GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL SEPTEMBER WORKSHOP

SEPTEMBER 4, 2019

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mr. Mercado opened the public portion. There being no comment, the public portion was closed.

- 1. **DISCUSSION OF HICKSTOWN ROAD CROSSWALK AND FLASHING PEDESTRIAN LIGHTS -** Mr. Chadwell from Remington & Vernick described the project at the Mullen Manor location. Mr. Chadwell stated this discussion is to approve items 1-4 on the scope of service provided to Mr. Cardis, and budget for item 5 for next year. Mr. Cardis stated there are funds the township can apply for in regards to this project. A straw poll was taken with all council members in agreement.
- DISCUSSION OF PUNCHLIST SERVICES FOR HIDDEN MILL ESTATES SECTION 1 & 5 - Mr. Chadwell stated the township has received approximately \$97,000 from the surety company to complete the project in line with the township's standards. A straw poll was taken with all council members in agreement.
- 3. **DISCUSSION OF PUNCHLIST SERVICES FOR LAKESIDE BUSINESS PARK** Mr. Chadwell stated the township has received approximately \$332,000 from the surety company to complete the project in line with the township's standards. Mr. Carlamere stated a second bond was submitted for Independence Boulevard and the township will use their funds first with MRD contributing the difference. Mr. Mercado asked what happens to the surety funds if they are not all used. Mr. Carlamere stated the funds stay in a construction fund. A straw poll was taken with all council members in agreement.
- 4. **DISCUSSION OF REDWOOD STREET CULVERT REPLACEMENT-** Mr. Chadwell stated this has been a multi-year project. NJDP has authorized the project contingent with groundwater sampling being completed. A straw poll was taken with all council members in agreement.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS:

Mr. Mercado stated he received a letter from Hill Wallack regarding the zoning for 1110 Chews Landing Road and asking to be placed on the next council agenda. Mr. Merado asked Mr. Caralamere to pen a letter instructing them to go back to the zoning board.

Mr. Meracdo stated the school board received preschool funding, increasing preschool from a half day to a full day. There will be a lottery to fill the 100 open spots. Mrs. Trotto asked if this preschool was separate from the one the Rec center runs. Mr. Mercado stated this is through the school districts. Mr. Mignone asked if there were potential applicants for the available spots. Mr. Mercado stated the Department of Education believes the township could fill 1,000 spots. Mr. Hutchison stated if the township ramps it up for 1,000 spots and then funding is removed there will be upset tax payers. Mr. Mercado stated there will be 9/11 ceremonies in the township.

Mrs. Stubbs expressed a safety concern at the Jarvis Road Sicklerville Road NJ Transit Bus Stop. Mrs. Stubbs stated there is no curb and the bus stop is in the street.