

**TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK
DECEMBER 9, 2014 MINUTES**

Mayor Pullion called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

FLAG SALUTE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231,
P.L. 1975 THE CLERK READ THE STATEMENT:

Public Notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given by the Township Committee in the following manner:

- A. By posting written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building 400 Delanco Road Edgewater Park, New Jersey on November 13, 2014.
- B. By e-mailing written notice to the Burlington County Times And Courier Post on November 13, 2014.
- C. By filing written notice with the Clerk of the Township of Edgewater Park on November 13, 2014.

Present: Mr. William Belgard, Mr. Darrel Booker, Mr. Michael Trainor, Mr. John McElwee, Mayor Joseph Pullion. (Committee Members)

Also present: Mr. Gene DiFilippo Chief of Police (public and closed session), Mr. Aubrey Painter, Superintendent of Public Works (public session), Mr. William Kearns, Jr., Solicitor (public and closed session), Mrs. Linda Dougherty, Municipal Clerk/Administrator (public and closed session), Mr. Rakesh Darji, Township Engineer, ERI (public session), Mrs. Colleen Treusch, Deputy Clerk (public session).

Committeewomen elect: Mrs. Barbara Scott-Perkins and Mrs. Lauren Kremper (public and closed session.)

DISCUSSION(S)/PRESENTATION(S)/AUTHORIZATION(S)/CONSIDERATION:

Presentation/Public Hearing –

Burlington County Year 2015 Community Development Block Grant Application

Mrs. Dougherty and Rakesh Darji provided an overview of the 2015 CDBG application.

Overview:

Community Development Block Grant Program FY 2015

Public Hearing: December 9, 2014

Proposal: 1336 Mt Holly Road, Block 502, Lot: 9
Demolition of house (with basement) and out buildings.

Application Due Date: December 12, 2014

Legal Notice: Published on November 25, 2014

The site location is included in the Township's open space plan and submitted under the Township's Residential Open Space Inventory (ROSI).

Grant funding will range from \$65,000 to \$70,000 depending on HUD's actual grant allocation to Burlington County.

Environmental Resolutions Inc. prepared a cost estimate in the amount of \$112,760.00; estimated demolition and restoration cost of \$87,300.00, contingencies of \$17,400, engineering and soft in the amount of \$112,760.00. CDBG funding is eligible for construction only; funding cannot be applied to professional services such as engineer's inspections and project administration. Block 502, lot 9 is located in Census Tract 70110.01 Block Group 1 with a Low/Mod percentage of 47.96% Low/Moderate qualification.

The census map reflects changes to block group areas qualifications; the following block groups qualify:

Tract	Block Group	Low/Mod %
7010.02	3	58.84%
7010.01	1	47.96%
7010.01	2	46.35%
7010.01	3	42.13%

The 2015 application must show benefit to the block group area where the project is located. The proposed project location is part of the Township's ROSI therefore any park improvement would benefit the entire community; projects that will benefit the entire community are no longer eligible. Upon review the project application can be submitted under Federal Regulation, Part 570, 570.201 *Basic eligible activities, section (d):* Clearance, demolition, and removal of buildings and improvements ...

The site also meets National Objectives and it appears that it meets the national objective under: 24 CFR 570.208(b) Activities that aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight, (2) Activities to address slums or blight on a spot basis. Acquisition, clearance, relocation, historic preservation and building rehabilitation activities that eliminate specific conditions of blight or physical decay on a spot basis not located in a slum or blighted area will meet this objective.

The Mayor opened this portion of the meeting to public comment for the Burlington County Year 2015 Community Development Block Grant Application. Hearing no one wishing to speak, the Mayor closed this portion of the meeting to public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Authorization to approve the following actions by consent agenda; if any items on the consent agenda require consideration by separate roll call vote, it shall be removed from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.

Moved by: Mr. Belgard Second: Mr. Trainor

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

2015 Re-Organization Meeting:

Authorization to schedule the Township Committee 2015 Reorganization Meeting for January 3, 2015 at 4:30PM and at the Municipal Building, 400 Delanco Road, Edgewater Park, NJ. Official action will be taken on matters on the agenda.

Resignations:

Acceptance of resignation for full time Unclassified Crossing Guards: Donald Barnes Sr. and Luther Murphy effective December 31, 2014.

Acknowledgement that Substitute Crossing Guard Jonella J. Ward appointed 9/3/2014 did not accept training therefore position is vacated.

Appointments:

Crossing Guards:

Full Time, Unclassified Crossing Guards Alan J. Ashinoff, and Carol F. Feist; effective January 1, 2015 rate of \$18.06 per post.

Public Works

Part time seasonal employment, Public Works Department, effective December 1, 2014, rate of \$10.00 per hour: Andrew Acholes, William Evans and Julian Howell Johnson. Employment condition upon satisfactory completion of drug testing employment requirements.

FUNCTION APPLICATION:

Motion to Approve Function Applications/Permits/Licenses/Raffles by consent agenda; if any items on the consent agenda require consideration by separate roll call vote, it shall be removed from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.

Moved by: Mr. Trainor

Second: Mr. Booker

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

Raffles: None

Bingos: None

Public Functions: None

Solicitors:

Jonathan L. Wright, for Vivint Solar , Door to Door Sales 12/15/14-12/22/14 from 10AM to 7PM; required fees have been paid. A letter is on file from the Chief of Police advising that there is nothing in the background check that would preclude Committee from considering the permit.

