

**GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2016
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. Schmidt
Mrs. Stubbs
Mrs. Winters
Mrs. Mignone
Mrs. Trotto
Mr. Mercado

Mr. Carlamere, Solicitor

Mr. Cardis, Business Admin.
Mrs. DiJosie, Twp. Clerk, RMC

Mr. Lechner, Comm. Dev.
Chief Earle, Police

PRESENTATION: Council President Mercado made a presentation to the Highland Boys Cross Country Team.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Pete Heinbaugh of Morningstar Court in Erial discussed Resolution #32 for the secure community's project. Mr. Cardis stated that this is for a grant from State of New Jersey. He stated that this is an entitlement grant and the resolution is to accept the grant. Mr. Heinbaugh asked about Resolution 26 and asked if Fridays are still non-working days. He asked about Ord #4 announcing a 3.5 budget increase and asked what the purpose of the increase was. Mr. Cardis stated that this is the COLA ordinance and the township adopts this every year which allows us to increase inside the cap up to 3.5 but it also allows us to bank cap. He stated that the Township cannot do this unless an ordinance is adopted. Mr. Cardis stated that the 2% levy cap still stays in effect. He asked about bond ordinance 1 and 3. Mr. Cardis stated that with Ordinance No. 3 the township is borrowing 2 million and stated that the proceeds from the open space tax will go to pay the debt service. Mr. Cardis stated that approximately \$450,000 will come out of open space per year which is a little over half of what we generate with the open space fund. He asks how many fields the township will be doing. It was stated that the township estimates two fields, possibly a third.

Ray Polidoro of Erial asked why the artificial turf ordinances were on the agenda when a cost analysis was not done. It was stated that just because there is not a cost analysis benefit done, doesn't mean that there is not a benefit. He asked if Council made sure that the astro turf is safe for our children. Mr. Cardis stated that there is nothing out there that says that the fields are not safe. He stated that the ordinance for astro turf should be tabled.

Mr. Kolakowski of Glen Oaks congratulated the new members. He stated that if the turf fields are being paid for with open space funds, can anyone play on the fields when they are not in use. Mr. Carlamere stated that the township has the right of scheduling, but if the fields were paid for with green acres funds, then it's an open field.

Pete Heinbaugh of Morningstar Court reiterated that the fact that the reason the township is doing these fields is because the fields are becoming unsafe because of overuse. Mr. Heinbaugh asked if striping will be included on this. Mr. Cardis stated that the township does not have final bid numbers.

Ray Polidoro of Erial followed up on Mr. Cardis's comments. He asked why the fields are in disarray. Mr. Cardis stated that the fields are overplayed and they don't have time to rest. Mr. Cardis stated that the surrounding communities are doing the same things that the township is doing at this time.

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

PROCLAMATION: The Clerk read the following Proclamation: Human Trafficking Awareness Day

WAIVE THE READING AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF:

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to accept,

Regular Minutes: September 14, 28, October 14, 26, November 9, 23 and December 14 and 28, 2015. Special Mtg. Minutes: November 9 and December 9, 2015
Executive Session: November 9, 2015

Seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: Mrs. Winters abstained from December 14, Mr. Mercado abstained from October 26, November 9 and December 9, 2015. Mr. Mignone and Mrs. Stubbs abstained from all meetings. Roll call vote: All in favor motion carried. 5-0-2.

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

O-16-01

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS PIECES OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND THE CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$6,282,404 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$5,983,240; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law, Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"), as follows:

Section 1. The purposes described in Section 7 hereof are hereby authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township").

Section 2. It is hereby found, determined and declared as follows:

- (a) the estimated amount to be raised by the Township from all sources for the purposes stated in Section 7 hereof is \$6,282,404;
- (b) the estimated amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the purposes stated in Section 7 hereof is \$5,983,240; and
- (c) a down payment in the amount of \$299,164 for the purposes stated in Section 7 hereof is currently available in accordance with the requirements of Section 11 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11.

Section 3. The sum of \$5,983,240, to be raised by the issuance of bonds or bond anticipation notes, together with the sum of \$299,164, which amount represents the required down payment, are hereby appropriated for the purposes stated in this bond ordinance ("Bond Ordinance").

