

Millburn Township Committee Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn, in Essex County, New Jersey, held in Town Hall starting at 7:30 PM on the above date.

Mayor Burstein opened the meeting and read the following statement:

In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Public Laws, 1975, are advised that notice of this meeting was made by posting on the Bulletin Board, Town Hall, and serving the officially designated newspapers, a notice stating that this meeting would take place at the Town Hall at 7:30 PM on May 1, 2018.

Mayor Burstein asked all those present to stand for the Salute to the Flag.

Upon call of the roll, the following Committee members were recorded present: Jackie Benjamin Lieberberg, Cheryl H. Burstein, Samuel D. Levy, Jodi L. Rosenberg and Dianne Thall- Eglow.

Also present were Business Administrator Alexander McDonald, Township Attorney Christopher Falcon, Assistant Business Administrator Jimmy Homsy and Township Clerk Christine Gatti.

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Burstein asked for a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was offered by Ms. Rosenberg and seconded by Ms. Lieberberg.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes

Proclamation

A Proclamation was presented recognizing Arbor Day.

Reports

Ms. Rosenberg said she attended a PTOC safety committee meeting. She said representatives from every school attended, Police Chief Gilfedder, Sergeant Fattal and Mr. McDonald. She said they discussed obtaining grants that can benefit Safe Schools to Streets. She discussed an e-mail she received regarding a pedestrian struck on Lackawanna near the parking garage and the issue of jaywalking by commuters heading to the train station. The author of the e-mail requested that crossing guards be stationed in that area.

Ms. Lieberberg discussed the hiring of a new intern from the high school to assist with our community relations, public outreach and social media.

Ms. Thall –Eglow announced a local event, Run for Rainn, which is a 5K being held on May 6th at the paddleboat waterfront in the South Mountain Reservation. She said it is being organized by three Millburn High School students to bring awareness to sexual assault.

Mr. McDonald reminded businesses to apply for their sidewalk café license if they intend to put tables out.

Mayor Burstein said she received notification that the Millburn High School Quiz Bowl team is ranked in the top 100 in the world. She offered congratulations on behalf of the township to the quiz bowl team. She said a Fleet Week event is scheduled to be held on May 25th at Millburn High School. She announced The Valerie Fund’s 5K race, which is being held in Verona Park on June 9th.

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Public Discussion

Mayor Burstein asked if there were any comments or questions regarding items on the Consent Agenda.

Ed Mazer, of Greenwood Drive, came forward and inquired about resolution 18-120. Mr. McDonald explained the signage to be installed at the intersection of White Oak Ridge Road and Hobart Avenue.

Ms. Thall-Eglow asked if there have been complaints regarding the approval of fireworks at Canoe Brook Country Club, which is addressed in resolution 18-121. Mr. McDonald stated there have not been complaints about the Fourth of July fireworks at the country club. She also asked about the rapid flashing beacon referenced in resolution 18-119. She requested that a traffic study be done and strongly suggested that a traffic light be put in at that location. Ms. Rosenberg asked if this location was included in the Complete Streets plans and Mr. McDonald said it was included in Phase 2A. She asked if there would be any pertinent data and Mr. McDonald said it likely would not be specific on that location. Ms. Thall-Eglow asked if it is necessary to spend the money on the flashing sign if we are going to consider a traffic light. Mr. McDonald said it is moveable, so if we do end up with a traffic signal, it can be moved to another location.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Burstein asked for a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Ms. Rosenberg made a motion to approve the consent agenda which was seconded by Ms. Lieberberg.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes

**RESOLUTION 18-113
APPROVE BILLS PAYABLE**

RESOLVED that the Township Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to accept for payment and pay bills or items as they appear on Schedule dated May 1, 2018, in the following accounts:

General	\$ 394,906.32
Parking Utility - Operating Fund	4,386.12
Dog Fund Trust	407.60
Donation Trust Fund	1,865.00
Escrow Trust Fund	2,367.25
Police Off Duty Trust Fund	28,221.00