Mr. Kearns, Township Solicitor discussed that there is Federal Case Law the permits solicitation to 9PM.

REPORTS

Township Solicitor

Mr. Kearns presented a plaque to Mayor Pullion from the League of Municipalities for his many years of service.

Report from the Township Engineer (Report appended to the minutes)

Jamestown/Cardinal/Forrestal and Various Road Projects

Mr. Darji reviewed that the project is done for the winter due to weather conditions. The Adams Avenue basin portion of the project is complete.

Silver Park West

CME prepared the “as built survey” of the basin. The as built survey indicates that the basin differs from the design plan. Mr. Darji reported that the drainage basin was not built to design and is under size by 130,000 cubic feet. He recommended that the township not accept the basin. Upon further discussion Township Committee asked Mr. Darji to prepare cost estimates to remedy the drainage basin and to do the job correctly.

Skate Park

Upon discussion consensus of Committee was to have Mr. Darji review Delanco Township’s plans and prepare an estimated budget. Committee further discussed that current building and facility structures should be maintained as priority and to continue to look into potential grants

through the County Parks Programs. The impact to insurance and resident compliance requirements need to be researched.

Fox Run

Mr. Darji reviewed that K-2 Backbone Edgewater is looking to separate the driveways in the development. No on street parallel parking is permitted; there are areas for additional parking within the development. The matter will be addressed as an administrative change with the Planning Board at the December 16th meeting.

Report from Municipal Clerk/Administrator (Report appended to the minutes)

Fox Run/K-2 Development

Upon discussion, consent was to have the Township Solicitor, Mr. Kearns, issue a letter to the developer regarding the mortgage payment due January 31, 2015 in the amount of \$510,000.

Emergency Medical Services

Upon discussion, it was recommend that Edgewater Park have our name placed on Endeavors ambulances. Currently, the vehicles indicate “serving Burlington City and Township.” Endeavor has secured the service; the cost to the Township is \$1,720.00.

Moved by: Mayor Pullion

Second: Mr. Belgard

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

Insurance – Burl Co JIF

Upon discussion, the 2014 BurlCo JIF dividend in the amount of \$12,237.00 was approved by consent to be applied as a credit against the 2015 JIF assessment.

Report from Chief of Police (Report appended to the minutes)

Personnel:

Chief DiFilippo discussed that he will be attending closed session to discuss potential hiring of an officer.

Report from Superintendent of Public Works (Report appended to the minutes)

Shared Service with Willingboro Township for Street Sweeping

Mr. Painter discussed that he met with Richard Brevogel, Director of Public Works, regarding a proposal for street sweeping services; daily rate proposal appended. Mr. Painter discussed that there is approximately 25 miles of roadway in the community.

Upon further discussion Committee asked Mr. Painter to find out how many miles Willingboro can do per day.

REPORT ACCEPTANCE

Moved by: Mr. Booker

Second: Mr. Trainor

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

RESOLUTIONS BY CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2014-182 through 2014-201 by consent agenda; if any items on the consent agenda require consideration by separate roll call vote, it shall be removed from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.

Mayor Pullion moved to approve the resolutions but to remove Resolution No. 2014-184 and 2014-185 from the consent agenda for further discussion in closed session.

Second: Mr. Trainor

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-182

Resolution Authorizing the Transfer Funds From Certain 2014 Budget Appropriation of the Township of Edgewater Park

WHEREAS, there are certain 2014 Budget Appropriations that have unexpected balances; and

WHEREAS, there are certain 2014 Budget Appropriations that are insufficient to cover operating expenses for the year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that the following transfers be and are hereby made between the following 2014 Budget Appropriations effective December 9, 2014:

From:	Account#	Amount	To:	Account#	Amount
Admin O/E	4-01-20-100-019	\$ 6,927.00	Admin S/W	4-01-20-100-011	\$ 6,927.00
Finance O/E	4-01-20-130-019	\$ 151.94	Assessor O/E	4-01-20-150-019	\$ 151.94
Total		\$7,078.94			\$7,078.94

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-183

Resolution of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Contract with the Superintendent of Public Works

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to enter into a contract of employment with the Township's Superintendent of Public Works, Aubrey Painter, term of contract shall be from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor of the TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK is hereby authorized to execute an Agreement with the EDGEWATER PARK TOWNSHIP SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, a copy of which is on file in the Clerk's Office.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-186

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 203.04, Lot 10

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 1018 Perkins Lane and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$438.44; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 1018 Perkins Lane, Block 203.04 Lot 10, shall be effective on December 18, 2014 in the amount of \$438.44 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-187

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 1201.06, Lot 2

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 307 N Arthur Drive and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$279.48; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 307 N Arthur Drive, Block 1201.06 Lot 2 in the amount of \$279.48 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-188

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 404.05, Lot 14

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 213 Peach Road and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$279.48; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 213 Peach Road, Block 404.05 Lot 14, shall be effective on December 18, 2014 in the amount of \$279.48 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-189

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 1003, Lot 5

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 1150 Cooper Street and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$279.48; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 1150 Cooper Street, Block 1003 Lot 5 in the amount of \$279.48 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-190