Section 4. The issuance of negotiable bonds of the Township in an amount not to exceed \$5,983,240 to finance the costs of the purposes described in Section 7 hereof is hereby authorized. Said bonds shall be sold in accordance with the requirements of the Local Bond Law.

Section 5. In order to temporarily finance the purposes described in Section 7 hereof, the issuance of bond anticipation notes of the Township in an amount not to exceed \$5,983,240 is hereby authorized. Pursuant to the Local Bond Law, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private

sale and to deliver the same to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their date to delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this Bond Ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 6. The amount of the proceeds of the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance, which may be used for the payment of interest on such obligations, accounting, engineering, legal fees and other items as provided in Section 20 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, shall not exceed the sum of \$1,250,000.

Section 7. The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for which said obligations are to be issued; the estimated costs of each said purpose; the amount of down payment for each said purpose; the amount of available grants for each said purpose; the maximum amount obligations to be issued for each said purpose and the period of usefulness of each said purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law are as follows:

	<u>Purpose/Improvement</u>	<u>Estimated Total Cost</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Amount of Obligations</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
A.	Reconstruction and/or Repaving of Various Sidewalks within the Township, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly set forth in the information on file with the Township Administrator.	\$158,250	\$7,536	\$150,714	10 years
B.	Reconstruction and/or Repaving of Various Streets within the Township including, but not limited to, Dittess Lane, Roberts Drive, Laguna Road, East Blenheim Avenue, Drexel Avenue, Winding Way, Royal Place, Beachwood Place and Willow Place, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly set forth in the information on file with the Township Administrator.	2,694,783	128,323	2,566,460	10 years
C.	Various Improvements to Recreational Areas including, but not limited to, the Acquisition and Installation of Synthetic Turf, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly set forth in the information on file with the Township Administrator.	633,000	30,143	602,857	10 years
D.	Acquisition and Installation of Street Lighting, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly set forth in the information on file with the Township Administrator.	15,825	754	15,071	5 years
E.	Improvements to Various Buildings in the Township including, but not limited to, the Municipal Hall, Recreation Center, Public Works Building, Community Center and Library, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly set forth in the information on file with the Township Administrator.	452,595	21,552	431,043	15 years

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F.	Acquisition of Additional and Replacement Equipment for the Public Works Department including, but not limited to, Leaf Machines and Various Utility Vehicles, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly set forth in the information on file with the Township Administrator.	636,165	30,294	605,871	15 years
G.	Acquisition of Office and Computer Equipment for Various Departments, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly set forth in the information on file with the Township Administrator.	42,200	2,010	40,190	5 years
H.	Acquisition of Various Equipment for the Police Department including, but not limited to, Patrol Rifles, Tasers, Computers, Radio Equipment, Mobile Data Terminals, Body Cameras, Traffic Safety Equipment and All Wheel Drive Vehicles, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly set forth in the information on file with the Township Administrator.	1,649,586	78,552	1,571,034	5 years
	TOTAL	\$6,282,404	\$299,164	\$5,983,240	

Section 8. The average period of useful life of the several purposes for the financing of which this bond ordinance authorizes the issuance of bonds or bond anticipation notes, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized for said several purpose, is not less than 9.51 years.

Section 9. Grants or monies received from any governmental entity, if any, will be applied to the payment of, or repayment of, obligations issued to finance, the costs of improvements described in Section 7 above.

Section 10. The supplemental debt statement provided for in Section 10 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-10, was duly filed in the office of the Clerk prior to the passage of this Bond Ordinance on first reading and a complete executed duplicate original thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. The supplemental debt statement shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-43, is increased by this Bond Ordinance by \$5,983,240 and that the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 11. The full faith and credit of the Township are irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by this Bond Ordinance, and to the extent payment is not otherwise provided, the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable real property without limitation as to rate or amount for the payment thereof.

Section 12. The applicable Capital Budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Bond Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith, and the resolution promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended applicable Capital Budget and Capital Program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

Section 13. The Township hereby declares its intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by this Bond Ordinance pursuant to Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2(e), promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), for "original expenditures", as defined in Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2(c)(2), made by the Township prior to the issuance of such bonds or bond anticipation notes.

