

**GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2019
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CHEWS LANDING NEW JERSEY**

Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

Invocation: Ms. Dorsett Kelly

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

PRESENTATION: BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROCLAMATION

Council President Mercado read the Black History Month Proclamation. Ms. Kelly spoke to those in attendance. Mayor Mayer and Council presented plaques to the following honorees:

Robert Harris	Allysia Edwards	Christopher Still	Edward Ferguson
Asa Cross	Lamoire White	Emory Moore	Zoe Glover
Jordana Simmons	Stacy Gay		

Freeholder Young spoke to those in attendance. Mayor Mayer congratulated all of the honorees and thanked Ms. Kelly and Mr. Hill for their assistance with the program.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

There being no comment, the public portion was closed.

MINUTES:

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to waive the reading and accept the minutes of:

Executive Sessions: 4/2/18
6/4/18
7/2/18
8/6/18
9/5/18
10/1/18
11/5/18
12/3/18

seconded by Mr. Owens. Roll call vote: Mr. Hutchison abstained from the 4/2/18, 6/4/18, and 12/3/18 minutes. Mr. Owens abstained from the 8/6/18 minutes. Mrs. Winters abstained from the 7/2/18 minutes. Mrs. Trotto abstained from the 4/2/18 minutes. Motion carried. 6-0.

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

O-19-02: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 5 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER ENTITLED, "PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURES" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER

Mr. Mercado opened the public hearing.

There being no comment, the public hearing was closed. Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 6-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

CONSENT AGENDA

R-19:02-063

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 \$ 233,967.36

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Per attached computer read out of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 419,844.55

DEVELOPERS ESCROW

Per attached computer read out of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 6,528.00

TRUST

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 37,142.24

ANIMAL

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 8,245.00

MANUAL CHECKS

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$10,964,912.71

Adopted: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-064

RESOLUTION CONSIDERING APPLICATION OF DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEW JERSEY, INC. FOR PERSON TO PERSON, PLACE TO PLACE TRANSFER OF A PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE HELD BY APPLE NEW JERSEY, LLC LIQUOR LICENSE NO. 0415-33-027-010

WHEREAS, Dave & Buster's of New Jersey, Inc. has made application for Person to Person and Place to Place transfer of a Plenary Retail Consumption License held by Apple New Jersey, LLC, and

WHEREAS, notice of said transfer has been duly published, and

WHEREAS, no objections have been filed, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed and the authority has reviewed the source of all funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business, and all additional financing obtained in connection with the licensed business, and

WHEREAS, the Authority has received a written and sworn affidavit by an authorized representative of both the transferor and transferee, affirming that the transferee is aware of all obligations outstanding to New Jersey Alcoholic Beverage manufacturers, wholesalers, and distributors, and that either the transferee has assumed any such obligations or the obligations have been or will be satisfied by the transferor out of the proceeds of the sale of the licensed business.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, that the application of Dave & Buster's of New Jersey, Inc. located at 200 Premium Outlets Drive for Person to Person, Place to Place Transfer of a Plenary Retail Consumption License be and is hereby approved .

Adopted: February 25, 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.

R19:02-065

RESOLUTION CORRECTING ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2019 FIRST HALF AS INDICATED, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND ANY OVERPAYMENTS.

WHEREAS, the following properties in the Township of Gloucester, as indicated by block and lot number, have received an erroneous assessment for the indicated reason, and, **WHEREAS**, the Township Assessor has reviewed and made corrections of said errors,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, that the following properties be reduced for the year and reason stated and the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to credit each tax account and refund any over-payments:

BLOCK ACCOUNT	LOT	NAME & REASON	REDUCTION OF ASSESS	RED. TAXES
6703	31	Thomas Terwillnger	Cancel \$13,700 2019 First Half – Error in Calculation	\$269.55

ADOPTED: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-066

RESOLUTION TO ALLOW DISABLED VETERAN OR OTHER EXEMPTIONS AND CREDITS FOR TAX YEAR 2019 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 for first half 2019 and refund any resulting credit balances.

