

**TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
JULY 13, 2005  
7:30 P.M. AT COURTHOUSE**

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The meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Forester followed by a salute to the flag. The following statement was read by Township Clerk Bowden. "The notice of the requirements of the New Jersey Public Meetings Law has been satisfied by forwarding a "News Release" to the Asbury Park Press on December 17, 2004 stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee would be held on July 13, 2005 at 7:30 p.m., Colts Neck Town Hall, 124 Cedar Drive, Colts Neck. The notice requirements have been posted on the Township Bulletin Board and a copy is on file in the office of the Township Clerk".

Roll call by Mr. Bowden indicated the following:

Present: Mayor Forester, Committeemembers Burry, Hennessy, Stuart and Deputy Mayor Florek.

Also Present: Robert Bowden; Thomas Bace, Esq. and Beth Kara

Absent: None

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1. **ANNOUNCEMENT:** Mayor Forester announced there will be one Township Committee Meeting during the month of August on the third Wednesday, August 17, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall.
2. **PRESENTATION:** Deputy Mayor Florek presented Ms. Linda Kudler, Coordinator, Colts Neck Alliance to Prevent Drug and Alcohol Abuse, with a plaque in appreciation of her efforts during the years 2000 to 2005, which resulted in an increase in program dollars and an increase in monies received from the County. Ms. Kudler worked within the Colts Neck Alliance for the past 13 years, six of which were as Chair and County Coordinator, and she plans to assist in bringing her successor up to speed.
3. **PRESENTATION:** Mr. John Antonides, Township CFO, provided the Township Committee with an overview of the 2004 Audit Report, which resulted in two findings. The first related to compliance with State regulations related to contributions to the Township's Volunteer Fire Companies, and the second related to the Municipal Court's timely recording of overpayment disbursements in the ATS System. Corrective action plans have been developed for both findings.

Note for the Record: State Law requires the governing body's review and signature of the 2004 Municipal Audit. All Township Committee members accept the findings and the signed certificate will be sent to the Bureau of Municipal Finance, Trenton.

4. **RESOLUTION 2005-116:** ACCEPTING AND APPROVING 2004 MUNICIPAL AUDIT

Deputy Mayor Florek motioned to accept and approve the 2004 Municipal Audit seconded by Mrs. Burry and unanimously carried.

<b>COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE</b>					
RECORD OF VOTE	MAYOR FORESTER	DEPUTY MAYOR FLOREK	BURRY	HENNESSY	STUART
<i>Motion To Approve</i>		X			
<i>Motion Seconded</i>			X		
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
<i>Not Voting/Recuse</i>					
<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

5. **RESOLUTION 2005-116A:** EXTENDING THE GRACE PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF THIRD QUARTER PROPERTY TAXES

Mayor Forester told Mr. Antonides he and the Township Committee appreciate his efforts in tax collection. Mr. Antonides credited the success of his efforts in large part to his staff, indicating they are doing a great job with collections, and are in the top ten municipalities in terms of tax collection.

Mr. Antonides indicated he received the tax rate June 20, and received the certification of State aid July 12, at 5:05 p.m. Due to this delay, the third quarter tax bills will be sent out later than normal. At the recommendation of the Tax Collector, a motion to extend the grace period for payment of third quarter property taxes until August 19, 2005 was made by Mrs. Burry, seconded by Mr. Hennesy and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion To Approve</i>			X		
<i>Motion Seconded</i>					X
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
<i>Not Voting/Recuse</i>					
<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

6. **PRESENTATION:** Mr. Sal Barbagallo, Chairman of the Business Advisory Committee, discussed the results of the recent survey of Township residents by Brookdale Community College. The telephone survey included a random cross-section of 200 residents throughout the entire Township. A summary of findings was provided to the Township Committee, with a full report given to Mr. Bowden for dissemination to the Township Committee. The Business Advisory Committee is meeting July 14 to discuss the results of this survey and the next step. Mr. Barbagallo envisions working with realtors to fulfill the retail needs of the community within current zoning regulations.

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 29, 2005:**

Mrs. Burry motioned to approve the minutes of June 29, 2005, seconded by Deputy Mayor Florek and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion To Approve</i>			X		
<i>Motion Seconded</i>		X			
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
<i>Not Voting/Recuse</i>					
<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

8. **ORDINANCE 2005-18:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK TO CONVEY THE DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 34, LOTS 15.01 AND 16.01 ON THE COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP TAX MAP TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY (BARCLAY; EASTMONT ORCHARDS) was read by Mayor Forester by title on second reading. Mrs. Burry's comment was "It's about time." Mr. Vince Domidion, a resident, commended the Township for taking a proactive stance with this property. With no further comments, Mrs. Burry made a motion to approve this Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Hennesy and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion Seconded</i>				X	
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
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9. **ORDINANCE 2005-19:** AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF DRAINAGE EASEMENT OF BLOCK 42, LOT 22.06 (WESTGATE COURT), was read by title on first reading by Mayor Forester. Mayor Forester explained the residence (patio and deck) located on the subject property encroaches into the drainage easement area. This Ordinance authorizes the vacating of a small portion of the municipal drainage easement that traverses the aforementioned property. Mrs. Burry made a motion to introduce this Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Florek and unanimously carried. A public hearing will be held on August 17, 2005.

