

**TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK  
REGULAR TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 27, 7:30 P.M.  
TOWN HALL**

The meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Macnow followed by a salute to the flag. The following statement was read by Municipal Clerk, Ms. Kara: "The notice requirements of the New Jersey Public Meetings Law have been satisfied by noticing the News Transcript on January 12, 2017 stating that a regular meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee would be held September 27, 2017 at 7:30 p.m., Colts Neck Town Hall, 124 Cedar Drive, Colts Neck, New Jersey. The notice requirements have been posted on the Township website and a copy is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk."

Roll call by Ms. Kara indicated the following:

- Present: Mayor Russell Macnow, Deputy Mayor J.P. Bartolomeo, Committeemen Thomas Orgo and Frank Rizzuto
- Also Present: Kathleen Capristo, Administrator/Deputy Clerk; Beth Kara, Municipal Clerk; and Meghan Bennet Clark, Esq., Township Counsel
- Absent: Committeeman Edward Eastman, Jr.,

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** MEETINGS OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2017. Mayor Macnow noted two sets of meeting minutes (7:00 p.m. special meeting and 7:30 regular meeting) were before the Township Committee for approval and called for comments. Hearing none, Mayor Macnow called for a motion. Mr. Orgo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Bartolomeo and unanimously carried.

<b>RECORD OF VOTE</b>						
Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Macnow			X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo		S	X			
Eastman						X
Orgo	M		X			
Rizzuto			X			
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2. **MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION:** KNOCK OUT OPIATE ABUSE DAY, OCTOBER 6, 2017 WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK. Mayor Macnow read the Proclamation in full and presented it to Ms. Anita Dedalis, co-chair of the Township's Drug Alliance. Mayor Macnow noted opiate abuse is widespread and affects those in every town.
3. **MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION:** BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK, OCTOBER 2017. Mayor Macnow noted this town has been involved in promoting breast cancer awareness since inception, and stated breast cancer affects everyone in this room, either personally, through family or friends. Mayor Macnow then read the Proclamation in full, which urges residents to become aware of the importance of breast cancer prevention, detection and treatment. Ms. Anita Dedalis accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Library.
4. **MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION:** MENTAL ILLNESS AWARENESS WEEK, OCTOBER 3-9, 2017, WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK. Mayor Macnow read the Proclamation in full, which noted mental illness can affect persons of any age, sex, race, religion, social and economic background, and it impacts one in four individuals. Mayor Macnow presented the Proclamation to Ms. Anita Dedalis, who accepted on behalf of the Colts Neck Woman's Club.

5. **MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION:** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH, OCTOBER 2017, WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK. Mayor Macnow noted domestic violence affects everyone and read the Proclamation in full, which notes one in four women will be physically or sexually assaulted by a partner at some point in her lifetime. The Proclamation recognizes the tremendous progress being made in reducing domestic violence and recommitting to make everyone's home a safe place. Mayor Macnow presented the Proclamation to Ms. Anita Dedalis, who accepted on behalf of the Colts Neck Woman's Club. Photographs were taken.
  
6. **PRESENTATION:** REQUEST FOR WAIVER TO STREET OPENING RESTRICTION, 164 LAIRD ROAD. Mr. Mosely, property owner, discussed the many improvements he made to the property acquired a little over one year ago. The street opening approved by the Township for the gas connection has to be modified since the New Jersey Natural Gas plans do not coincide with what is under the pavement, and the roadway must be opened to connect. Mr. Mosley stated he has no alternative to connect gas service, and he feels propane is dangerous. Mr. Mosley advised if the roadway is opened, New Jersey Natural Gas has agreed to do 25 feet of milling and repaving. Mr. Mosley provided photographs of the site and a map of the property and existing and proposed natural gas lines. Mayor Macnow stated by ordinance, there is a five-year moratorium on street openings for streets that have been paved and Laird Road was paved recently. The Township Engineer has recommended against approval before five years has elapsed since the minimum useful life of repaved or reconstructed streets of 20 years is compromised and the deterioration process begins sooner. If approval is granted, the Township Engineer recommends the Township hold a \$4,000 performance guarantee and a \$560 inspection fee be paid and has outlined paving requirements for restoration. Counsel Bennett Clark advised the Township would want an agreement secured by a bond to insure taxpayers won't be paying to repair or replace the pavement opened and patched to benefit one resident. Mr. Mosely stated he will proceed with obtaining a bond. Discussion ensued and the Governing Body unanimously approved the street opening. An agreement between the Township and Mr. Mosley will be prepared to include site opening description, restoration and paving requirements and the posting of a performance guarantee and inspection fees. Mr. Mosely thanked the Governing Body and departed.
  