Section 14. The Township hereby covenants as follows:

(a) it shall take all actions necessary to ensure that the interest paid on the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by the Bond Ordinance is exempt from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income taxation purposes, and will not become a specific item of tax preference pursuant to Section 57(a)(5) of the Code;

(b) it will not make any use of the proceeds of the bonds or bond anticipation notes or do or suffer any other action that would cause the bonds or bond anticipation notes to be "arbitrage bonds" as such term is defined in Section 148(a) of the Code and the Regulations promulgated thereunder;

(c) it shall calculate or cause to be calculated and pay, when due, the rebatable arbitrage with respect to the "gross proceeds" (as such term is used in Section 148(f) of the Code) of the bonds or bond anticipation notes;

(d) it shall timely file with the Internal Revenue Service, such information report or reports as may be required by Sections 148(f) and 149(e) of the Code; and

(e) it shall take no action that would cause the bonds or bond anticipation notes to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code.

Section 15. The improvements authorized hereby are not current expenses and are improvements that the Township may lawfully make. No part of the cost of the improvements authorized hereby has been or shall be specially assessed on any property specially benefited thereby.

Section 16. In accordance with the Local Bond Law, this Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Introduced: January 11, 2016

Adopted:

ATTEST:

President of Council

Township Clerk

Mayor

Mr. Mercado made a motion to adopt, to have second reading and public hearing on January 25, 2016, and to advertise by synopsis, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motions carried. 7-0.

O-16-02

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE STORMWATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,550,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,550,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"), as follows:

Section 1. The purpose described in Section 7 hereof is hereby authorized as a general improvement to be made or acquired by the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township").

Section 2. It is hereby found, determined and declared as follows:

- (a) the estimated amount to be raised by the Township from all sources for the purpose stated in Section 7 hereof is \$1,550,000; and
- (b) the estimated amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the purpose stated in Section 7 hereof is \$1,550,000.

Section 3. The sum of \$1,550,000, to be raised by the issuance of bonds or bond anticipation notes, is hereby appropriated for the purpose stated in this bond ordinance ("Bond Ordinance").

Section 4. The issuance of negotiable bonds of the Township in an amount not to exceed \$1,550,000 to finance the costs of the purpose described in Section 7 hereof is hereby authorized. Said bonds shall be sold in accordance with the requirements of the Local Bond Law. All or a portion of the bonds authorized to be issued hereunder may evidence one or more loans from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and/or the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust, under one or more Applications for Financial Assistance submitted by the Township to said entities ("Loan Application").

Section 5. In order to temporarily finance the purpose described in Section 7 hereof, the issuance of bond anticipation notes of the Township in an amount not to exceed \$1,550,000 is hereby authorized. Pursuant to the Local Bond Law, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver the same to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their date to delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this Bond Ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 6. The amount of the proceeds of the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance which may be used for the payment of interest on such obligations, accounting, engineering, legal fees and other items as provided in Section 20 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, shall not exceed the sum of \$350,000.

Section 7. The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for which said obligations are to be issued; the estimated costs of said purpose; the amount of down payment for said purpose; the maximum amount obligations to be issued for said purpose and the period of usefulness of said purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law are as follows:

<u>Purpose/Improvement</u>	<u>Estimated Total Cost</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Amount of Obligations</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
A. Various Drainage Improvements in and for the Township including, but not limited to, Edgewater Court Storm-water Improvements and the Replacement of Storm-water Pipe and Headwall at various locations; together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as more particularly described in the Loan Application on file	\$1,550,000	\$0	\$1,550,000	40 years

in the Township Clerk's office.

Section 8. Monies received from any governmental entity, if any, will be applied to the payment of, or repayment of, obligations issued to finance the costs of improvements described in Section 7 above.

Section 9. The supplemental debt statement provided for in Section 10 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-10, was duly filed in the office of the Clerk prior to the passage of this Bond Ordinance on first reading and a complete executed duplicate original thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. The supplemental debt statement shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-43, is increased by this Bond Ordinance by \$1,550,000 and that the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Township are irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by this Bond Ordinance and, to the extent payment is not otherwise provided, the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable real property without limitation as to rate or amount for the payment thereof.