**RESOLUTION 18-114
AUTHORIZE THE REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer of the Township of Millburn be and he is hereby Authorized and directed to the draw warrants to pay the payees listed below in the specified amounts;

<u>Make check payable to:</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Corelogic Attn: Refund Dept P.O. Box 9202	Tax Refund 2018 Taxes Duplicate pymt	\$4,344.89

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Coppell, TX 75019
Block 402 Lot 50
7 Reeve Circle

Chase
3001 Hackberry Rd.
Irving, TX 75063
Block 1301 Lot 14
110 Old Short Hills Rd

Tax Refund \$4,500.81
2018 Taxes
Duplicate pymt

Dorum, Michael D.
29 Byron Rd
Short Hills, NJ 07078
Block 3502 Lot 23
29 Byron Rd

Tax Refund \$5,627.40
2018 Taxes
Duplicate pymt

Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Services
1 Home Campus
MAC X2302-04D
Des Moines, IA 50328
Block 2801 Lot 4
7 Fox Hill Lane

Tax Refund \$8,829.00
2018 Taxes
Duplicate pymt

Nationstar Mortgage
3001 Hackberry Rd
Irving, TX 75063
Block 1807 Lot 4
56 Elmwood Pl

Tax Refund \$4,410.79
2018 Taxes
Duplicate pymt

Dovenmuehle Mortgage Inc.
Attn: Escrow Department
1206 St. Charles Rd
Elgin, Il 60120
Block 2503 Lot 19
1 Alan Dr

Tax Refund \$9,077.24
2018 Taxes
Duplicate pymt

Corelogic
P.O. Box 9205
Coppell, TX 75019-9214
Block 4705 Lot 13
9 Great Hills Terrace

Tax Refund \$4,869.22
2018 Taxes
Duplicate pymt

Corelogic
Centralized Refunds
P.O. Box 9202
Coppell, TX 75019
Block 5004 Lot 11
263 Long Hill Dr.

Tax Refund \$6528.02
2018 Taxes
Duplicate pymt

Lu, Xiaoxuan
17B Willow St
Millburn, NJ 07041
Block 903 Lot 17 Qual COOB

Tax Refund \$167.00
2018 Sewer
Duplicate pymt

RESOLUTION 18-115
REQUESTING APPROVAL OF
ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn in the County of Essex, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2018 in the sum of \$10,000.00 which is now available from the 2017 Emergency Management Assistance Funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township is required to have matching funds available in the amount of \$10,298.20 in the 2018 municipal budget;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the matching funds will be appropriated in the 2018 municipal budget in the Emergency Management budget appropriation contained in the amount of \$10,298.20;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$10,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption 2017 Emergency Management Assistance Funding;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Management Assistance Funding for the Federal Fiscal Year 2017 in the amount of \$10,000.00.

RESOLUTION 18-116
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BUS SERVICE FOR SUMMER CAMPS

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2018 the Township Clerk's Office received two (2) bid proposals for the Bus Service for Summer Camps, and they were as follows:

Belair Transport Inc.	STA
641 Tremont Avenue	65 Route 46 East
Orange, NJ 07050	Pine Brook, NJ 07058
Bid Amount: \$11,490.00	Bid Amount: \$15,256.00

WHEREAS, the low bid submitted by Belair Transport Inc. complied with the bid specifications and the Recreation Supervisor has recommended that a contract be awarded to Belair Transport Inc.;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn that the proper Township Officials are authorized and directed to execute a one-year contract (2018) with two (2), one-year renewal options (2019 and 2020) at the option of Millburn Township with Belair Transport Inc.