7. **DISCUSSION:** 2017 BEST PRACTICES INVENTORY. Ms. Capristo advised this is an annual requirement and every municipality must file by October 20, 2017. There must be the equivalent of 21 yes or not applicable answers or we risk losing a portion of State Aid, which amounts to \$1.9 million in energy receipts. The 2017 inventory consisted of 25 questions relating to general management, finance, budget preparation, health insurance and personnel and was completed by the Chief Financial Officer, Administrator and Clerk. The 2017 response yielded 18 yes answers, 4 not applicable (counts as yes) and 3 no answers. All no answers related to personnel issues regarding sick time and medical waiver reimbursements. The inventory is certified by the Chief Financial Officer and Administrator as to its accuracy, and the Clerk certifies that it has been discussed at a public meeting. The record will show the 2017 Best Practices Inventory was discussed during tonight's Township Committee meeting.
  
8. **ORDINANCE 2017-18:** BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND THE PAYMENT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF REAL PROPERTY BEING DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 41, LOT 3 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$715,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$680,952 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF was read by title at second reading by Mayor Macnow. Mayor Macnow noted the Township wants to fund the acquisition of a parcel of land

located between two parcels at Five Point Park for purposes of establishing public parking or recreational use. Hearing no comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to open the public hearing. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to open the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote.

Mr. Charles Camarata, resident, questioned the possible use of the house on the property. Mayor Macnow responded that is unknown at present. Mr. Camarata questioned the partial funding of the acquisition. Ms. Capristo advised the Township is applying for a Monmouth County Open Space Grant, and the grant funds together with Open Space funds would be utilized to purchase the property. Counsel Bennett Clark commented the use of Open Space funds is appropriate and five percent of the total funds for the down payment will come from Open Space funds.

Mr. Fulton Wilcox, resident, questioned if the property would be utilized for farmland. Mr. Orgo responded this property would not be used for farming. Mayor Macnow commented five percent of Open Space funds would be utilized to complete Five Point Park. The use of the property has not be determined as yet. Mayor Macnow noted the property was appraised at \$690,000 and the \$715,000 authorized in this ordinance includes soft costs.

Ms. Elaine Mann, resident, noted Duncan Thecker recently gifted the Township with funds. Mayor Macnow commented approximately \$600,000 was donated to the Township by Duncan Thecker for a recreational facility, and the funds are being utilized to fund an all-purpose field at Five Point Park.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to close the public hearing. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote. Mayor Macnow called for a motion. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried.

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Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Macnow			X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo	M		X			
Eastman						X
Orgo		S	X			
Rizzuto			X			
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9. **ORDINANCE 2017-19:** ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION BY NEGOTIATION OR EMINENT DOMAIN OF REAL PROPERTY DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 41, LOT 3 ON THE TAX MAP OF COLTS NECK was read by title at second reading by Mayor Macnow. The Township retained the right of first refusal for the purchase of this property. The Township has determined it necessary and in the public interest to acquire the property for the public purpose of establishing a recreational field and/or public parking lot, as the property runs adjacent to Five Point Park. This ordinance authorizes acquisition through negotiation or eminent domain proceedings. Mayor Macnow advised the Township is currently in negotiation to purchase this property. Hearing no comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to open the public hearing. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to open the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote. Hearing no comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to close the public hearing. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried by voice vote. Mayor Macnow called for a motion. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried.

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Mayor Macnow		X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo	M	X			
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Rizzuto	S	X			
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**10. ORDINANCE NO. 2017-21:** ORDINANCE AMENDING, SUPPLEMENTING AND RE-TITLING CHAPTER 91, "BUILDING AND LOTS, NUMBER OF" TO "STREET ADDRESS, NUMBERING OF" IN THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY was read by title at second reading by Mayor Macnow. Mayor Macnow advised this ordinance was established to assist Emergency Services and noted many homes are placed far from the road and the street address number may not be visible from the street. The ordinance requires all lots with principal structures to post a set of street address numbers within 15 feet of the front property line. Hearing no comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to open the public hearing. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to open the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried by voice vote.

Mr. Fulton Wilcox questioned the mailboxes placed in the Township's right of way. Mayor Macnow responded advising most mailboxes are placed in the Township's right of way.

Mr. Alan Ryan, resident, questioned the Boy Scouts project painting house numbers at the curb. Mayor Macnow responded that when it snows or leaves are piled at the curb awaiting pickup, the painted numbers on curbs cannot be seen.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to close the public hearing. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried by voice vote. Mayor Macnow called for a motion. Mr. Orgo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried.