Section 11. The Capital Budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Bond Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith, and the resolution promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended Capital Budget and Capital Program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

Section 12. The Township hereby declares its intent to reimburse itself from the proceed of the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by this Bond Ordinance pursuant to Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2(e), promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code") for "original expenditures", as defined in Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2(c)(2), made by the Township prior to the issuance of such bonds or bond anticipation notes.

Section 13. The Township hereby covenants as follows:

(a) it shall take all actions necessary to ensure that the interest paid on the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by the Bond Ordinance is exempt from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income taxation purposes, and will not become a specific item of tax preference pursuant to Section 57(a)(5) of the Code;

(b) it will not make any use of the proceeds of the bonds or bond anticipation notes or do or suffer any other action that would cause the bonds or bond anticipation notes to be "arbitrage bonds" as such term is defined in Section 148(a) of the Code and the Regulations promulgated thereunder;

(c) it shall calculate or cause to be calculated and pay, when due, the rebatable arbitrage with respect to the "gross proceeds" (as such term is used in Section 148(f) of the Code) of the bonds or bond anticipation notes;

(d) it shall timely file with the Ogden, Utah Service Center of the Internal Revenue Service, such information report or reports as may be required by Sections 148(f) and 149(e) of the Code; and

(e) it shall take no action that would cause the bonds or bond anticipation notes to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code.

Section 14. The improvements authorized hereby are not current expenses and are improvements that the Township may lawfully make. No part of the cost of the improvements authorized hereby has been or shall be specially assessed on any property specially benefited thereby.

Section 15. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 16. In accordance with the Local Bond Law, this Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Introduced: January 11, 2016

Adopted:

President of Council

Township Clerk

Mayor

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, to have second reading and public hearing on January 25, 2016, and to advertise by synopsis, seconded by Mrs. Trotto. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motions carried. 7-0.

O-16-03

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$2,110,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$2,009,523; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law, Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"), as follows:

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- (b) the estimated amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the purposes stated in Section 7 hereof is \$2,009,523; and
- (c) a down payment in the amount of \$100,477 for the purposes stated in Section 7 hereof is currently available in accordance with the requirements of Section 11 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11; and

Section 3. The sum of \$2,009,523, to be raised by the issuance of bonds or bond anticipation notes, together with the sum of \$100,477, which amount represents the required down payment, are hereby appropriated for the purposes stated in this bond ordinance ("Bond

Ordinance").

Section 4. The issuance of negotiable bonds of the Township in an amount not to exceed \$2,009,523 to finance the costs of the purposes described in Section 7 hereof is hereby authorized. Said bonds shall be sold in accordance with the requirements of the Local Bond Law.

Section 5. In order to temporarily finance the purposes described in Section 7 hereof, the issuance of bond anticipation notes of the Township in an amount not to exceed \$2,009,523, is hereby authorized. Pursuant to the Local Bond Law, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver the same to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their date to delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this Bond Ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 6. The amount of the proceeds of the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance which may be used for the payment of interest on such obligations, accounting, engineering, legal fees and other items as provided in Section 20 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, shall not exceed the sum of \$400,000.

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	<u>Purpose/Improvement</u>	<u>Estimated Total Cost</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Amount of Obligations</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
A.	Various Improvements to Recreational Facilities including, but not limited to, the Acquisition and Installation of Synthetic Turf, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto, all as part of the Township's Recreation Open Space Program and more particularly described in documentation on file in the Office of the Township Administrator and available for inspection during normal Township hours	\$2,110,000	\$100,477	\$2,009,523	10 years

Section 8. Grants or other monies received from any governmental entity, if any, will be applied to the payment of, or repayment of obligations issued to finance, the costs of the purposes described in Section 7 above.

Section 9. The supplemental debt statement provided for in Section 10 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-10, was duly filed in the office of the Clerk prior to the passage of this Bond Ordinance on first reading and a complete executed duplicate original thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. The supplemental debt statement shows that the gross debt of the Clerk, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-43, is increased by this Bond Ordinance by \$2,009,523 and that the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

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Township Clerk

President of Council

Mayor

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O-16-04

CALENDAR YEAR 2016
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.0% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of the Gloucester in the County of Camden finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2016 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township hereby determines that a 3.5 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$1,973,471.28 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Township hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township of the Gloucester, in the County of Camden, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2016 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$1,973,471.28, and that the CY 2016 municipal budget for the Township be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Introduced: January 11, 2016

Adopted:

ATTEST:

Council President

Township Clerk

Mayor

Mr. Hutchison made a motion to adopt, to have second reading and public hearing on January 25, 2016, and to advertise in full, seconded by Mrs. Winters. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motions carried. 7-0.