RESOLUTION 18-117
AWARD CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL POOL CONCESSION

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2018, the Township Clerk received one (1) bid proposal for the Municipal Pool Food Concession, the bidder was as follows:

All Around Concessions
990 Cedarbridge Avenue, Suite B7-216
Brick, NJ 08723
Bid (for 2018 and 2019): \$11,600.00 (\$5,800.00 each year)

WHEREAS, the bidder All Around Concessions complied with the specifications and the Township Recreation Director has recommended that the contract be awarded;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn that the proper Township Officials are authorized and directed to execute a contract with All Around Concessions on a form approved by the Township Attorney and pursuant to the proposal, the amount of the payment to the Township as set forth in the contract shall be as follows: \$11,600.00 (\$5,800.00 each year – 2018 and 2019)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that the township in its discretion chooses to extend the contract not to exceed two one year extensions any price change included as part of the extension shall be based on the bid price, adjusted on an annual basis, but not adjusted to exceed the change in the index rate for the twelve months preceding the most recent quarterly calculation available at the time the contract is renewed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Pool Food Concession Contract by and between the Township of Millburn and Bagel Giant Café & Catering is terminated in accordance with Article VII, section 7.1 by mutual consent.

RESOLUTION 18-118

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLBURN TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A SUBGRANT AWARD OF THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2017 OF DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO CERTIFY THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Township of Millburn, Office of Emergency Management has been awarded Emergency Management Performance Grant, Emergency Management Agency Assistance (EMAA) #FY17-EMPG-EMAA-0712 from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Office of the Attorney General and the Subgrant, consisting of a total amount of up to \$20,298.20, including up to \$10,000.00 Federal Award and up to \$10,298.20 Local Matching Funds, is for the purpose of enhancing the Township of Millburn’s ability to prevent, protect against, respond to and recover from acts of terrorism, natural disasters and other catastrophic events and emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the subgrant award incorporates all conditions and representations contained or made in application and notice of award; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Millburn Office of Emergency Management, designated by the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Office of the Attorney General, has submitted an Application for Subgrant Award that has been required by the said New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Office of the Attorney General; and

WHEREAS, the Application for Subgrant Award calls for a match in the amount of up to \$10,298.20 which the Millburn Township Office of Emergency Management adequately satisfies through the Township of Millburn approved budget for Division salaries and wages and fringe benefits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn accepts the award of the FFY17 Emergency Management Performance Grant, Emergency Management Agency Assistance (EMAA) Grant Program Subgrant in the amount of up to \$10,000.00 Federal Funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of up to \$10,298.20 is hereby appropriated under the caption FFY17 Emergency Management Performance Grant, Emergency Management Agency Assistance (EMAA) Grant and the sub-award period of the grant shall be from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Chief Financial Officer and the Township Director of Emergency Management are authorized to sign the appropriate subgrant award documents and the

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Township of Millburn is hereby accepting the specific grant of funds for the purpose described in the application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the New Jersey State Police, Office of Emergency Management; the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, the Township Manager, the Township Chief Financial Officer, the County Division of Emergency Management and Office of the Treasury.

RESOLUTION 18-119

REQUEST PERMISSION FROM THE COUNTY OF ESSEX FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A PEDESTRIAN ACTIVATED RAPID FLASHING BEACON AND ALL ASSOCIATED CROSSWALK STRIPING AND SIGNAGE AND TO AUTHORIZE A HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT WITH ESSEX COUNTY – INTERSECTION OF ESSEX AND HOLMES STREET

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn to install a pedestrian-actuated, rapid flashing beacon and all associated crosswalk striping and signage at the following locations within the Essex County right-of-way based upon the recommendation of the Township Engineer at the Intersection of Essex Street and Holmes Street; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn in the County of Essex, that it hereby requests permission from the County of Essex to install a pedestrian actuated, rapid flashing beacon and all associated crosswalk striping and signage at the above location.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that the Township of Millburn will accept the responsibility for installation and maintenance of the pedestrian actuated, rapid flashing beacon and all associated crosswalk striping and signage and will hold Essex County harmless from any claims and litigation from any types of incidences related to this equipment installed within the County right-of-way. This equipment will be installed in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Commissioner of Transportation and in accordance to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), and under no circumstances, shall the pedestrian beacon create any obstacle and/or sight distance obstruction for the motorists and pedestrians to move and observe the upcoming traffic, signals, signing and striping, pavement marking and/or any other hazardous conditions. The County reserves the right to remove the pedestrian beacon at any time if such hazardous situations are observed. Furthermore, if the pedestrian beacon interferes with widening the County roads, intersection improvements, under and above ground utility repairs and/or any other modifications that may have been planned for the locations that pedestrian beacons are installed, they have to be removed or relocated.