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 1405, Lot 22

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 216 Lincoln Avenue and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$279.48; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 216 Lincoln Avenue, Block 1405 Lot 22 in the amount of \$279.48 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-191

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 1501, Lot 36

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 505 E Franklin Avenue and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$279.48; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 505 E Franklin Avenue, Block 1501 Lot 36 in the amount of \$279.48 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-192

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 1301, Lot 2

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 203 N Garden Blvd and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$279.48; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 203 N Garden Blvd, Block 1301 Lot 2 in the amount of \$279.48 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-193

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township Oo Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 1501, Lot 29

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 403 Monroe Avenue and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$319.22; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 403 Monroe Avenue, Block 1501 Lot 29, shall be effective on December 18, 2014 in the amount of \$319.22 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-194

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 1102, Lot 14

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 120 N Garden Blvd and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc., on said property in the amount of \$279.48; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 120 N Garden Blvd, Block 1102, Lot 14, shall be effective on December 18, 2014 in the amount of \$279.48 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-195

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 203.04, Lot 10

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 1018 Perkins Lane and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc, on said property in the amount of \$319.22; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 1018 Perkins Lane, Block 203.04 Lot 10, shall be effective on December 18, 2014 in the amount of \$319.22 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-196

Resolution Certifying A Lien Against For Costs Incurred By the Township of Edgewater Park In Accordance With The Property Maintenance Code for Block: 502, Lot 1.07

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Uniform Construction Code provides for fines to be imposed by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.44.610 of the General Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park provides for abatement of certain conditions, and Section 8.44.620 provides that the cost of any abatement shall become a lien against real property by Resolution shall be collectible as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Inspector has cited 325 Green Street and has recommended to imposed fines and expenses for repair, maintenance, etc., on said property in the amount of \$279.48; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the fines and expenses certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector for 325 Green Street, Block 502 Lot 1.07, shall be effective on December 18, 2014 in the amount of \$279.48 is hereby approved and certified to the Tax Collector of the Township of Edgewater Park as liens against the specific property listed and to draw interest as tax liens as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of said resolution be forwarded to the Collector, Auditor, and the Treasurer for their information and any appropriate action.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-197

Resolution to Cancel Debits and Credits of \$10.00 or less

WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 54:5-20 provides the governing body of a municipality to designate a municipal employee to cancel without further action on the part of the governing body any debits or credits in the amount of \$10.00 or less.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, that Tanyika Johns, Tax Collector, for the Township of Edgewater Park be designated as the municipal employee for the cancellation of the debits and credits in the amounts of \$10.00 or less for the tax year of 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-198

Authorizing Participation and Grant Application Submission in the Burlington County Community Development Block Grant Program

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park has determined, by public hearing on December 9, 2014, that it is the interest of the community to participate in the Burlington County Community Development Block Grant Program for year 2015: and

WHEREAS, certain areas within Edgewater Park Township have been determined to be eligible for Community Development funded projects; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park has determined that improvements to 1336 Mt Holly Road, Block 502, Lot: 9 would address safety issues, health issues and blighted conditions under Federal Regulation, Part 570, 570.201 Basic eligible activities, section (d): Clearance, demolition, and removal of buildings and improvements and National Objectives under: 24 CFR 570.208(b) Activities that aid in the

prevention or elimination of slums or blight that eliminate specific conditions of blight or physical decay on a spot basis not located in a slum or blighted area; and

WHEREAS, Block 502, lot 9, is located in Census Tract 70110.01 Block Group 1 with a Low/Mod percentage of 47.96% Low/Moderate qualification.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that a grant application shall be submitted for funding under the 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program for said improvements and that the Township Administrator and the Township Engineer are hereby authorized to prepare an application and submit same to the Community Development Program Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the Mayor and/or Clerk/Administrator are hereby authorized to execute said Community Development Block Grant documents and agreements upon receipt.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-199

Authorizing Change Order No.1 to Pioneer General Contracting under the Cardinal, Jamestown and Various Road Projects Program

WHEREAS, the Township of Edgewater Park solicited bids for the Cardinal Road, Jamestown Road and other various road projects; and

WHEREAS, via Resolution No. 2014-85, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park authorized the execution of a Contract with Pioneer General Contracting for improvements Cardinal Road, Jamestown Rd and Various other improvements in the amount of \$685,580.00; and

WHEREAS, by Change Order No. 1 dated December 3, 2014 Environmental Resolutions Inc., advised that the contract amount shall be reduced to \$672,857.00 by a net reduction of \$12,723.00 which reflects additions of \$19,542.00 and reductions of \$32,265.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the request for Change Order No. 1 with a net reduction of \$12,723.33 for the project is approved subsequently reducing the adjusted contract amount to \$672,857.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-200

Authorizing Payment No. 4 to Pioneer General Contracting under the Cardinal Jamestown and Various Road Projects Program

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park held a public hearing on November 20, 2012, and found that it was the interest of the community to participate in the Burlington County Community Development Program; and

WHEREAS, via Resolution No. 2014-85, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park authorized the execution of a Contract with Pioneer General Contracting for improvements Cardinal Road, Jamestown Rd and Various other improvements in the amount of \$685,580.00; and

WHEREAS, via Resolution No. 2014-124, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park authorized payment No. 1 to Pioneer General Contracting in the amount of \$125,771.24, with a retainage fee of \$5,119.02 and further accepting said improvements recommended by Environmental Resolutions Inc. dated September 15, 2014.

