

GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING

May 22, 2017

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

COMMENCEMENT STATEMENT: Mr. Mercado

ROLL CALL:

**Mr. Hutchison
Mr. Schmidt
Mrs. Stubbs
Mrs. Winters
Mr. Mignone
Mrs. Trotto
Mr. Mercado**

Mr. Carlamere, Solicitor

**Mr. Cardis, Business Administrator
Mrs. DiJosie, Twp. Clerk, RMC**

**Mr. Lechner, Community Development
Chief Earle, Police**

PUBLIC PORTION: Public participation shall be for agenda items only. Anyone addressing Council may speak one time. Once all those wishing to address Council have had their turns, they may address Council a second time, only if it adds to what was said earlier, not repeating earlier statements.

RFQ REPORT:

Deferred Compensation Plan

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

O-17-19 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 48 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER TO AUTHORIZE THE KEEPING OF BACKYARD CHICKENS

RESOLUTIONS:

CONSENT AGENDA

- R-17:05-146 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS
- R-17:05-147 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND VALIC
- R-17:05-148 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND CXT, INC.
- R-17:05-149 RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R-17:02-065 ENTITLED "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF SECURITIES FOR AP CONSTRUCTION, INC. IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER
- R-17:05-150 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDING OF TAXES

GT E-GOV ACCESS

PUBLIC PORTION: Public participation, which shall be any item the public chooses to address to the Township Council. Anyone addressing Council may speak one time. Once all those wishing to address Council have had their turns, they may address Council a second time, only if it adds to what was said earlier, not repeating earlier statements.

**POLLING OF DIRECTORS
POLLING OF COUNCIL**

(If needed)

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

ADJOURN

BID REPORT
RFP/RFQ FOR DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN
RECEIVED APRIL 12, 2017@ 10:00 AM

VENDOR

Nationwide

Lincoln Financial Group

AXA

Valic

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Power
Assistant Municipal Clerk, RMC

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 48 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER TO AUTHORIZE THE KEEPING OF BACKYARD CHICKENS

WHEREAS, The Township Council of the Township of Gloucester did previously adopt a “Backyard Chicken Pilot Program”; and

WHEREAS, the “Backyard Chicken Pilot Program is set to terminate on June 14th 2017, and

WHEREAS, The Township Council of the Township of Gloucester has evaluated the program and desires to amend the Code of the Township of Gloucester to permit the keeping of “Backyard Chickens” under certain circumstances; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, Camden County, New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1.

The Chapter 48 Code of the Township of Gloucester is hereby amended to remove, amend and replace the prior Pilot Program to now permit the keeping of “Backyard Chickens” as herein provided.

Sec. 48.1 The keeping of “Backyard Chickens” is hereby permitted and authorized.

Sec. 48.2 Keeping of backyard chickens shall be permitted in the Township of Gloucester subject to the rules and regulations as specified by this Chapter.

Sec 48.3 Participation; Location; Restrictions.

A. Residents of single family homes which meet the criteria set forth herein, and desire to keep “Backyard Chickens” shall secure a license to be issued by the Township Clerk.

B. A maximum of twenty (20) licenses may be issued.

C. There shall be a limit of six (6) chickens per license. No roosters are permitted. A license holder shall maintain chicken coops and enclosed chicken runs.

D. Chickens, chicken coops and enclosed chicken runs are permitted only in a fenced-in (four foot high fence) rear yard of any eligible property as same is defined by the Code of the Township of Gloucester.

E. Every chicken coop and enclosed run shall be set back a least twenty (20) feet from the habitable portion of any neighboring residential dwelling and in addition shall be set back no less than five (5) feet from any property line. Garages, attached or otherwise, and non-habitable accessory buildings shall not be considered a "residential dwelling" for purposes of calculating the required distance.

F. The maximum permitted area of any chicken coop and enclosed chicken run area, and defined as the total area of all chicken coops and enclosed runs, shall not exceed 80 square feet.

G. The maximum permitted height of any chicken coop structure, whether or not said coops are stacked, shall be five (5) feet six (6) inches as measured from the natural grade.

H. Chickens may not roam outside of the coop/enclosed run area.

Sec. 48.5 License required, fee, expiration, class

A. No person shall keep chickens on their property without first obtaining a license from the municipal clerk's office and paying the required fee therefor. No license shall be issued unless the applicant therefore has demonstrated compliance with all criteria set forth herein. Every license issued pursuant to this shall expire on December 31st of the issued year. Every licensed issued shall be renewed on or before January 31st of each year. Failure to renew the license shall require the removal of all chickens, chicken coops, enclosed chicken runs and other related items.