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<i>Motion Seconded</i>		X			
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
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<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

10. **RESOLUTION 2005-117:** CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY TO THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – MS. BETH KARA, effective July 11, 2005, was read by Mayor Forester by title. Deputy Mayor Florek made a motion to approve this Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Burry and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion Seconded</i>			X		
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<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

11. **RESOLUTION 2005-118:** CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS – MS. RUTH LEININGER, effective July 11, 2005, was read by Mayor Forester by title. Ms. Leininger had performed the duties of Deputy Registrar for the past six months. Mr. Hennessy made a motion to approve this Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Burry and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion Seconded</i>				X	
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
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<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

12. **RESOLUTION 2005-119:** CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS – MS. KELLY McCORMICK, effective July 11, 2005, was read by Mayor Forester by title. Ms. McCormick is currently the Deputy Tax Collector. Deputy Mayor Florek made a motion to approve this Resolution, seconded by Mr. Hennessy and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion To Approve</i>		X			
<i>Motion Seconded</i>				X	
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
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13. **RESOLUTION 2005-220:** AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID – 2005 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM was read by Mayor Forester by title, who then turned the floor over to Mr. Bowden. Mr. Bowden indicated the winning bid price by Earle Asphalt of Farmingdale, New Jersey (\$218,930.13) came in well under the engineer’s estimate and may result in excess funds to be used elsewhere for road improvements. There being no further comments, Mrs. Burry made a motion to approve this Resolution, seconded by Deputy Mayor Florek and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion To Approve</i>			X		
<i>Motion Seconded</i>		X			
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
<i>Not Voting/Recuse</i>					
<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

14. **RESOLUTION 2005-221:** EXTENDING COLTS NECK INN AD-INTERIM PERMIT – GABGEO, INC. D/B/A/ COLTS NECK INN STEAK AND CHOP HOUSE – LICENSE NO. 1309-33-004-002 was read by Mayor Forester by title. Mr. Bace indicated this issue is tied up in Tax Court and no decision has been rendered. The latest extension to September 30, 2005, is pursuant to a Superior Court order. There being no further comments, Mrs. Burry made a motion to approve this Resolution, seconded by Mr. Stuart and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion To Approve</i>			X		
<i>Motion Seconded</i>					X
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
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<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

15. **RESOLUTION 2005-221A:** CONFIRMING AND CERTIFYING LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP) CREDITS FOR 2004 FOR COLTS NECK FIRST AID SQUAD was read by Mayor Forester by title. The original spreadsheet submitted by Mr. Schatzle was revised to

include a “Comment” column, which captures qualified members who have chosen not to participate. There being no further comments, Mrs. Burry made a motion to approve this Resolution, seconded by Deputy Mayor Florek and unanimously carried. The Resolution and list will be posed for 30 days pursuant to law.

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<i>Motion To Approve</i>			X		
<i>Motion Seconded</i>		X			
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
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<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

16. **RESOLUTION 2005-224-B:** SUPPORTING LISTING OF PROBASCO-DITTMAR FARMSTEAD IN THE NEW JERSEY AND NATIONAL REGISTERS OF HISTORIC SITES was introduced and read by Mrs. Burry. The Probasco-Dittmar Farmstead has been nominated for listing in the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Sites. Mrs. Burry indicated receiving this nomination is no small feat and is the first property within Colts Neck to be so recognized for its historic importance. The original structure, which is one of only a few known two-story, Dutch framed houses in Monmouth County, was built in 1760. Mrs. Burry expressed her appreciation to the Asbury Park Press for their coverage of this significant issue. Mrs. Burry will represent the Township at the September 7, 2005 hearing and expressed her desire to carry forth this Resolution to the County. There being no further comments, Mrs. Burry made a motion to approve this Resolution, seconded by Mr. Stuart and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion To Approve</i>			X		
<i>Motion Seconded</i>		X			
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
<i>Not Voting/Recuse</i>					
<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

17. **MOTION TO ADOPT A CONSENT AGENDA** was read by Mayor Forester for the following Resolutions:

Resolution 2005-222: Authorizing Release of Escrow Fees – ZB Application No. 524 – Block 7.31, Lot 1.27, Concord Court

Resolution 2005-223: Authorizing Release of Maintenance Guarantee – PB Applications No. 552/537 (Two River Engineering)