WHEREAS, via Resolution No. 2014-157, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park authorized payment No. 2 to Pioneer General Contracting in the amount of \$125,060.74, with a retainage fee of \$5,119.02 and further accepting said improvements recommended by Environmental Resolutions Inc. dated September 15, 2014.

WHEREAS, via Resolution No. 2014-172, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park authorized payment No. 3 to Pioneer General Contracting in the amount of \$62,657.28, with a retainage fee of \$6,397.74 and further accepting said improvements recommended by Environmental Resolutions Inc. dated October 15, 2014.

WHEREAS, via Resolution No. 2014-199 authorized Changed Order No. 1 for a net reduction of \$12,723.00 for an adjusted contract price to \$672,857.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that payment No. 4 to Pioneer General Contracting is hereby authorized in the amount of \$123,048.80, with a retainage fee of 2% or \$8,908.94 further accepting said improvements recommended by Environmental Resolutions Inc. dated December 3, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-201
Refund of Trust Account -Aaronson

WHEREAS, there are certain moneys in the Trust Account of the Township of Edgewater Park; and

WHEREAS, there has been a request by the applicant for a refund of the escrow account balance; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk has researched the request and has found that the refund is justified; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the following moneys in the Trust Account be refunded to the following applicant:

Project ID No.: 582
Phillip Aaronson
403 Cliff Avenue
Edgewater Park, NJ 08010
Amount: \$483.44

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to draw a check in the above stated amount for said refund.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-6

An Ordinance to Mandate Direct Deposit for Municipal Employees by the Township of Edgewater Park, Amending Title 2 “Administration and Personnel”, Chapter 2.20 “Compensation of Officers and Employees” and Creating Section 2.20.300 of the Edgewater Park Township Municipal Code Entitled “Direct Deposit for Municipal Employees”
PURSUANT TO C. 52:14-15f et. seq.

(Second Reading and Public Hearing)

WHEREAS, P.L. 2013 c. 28, authorizes local governments to mandate direct deposit for certain governmental employees effective after July 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2013 c. 28 permits governing bodies to grant exemptions on such terms and conditions as they deem necessary.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Edgewater Park Township, located in Burlington County in the State of New Jersey according to the following:

Section 1. All employees and elected public officials who receive compensation from the Edgewater Park Township are mandated to have direct deposit of their compensation as of January 1, 2015 in accordance with Chapter 28 P.L. 2013, as defined under C.52:14-15f (b).

Section 2. Seasonal and temporary employees who are employed by the Township of Edgewater Park may be exempt from the direct deposit mandate; determination shall be made by the Township of Edgewater Park.

Section 3. Municipal employees may request, in writing, an exemption from the direct deposit mandate to the Edgewater Park Township Municipal Clerk or Township Administrator. Such requests will be presented to the Township Committee. The Township Committee may grant such an exemption by resolution and only for good cause.

Section 4. If any Section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the Section, paragraph subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with the Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption and publication according to law.

Moved by: Mr. Trainor

Second: Mr. Belgard

Discussion: None

The Mayor opened this portion of the meeting to public comment on Ordinance No. 2014-6. Hearing no one wishing to speak, the Mayor closed this portion of the meeting to public comment.

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-7

An Ordinance Granting Renewal of Municipal Consent to Comcast of Burlington County, LLC to Construct, Connect, Operate and Maintain a Cable Television and Communications System in the Township of Edgewater Park, New Jersey.

BE IT ORDAINED, By the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE OF THE ORDINANCE

The municipality hereby grants to Comcast renewal of its non-exclusive Municipal Consent to place in, upon, across, above, over and under highways, streets, alleys, sidewalks, easements, public ways and public places in the municipality, poles, wires, cables, underground conduits, manholes and other television conductors, fixtures, apparatus and equipment as may be necessary for the construction, operation and maintenance in the Municipality of a cable television and communications system.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meaning given herein. Such meaning or definition of terms is supplemental to those definitions of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") rules and regulations, 47 C.F.R. Subsection 76.1 et seq., and the Cable Communications Policy Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 521 et seq., as amended, and the Cable Television Act, N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1 et seq., and shall in no way be construed to broaden, alter or conflict with the federal and state definitions:

- a. "Township" or "Municipality" is the Township of, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey.
- b. "Company" is the grantee of rights under this Ordinance and is known as Comcast of Burlington County, LLC
- c. "Act" or "Cable Television Act" is Chapter 186 of the General Laws of New Jersey, and subsequent amendments thereto, N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1, et seq.
- d. "FCC" is the Federal Communications Commission.
- e. "Board" or "BPU" is the Board of Public Utilities, State of New Jersey.
- f. "Office" or "OCTV" is the Office of Cable Television of the Board.
- g. "Basic Cable Service" means any service tier, which includes the retransmission of local television broadcast signals as defined by the FCC.
- h. "Application" is the Company's Application for Renewal of Municipal Consent.
- i. "Primary Service Area" or "PSA" consists of the area of the Municipality currently served with existing plant as set forth in the map annexed to the Company's Application for Municipal Consent.