RESOLUTION 18-120

REQUEST PERMISSION FROM THE COUNTY OF ESSEX FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A W2-1 FLASHING BEACON APPROACHING THE INTERSECTION OF HOBART GAP/WHITE OAK RIDGE ROAD AND HOBART AVENUE AND TO AUTHORIZE A HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT WITH ESSEX COUNTY

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn to install a W2-1, intersection ahead, flashing beacon at following locations within the Essex County right-of-way based upon the recommendation of the Township Engineer going easterly on White Oak Ridge Road and westerly on Hobart Gap as they approach the their intersection of Hobart Avenue; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn in the County of Essex, that it hereby requests permission from the County of Essex to install a W2-1 flashing beacon and requests the removal of any duplicate signage for intersection ahead.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that the Township of Millburn will accept the responsibility for installation and maintenance of the W2-1 flashing beacon and will hold Essex County harmless from any claims and litigation from any types of incidences related to this equipment installed within the County right-of-way.

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This equipment will be installed in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Commissioner of Transportation and in accordance to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), and under no circumstances, shall the beacon create any obstacle and/or sight distance obstruction for the motorists and pedestrians to move and observe the upcoming traffic, signals, signing and striping, pavement marking and/or any other hazardous conditions. The County reserves the right to remove the beacon at any time if such hazardous situations are observed. Furthermore, if the pedestrian interferes with widening the County roads, intersection improvements, under and above ground utility repairs and/or any other modifications that may have been planned for the locations that beacons are installed, they have to be removed or relocated.

**RESOLUTION 18-121
PERMITTING THE DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS AT CANOE BROOK
COUNTRY CLUB, SHORT HILLS, NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn, Essex County, New Jersey, as follows:

1. The permit submitted to the Township Fire Chief is hereby granted as per the recommendation from the Fire Marshall to Canoe Brook Country Club to conduct a display of fireworks, as part of the Fourth of July Celebration, to be held at Canoe Brook Country Club, Short Hills, New Jersey, commencing at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 30, 2018, with a rain date of Sunday, July 1, 2018.
2. The applicant shall comply with all the requirements set forth in the Millburn Township Code 3-30 titled "Fireworks – Possession, Use of and Public Display".
3. The handling of the display to be authorized by the permit aforesaid shall be conducted only by Pyrotecnico, which the Chiefs of Police and Fire Departments of said Township of Millburn, approved as a competent operator thereof, and the delivery to the site will be approximately 2:00 pm – set up will take approximately 4 to 6 hours at Canoe Brook Country Club, and all displays will comply with all the requirements as set forth in NJAC 5:70-F3100 and NFPA.1123, NFPA1125 and NFPA1126.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately, but nothing herein contained, nor the permit hereby authorized, shall relieve the applicant therefor, nor the operator of said display from any liability created by law which may arise or be incurred by the storage, handling or use of fireworks in said Township.