Block	Lot	Name	Comment	Amount to be Credited
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18204	3.01	James Read	Add Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption As of 3/1/19	\$718.76–2019 1 st qtr \$2,156.27 – 2019 2 nd qtr
19701	6	Charles Faulk	Add Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption As of 3/1/19	\$608.46–2019 1 st qtr \$1,825.37 – 2019 2 nd qtr

ADOPTED: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-067

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TAX COLLECTOR TO GRANT SENIOR CITIZEN, DISABLED, OR VETERAN DEDUCTION FOR THE YEAR 2019 AS INDICATED AND TO ADJUST ANY BALANCE

WHEREAS, the following applicants are the owners of a residential property located in the Township of Gloucester, and,

WHEREAS, they have properly filed an application for a Senior Citizen, Disabled, or Veteran Deduction with proof of eligibility, and

WHEREAS, the Assessor has reviewed and approved said application and adjusted the records for 2019,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the Tax Collector is authorized to grant said deduction and/or adjust any resulting balances for the year 2019 and refund any balances for the amounts indicated.

Block	Lot	Name	Comment	Amount of Deduction
8002	4 C4408	William McShane	Add Veteran Deduction 2019	250.00
10104	6	Mark Schnieder	Add Veteran Deduction 2019	250.00
7603	7	Arthur Byrd	Add Senior Citizen Deduction 2019	250.00
11401	49	James Cooke	Add Senior Citizen Deduction 2019	250.00
12201	3	Anthony Pennese	Add Senior Citizen Deduction 2019	250.00

ADOPTED: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-068

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
10104	3	Robert & Eleanor Criswell 41 Spring Hill Dr. Laurel Springs, NJ 08021	2019	\$2,203.60	Duplicate Payment
20203	12	Lorraine Greer 10 Woodhaven Ct. Clementon, NJ 08021	2019	\$1,626.14	Overpayment

Adopted: February 25, 2019

ATTEST:

Council President

Orlando Mercado

Township Clerk, RMC
Nancy Power

R-19:02-069

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER TO ACCEPT A SUB-GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR THE 2018 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR FOR THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (EMPG) AND THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY ASSISTANCE (EMAA) PROGRAMS AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP'S CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO CERTIFY THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, The Township of Gloucester, Office of Emergency Management has been awarded the State Homeland Security Grant Program Sub-grant, Award FY18--EMPG-EMAA-0415; CFDA#:97.0742 from the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management. The Sub-grant, consisting of \$20,292.77 including \$10,000.00 Federal Award and \$10,292.77 Local Matching Funds, is for the purpose of enhancing Gloucester Township's ability to prevent, protect against, respond to and recover from acts of terrorism, natural disasters and other catastrophic events and emergencies; and

WHEREAS, The sub-grant award incorporates all conditions and representations contained or made in application and notice of award #FY18-EMPG-EMA-0415, CFDA#L97.042 sub-award grant period of 7/1/18 to 6/30/19; and

WHEREAS, The Gloucester Township Office of Emergency Management, designated by the New Jersey State Police, Office of Emergency Management, has submitted an Application for Sub-grant Award that has been required by the said New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, The Application for Sub-grant Award calls for a match in the amount of at least \$10,000.00 which the Gloucester Township's Office of Emergency Management adequately satisfies through the FY2018 Township of Gloucester approved budget for Division salaries, wages and fringe benefits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester hereby accept the award of the FY2018 Homeland Security Emergency Management Performance Grant Program Sub-grant in the amount \$10, 000.00 Federal funds from the New Jersey State Police, Office of Emergency Management; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matching sum of \$10,292.77 is hereby appropriated under the caption FY2018 Homeland Security Emergency Management Performance Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Gloucester Township Administrator, the County Chief Fiscal Officer and Gloucester Township Director of Emergency Management are authorized to accept and sign the appropriate sub-grant award documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the New Jersey State Police, Office of Emergency Management; the Director of the Division of Local Emergency Management, Office of the Treasury and the Camden County Office of Emergency Management.

Adopted: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-070

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT
OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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

Refund for Building Permits: Permit #20160995, 613 Beverly Dr:	\$288.00
Permit #20161166, 2306 Hartford Dr:	\$288.00
Permit #20163403, 24 Heritage Hill Dr:	\$288.00
Permit #20160290, 26 Farmhouse Rd:	\$288.00
TOTAL:	\$1,152.00

Payable to: Vivint Solar Developer LLC
Attn: AR Department
1800 W. Ashton Blvd
Lehi, UT 84043

ADOPTED: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-071

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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

Refund for Building Permit number 20172294 in the amount of \$288.00.

