

**GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 28, 2017  
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:	Mr. Hutchison	Mr. Carlamere, Solicitor
	Mr. Schmidt	
	Mrs. Stubbs	Mr. Cardis, Business Administrator
	Mrs. Winters	Mrs. DiJosie, Twp. Clerk, RMC
	Mr. Mignone	
	Mrs. Trotto-late 7:45	
	Mr. Mercado	Mr. Lechner, Comm. Dev.-abs. Chief Earle, Police

**PRESENTATION:** A presentation was made to the Gloucester Township Police Department of three bullet proof vests for the Police dogs. These vests were purchased after a fund raising campaign by two students from St. Augustine Prep, Michael Rebbecchi Jr. and Devon Osgood.

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Ray Polidoro gave congratulations to the township for the protection to the police dogs and their new ballistic vests. He also spoke about the aggregate electric re-up for the residents of the township. Last meeting was for public properties. He stated that he would like everything made clear to the residents of the township. Mr. Mercado explained that PSE & G contract is only for 2 months. He stated that if a resident opted out in the beginning of the program, they would not be in this program unless they opt back in. He stated that Tri-Eagle was renewed for 22 months. Mr. Polidoro asked if there was any increase in the cost. Mr. Mercado stated that it has to be a savings. A representative of Good Energy was present at the meeting and stated that Tri – Eagle could be renewed for up to 22 months and right now they are looking at 12-14 months at lower rates. He stated that the rates actually went down.

There being no comment, the public portion was closed.

**ORDINANCES: FIRST READING**

**O-17-23 ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING ORDINANCE O-03-03 LAND DEVELOPMENT REGARDING PARKING OF TRUCKS AND BUSES, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, DRIVEWAYS AND GRADING PLANS.**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that Ordinance O-03-03, known as the “Land Development Ordinance” be and is hereby amended, as follows:

SECTION 1. That Article IV, Zoning District Regulations, Section 422, Additional Uses and Structures Permitted in Residential Districts, Subsection I, Parking of Trucks and Buses in Residential Zones be amended after the words “improved for parking” in the second sentence to add the words “as per §424.A, Driveways.

SECTION 2. That Article IV, Zoning District Regulations, 422, Additional Uses and Structures Permitted in Residential Districts, Subsection J, Recreation Vehicles be repealed and amended, as follows:

J. RESIDENTIAL RECREATIONAL AND UTILITY VEHICLES. Residential Recreational and utility vehicle storage shall be permitted in any residential zoning district excepting the Residential Attached, Apartment, Senior Citizen Residential, and Golf Course Residential. All residential recreational and utility vehicles and boats

shall be stored in the rear yards as defined by §202, Definitions, but no closer than five (5) feet to the rear or side property lines. No such vehicles shall be connected to utility services, stored in common areas or parking lots of multifamily housing projects.

SECTION 3. That Article IV, Zoning District Regulations, Section 424, Driveways (Residential), Subsection A, be amended to add the following subparagraph:

1. EXCEPTIONS

- a. A vehicle parking area accessory to the primary residential driveway shall be permitted on a surface suitable for parking other than concrete or pavement as required in §424.A subject to the following conditions:
  - i. Shall be located in the side or rear yard.
  - ii. Shall be at least three (3) feet from any property line.
  - iii. Shall not exceed four hundred (400) square feet.
  - iv. Shall not be within a sight triangle.
  - v. Shall require a zoning permit.

SECTION 4. That Article IV, Zoning District Regulations, Section 424, Driveways (Residential), be amended to add the following new subsection:

J. PROHIBITIONS

1. Parking of vehicles shall be prohibited on landscaped areas, lawns, natural environments, and other similar conditions.

SECTION 5. That Article VIII, Application Submission Requirements, Section 814, Grading Approval, Subsection D(2), Grading Plan Details be amended after the words “Concrete curb and sidewalks” in the first sentence to add the words “as per §516, Sidewalks, Curbs, Gutters and Pedestrian Ways.”

SECTION 6. That Article VIII, Application Submission Requirements, Section 814, Grading Approval, Subsection D, Grading Plan Details be amended to add the following new subparagraph:

4. A concrete or paved driveway shall be required as per §424, Driveways (Residential).

SECTION 7. All ordinances and provisions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 8. If any section, subsection or part, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, such section, subsection, part, clause or phrase shall be deemed to be severable from the remainder of the ordinance.