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Committeeman	M S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Macnow		X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo		X			
Eastman					X
Orgo	M	X			
Rizzuto	S	X			
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**11. ORDINANCE NO. 2017-22:** ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK TO ESTABLISH A NEW CHAPTER ENTITLED, "MAILBOX DAMAGE DUE TO SNOW PLOWING" was read by title at second reading by Mayor Macnow. Mayor Macnow advised the Township Administrator fields calls requesting reimbursement of mailbox damages due to snow plowing, which have been handled on a case-by-case basis. This ordinance establishes uniform procedures to reimburse homeowners for damages to mailboxes caused by snow removal operations up to a maximum of \$100, or the homeowner may pursue legal remedies through Title 59. Mr. Rizzuto commented the ordinance is well written. Hearing no further comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to open the public hearing. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to open the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried.

Ms. Elaine Mann complemented the Township on this ordinance commenting on the cost of payments for mailbox damages. Mayor Macnow commented Long Range Planning vetted this ordinance over several months and hopefully it will serve its purpose. Mr. Orgo commented most towns limit reimbursements to \$75.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to close the public hearing. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried by voice vote. Mayor Macnow called for a motion. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried.

RECORD OF VOTE					
Committeeman	M S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Macnow		X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo	M	X			
Eastman					X
Orgo	S	X			
Rizzuto		X			
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- 12. RESOLUTION 2017-126:** APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NJDOT) FOR THE FY 2018 NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID ROAD PROGRAM, IMPROVEMENTS TO BUCKS MILL ROAD was read by title by Mayor Macnow. This resolution authorizes submission of an NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Program grant application to reconstruct Bucks Mill Road from Cedar Drive north 5,010 l.f. to County Route 537. Mayor Macnow commented the Township Engineer reviewed various roads meeting the NJDOT funding criteria and recommends Bucks Mill Road for the grant application. Hearing no further comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried.

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Mayor Macnow		X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo	M	X			
Eastman					X
Orgo	S	X			
Rizzuto		X			
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- 13. RESOLUTION 2017-127:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID, TOWN HALL WALKING PATH IMPROVEMENT (\$229,650.00) was read by title by Mayor Macnow. Mayor Macnow noted this project is partially funded by a Monmouth County Open Space Grant. Counsel Bennett Clark stated the proposal received from the low bidder, James R. Ientile, Inc. of Marlboro, New Jersey, was reviewed and legally prepared. Hearing no further comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and carried by Messrs. Macnow, Bartolomeo and Rizzuto; Mr. Orgo abstained.

RECORD OF VOTE					
Committeeman	M S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Macnow		X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo	M	X			
Eastman					X
Orgo				X	
Rizzuto	S	X			
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**14. RESOLUTION 2017-128:** RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS REGARDING THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT AND OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT was read by title by Mayor Macnow. Mayor Macnow stated although he is not in favor of these type resolutions, the impact of the amendments to OPMA and OPRA legislation is significant in adding to responsibilities of the Municipal Clerk and would result in unfunded mandates. Mayor Macnow noted in larger municipalities, there is staff dedicated to responding to OPRA; however, in smaller municipalities, such as Colts Neck, this places an additional burden on one person, the Municipal Clerk. This resolution was prepared by the New Jersey League of Municipalities and has been passed by an increasing number of municipalities within the State. Mr. Orgo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried.

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Mayor Macnow			X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo			X			
Eastman						X
Orgo	M		X			
Rizzuto		S	X			
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**15. MOTION TO ADOPT A CONSENT AGENDA:**

All items listed on the "Consent Agenda" are considered routine by the Township and are adopted or approved collectively by a single motion and roll-call vote of a majority of the Township Committee. If discussion is desired on any item, it is considered separately.

Mayor Macnow read the previous paragraph, then read the following resolutions by title:

**\*RESOLUTION 2017-129:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF SPECIAL PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE, STREET OPENING PERMIT, BLOCK 21, LOT 21 (521 MARL ROAD)

**\*RESOLUTION 2017-130:** RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATIONS OF TOWNSHIP STAFF

Mayor Macnow called for a motion. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried.

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Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Macnow			X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo	M		X			
Eastman						X
Orgo			X			
Rizzuto		S	X			
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**16. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Ms. Capristo reported the Friends of the Library annual Art Show and Sale begins with a wine tasting during the preview night. The Friends are seeking Township Committee approval to consume wine during preview night, October 13, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The Township Committee unanimously approved the consumption of wine during preview night by voice vote.