Payable to: Trinity Heating & Air, Inc
Attn: Permitting
2211 Allenwood Rd
Wall, NJ 07719

ADOPTED: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-072

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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

Refund for Building Permits:	Permit #20181610, 2 Crabapple Ct:	\$297.00
	Permit #20182186, 201 Hollyoke Rd:	\$288.00
	Permit #20182153, 210 Hillcrest Ave:	\$288.00
	Permit #20182023, 29 Springlane Dr:	\$288.00
	Permit #20181612, 319 Dearborne Ave:	\$288.00
	Permit #20181816, 18 Heritage Hill Dr:	\$288.00
	TOTAL:	\$1,737.00

Payable to: Sunrun, Inc
Attn: Stacey Williams-Ewan
20 West Stowe Rd, Suite 2
Marlton, NJ 08053

ADOPTED: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-073

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT
OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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

Refund for Building Permit number 20182516 in the amount of \$65.00.

Payable to: Hanzel Roofing
Attn: Nick Hanzel
249 Lakeview Ave
Franklinville, NJ 08322

ADOPTED: February 25, 2019

ATTEST:

President of Council
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.

R-19:02-074

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT
OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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

Refund for Building Permit number 20151900 in the amount of \$65.00.

Payable to: Sean Zale
76 Larkspur Circle
Sicklerville, NJ 08081

ADOPTED: February 25, 2019

ATTEST:

President of Council
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.

R-19:02-075

**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:

#11660-171046PFSPFSP
553 Cross Keys Road
Block 18403 Lot 20
Lidl US Operations, LLC
3500 SS. Clark Street
Arlington, VA 22202
Balance from unexpended escrow: \$310.80

Adopted: February 25, 2019

ATTEST:

President of Council
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.

R-19:02-076

**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:

#2765-061139CP
The Shoppes @ Cross Keys
Stanbery Development Group, LLC
Attn: Mary Sibio
2807 A Delmar Drive
Bexley, OH 43209
Balance from unexpended escrow: \$2.43

Adopted: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-077

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 – FINAL
PAVING PLUS, LLC
FOR THE FY 2018 NJDOT TRUST FUND – RESURFACING OF STONE BRIDGE
DR./PETER CHEESEMAN RD.**

WHEREAS, it was necessary to make changes in the scope of work to be done in the completion of the FY 2018 NJDOT Trust Fund, Resurfacing of Stone Bridge Dr. & Peter Cheeseman Rd. by Paving Plus, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 1 - FINAL was developed to itemize and authorize those changes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that Change Order No. 1 – FINAL is hereby authorized and approval is hereby granted to revise the contract cost from \$201,260.40 to \$161,578.91.

Adopted: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-078

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING OF BIDS FOR MOWING OF
RETENTION BASINS**

WHEREAS, the 2019 Budget provides funds for the purchase of certain materials and supplies and equipment whose aggregate value will exceed \$40,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the State Statutes require that items exceeding \$40,000.00 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:

MOWING OF RETENTION BASINS

Adopted: February 25, 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.

R-19:02-079

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING OF BIDS FOR LANDSCAPE
MAINTENANCE**

WHEREAS, the 2019 Budget provides funds for the purchase of certain materials and supplies and equipment whose aggregate value will exceed \$40,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the State Statutes require that items exceeding \$40,000.00 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:

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

Adopted: February 25, 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.