SECTION 9. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication as required by law.

Tabled: August 28, 2017

Adopted:

ATTEST:

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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TOWNSHIP CLERK, RMC

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MAYOR

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to table, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**R-17:08-248**

**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 \$ 2,164,687.57

**CAPITAL ACCOUNT**

Per attached computer read out of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 210,224.14

**TRUST**

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 143,532.76

**DEVELOPERS ESCROW**

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 9,386.00

**MANUAL CHECKS**

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 10,002,994.52

Adopted: August 28, 2017

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PRESIDENT COUNCIL

ATTEST:

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TOWNSHIP CLERK

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Stubbs. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

**R-17:08-249**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 – FINAL FOR FY 2016  
NJDOT TRUST FUND – BICYCLE PATH (HEALTH & FITNESS TRAIL), PHASE X  
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER**

**WHEREAS**, it was necessary to make changes in the scope of work to be done in completing the 2016 NJDOT Trust Fund - Bicycle Path (Health & Fitness Trail), Phase X in the Township of Gloucester,

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that Change Order No. 1 is hereby authorized and approval is hereby granted to revise the contract cost from \$117,721.90 to \$101,975.33.

Adopted: August 28, 2017

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

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TOWNSHIP CLERK

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Stubbs. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

**R-17:08-250**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF SECURITIES FOR T-MOBILE  
NORTHEAST, LLC IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER**

**WHEREAS**, the developer of T-Mobile Northeast, LLC – 60 Prospect Avenue 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 in the name of T-Mobile Northeast, LLC be released upon the posting of an approved maintenance bond in the amount of \$1,789.58.

Adopted: August 28, 2017

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

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TOWNSHIP CLERK

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Stubbs. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

**R-17:08-251**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE  
OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING RESOLUTION R-17:07-222  
ENTITLED “RESOLUTION TO ALLOW DISABLED VETERAN  
EXEMPTIONS FOR TAX YEAR 2017 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE  
TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AND REFUND ANY  
OVERPAYMENTS”**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester adopted resolution R-17:07-22 entitled “RESOLUTION TO ALLOW DISABLED VETERAN EXEMPTIONS FOR TAX YEAR 2017 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AND REFUND ANY OVERPAYMENTS” on July 24, 2017, and

**WHEREAS**, the following entry on resolution R-17:07-222 should be amended to read as follows:

<b>Block</b>	<b>Lot</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Amount to be Credited</b>
18316	9	Johnathan Purnell	Add Disabled Veteran Total Exemption	7710.44 – 2017 8 months 5782.83 – 2018 – 1 <sup>st</sup> Half

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution be and is hereby amended.

Adopted: August 28, 2017

ATTEST:

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President of Council

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Township Clerk

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Stubbs. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

**R-17:08-252**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FROM THE  
TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the following refund be and is hereby authorized:

Check deposited erroneously in township account \$20.00

Payable to: State of New Jersey – Legalized Games of Chance  
P.O. Box 46000  
Newark, NJ 07101

Adopted: August 28, 2017

ATTEST:

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President of Council

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Township Clerk

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Stubbs. Roll call vote: All in favor.  
Motion carried. 7-0

**R-17:08-253**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, CAMDEN COUNTY, NEW  
JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A RESIDENTIAL  
ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM FOR PSE & G ELECTRIC  
AND ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC TERRITORIES AND  
AUTHORIZING THE REBID OF THE RESIDENTIAL ENERGY  
AGGREGATION PROGRAM FOR THE PSE & G ELECTRIC  
TERRITORY**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Gloucester has established a Residential Energy Aggregation Program; and

**WHEREAS**, a contract for the supply of residential electricity was awarded to TriEagle Energy, LP, for the Atlantic City Electric Territory, for a period of up to 14 months commencing with the August 2016 meter reading dates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Gloucester, wishes to extend that contract for a period of up to 22 months with TriEagle Energy, LP.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township of Gloucester is authorized to extend its supply of Residential Electricity Contract with TriEagle Energy, LP, for the Atlantic City Electric Territory, for a period of up to 22 months commencing with the October 2017 meter reading dates.