**RESOLUTION 18-122
APPROVE SIDEWALK CAFÉ LICENSES**

WHEREAS, the following have submitted applications to the Township Clerk to obtain a sidewalk café license, providing all required documentation and the appropriate fees; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department, Fire Department, Health Department and Engineering Department have conducted investigations of those establishments and have found nothing to prevent their issuance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following be approved:

- Fiamma Pizza
- Basilico
- Boxcar
- La Strada

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RESOLUTION 18-123
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RAFFLE LICENSES

WHEREAS, the following have submitted applications to the Township Clerk to conduct a raffle, providing all required identification and the appropriate fees; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation of those conducting such raffles and has found nothing to prevent their issuance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following be approved:

Millburn High School PTO

Mayor Burstein said she would like to make a motion to appoint Mary Esquivel to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as alternate #1 to fill an unexpired term with the expiration date of 12/31/2018. Ms. Rosenberg seconded the motion. Mr. Levy noted that a motion should have been made to amend the agenda prior to making the motion for the appointment. Mayor Burstein and Ms. Rosenberg withdrew the motion and second. Mayor Burstein made a motion to amend the agenda to include the appointment of Mary Esquivel to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, which was seconded by Ms. Thall-Eglow.

Voice Vote: All Ayes

Mayor Burstein made a motion to appoint Mary Esquivel to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as alternate #1 to fill an unexpired term with the expiration date of 12/31/2018. Ms. Rosenberg seconded the motion.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Resolution

Resolution 18-124 – Award Professional Service Agreement – Engineering Services for Police Department HVAC Upgrades (Becht Engineering BT, Inc.)

Mayor Burstein asked if there were any comments regarding this resolution. Seeing none, she asked for a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Thall-Eglow made the motion, which was seconded by Ms. Rosenberg.

Roll Call: All Ayes

RESOLUTION 18-124
AUTHORIZING AND AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BECHT ENGINEERING BT, INC. FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE MILLBURN POLICE STATION HVAC UPGRADES

WHEREAS, a Township is authorized to enter into any and all contracts, execute any and all instruments, and do and perform any and all acts or things necessary, convenient or desirable for the purposes of the Township; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for retention of an Engineering Consultant for the Millburn Police Station HVAC Upgrades; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that those services should be performed by Becht Engineering BT, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification and determination of Value shall be placed on file; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that a resolution authorizing the payment of such professional fees, without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millburn in the County of Essex as follows:

1. The Mayor and the Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a professional services agreement, in a form subject to the approval of the Township Attorney, between Becht Engineering BT, Inc., 410 Richmond Avenue, Point Pleasant Beach, NJ 08742 to provide professional engineering consulting services to Millburn Township, from the date hereof until December 31, 2018 as per the proposal dated March 26, 2018.
2. This contract is made without competitive bidding as a “professional service” under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because of the qualitative nature of services provided.
3. A copy of this resolution shall be published in The Item of Millburn Short Hills as required by law, within ten (10) days of its passage.

Ordinance /Introduction

Ordinance 2502-18

Ms. Lieberberg brought forth Ordinance 2502-18 for introduction. She reviewed the ordinance and moved that the ordinance be taken up and passed on first reading, which was seconded by Ms. Thall-Eglow. The public hearing for the ordinance is scheduled for June 5, 2018.

Roll Call: All Ayes

ORDINANCE NO. 2502-18

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER VII “TRAFFIC”, SECTION 7-11.1 “PARKING TIME LIMITED ON CERTAIN STREETS” OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLBURN

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: *Ordinance revision to establish designated areas where vehicles can park for fifteen (15) minutes or less and allow for the enforcement of same.*

WHEREAS, the Traffic Bureau of the Millburn Township Police Department has recommended the installation of eight (8) potential locations for fifteen (15) minute parking spaces to encourage grab and go business and quick turnover of parking in a commercial area;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has considered the recommendation and desires to implement the same.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLBURN, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter VII “Traffic” Section 7-11.1 “Parking Time Limited on Certain Streets” is hereby amended to include the following designated fifteen (15) minute parking locations

<i>Name of Street</i>	<i>Side</i>	<i>Limit</i>	<i>Hours</i>	<i>Location</i>
Essex St	South	15 Min.	All Day	Between Lackawanna Pl and Main Street, up to two (2) parking spaces deemed appropriate by the Township
Millburn Ave	Both	15 Min.	All Day	Between Town Hall Plaza and Main Street, up to two (2) parking spaces deemed appropriate by the Township
Millburn Ave	Both	15 Min.	All Day	Between Main Street and Lackawanna Place, up to two (2) parking spaces deemed appropriate by the Township
Millburn Ave	Both	15 Min.	All Day	Between Short Hills Avenue and Morris Turnpike up to two (2) parking spaces deemed appropriate by the Township

Appropriate signage will be installed to indicate specific locations for fifteen (15) parking within a parking stall in accordance with the above stated guidelines.