**RESOLUTIONS:
REGULAR AGENDA**

R-19:02-080

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, CAMDEN COUNTY NEW JERSEY RECOMMENDING THAT THE PLANNING BOARD FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER CONSIDER AMENDING THE COLLEGE DRIVE REDEVELOPMENT AREA ZONE TO INCLUDE BLOCK 13103 LOTS 3,3.01,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12 AND 13 AS SHOWN ON THE TOWNSHIP MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER TO BE PART OF THE APPROVED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR COLLEGE DRIVE REDEVELOPMENT AREA ZONE AND TO BE KNOWN AS A NONCONDEMNATION AREA

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the township of Gloucester did previously designate an area in need of redevelopment and known as College Drive Redevelopment Area Zone, and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has been advised that the proposed developer for the designated area desires to expand the redevelopment area to include additional lots to be considered part of the redevelopment plan, and

WHEREAS, the township council under the authority of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-6 desires that the Township of Gloucester Planning Board undertake an investigation to determine whether the aforementioned properties may be included as part of the redevelopment area, and

NOW THEREFORE, it is herein resolved by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the Planning Board of the Township of Gloucester is requested consider amending the College Drive Redevelopment Area Zone to include the following properties to be in need of redevelopment and to be included in the Plan; BLOCK 13103 LOTS 3,3.01,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12 AND 13, as shown on the tax map of the Township of Gloucester, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the designated expanded lots shall be a NON-CONDEMNATION AREA as part of the amended plan, and

Adopted: February 25, 2019

ATTEST:

President of Council
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.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Paul Krug of Blackwood Estates stated he was informed by Mr. Morris of Public Works, the Blackhorse Pike was to be repaved by the state and asked what the timeline would be. Mr. Chadwell asked Mr. Krug for his information and stated that he would get back to Mr. Krug. Mr. Krug stated that this is in relation to an incident in October where Aqua Water contracted Pioneer Pipe to repair the pipes under his street, which are under one side of the street. Mr. Krug spoke with Mr. Morris who explained that only the portion that was disturbed is required to be repaved. Mr. Krug's concern is with the inefficiency of this process. Mr. Krug stated that the equipment is already there, then man power is already there, why only repave half the street when it was the large equipment vehicles from Aqua and Pioneer Pipe that damaged the street to begin with. Mr. Mercado asked which street this was. Mr. Krug stated Hortman Street. Mr. Krug stated that as a project manager, it would make sense for the township to coordinate with Pioneer Pipe to do it all at the same time since all of the equipment is going to be there. Mr. Mercado stated that this is something that would fall under the capital budget and with many roads opened up like that all over the township, that thought process would push the township over budget, however Mr. Chadwell can take a look at that street. Mr. Krug asked what is being done to pressure the developer for the Blackhorse Plaza on Blackhorse Pike and Davistown Road. Mr. Lechner stated that the Dunkin Donuts has been completed and the façade has been updated on the building. Mr. Krug asked if there is a timeline on this project. Mr. Lechner stated that there is not an ordinance that would force a property owner to complete the project in a specific time frame. Mr. Lechner stated that he would reach out to the property owner. Mr. Krug asked what specifically is being done to facilitate transforming Downtown Blackwood into an Arts District and how this is different than what was planning to be down with Blackwood West Redevelopment Plan about a decade ago. Mr. Mercado stated that the Craft Beer festival has become an annual event. Mr. Lechner stated that the Economic Committee is spearheading this project and there has been some updates and new stores coming into that area of the Blackhorse Pike. Mr. Krug asked if there is a timeline for this. Mr. Lechner stated that a new proposal should be completed in 2019. Mr. Krug suggested reaching out to small businesses and breweries and offering some type of assistance to keep those small businesses in our community and drive people to that area of town. Mr. Krug asked how the township will adjust property taxes to help residents build a life in Gloucester Township with the Tax Cap being \$10,000. Mr. Hutchison stated that will be a problem throughout all of New Jersey.

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

POLLING OF COUNCIL:

Mr. Hutchison thanked everyone for coming this evening and thanked Mr. Krug for his questions.

Mr. Owens thanked everyone for coming out this evening, congratulated the awards winners, and thanked Chief Earle and the first responders.

Mrs. Winters thanked everyone for coming out and congratulated all of the honorees. Mrs. Winters reminded everyone that February is heart health month.

Mr. Mignone thanked everyone for coming out, congratulated award winners, and wished everyone a safe ride home.

Mrs. Trotto congratulated all of the award recipients and thanked Ms. Dorsett and Mr. Hill for putting the program together.

Mr. Mercado thanked everyone for coming out, congratulated the recipients, and thanked the committee for putting this evening together.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Power
Township Clerk, RMC

Council President
Orlando Mercado

