GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OCTOBER WORKSHOP

OCTOBER 3, 2016

Mrs. Stubbs and Mr. Hutchison were absent.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Mr. Harbison spoke about the condition of the streets in the Millbridge development. He also talked about the gas station at the corner of Blackwood-Clementon Road and Laurel Road. He talked about a dentist's office being placed there and the lot not being environmentally safe. Mr. Mercado stated that the lot would have to have a NFA (No Further Action) letter in order to be able to build on that lot.

Mr. Harbison asked that shrubs be put along the fence near the newly constructed bridge in his development. He also stated that while the Canadian geese are gone, he would like to see boulders put down in the ravine. He stated that speed limit signs need to be placed on College drive.

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

1. **DISCUSSION OF COMMUNITY CAT ORDINANCE** – Vicki Rowland and Rob

Shabot of the Camden County Animal Shelter discussed the Animal Shelter and their

Mission. She stated that the shelter takes in 4000 animals per year and 1000 of them are from Gloucester Township. She stated that this ordinance will allow everyone, including home owners, the township and the shelter to collaborate better. She stated that Gloucester Township has the second highest intake of animals in the county, just behind Camden. By passing this ordinance, the township will ultimately be saving money.

2. DISCUSSION OF SHARED SERVICE FOR TRAFFIC LIGHT BULBS – Mr.

Mercado stated that Pine Hill has asked that Gloucester Township go into a shared

service for the light bulbs. He stated that Pine Hill will order the bulbs and pay for

Gloucester Township Public Works to install the bulbs. He stated that the Township will receive a 15% Administrative fee for this shared service.

3. DISCUSSION OF COMPLETING THE DESIGN OF THE BIKE PATH (HEALTH AND FITNESS TRAIL) FROM BROWN AVENUE TO EVESHAM ROAD. Ms. Adamson discussed the proposal for the design of the bike path from Brown Avenue to Evesham Road. A straw poll was taken and everyone was in agreement. 5-0.

4. DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTIONS SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION

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THE SAME – Melanie Adamson of Remington & Vernick stated that a resolution must be adopted to endorse this application as well as committing to the maintenance of same. Ms. Adamson stated that Mr. Cantwell combined this into one resolution. This will be on the meeting of October 12.

5. DISCUSSION OF SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CAMDEN COUNTY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COUNTY – WIDE REGISTRATION

PROGRAM ON ABANDONED AND VACANT PROPERTIES – Mr. Mercado stated that the township did this as a Shared Service some time ago with Gloucester County. He stated that Camden County now has this program and they must notice Gloucester County within 30 days that they are pulling out of their program. A shared service agreement will be done with Camden County.

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Mr. Mignone stated that the Parks and Recreation group will be talking about the Field of Dreams.

Mr. Mercado stated that everything was going ok.