SECTION 3. STATEMENT OF FINDINGS

Public hearings conducted by the municipality, concerning the renewal of Municipal Consent herein granted to the Company were held after proper public notice pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Act and the regulations of the Board adopted pursuant thereto. Said hearings, having been fully open to the public, and the municipality, having received at said public hearings all comments regarding the qualifications of the Company to receive this renewal of Municipal Consent, the Municipality hereby finds that the Company possesses the necessary legal, technical, character, financial and other qualifications and that the Company's operating and construction arrangements are adequate and feasible.

SECTION 4. DURATION OF FRANCHISE

The non-exclusive Municipal Consent granted herein shall expire 15 years from the date of expiration of the previous Certificate of Approval issued by the Board with a 10-year automatic renewal as provided by N.J.S.A. 48:5A-19 and 25, and N.J.A.C. 14:18-13.6.

In the event that the Municipality shall find that the Company has not substantially complied with the material terms and conditions of this Ordinance, the Municipality shall have the right to petition the OCTV, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:5A-47, for appropriate action, including modification and/or termination of the Certificate of Approval; provided however, that the Municipality shall first have given the Company written notice of all alleged instances of non-compliance and an opportunity to cure same within ninety (90) days of that notification.

SECTION 5. FRANCHISE FEE

Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Act, the Company shall, during each year of operation under the consent granted herein, pay to the Municipality two percent (2%) of the gross revenues from all recurring charges in the nature of subscription fees paid by subscribers for cable television reception service in the Municipality or any higher amount permitted by the Act or otherwise allowable by law, whichever is greater.

SECTION 6. FRANCHISE TERRITORY

The consent granted under this Ordinance to the renewal of the franchise shall apply to the entirety of the Municipality and any property subsequently annexed hereto.

SECTION 7. EXTENSION OF SERVICE

The Company shall be required to proffer service to any residence or business along any public right-of-way in the Primary Service Area, as set forth in the Company's Application. Any extension of plant beyond the Primary Service Area shall be governed by the Company's Line Extension Policy, as set forth in the Company's Application.

SECTION 8. CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

Restoration: In the event that the Company or its agents shall disturb any pavement, street surfaces, sidewalks, driveways, or other surface in the natural topography, the Company shall, at its sole expense, restore and replace such places or things so disturbed in as good a condition as existed prior to the commencement of said work.

Relocation: If at any time during the period of this consent, the Municipality shall alter or change the grade of any street, alley or other way or place the Company, upon reasonable notice by the Municipality, shall remove, re-lay or relocate its equipment, at the expense of the Company.

Removal or Trimming of Trees: During the exercise of its rights and privileges under this franchise, the Company shall have the authority to trim trees upon and overhanging streets, alleys, sidewalks or other public places of the municipality so as to prevent the branches of such trees from coming in contact with the wires and cable of the Company. Such trimming shall be only to the extent necessary to maintain proper clearance of the Company's wire and cables.

SECTION 9. CUSTOMER SERVICE

In providing services to its customers, the Company shall comply with N.J.A.C. 14:18-1, et seq. and all applicable state and federal statutes and regulations. The Company shall strive to meet or exceed all voluntary company and industry standards in the delivery of customer service and shall be prepared to report on it to the municipality upon written request of the Municipality Administrator or Clerk.

- a. The Company shall continue to comply fully with all applicable state and federal statutes and regulations regarding credit for outages, the reporting of same to regulatory agencies and notification of same to customers.
- b. The Company shall continue to fully comply with all applicable state and federal statutes and regulations regarding the availability of devices for the hearing impaired and the notification of same to customers.
- c. The Company shall use every reasonable effort to meet or exceed voluntary standards for telephone accessibility developed by the National Cable Television Association (NCTA).
- d. Nothing herein shall impair the right of any subscriber or the Municipality to express any comment with respect to telephone accessibility to the Complaint Officer, or impair the right of the Complaint Officer to take any action that is permitted under law.

SECTION 10. MUNICIPAL COMPLAINT OFFICER

The Office of Cable Television is hereby designated as the Complaint Officer for the Municipality pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:5A-26(b). All complaints shall be received and processed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:17-6.5. The Municipality shall have the right to request copies of records and reports pertaining to complaints by Municipality customers from the OCTV.

SECTION 11. LOCAL OFFICE

During the term of this franchise, and any renewal thereof, the Company shall maintain a business office or agent in accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:18-5.1 for the purpose of receiving, investigating and resolving all local complaints regarding the quality of service, equipment malfunctions, and similar matters. Such a business office shall have a publicly listed toll-free telephone number and be open during standard business hours, and in no event (excepting emergent circumstances) less than 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

SECTION 12. PERFORMANCE BONDS

During the life of the franchise the Company shall give to the municipality a bond in the amount of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars. Such bond shall be to insure the faithful performance of all undertakings of the Company as represented in its application for municipal consent incorporated herein.

SECTION 13. SUBSCRIBER RATES

The rates of the Company shall be subject to regulation as permitted by federal and state law.