RESOLUTIONS:
CONSENT AGENDA

R-16:01-026

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

JANUARY 18 th	MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
FEBRUARY 15 th	PRESIDENT’S DAY
MAY 30 th	MEMORIAL DAY
JULY 4 th	INDEPENDENCE DAY
SEPTEMBER 5 th	LABOR DAY
OCTOBER 10 th	COLUMBUS DAY
NOVEMBER 10 th	VETERAN’S DAY
NOVEMBER 24 th	THANKSGIVING DAY
DECEMBER 22 nd and 26 th	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
JANUARY 2, 2017	NEW YEAR’S DAY - 2017

Adopted: January 11, 2016

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP CLERK, RMC

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

R-16:01-027

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 \$ 6,387,094.80

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Per attached computer read out of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 182,825.93

TRUST OTHER

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 24,178.73

DEVELOPERS ESCROW

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 150.00

ANIMAL TRUST

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 329.50

MANUAL CHECKS

Per attached computer readout of the claims presented in the amount of \$ 85.00

Adopted: January 11, 2016

PRESIDENT COUNCIL

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP CLERK

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

R-16:01-028

RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT TAXES, SEWER AND OTHER MUNICIPAL CHARGES AND SETTING THE GRACE PERIOD AND THE 6% YEAR END PENALTY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 governs the interest rates to be charged on delinquent taxes and allows the governing body to set a grace period not to exceed the (10) days; and

WHEREAS, interest on delinquent taxes may be fixed at a rate of 8% on the first \$1,500.00 of delinquency, and at a rate of 18% on that portion of the delinquent tax balance which is in excess of \$1,500.00; and

WHEREAS, P.L.1991 c.75,s.39 provides that a penalty of 6% may be charged to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 who fails to pay the delinquency prior to the end of the fiscal year.

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

1. That the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to charge 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 becoming delinquent after the due date and 18% per annum on any amount of delinquency in excess of \$1,500.00 becoming delinquent after the due date for nonpayment of taxes, sewer and other municipal charges.
2. That the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to charge a 6% year end penalty to those properties who fail to pay delinquencies in excess of \$10,000.00 prior to the end of the fiscal year.
3. That the Tax Collector is instructed that no interest shall be charged if the payment of a tax installment is received by the Tax Collector within the tenth (10) day following the date upon which the tax installment become payable.

Adopted: January 11, 2016

President of Council

Township Clerk

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

R-16:01-029

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL SMALL BALANCES ON PROPERTY TAXES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of Gloucester Township has certified to the Mayor and Township Council that certain persons have small balances on real estate taxes by an amount less than \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Gloucester has certified to the Mayor and Township Council that such small balances may be cancelled by resolution, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector of the municipality is hereby authorized to cancel small balances on real estate taxes as set forth in Exhibit "A" annexed hereto, and that the files of said Tax Collector be

adjusted to reflect the cancellation.

Adopted: January 11, 2016

President of Council

Township Clerk

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

R-16:01-030

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL SMALL OVERPAYMENTS ON PROPERTY TAXES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of Gloucester Township has certified to the Mayor and Township Council that certain persons have small overpayments on real estate taxes by an amount less than \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Gloucester has certified to the Mayor and Township Council that such small overpayments may be cancelled by resolution, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector of the municipality is hereby authorized to cancel small overpayments on real estate taxes as set forth in Exhibit "A" annexed hereto, and that the files of said Tax Collector be adjusted to reflect the cancellation.

Adopted: January 11, 2016

ATTEST:

President of Council

Township Clerk

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

R-16:01-031

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAX SALE CERTIFICATE DUE TO ERRONEOUS LIEN

WHEREAS, on December 29, 2015, a tax sale certificate #15-07667 was sold for \$60.00 with a premium of \$300.00 on Block 1208, Lot 6 for tax sale charges to Public Tax Investments LLC and

WHEREAS, this certificate was sold in error and is an erroneous lien

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Township of Gloucester that the certificate be cancelled and funds be refunded to Public Tax Investments LLC for the amount of the certificate and premium only, since the certificate was never issued.

