr. Lechner what a standard parking spot size was. Mr. Lechner stated 9 feet wide by 18 feet long designated by Residential Site Improvement Standards. Mr. Jordan asked if state laws would govern even though Terrestria is private property. Mr. Lechner stated yes, that previously municipalities had their own standards so developers got together and came up with uniform standards. Peter Heignbaugh of Morning Star Court stated that the Mayor imposed a condition that the medical marijuana facilities had to be placed on the NIKE base and asked if that was appropriate. Mr. Cardis stated that part of the requirement for the application for the state was that there was a dedicated area for a location. There being no further comment, the public portion was closed.

POLLING OF COUNCIL:

Mr. Hutchison thanked everyone for coming this evening.
Mr. Owens thanked everyone for coming out and congratulated the chief and police department for their “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End Holiday Crackdown” campaign. Mr. Owens also thanked the police and public works for their work during the snow storm. Mr. Owens reminded residents that pizza boxes with oil on them cannot be recycled. Mr. Owens also announced that one of Gloucester Township’s residents, John Brascetta, is appearing on the Titan Games television show.
Mrs. Stubbs thanked everyone for coming out.
Mrs. Winters thanked everyone for coming tonight.
Mr. Mignone thanked everyone for coming and reminded residents that Monday will be a day of service in memory of Martin Luther King Jr.
Mrs. Trotto invited everyone to come to Lewis School to volunteer on Martin Luther King Jr. day of service.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Power
Township Clerk, RMC

Council President
Orlando Mercado

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	Mr. Mignone	Chief Earle, Police
	Mrs. Trotto	Mr. Chadwell, Township Engineer
	Mr. Mercado-abs.	

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mrs. Trotto opened the public portion.
There being no comment, the public portion was closed.

R-19:01-034

**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**

WHEREAS. The Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey provides that certain matters may be discussed in “Executive Closed Session” without members of the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS. The following items, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, are permitted closed session discussion,

1. Confidential Matter under Federal or State Statute or Court Rule.
2. Matter which would jeopardize the receipt of Federal Funds.
3. Matter constituting unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
4. Matter involving collective bargaining.
5. Matter involving purchase, lease or investment using public funds, or involving setting of bank rates.
6. Matters involving investigation of violations or possible violations of law. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that disclosure could impair such protection.
7. Matters involving Attorney Client privileges.
8. Matters involving personnel.
9. Matters involving proceedings which could result in civil penalty, suspension or loss of license.

NOW THEREFORE, be it Resolved by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that there exists a need to discuss Litigation and Personnel, in executive closed session, and that the public be and is hereby excluded from this discussion on December 27, 2017 at 7:30 pm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that disclosure to the public of the executive closed session matter shall not be made public until such matter has been resolved.

Adopted: January 14, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

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

Mrs. Trotto stated that the Council is going into Closed Session to discuss exempted subject matter for pending litigation.

Roll call: All 6 council members present.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Council President
Orlando Mercado

Nancy Power
Township Clerk, RMC