Ms. Capristo advised the Cystic Fibrosis Cycle for Life fundraising event is scheduled for Sunday, October 1, starting at 9:00 a.m. in Hazlet. The ride

organizers have been working closely with the Township and have provided all documentation as well as assurances their participants have been briefed on the rules of the road. Ms. Capristo advised cyclists will be on roadways within Marlboro, Holmdel, Middletown, Tinton Falls and other communities, and the following roadways within Colts Neck: Laird Road, CR 537, Creamery Road, Phalanx Road, Flock Road, Heyers Mill Road and Cedar Drive, with a rest stop at Dorbrook Park. Ms. Capristo advised route maps are posted on the website. Mayor Macnow advised there were problems with event participants last year during this charity event, and public safety is a major concern since streets are not closed to traffic.

Ms. Capristo reported road improvement projects are underway. Starting September 26-29, Five Point Road is open to local traffic only between Stone Hill Road and Primrose Lane. Detour signs have been posted; motorists are urged to use Kosloski Road. Starting September 28 – October 3, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CR 4 between Route 34 and Route 520 will be closed for milling and paving. Updates will be posted to the website throughout the projects, and motorists are urged to plan their travel accordingly.

**17. MOTION TO APPROVE VOUCHERS:** Mr. Bartolomeo noted he reviewed the vouchers and recommended the following be approved:

Animal Control	\$1,160.78
Capital Fund	\$49,737.01
COAH	\$83.33
Construction Trust	\$10,793.70
Current Fund	\$249,388.00
Escrow	\$11,856.95
Grant Fund	\$500.00
Trust Fund	\$17,901.52
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$341,421.29</u></b>

Mr. Orgo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried with the exception of Mr. Bartolomeo abstaining from approving bills for Adams, Buchan & Palo, LLC.<sup>1</sup>; and Mr. Rizzuto abstaining from approving bills for Fire Department expenditures<sup>2</sup>.

RECORD OF VOTE						
Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Macnow			X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo			X <sup>1</sup>		X <sup>1</sup>	
Eastman						X
Orgo	M		X			
Rizzuto		S	X <sup>2</sup>		X <sup>2</sup>	
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**18. TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Rizzuto reported he attended the Colts Neck Business Association dinner, which was well-attended and a nice event.

Mr. Rizzuto advised the Friends of the Library garden is a topic of discussion noting groups come and go to tend the garden, and the Friends are searching for a long-term solution. One suggestion was to take down the fence and plow it under; another was to look for a club to adopt the garden.

Mr. Rizzuto reported he attended the Rockfest event, and he observed no problems.

Mr. Rizzuto reported he attended the dedication of the Historic Preservation Committee's bronze marker at Hominy Hill Golf Course. Monmouth County Parks

Commissioner Truncer, Mayor Macnow, Freeholder Director Burry and Monmouth County Freeholders among others were there to recognize the interesting history of this Course, which was designed by Robert Trent Jones, and gifted to the County by Henry Mercer. While there, Mr. Rizzuto was advised of a line of sight issue relating to vegetation overgrowth occurring at the intersection of Mathews Road and Five Point Road. Ms. Capristo advised Mr. Bader contacted the State, as it is in their right of way, and the State has expedited corrective action.

Mr. Orgo reported the County has finished its repairs on Creamery Road, which has been reopened. Repairs to the Hillsdale Road Bridge, past JG's Winery are expected to begin in November and be completed by April.

Mr. Orgo reported the groundbreaking ceremony for the SH 34/CR 537 intersection project is scheduled for Friday, October 13. Mr. Orgo commented there is a lot of utilities work to do before the actual reconstruction work begins, which includes the moving of poles by JCP&L.

Mr. Orgo discussed the collection of brush and leaves. Brush collection is ending for 2017, and has remained on schedule. Mr. Orgo urged residents to refer to the brush collection schedule on the website, and if brush has been collected, DPW is not coming back until spring. If in doubt, Mr. Orgo suggested calling Public Works. Mr. Orgo stated leaves should be placed for collection according to the ordinance, and residents should follow the leaf collection schedule posted on the website.

Mr. Bartolomeo reported the Sports Foundation has installed the scoreboard on the football field, as planned.

Mr. Bartolomeo reported Senior Flu Shot Clinics for Township seniors (age 62 and older) will be held at the October 4 Senior Club meeting at the Colts Neck Inn and again at the Courthouse October 11 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Mr. Bartolomeo advised the Senior Club Christmas party is scheduled December 18.

Mr. Bartolomeo commented he attended Rockfest this year and with the increased lighting, it was a safer environment. Mr. Bartolomeo thanked the Fire Company and those selling hot dogs.