Resolution 2005-223A: Authorizing Release of Performance Guarantee – Bloc 46, Lot 13 (The Orchards)

Resolution 2005-223B: Accepting Performance Guarantee – Street Opening – Block 48, Lot 23.05 (Weiss)

Resolution 2005-224: Approving Raffle Applications – 2005 Colts Neck Fair

Resolution 2005-224A: Authorizing Recreation Program Refunds

With no comments made, Mr. Hennessy made a motion to approve all aforementioned consent Resolutions, seconded by Mr. Stuart and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion Seconded</i>					X
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
<i>Not Voting/Recuse</i>					
<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

**DISCUSSION:** EASEMENT ENCROACHMENT – BLOCK 21, LOT 3.01 – ROGERS (MR. A.J. GARITO, P.E.). Mr. Garito provided the Township Committee with a brief history of the Rogers property. Initially, Mr. Rogers cleared the Township Greenway (Lot 3) of existing vegetation and was working with the Shade Tree Commission to remedy the situation with suggested plantings. Shade Tree recommended 30 to 36 six-foot plantings, Mr. Rogers planted 67 larger trees.

Mr. Garito was hired to stake out Mr. Rogers’ property line after the Greenway had been cleared. During the investigation and field survey, Mr. Garito discovered that the entire western entrance of the newly constructed driveway and driveway pier encroached on the Greenway. The original driveway was within the property line; however, when replacing the driveway, it was expanded into the Greenway. Mr. Rogers conversation with George Fessler, Shade Tree Commission, led to three alternatives: remove the entire encroachment, allow Mr. Rogers to use Township property, or exchange Greenway property for property currently owned by Mr. Rogers.

When working with Mr. Rogers on these issues, it was discovered that Mr. Rogers had built a pond (approximately 25’ x 30’), placed two stones, and cleared the land beyond the rear of his property on the Greenway drainage ditch without DEP permits or Township approval. Mr. Vince Domidion confirmed that the Laird Road drainage ditch is classified as a Category 1 stream, at which point Mr. Hennessy interjected that building a pond is totally detrimental to a Category 1 stream and can not be done.

Mr. Rogers addressed the Township Committee and admitted he made several stupid mistakes and was requesting to be penalized fairly. During his address, Mr. Rogers was advised that he went ahead and planted the Greenway with trees he felt were appropriate without Township approval. Mr. Rogers had the driveway replaced without a permit and indicated when he grew up in Colts Neck, you didn’t need permits. Mr. Rogers is willing to give back twice the size of the land encroachment if he is allowed to retain his driveway and driveway pier. Mr. Fessler, Shade Tree Commission, recommended that a land swap was not warranted in this case. After stating that this is a situation that is occurring all too often and must stop to ensure the preservation of the Township’s property, Committeeman Hennessy made a motion to have Mr. Rogers remove the portion of the driveway and driveway pier currently on the Greenway within a reasonable period of time. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Florek and carried by all except Mrs. Burry, who had recused herself.

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<i>Motion Seconded</i>		X			
<i>Approve</i>	X	X		X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
<i>Not Voting/Recuse</i>			X		
<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

Mayor Forester requested the Shade Tree Commission and the Township Landscape Consultant provide a report on the pond and plantings at the August or September Township Committee Meeting.

18. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:** Mr. Bowden reported Township grant application under the Monmouth County Open Space Program must be submitted by November 4<sup>th</sup>. Projects such as the irrigation of Five Point Park and rebuilding the Bucks Mill Park building were rejected in the past. One suggestion this year may be rebuilding the core site fitness trail. The Township can submit only one project application, and the County is suggesting acquisitions; however some improvements were approved (mostly playgrounds in the inner cities) last year.

**RESOLUTION 2005-224C:** APPROVING THE INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF EPIDEMIOLOGIST AND OTHER SPECIALIZED PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES BETWEEN THE MONMOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION (MCRHC) AND THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK

Initially, Colts Neck Township will be assessed \$731 in 2005 and \$730 for the six-month period January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006 for the provision of services under this three-year inter-local service agreement. A motion to approve was made by Deputy Mayor Florek, seconded by Mrs. Burry and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion Seconded</i>			X		
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
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<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

19. **MOTION TO APPROVE VOUCHERS** was made by Mr. Stuart to approve all vouchers totaling \$2,098,683.20, seconded by Mrs. Burry and unanimously carried. In addition, a bill for the foundation repair at the Montrose Road School in the amount of \$16,600 was approved.

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<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
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20. **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Mr. Stuart reported the Shade Tree Committee has become one of his busiest committees. They are in the process of reformulating an informational letter to all residents explaining the “do’s and don’ts” about the Greenways. The Township Committee will review the draft letter prior to its issuance by the Shade Tree Commission. Education is key in preserving the Greenways. The Township will continue its efforts with investigations, follow-up, restoration and code enforcement, using George Fessler as the liaison.