Section 2. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and the invalidity of any phrase, clause or part of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remainder of the Ordinance.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication as provided by law.

New Business

Commitment to Researching Alternate Locations for Department of Public Works Facility From Downtown

Mayor Burstein said a discussion had taken place regarding moving the DPW yard out of the downtown. She asked if the committee as a whole was committed to exploring this idea. She said if so, she would like to create a sub-committee of people who are interested. Ms. Thall-Eglow said she thought this was a good idea and would like to serve on the sub-committee. Ms. Lieberberg concurred and said she would like to serve on the sub-committee. Ms. Rosenberg said she would like to see exploration of shared services with other communities. Mr. Levy said he concurs with the statements already made. Mayor Burstein said a look should also be taken at what would be done with the current DPW property if DPW were moved. Mayor Burstein said the public should reach out if interested in serving on the sub-committee and she would like to form that group in the near future.

Consideration of Ordinance on Charitable Donations as Vehicle for Property Taxes.

Mayor Burstein said there is a bill on the Governor's desk aimed at potentially reducing the impact of the recent reduction of our state and local property tax deduction. She said the bill suggests that we might be able to create a fund in the township where our taxpayer will be able to make a charitable donation which will go into the coffers of the town. She said if that is going to happen, she would like to see Millburn in front of it. She said if we had an ordinance on the books before it bill is adopted, that would be ok because we couldn't do anything with it anyway. Ms. Rosenberg noted that an administrative cost to the municipality was mentioned in the literature provided regarding the topic, so she would like to know what those costs would be. Mr. Falcon said he would expect the DCA to provide a sample ordinance because the legislation is so complex. He said the chief counsel at the IRS is also taking a dim look at this because it is not truly a gift. Mr. Levy said the IRS and Treasury Department have already spoken out about disallowing this. He said if we facilitated this, the committee would be a party to something disallowed by the IRS. He said he would be hesitant to support this.

Old Business

Ms. Eglow brought up the issue about changing the leash laws in Taylor Park. She said the Recreation Commission did not seem to have an interest in discussing the issue, but many residents have expressed an interest. She said she was told that at the fair last week, there were many well behaved dogs. She suggested putting together a trial period for allowing leashed dogs in Taylor Park. She asked for the opinion of the other committee members. Mayor Burstein said we have a Recreation Commission who are charged with overseeing the parks. She said this conversation is overstepping and overtaking that which we have asked them to do. She said if there are people who feel this strongly about the issue, that they should attend and express their feelings at a Recreation Commission meeting. Ms. Thall-Eglow said she does not think the Commissioners are accepting that the attitudes towards dogs are changing. Mr. Levy said he was present at A Recreation meeting when this conversation took place. He said there were concerns, such as, it is a difficult law to police and not everyone is a dog lover and may even fear dogs. He said owners have to be responsible and they don't want people feel afraid in the park.

Opposition to Proposed Pilgrim Pipeline Project – Municipal Pipeline Group

Trish Kenlon, a resident of Millburn, shared her thoughts and reasoning regarding the opposition to the Pilgrim Pipeline Project. She discussed a group of 15 municipalities who are prepared to legally oppose the project and asked that Millburn join the group, with a possible future financial commitment. Ms. Kenlon fielded questions from the committee and brief discussion ensued.

Public Discussion

Mayor Burstein opened the floor to public comment.

Carol Kirsch, of 93 Cedar Street, came forward a suggested removing political party affiliation from our local elections and move toward non-partisan elections.