SECTION 14. COMMITMENTS BY THE COMPANY

- a. The Company shall provide Expanded Basic or a similar tier of cable television service on one (1) outlet at no cost to each qualified existing and future school in the Municipality, public and private, elementary, intermediate and secondary, provided the school is within 175 feet of active cable distribution plant. Each additional outlet installed, if any, shall be paid for on a materials plus labor basis by the school requesting service.
- b. The Company shall provide Expanded Basic or a similar tier of cable television service at no cost on one (1) outlet to the Township Municipal Complex and each qualified existing and future police, fire, emergency management facility, municipal community center, and public library in the Municipality, provided the facility is located within 175 feet of active cable distribution plant. Each additional outlet installed, if any, shall be paid for on a materials plus labor basis by the Municipality.
- c. The Company shall provide free basic Internet service, via high-speed cable modem, to one (1) non-networked personal computer in each qualified existing and future public school in the Township, elementary, intermediate and secondary, at no charge provided the facility is located within 175 feet of active cable distribution plant. The Internet service shall be installed on a personal computer that is accessible to the students and not for administrative use only.
- d. The Company shall provide free basic Internet access via high-speed cable modem on one (1) non-networked personal computer in each qualified existing and future public library in the Township at no charge provided the facility is located within 175 feet of active cable distribution plant. The Internet service shall be installed on a personal computer that is accessible to library patrons and not for administrative use only.
- e. The Communications Act of 1934, as amended [47 U.S.C. §543 (b)], allows the Company to itemize and/or identify: (1.) the amount on the subscriber bill assessed as a franchise fee and the identity of the governmental authority to which the fee is paid; (2.) the amount on the bill assessed to satisfy any requirements imposed on the Company by the cable franchise to support public, educational, and/or governmental access channels or the use of such channels; and (3.) any grants or other fees on the bill or any tax, assessment, or charge of any kind imposed by any governmental authority on the transaction between the operator and the subscriber. The Company reserves these external cost, pass-through rights to the extent permitted by law.

- f. Within six (6) months of the issuance of a Renewal Certificate of Approval (COA) by the NJBPU, the Company shall provide to the Township a one-time technology and access-related grant in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), which shall be used by the Municipality at its discretion.

SECTION 15. EMERGENCY USES

The Company will comply with the Emergency Alert System (“EAS”) rules in accordance with applicable state and federal statutes and regulations.

The Company shall in no way be held liable for any injury suffered by the municipality or any other person, during an emergency, if for any reason the municipality is unable to make full use of the cable television system as contemplated herein.

SECTION 16. LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Company shall at all times maintain a comprehensive general liability insurance policy with a single limit amount of \$1,000,000 covering liability for any death, personal injury, property damages or other liability arising out of its construction and operation of the cable television system, and an excess liability (or "umbrella") policy in the amount of \$5,000,000.

SECTION 17. INCORPORATION OF THE APPLICATION

All of the statements and commitments contained in the Application or annexed thereto and incorporated therein, and any amendment thereto, except as modified herein, are binding upon the Company as terms and conditions of this consent. The Application and other relevant writings submitted by the Company shall be annexed hereto and made a part hereof by reference provided same do not conflict with applicable State or Federal law.

SECTION 18. COMPETITIVE EQUITY

Should the Municipality grant a franchise to construct, operate and maintain a cable television system to any other person, corporation or entity on terms materially less burdensome or more favorable than the terms contained herein, the Company may substitute such language that is more favorable or less burdensome for the comparable provision of this Ordinance subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 14:17-6.7.

SECTION 19. SEPARABILITY

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court or federal or state agency of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and its validity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance.

SECTION 20. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES

Nothing in this Franchise or in any prior agreement is or was intended to confer third-party beneficiary status on any member of the public to enforce the terms of such agreements or Franchise.

SECTION 21. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon issuance of a Renewal Certificate of Approval from the BPU.

Moved by: Mayor Pullion Second: Mr. Belgard

Discussion: Review parameters of the ordinance.

The Mayor opened this portion of the meeting to public comment for the on Ordinance No. 2014-7 only.

Mr. Dennis Robbins, 9 Crystal Drive spoke positively on the improved service in his area. Hearing no one else wishing to speak the Mayor then closed this portion of the meeting to public comment.

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-8

An Ordinance of the Township of Edgewater Park in Burlington County, State of New Jersey Requiring the Maintenance of Properties that are vacant or Abandoned or in Foreclosure

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park (“Township”) has reviewed recent amendments to Titles 2A, 40 and 46 of the New Jersey Statutes regarding vacant and abandoned property and the responsibilities of foreclosing creditors; and

WHEREAS, as a result of such legislation, it is appropriate and necessary for the Township Committee to adopt an ordinance to implement the amendments enacted in Chapter 35 of the Laws of 2014;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the Code of the Township of Edgewater Park is amended as follows:

SECTION ONE. The Code of the Township of Edgewater Park is amended by the addition of the following new sections:

A. Creditor responsibility.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Public Laws of 2014, Chapter 35, a creditor filing a summons and complaint to foreclose a lien on a residential property that is vacant and abandoned, whether the filing of the summons and complaint is made before or after the determination that the property is vacant and abandoned, shall be responsible for the care, maintenance, security, and upkeep of the exterior of the residential property. This obligation applies whether the determination that the property is vacant and abandoned is made by the public officer designated by the Township of Edgewater Park, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2A:50-73 or otherwise.

B. Notice to creditor; time to correct violations.

If the public officer, or other authorized municipal official as designated by the Township Administrator, determines that a property is vacant or abandoned and that a creditor is obligated to care, maintain, secure and keep up a vacant and abandoned property has failed to do so in violation any of the provisions of the Ordinances of the Township of Edgewater Park, the public officer or other authorized municipal official shall issue a notice of violation to the creditor that has filed a summons and complaint to foreclose on the property in question. The notice shall require the person or entity to correct the violation within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice, or within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice if the violation presents an imminent threat to public health and safety. The issuance of this notice shall constitute evidence that a property is “vacant and abandoned” for purposes of N.J.S.A. 2A:50-73.

C. Designated representative of out-of-State creditor; violation.

An out-of-State creditor shall include the full name and contact information of the in- State representative or agent in the notice required to be provided to the municipal clerk pursuant to paragraph one of N.J.S.A. 46:10B-51. An out-of-State creditor found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have violated this provision shall be subject to a fine of \$2,500.00 for each day of the violation commencing on the day after the 10 day period set forth in paragraph one of N.J.S.A. 46:10b-51 with respect to notifying the municipal clerk that an action to foreclose on the property has been filed.

D. Violations and penalties.

Any person, firm, corporation or entity violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punishable as provided in Chapter 1, General Provisions, Article I, of this Code. A creditor required to care, maintain, secure and keep up a property under this Chapter cited in a notices issued pursuant to §58-5.2 shall be subject to a fine of \$1,500.00 for each day of the violation.

SECTION THREE.

Additional notice required.

Notice of violations of property maintenance, building or other property codes for any property declared vacant and abandoned pursuant to the Ordinances of the Township of Edgewater Park shall be given to a foreclosing creditor as required by P.L. 2014, c. 35.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any prior Ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies;

AND BE IF FURTHER ORDAINED that should any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this ordinance for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance;

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately following final passage and publication as required by law.

Moved by: Mr. Booker
Discussion: None

Second: Mr. Trainor

The Mayor opened this portion of the meeting to public comment for the on Ordinance No. 2014-8 only.

Mr. Dennis Robbins, 9 Crystal Drive questioned if the ordinance could address foreclosures in the Silver Park West development for any HOA fees that are in the arrears for more than five months.

Mr. Kearns reviewed that this ordinance and the law only deals with municipal liens not private organizations.

Hearing on one else wishing to speak the Mayor closed this portion of the meeting to public comment.

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

Committeeman Belgard:

Liaison to Recreation Committee:

Mr. Belgard reported that tree lighting event was very successful. Endeavor Emergency Squad was extremely involved and engaging with the residents. Santa stayed late to accommodate some late arrivals. Thank you to the school, volunteers, staff, Fire Company and EMS for a great evening.

Committeeman Booker:

Liaison to School Board and Liaison to Environmental Advisory Committee

Mr. Booker had no report this month but wanted to acknowledge the excellent job by all involved with tree lighting.

Mr. Booker further thanked the community for his time on committee. He also wanted to thank Mayor Pullion, and the Township Committee members for their assistance and guidance. He acknowledged the township staff and volunteers for always being there when he need them and that Edgewater Park is a great community.

Committeeman Trainor:

Mr. Trainor also acknowledged and thank everyone for their involvement with the tree lighting event.

Liaison to EPAA:

Mr. Trainor reported that the Basketball season opening day occurred last Saturday. We have twenty-two teams in four age groups. EPAA's general meeting and elections are being held tonight.

Mr. Trainor also acknowledged and thanked Mr. Booker and Mayor Pullion for the guidance and years of service to the community.

Committeeman McElwee:

Liaison to Senior Advisory:

Mr. McElwee reported that there would be no meeting this month due to their American Red Cross Blood Drive being held on Wednesday, December 10th from 2pm – 7pm at the municipal building.

EPAA and Elks Lodge Basketball Shoot:

Mr. McElwee reported that the 5th annual basketball shoot was last Friday December 5th and was a nice event and was co-sponsored by EPAA and Elks Lodge.

School Board – Strategic Planning Sessions

Mr. McElwee reported that the Strategic Planning sessions at the School were very interesting... He said the school board listened to the ideas proposed by the public for the 5 year plan.

Mr. McElwee along with Mr. Belgard spoke on the need to do anything we can to get the state funding back in the school budgets and not have to impact our local taxes. They further discussed complaints regarding the NJ ASK test program and that school funding it is based on those numbers; the State changes the rules each year.

Mr. McElwee also thanked Mayor Pullion and Mr. Booker for their service, caring and compassion for the township and they will be missed. He is looking forward to working with the newly elected committee members.

Mayor Pullion:

People have asked, “What will you do now?” Mayor Pullion stated that he doesn’t know. He stated that over that last 15 years in office we have done a lot and that a lot of corrections needed to be done. Just when he thought it couldn’t get better, it did. The quality of the people on the Township Committee get involved in the town for the good of the town and not for personal agendas. He wishes the newly elected officials the best. He further said that financially, it’s gotten harder every year but that Edgewater Park has become a stable community. There are always going to be tax increases but creating stability for the community in most important.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Approval of Bills from November 11, 2014 to December 4, 2014

Moved by: Mr. Trainor Second: Mr. Belgard

Discussion: Township Committee reviewed various items on the bill list

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

Authorization to pay bills from December 5, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

Moved by: Mr. Belgard Second: Mayor Pullion

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 6, 2014 closed session, June 17, 2014 closed session, July 8, 2014 closed session, July 15, 2014 closed session, August 19, 2014 public session, September 16, 2014 public and closed session, October 7, 2014 public session.

Moved by: Mr. Booker Second: Mayor Pullion

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes but abstain from 7/15/2014 minutes, Mr. Trainor-yes but abstain from 7/15/2014 meetings, Mayor Pullion-yes but abstain from 7/8/2014 and 10/7/2014 meetings.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Pullion opened this portion of the meeting to public comment:

Fran Wilkins, 96 N. Garden, commended Public Works Department on their leaf collection. After traveling through another community, she observed that their leaf collection was subpar.

They would leave approx. 2 inches of leaves in the street and then blow them back on the property. She further stated that Edgewater Park Public works does it right and does a great job for our community.

Michele Clifford, 302 Monroe Ave., commented on the stray cat issues near her home. She also wanted to nominate Dan Flag for Citizen of the Year. She further stated that he should be nominated for all that he does for the community including the beautiful holiday helper program that he's done every year for the last 20 years.

Dennis Robbins, 9 Crystal Dr., said he will miss Mr. Booker and Mayor Pullion and their interesting conversations.

He wanted to make sure that the Cardinal Dr. temporary driveway aprons will not Public Works with their leaf collection and snow removal while waiting for the road paving to finish.

Mr. Darji advised that there would be no impact.

Mr. Robbins further advised that the 5 year forestry plan needs to be filed by years end. He would also like to see the members of the Environmental Committee back for 2015 due to their excellent participation.

He commented that the memorial signs at Roosevelt Park have doors that leak.

Mr. Painter will look into repairs.

Mr. Robbins inquired about any possible parking restrictions there are for cars parking too close to a stop sign. Specifically, he was concerned about Green Street at the intersection of Mt. Holly Rd.

Chief DiFilippo advised that he will look into it but the cars seem to be parked correctly.

Mr. Robbins further discussed that the Fire District met in Freehold last Saturday and there was discussion on the drastic increase for the cost of life saving Narcan, used in drug overdose cases, and concerned now that the costs will be put on the individual communities after the initial roll out was paid for by the County.

Chief DiFilippo advised that they are working with the County to try to secure a discounted price if all the townships go with the same vendor.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS - None

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-202
CLOSED SESSION**

Where it is necessary to discuss personnel and personnel employment contracts. Where it is necessary to discuss professional services contract. Where it is necessary to discuss items falling under litigation and/or attorney client privilege. Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentially, then the matter will be made public

WHEREAS, it is necessary to discuss personnel possible litigation involving the Township of Edgewater Park which is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, questions dealing with personnel matters is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, questions dealing with the purchase lease or acquisition of real property with public funds is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, questions dealing with any collective bargaining agreement or the terms or conditions of that agreement is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, the disclosure of any material which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, the release of any information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States; is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act or omission for which the responding party bears responsibility is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to close this portion of the meeting to consider the aforementioned titled matters.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the portion of the meeting dealing with the aforementioned matters shall be closed to the public and the results of the discussions held under the closed sessions shall be made available to the public at such early a time as possible.

Moved by: Mayor Pullion Second: Mr. Booker Time: 9:16 PM

Discussion: Mayor Pullion announced that Committee may take formal action at the conclusion of closed session.

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Offer of employment to Scott Timothy Ewan, patrol officer, contingent upon successful completion of medical & pre-employment screening.

Moved by: Mr. McElwee Second: Mr. Trainor

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes Mr. Booker-yes Mr. McElwee-yes Mr. Trainor-yes

Mayor Pullion-yes

RESOLUTIONS BY CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2014-184 through 2014-185 as amended by consent agenda; if any items on the consent agenda require consideration by separate roll call vote, it shall be removed from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.

Moved by: Mayor Pullion Second: Mr. Trainor

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-abstain, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes, Mayor Pullion-yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-184

*Resolution of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington,
and State of New Jersey Authorizing the Mayor to Enter
Into a Contract with the Township Registered Municipal Clerk*

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to enter into a contract of employment with the Township's Municipal Clerk, Linda M. Dougherty, term of contract shall be from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor of the TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK is hereby authorized to execute an Agreement with the EDGEWATER PARK TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CLERK, a copy of which is on file in the Clerk's Office.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-185

***Resolution of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington,
and State of New Jersey Authorizing the Mayor to Enter
Into a Contract with the Township Administrator***

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to enter into a contract of employment with the Township's Administrator, Linda M. Dougherty, term of contract shall be from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor of the TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK is hereby authorized to execute an Agreement with the EDGEWATER PARK TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR, a copy of which is on file in the Clerk's Office.

ADJOURN

Moved by: Mr. Booker Second: Mayor Pullion Time: 9:51PM
Roll Call: Mr. Belgard-yes, Mr. Booker-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Trainor-yes,
Mayor Pullion-yes.

Michael Trainor, Mayor

Linda M. Dougherty, RMC/Administrator
Dated: January 27, 2015