Mr. Stuart announced the Police Department now has a pick up truck confiscated through the drug enforcement program.

Mrs. Burry reported the Township now owns the development rights on DeGroot property. Under the PIG grant program, the Township will sell its development rights to the State and will receive the monies from the State. Mrs. Burry once again thanked the DeGroots for their “caring enough to give the land.”

Mrs. Burry reported the survey of the Smith property is underway with closing anticipated in 60 days.

Mrs. Burry spoke of the complaints made by residents about Due Process helicopter flights operating beyond the permitted hours and flying in unauthorized approach patterns. She received a copy of the letter sent to Mr. Gerhardt and felt it was no more than a slap on the wrist.

Mrs. Burry discussed the County Planning Board survey of residential development, which listed 343 high-end housing units (exceeding \$1 million) for 2004, and 295 units in 2003. For 2004, Colts Neck had 112 units (32.7% of total), while Marlboro had 72 units. Howell, Marlboro, Manalapan, and Freehold Township have shown tremendous growth in all types of housing.

Mrs. Burry spoke of the article in the Asbury Park Press regarding an Assembly Bill that had been introduced whereby towns hurt by corruption can get state aid. Mrs. Burry made a motion that the Township Committee prepare and adopt a resolution to send to Trenton strongly opposing this bill. Mr. Stuart seconded, and this motion was unanimously carried. A Resolution will be prepared for the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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Mrs. Burry mentioned an advertisement that had been placed in the July 2005 issue of the Colts Neck Journal regarding the deer population problem. Mrs. Burry feels the Township has a responsibility to do something. The Health Officer is looking into the possibility of opening large acre farms for special hunts. Deputy Mayor Florek indicated the options are limited and feels the issuance of permits and scheduling more hunts is the best option.

Deputy Mayor Florek reported he has met with Dr. Nolan, Recreation and Parks; Dr. Fitzpatrick, Board of Education; and the Colts Neck Sports Foundation regarding the Township tennis courts. Ideally having five courts in one location would facilitate tennis matches. Dr. Nolan is looking at possible locations within the Township; however, relocating the current playground closer to the Primary School and placing the five tennis courts at Conover Road School would be a viable option. The Sports Foundation has agreed to fund the installation of any courts over and above three. Discussions will continue on this issue.

Mr. Hennessy reported there were 68 First Aid calls made in June, and one new member joined last night. Donations from the fund drive are still coming in and thus far, First Aid has raised approximately \$93-95,000. In addition, the First Aid Squad has received many thank you letters from the community.

Mr. Hennessy reported there are 450 children registered for the Recreation Summer Camp this year. In addition, Recreation has offered six sports camps including football conditioning, basketball, lacrosse, baseball, field hockey and soccer. The Women’s Softball League fielded 16 teams and the Men’s Softball League fielded 8 teams.

Mr. Hennessy reported the July 4 Fireworks and Concerts were a huge success. The Colts Neck Swing Band performance started the evening's entertainment, which was followed by the Colts Neck Community Band's first outdoor performance. The 40-minute fireworks ground and aerial displays provided a variety of exceptional, non-stop displays.

Mr. Hennessy reported the Department of Public Works is now mowing the fields twice a week and lining the fields twice a week. The Laird Road tennis courts are currently being refurbished, and all improvements at Conover Road are being held in abeyance.

Mr. Hennessy indicated the following Recreation programs are scheduled:

- Fishing Derby, July 16, and
- 27<sup>th</sup> Annual 10K Road Race, September 11.

The Tree Tag Program is underway, and with the labeling of the 52 varieties of trees at Town Hall, it will be the start of an arboretum.

Mayor Forester expressed his pleasure at the seamless Fireworks celebration of July 4.

21. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Mr. George Fessler expressed his concern about the deer population and suggested looking into how the State of Pennsylvania dealt with this issue.

Mr. Vince Dimidion, Revolutionary Road, commended Mrs. Burry on her historic preservation efforts. He commented the Brookdale survey is a great starting point in determining what businesses can be brought into the business zone given current zoning regulations, as opposed to what is desired. Mr. Domidion also expressed his interest in narrowing Prothero Road.

Ms. Judy Laufer, President, Colts Neck Senior Citizens, reported this group has grown to a membership of 285. Members recently traveled to the Paper Mill Playhouse and then went to the Manor to dine. The Seniors are preparing for the Colts Neck Fair "Granny's Attic" table and are sorting and pricing the donated items.

22. With no further comments, Mr. Stuart made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Forester and unanimously carried.

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<i>Motion Seconded</i>	X				
<i>Approve</i>	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Opposed</i>					
<i>Not Voting/Recuse</i>					
<i>Absent/Excused</i>					

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Robert Bowden,  
Township Administrator

RB/bk