Mr. Bartolomeo urged residents, if you see something that bothers you, call Town Hall to report it. The Governing Body wants to help, and he urged all to spread the word, as the residents are the eyes and ears of this community.

Mayor Macnow advised the all-purpose field will be going out to bid within the next few weeks and is projected for completion by spring.

Mayor Macnow noted the Wildlife Committee Chair did a yeoman's job filling the room for Monday evening's meeting, during which Mayor Macnow presented a history of the wildlife issue dating back to meetings held in 2013 and 2014 to determine how best to address the deer problem at the lowest cost.

Recommendations included 1) Legislate by ordinance a prohibition on feeding deer. Wildlife feeding on Township property is prohibited; enforcement on other property would be difficult; 2) Deer meat is supplementing local food banks and the cost to butcher is \$30 to \$40 per deer. A resident suggested establishing a fund to supplement the cost of butchering and then donating the meat to the food bank. 3) A resident of the Clover Hill area spoke of the three acre minimum for bow hunting and how through aggregation, adjacent property owners can achieve the three acre minimum and the impact on an adjacent property owner not agreeing to aggregate for hunting. Mayor Macnow stated the Township was fortunate to have a Professor of Medicine from Robert Wood Johnson discuss the reality of automobile incidents and lyme disease and the high cost of deer sterilization.

Mayor Macnow noted not all are in favor of deer hunting. Mayor Macnow advised aside from a cull, hunting is the best way to address the deer population issue. Those communities having mass shootings by professional hunters find that within

a short period of time, deer will migrate back and there is no way to stop them. Mayor Macnow advised the Committee is aware of residents' concerns to manage the deer population while keeping public safety in mind.

Mr. Orgo stated he will check with the food bank to determine if they charge to butcher donations. Mr. Orgo stated there is no Saturday drop off at the food bank and offered a drop off alternative of a Taxidermy business on Route 79, where the proprietor, Wayne, will take all the deer meat you have.

Hearing no further comments from the Township Committee, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to open the meeting to public comments. Mr. Orgo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bartolomeo and unanimously carried by voice vote.

**19. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Ms. Judy Laufer, resident, stated the stop sign at Stone Hill Road need to be fixed, she reported it to Ms. Capristo and the issue was corrected. Ms. Laufer stated she is advising residents to call Town Hall with their issues. Ms. Laufer also commented she was pleased to see the stump at the corner of Cedar Drive and Heyers Mill Road ground down. Mayor Macnow commented the Township has a very active Public Works Director.

Ms. Elaine Mann, resident, questioned if trees near the Town Hall walking path need to be removed prior to starting the walking path improvements. Mr. Orgo responded the trees will be cut back. Ms. Mann spoke of the income requirements for affordable housing units and suggested those exceeding the maximum income level after initially qualifying, should move on. Ms. Mann was disappointed in the OPRA resolution passed tonight noting the Township should be doing more, including videotaping meetings. Ms. Mann questioned if the Township is a co-signer on the Fire House 2 building and spoke of sources of water for pool fills. Mayor Macnow stated the Township is well aware of the issue and is looking at possible available sources for recommendation by spring. Mr. Orgo commented the Fire Company can negotiate directly with Suez Water. Ms. Mann stated the Library has a children's program for clean communities and the children recently earned \$500 for their efforts. Ms. Mann spoke of the accounts established for the Library. Mayor Macnow advised sub accounts are created and reviewed periodically. Mr. Macnow advised the issue raised will be researched.

Mr. Alan Ryan, resident and Fire Company member, stated the Township is not a co-signor on the Fire House 2 building.

Mr. Charles Camarata, resident, stated the senior flu shots are being given at the Court House on October 11.

Mr. Fulton Wilcox, resident, questioned the OPRA resolution on tonight's agenda. Mayor Macnow responded the resolution is meant to address the extra burden placed on municipalities to provide records. OPRA requests are time-consuming; this is not a specific issue, just a workload issue. Mayor Macnow stated this resolution is not suggesting limiting OPRA requests, there is no specific objection to OPRA. Ms. Capristo noted receipt of data mining OPRA requests for the purpose of marketing.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Macnow called for a motion to close the meeting to public comments. Mr. Orgo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bartolomeo and unanimously carried by voice vote.

**20. MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Mayor Macnow called for a motion to adjourn noting there would be no Executive Session this evening. Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried by voice vote.

RECORD OF VOTE					
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Mayor Macnow		X			
Deputy Mayor Bartolomeo	M	X			
Eastman					X
Orgo	S	X			
Rizzuto		X			
M - Moved S - Seconded X - indicates vote NV - Not Voting Ab - Absent					

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.



Beth Kara, RMC, CMC  
Municipal Clerk