Adopted: January 11, 2016

ATTEST:

President of Council

Township Clerk

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

R-16:01-032

RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN A SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, the Township of Gloucester wishes to apply for funding of approximately \$90,000 with a match of \$451,054 for an approximate project total cost of \$541,054 for

a project under the State of New Jersey Safe and Secure Communities Program (Grant # 6652-16) and;

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request, and;

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Township of Gloucester for the purpose described in the application;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that:

1. As a matter of public policy the Township of Gloucester wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
2. The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
3. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the application for said funds.
4. The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

Adopted: January 11, 2016

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP CLERK

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

R-16:01-033

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER, CAMDEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING EXTENDING THE CURRENT CONTRACT FOR TRASH WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES, INC. FROM DECEMBER 31, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2016

WHEREAS. The Township of Gloucester has previously entered into a contract with Republic Services, Inc., for trash collection, and

WHEREAS. The contract term was from on or about January 1st 2015 to December 31st 2015, and

WHEREAS. The Township desires to extend the current contract for a time period of December 31, 2015 through March 31, 2016 for trash collection, and Republic Services, Inc. is in agreement with the term.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED. The Township Council of the Township of Gloucester that the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to enter into amended contract with Republic Services, Inc. for trash collection for the extended term for the period December 31, 2015 through March 31st 2016.

Adopted: January 11, 2016

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP CLERK

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

REGULAR AGENDA

R-16:01-034

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER - TEMPORARY BUDGET

APPROPRIATION FOR 2016

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 2015 Municipal Budget, as detailed above, was \$56,933,272.98; and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the above amount is \$14,944,984.43

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 \$18,444,984.43.

Adopted: January 11, 2016

President of Council

ATTEST:

Township Clerk

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

R-16:01-035 RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER FOR 2016

WHEREAS, the Township of Gloucester, in the County of Camden, desires to constitute the 2016 Temporary Capital budget of said municipality by inserting therein,

Project Title/Fund	Estimated Total Cost	Capital Improvement Fund	Debt Authorized
General Capital Fund:			
Sidewalks and/or Curbs	158,250.00	7,536.00	150,714.00
Street Improvements	2,694,783.00	128,323.00	2,566,460.00
Drainage Improvements	1,550,000.00	-	1,550,000.00
Recreation Improvements Including Athletic Turf Fields	633,000.00	30,143.00	602,857.00
Traffic Signals and Street Lighting	15,825.00	754.00	15,071.00
Public Works - Building Improvements	452,595.00	21,552.00	431,043.00
Public Works - Street Equipment and Vehicles	636,165.00	30,294.00	605,871.00
Miscellaneous Office Equipment	42,200.00	2,010.00	40,190.00
Police Department Equipment	1,649,586.00	78,552.00	1,571,034.00
Total General Capital Fund	7,832,404.00	299,164.00	7,533,240.00
Municipal Open Space Trust Fund:			
Recreation Improvements Including Athletic Turf Fields	2,110,000.00	100,477.00	2,009,523.00
TOTAL - ALL PROJECTS	9,942,404.00	399,641.00	9,542,763.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Gloucester, in the County of Camden, as follows:

Section 1. 2016 Temporary Capital Budget of the Township of Gloucester, in the County of Camden is hereby constituted by the adoption of the above schedule.

Section 2. The Clerk be and is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, within three days after the adoption of these projects for 2016 Temporary Capital Budget, to be included in the 2016 Permanent Capital Budget as adopted.

Adopted: January 11, 2016

ATTEST:

President of Council

Township Clerk

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

GT E-GOV ACCESS

Mr. Dave Johnson of djohnson@bhprsd.org Apple Avenue, Blackwood sent in the following e-gov question:

Do you think it is prudent to spend \$2.7 million dollars on turf fields at this time with the township already being \$108 million in debt? Don't you feel like the money should be better spent, say on upkeep of abandoned and empty properties, that drag down local property values, just like Mrs. Stubbs stated in her campaign as she ran for council? Or possibly repairing some of our poor roads (i.e. Lower Landing Road between Almonesson and Rt. 42? Or building sidewalks on busy roads that have no sidewalks that many residents walk on to get to public transportation?