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Gloucester has established a Residential Energy Aggregation Program; and

**WHEREAS**, a contract for the supply of residential electricity was awarded to Consolidated Edison Solutions, Inc., for the PSE&G Electric Territory, for a period of up to 14 months commencing with the August 2016 meter reading dates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Gloucester, wishes to extend that contract for a period of up to 2 months with Consolidated Edison Solutions, Inc.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township of Gloucester is authorized to extend its supply of Residential Electricity Contract with Consolidated Edison Solutions, Inc., for the PSE&G Electric Territory, for a period of up to 2 months commencing with the October 2017 meter reading dates.

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Gloucester has established a Residential Energy Aggregation Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract for the supply of residential electricity for the PSE&G Electric Territory, will expire with the December, 2017 meter reading dates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Gloucester, wishes to rebid the contract for the supply of residential electricity in the PSE&G Electric Territory.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township of Gloucester is authorized to rebid its supply of Residential Electricity Contract for the PSE&G Electric Territory, commencing with the December 2017 meter reading dates.

Adopted: August 28, 2017

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President of Council

ATTEST:

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Township Clerk

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Stubbs. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

**R-17:08-254**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER AND TECHNA PRO ELECTRIC**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, determined that there is a need for crosswalk improvements at the intersection of Church Street & the Health and Fitness Trail

**WHEREAS**, sufficient funds have been provided, and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council received 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 Techna Pro Electric for crosswalk improvements at the intersection of Church Street & the Health and Fitness Trail in the amount of \$39,790.00 which was the lowest quote received.

Adopted: August 28, 2017

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President of Council

ATTEST:

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TOWNSHIP CLERK, RMC

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Stubbs. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Dorsett Kelly stated that Billy Paul was a long time resident of Gloucester Township and was a well-known and seasoned singer, and she asked if something in the township could be named after him, or perhaps establish a scholarship fund for vocalists. She stated that this could be discussed with his widow who still lives in the township.

Sabrina a resident of terrestrial suggested that the meetings be sent out to the residents as a notice on their phones.

Miss Shirley - of Brittany woods stated that they had their backpack drive which was hosted by Not Just Pizza. She stated that they gave away approximately 40 backpacks through various donations. She stated that the playground is up and the foundations are down. She stated that the teenagers already took the swings down meant for the toddlers. She stated that she has very strong concerns about this and other issues. She stated that she wants the township to know that they appreciate the Department of Public Works. She spoke about a problem with construction trash in the development. She thanked the council again and stated that they would like to have a grand opening of the playground.

Sarah Bass Young commended the council for doing such a herculean job in this community. Thanked the audience for coming out to the meeting and asked council to give thanks. Mr. Mignone stated that he is thankful that we live in a community that works together, where the Police dogs are getting vests, parks being put up and a community is getting cleaned up. Mrs. Winters stated that she is thankful to the teenagers in the township that do great work for the township. Mr. Mercado stated that he is thankful for Miss Sarah.

Maureen McLaughlin of Hilltop asked if Council considered doing any type of event after the Charlotte incident. Mr. Mercado stated that he hasn't talked collectively about any type of event. Ms. McLaughlin talked about the diversity of the township and suggested a round table for discussion of the diversity in the township.

Sarah Bass Young stated she would like to have something on the open field next to the Lamp Post Diner.

Ms. Hoffman of Brittany Woods fears for the safety of the children – and has concerns with the park. She stated that there was a shooting in the neighborhood. She stated that when the police were in the neighborhood there was calm and as soon as they left the problems began again.

Richard Szerbin –stated that people are loitering in the development and there are open air drug deals. He asked what the residents of the neighborhood could do for the children to keep them safe. He stated that the neighborhood needs help. Mr. Mercado stated that the Police Department and the Township have dedicated numerous resources to this neighborhood. Chief Earle stated that the police department is familiar with what is happening in the neighborhood.

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

#### **POLLING OF COUNCIL**

Mr. Hutchison stated what he was thankful the youth of the township who are part of projects like the young gentlemen this evening.

Mr. Schmidt thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and for their comments.

Mrs. Stubbs thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. She stated that adults must be role models for the children of the township.

Mrs. Winters thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and for their comments. She asked for prayers for the people of Texas.

Mrs. Trotto thanked the Police Department and the Department of Public Works for all their hard work during the relay for life. She stated that the American Cancer Society raised \$85,000.00 from the relay.

Mr. Mercado thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. He reminded everyone that the Township now has bike sharing program adjacent to the Bike Path. He thanked the young gentlemen from St. Augustine Prep for their fund raising activities.

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

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President of Council

Rosemary DiJosie  
Township Clerk