B. A license fee of \$10.00 shall be paid for each license issued.

C. Each applicant wishing to keep backyard chickens shall be required to take a class on

the basics of raising backyard chickens. The initial class shall be acceptable for each renewal year. Proof of attendance must be provided as part of the application process.

Sec. 48.6 Requirements for coops, slaughter of chickens, waste;

The following regulations and conditions for keeping and housing chickens shall be complied with;

- A. The coop shall be the appropriate size for the number of chickens, not to exceed six (6) chickens.
- B. The coop shall be dry and well ventilated with windows to admit sunlight and prevent odors.
- C. The coop must be kept clean.
- D. The coop and enclosed run must be made predator-proof.
- E. Clean water must be provided, and food must be kept tightly closed in a metal container away from the coop and run at night.
- F. The yard in the area where the coop is located shall be clean and free from odors.
- G. There shall be no slaughter of chickens on sight under this pilot program.
- H. Waste will be handled in such a way as proper composting to prevent offensive odors or disposed in an environmentally-friendly manner. Waste shall not be disposed of as part of the normal trash collection and recycling collection.
- I. There shall be no selling of eggs.

Sec. 48.7 Revocation of license.

Failure to comply with the conditions and regulations set forth in this program shall result in revocation of the license following an admission and or determination of violation by the municipal court of the Township of Gloucester.

Sec 48.8. Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates any provision of this program shall, upon conviction in the Municipal Court of the Township of Gloucester or in any other Court having jurisdiction, be sentenced to a fine of not to exceed \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for a term not to exceed ninety (90) days, or community service for a term not exceeding ninety (90) days or all of the above. Each day the violation continues may be deemed a separate subsequent offense and may be subject to the penalty above stated.

Section 2. All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this program: to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith, shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

Section 3. If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraphs this program shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Introduced: May 8th 2017

Adopted:

ATTEST:

President of Council

Township Clerk

Mayor

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 \$ 584,492.99

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Per attached computer read out of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 343,364.09

TRUST

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 10,741.61

DEVELOPERS ESCROW

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 15,740.14

ANIMAL TRUST

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 8,536.10

MANUAL CHECKS

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 2,918.96

Adopted: **May 22, 2017**

PRESIDENT COUNCIL

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP CLERK

R-17:05-147

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND VALIC**

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined that there is a need for a Deferred Compensation provider

WHEREAS, the Township Council received RFQ's for this provider

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 VALIC as a Deferred Compensation Provider.

Adopted: May 22, 2017

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP CLERK, RMC

R-17:05-148

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND CXT, INC.**

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined that there is a need for a Prefabricated Concrete Restroom for Veterans Park; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds have been provided, 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 CXT Inc. 901 North Highway 77, Hillsboro, TX 76645 purchased through the Township established co-op purchasing agreement with NJPA, member # 31114, Contract #030117-CXT, for a Prefabricated Concrete Modular Restroom for Veterans Park; in the amount of \$ 86,930.00

Adopted: May 22, 2017

President of Council

ATTEST:

Township Clerk, RMC

R-17:05-149

**RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R-17:02-065
ENTITLED "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF
SECURITIES FOR AP CONSTRUCTION, INC. IN THE
TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER**

WHEREAS, resolution R-17:02-065 was adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester on February 13, 2017 and

WHEREAS, resolution-17:02-065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

WHEREAS, the developer of AP Construction Inc. has supplied the Township of Gloucester with securities covering this development within the Township of Gloucester, 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 by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the securities in the amount of \$96,801.75 in the name of AP Construction, Inc. be released upon the posting of an approved maintenance bond in the amount of \$13,444.69

ATTEST:

Adopted: May 22, 2017

President of Council

Township Clerk

R-17:02-065

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF SECURITIES FOR AP
CONSTRUCTION, INC. IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER**

WHEREAS, the developer of AP Construction, Inc. has supplied the Township of Gloucester with securities covering this development, within the Township of Gloucester, 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 by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the securities in the amount of \$96,801.75 and cash guarantee of \$10,755.75 in the name of AP Construction, Inc. be released upon the posting of an approved maintenance bond in the amount of 13,444.69.

Adopted: February 13, 2017



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:



Rosemary Lafasie
TOWNSHIP CLERK

R-17:05-150

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
9904	5	Leonard and Mary Collier 10 Antietam Dr. Laurel Springs, NJ 08021	2017	670.14	Overpayment
13201	81	Helen Coyne 1007 Turkey Run Rd. McLean, VA 22101	2017	643.51	Duplicate Payment
18310	15	James and Angela Beckett 24 Scenic Point Circle Sicklerville, NJ 08081	2017	5,907.75	Overpayment

ADOPTED: May 22, 2017

President Council

Township Clerk