Mr. Mercado stated that glad to see that Mr. Johnson reduced the amount of the turf fields in his question, as he has been telling people the cost was \$10 million dollars. Mr. Mercado stated that he has no problem installing these fields as they are for the good of the children. He stated that soccer is now a year round sport and our fields are beat up. He stated that many of the fields that TBAA and Highland play on are astro turf fields. Mr. Mercado stated that the township debt is 52.9 million and with the school debt, the total debt of the township is 79.4 million dollars. Mr. Mercado stated that as for the abandoned properties and empty homes, the township has been rehabbing and cleaning the properties and then liening them. He stated that last year the township did this to 66 properties. Mr. Cardis stated that the township has two crews working on this. Mr. Mercado stated that as for Lower Landing Road, it is a county road. Mr. Mercado stated that years ago, sidewalks were not part of the development plans in the southern end of town. He stated that the Planning Board has been working on rectifying this. He stated that the township has a sidewalk engineer and have been diligently working on putting sidewalks where there are none in town.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion.

Ray Polidoro of Erial stated he would like to petition Council to get high speed internet in the Council meeting room so that he could live stream the Council meetings. He stated that the quality of the live stream at this time is not good. He also stated that some of council is not visible on the live stream. It was stated that someone will check the camera. Mr. Cardis will look into this.

Robert Kolakowski stated that Glotwp is a closed account and the WIFI is not strong enough. He also asked if the camera could be moved so that everyone is on camera. He also spoke about the towns that have artificial fields. He asked how long other towns have had their fields. Mr. Mercado stated that he thinks that Washington Township has had their fields for close to five years.

Pete Heinbaugh of Erial asked Council to present a cost savings estimate for the artificial turf for the second reading of the ordinance. Mr. Hutchison asked Mr. Cardis if he got the chance to do this. Mr. Cardis stated that with Gloucester Township Community Park, it would be hard to carve out the part of the park for the cost savings. Mr. Heinbaugh rescinded his request. He also questioned the expenditures that come out of the open space trust. Mr. Heinbaugh stated that daily maintenance came out of the Open Space fund and wanted to know how the township is recovering the difference of everyday maintenance costs, if the township is using the money for debt service. Mr. Hutchison stated that fixing the facilities will attract families to the township

Tom Crone of Erial welcomed the new council members and welcomed the returning members. He congratulated Mr. Mercado as Council Presidents. Mr. Crone discussed the incident in Philadelphia where a police officer was ambushed and stated that we are living in lawless times. He questioned if our K-9's have body armor. It was stated that the dogs do have body armor. Mr. Crone stated that he choose to move to Gloucester Township specifically for the schools. He

stated that he believes it is a good community and his family is involved. He stated that the issue is that we live in the highest tax state and county. He said that when asked to borrow another 10 million tonight the Council has to understand the residents. He stated that it is need vs. want. Robert Kolakowski of Glen Oaks asked Mr. Cardis if Voorhees is ready to replace their artificial turf fields as the life span of the fields is approximately 10 years. Mr. Cardis did not know if they are replacing these fields. There being no further comments, the public portion was closed.

POLLING OF DIRECTORS:

Mr. Lechner thanked the Council for coming in early for a Redevelopment meeting. He stated that the owners of the property have a tenant and could not move them in until they went before the Redevelopment Entity and the Planning Board.

POLLING OF COUNCIL:

Mr. Hutchison told Mr. Lechner that having the Redevelopment Meeting quickly was good government. Mr. Hutchison thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. Mr. Schmidt thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and for their comments. Mrs. Stubbs stated that she appreciates everyone's comments and it is important that everyone is treated with respect. Mrs. Winters wished everyone a Happy New Year. Mr. Mignone thanked everyone for coming and stated that the world lost David Bowie to cancer and a cure must be found. Mrs. Trotto thanked everyone for coming and for their opinions. Mr. Mercado thanked everyone for coming and stated that Highland's Cross Country Team is fantastic. He stated that January 18 is Martin Luther King Day of Service in the Township and they are expecting at least 500 people and they have 25 projects. He stated that they will be working from 8:30 am to noon.

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

Respectfully submitted,

President of Council

Rosemary DiJosie
Township Clerk, RMC