Phil Kirsch, of 93 Cedar Street, supported the opposition to the Pilgrim Pipeline project, stating that he thinks it would be a good investment in the township.

Tara Prupis, of 206 Millburn Avenue and owner of Green Nectar Juicery, came forward and asked for an update on the status of the bids for the removal of flexible parking. Mr. McDonald said that we reached out for the engineer who is going to draw up the specifications for the project. She asked if merchants and residents are going to be included in the process of the bid specifications. She was advised that the process does not work that way. She asked if various items, such as the pay stations and planter removal was going to be included in the bid specs. She was advised that the bid proposal will be for removal of the flexible parking only. A discussion ensued on the criteria in the bid process that would commit the township to doing the work or rejecting a bid. Ms. Prupis said she wants to know when it is going to happen, how it is going to happen and what is going to happen. She was advised that the governing body does not know at this point, especially since the bid has not been drawn up yet. The process of bidding was clarified for Ms. Prupis. She asked if we need County approval for the project and she was told, yes, County approval needs to be obtained. Ms. Prupis asked if anyone is looking at the crosswalk in front of Dunkin Donuts. Mr. McDonald said Maser looked at it and said it is suitable where it is. She also asked about the left hand turn issue at Main onto Essex. She was advised it is under review.

Cary Heller, of 343 Millburn Avenue, and noted that if the bid specs are only to the bollards, that is still not traditional parking. Ms. Thall-Eglow said she mean to say a return to a traditional curb. He said people in the downtown should be include in the discussion and why not go back to the original curblineline. He would like to see the tress that were removed put back. He asked why residents and merchants are not being included in the discussion prior to the bids being drawn up. Mr. Heller also discussed the amount of traffic increasing and it filtering through residential areas. He said he supports the removal of the flexible parking, but does not agree with the way in which it is being done. He said he would campaign to not have it done this summer if it is only done to the bollards. He said if it is done in the right way, he is all in. Ms. Thall-Eglow said she thinks the parking was a terrible mistake and if we can start with that, we should move forward, especially since this is the biggest complaint from the public. Mr. Levy asked Mr. Heller his opinion on whether or not Waze, Google maps and the like have an impact on the increase in traffic and may have nothing to do with the street design. He agree that those technologies are assisting people in finding ways to avoid traffic and that traffic has increased overall. He said he believes if things were returned to the way it was, it would reduce the amount of transient traffic. He discussed issues with Rtes. 24 and 78 causing traffic in the surrounding communities. He also commented on DMDA, stating that he supports a DMDA, but he thinks before they receive more funding in June, an update should be given. A brief discussion ensued regarding the future of the organization.

Ed Mazer, of Greenwood Drive, spoke about the intersection of Hobart and Hobart Gap Road, stating that he has been trying to deal with the County, but did not get anywhere. He said the police department has an excellent database with information regarding accidents in town. He suggested between the data base, the traffic consultant and the town hall intern, we can analyze data and identify hazardous areas throughout the town.

Tara Prupis of 206 Millburn Avenue and Green Nectar Juicery returned to the microphone. She asked if Arterial is over. Mayor Burstein asked for clarification of her question. She asked if they are still under contract and do we owe them any money. Mr. McDonald said we do not owe them any money. She asked if there is any communication between the township and Arterial regarding the light poles that fall down. Mr. McDonald advised that we have not been in contact with them in that capacity. Ms. Prupis wanted to know if they have followed up to

see how the reaction to the project is. She said someone should call them that lights are falling down because trucks are hitting them.

Mayor Burstein asked if anyone else wished to make a comment. Not seeing additional comments, the public discussion was closed.

Adjournment

Mayor Burstein asked if anyone has any remaining comments or questions. Receiving none, she called for a motion to adjourn the meeting which was offered by Ms. Thall-Eglow and seconded by Ms. Rosenberg.

Christine A. Gatti, RMC
Township Clerk

Approved: