

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
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Mayor Meringolo read the following statement:

**STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE**

"In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was electronically sent to the Echoes Sentinel and posted in the January 14, 2016 edition, and electronically sent to the Courier News and posted in the January 12, 2016 edition. The notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 5, 2016 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk."

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RESOLUTION #16-147  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, that the Township Committee of Long Hill Township meets in closed session to discuss the following matters:

Property Acquisition:

- Land Diversion Update
- Railroad Ave

Attorney Client

- Conservation easement

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the minutes of this executive session meeting will be released to the public in a timely fashion pursuant to the Open Public Records Act and other applicable laws and regulations.

**MOVED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that Resolution #16-147 is hereby approved for Executive Session. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Dorsi and Committeeman Rae were absent. Deputy Mayor Piserchia, yes; Committeeman Schuler, yes and Mayor Meringolo, yes.

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Mayor Meringolo opened the PUBLIC MEETING at 7:30 PM.

All present recited the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Meringolo, Deputy Mayor Piserchia, and Committeeman Schuler were present. Committeeman Dorsi arrived at 7:35. Committeeman Rae was absent.

**PROCLAMATION – DALE STOVER** Mayor Meringolo presented the Proclamation to Dale Stover and then read the Proclamation for the public.

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**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:**

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Schuler of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution #16-181 through #16-193 and Resolution #16-149 are hereby approved.

**SECONDED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor; Committeeman Rae was absent.

**Resolution 16-181**

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**Authorizing Redemption of Outside Lien - #1260**

**WHEREAS**, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on 11-27-12, a lien was sold on Block 11514, Lot 4, also known as 367 Main Ave for \$838.17; and,

**WHEREAS**, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #1260, was sold to Sequoia Investments (Lien Holder) for \$838.17 and a \$300.00 premium; and

**WHEREAS**, Lereta (redeeming party) has effected redemption of Certificate #1260 in the amount of \$6,577.86

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has shown proof that the redemption calculation is correct, all subsequent payment affidavit, if any, has been filed, and redemption monies has been received for redemption refund;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$6,577.86, payable to Sequoia Investments (Lien Holder) for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #1260

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$300.00 (premium) to the aforementioned lien holder.

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**RESOLUTION 16-182  
APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE  
[PBA CIVIC ASSOC. 322]**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Township Clerk, that all documents have been reviewed and are in good order, does hereby authorize the Township Clerk to approve and sign the application and approve License Number S16-10 for the event to the "Sponsor" Long Hill Township PBA Civic Assoc. 322, for their Wrestling Fundraiser to be held 6:00 PM – 12:00 AM on June 11, 2016; at the Long Hill Community Center, Warren Ave, Stirling NJ 07980, and

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby authorize the Township Clerk to approve and sign the request for 10 Temporary signs for this event to be posted from May 25, 2016 through June 11, 2016.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Police Department has determined that the applicant is exempt for the cost of police coverage required for this event.

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**RESOLUTION #16-183  
AUTHORIZE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL  
AT LONG HILL COMMUNITY CENTER AS PER TOWNSHIP CODE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Township Clerk hereby approves alcoholic beverages be consumed at the event scheduled for June 11, 2016 at the Long Hill Community Center in accordance with Long Hill Township Code 11-2.5, *et. sec.*, the Township Committee does hereby approve alcoholic beverages be consumed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the PBA has provided the Police Chief with a plan to control the consumption of alcoholic beverages and the plan is acceptable to the Police Chief.

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**RESOLUTION 16-184  
APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby approve the payment of the bills as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the bills list be appended to the official minutes.

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**RESOLUTION 16-185  
APPROVAL AND RELEASE OF MINUTES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby approve and release the Township Committee Minutes of the May 25, 2016 Township Committee Meeting.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee hereby approves the May 25, 2016 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as redacted by the Township Attorney.

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**RESOLUTION 16-186  
APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE  
[Fall Fest Antique & Classic Car Show]**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Township Clerk, that all documents have been reviewed and are in good order, does hereby authorize the Township Clerk to approve and sign the application and approve the license for the event to the "Sponsor" Long Hill Community Center, for their Special Event to be held on October 2, 2016 at the Stirling Hotel, 227 Main Ave , Stirling, NJ from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Police Department has determined that the applicant is exempt for the cost of police coverage required for this event.

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**RESOLUTION 16-187  
CERTIFYING ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP WITH STIRLING VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY FOR  
NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION ELIGIBILITY**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby certify that the following is an active member of the Stirling Volunteer Fire Company and is eligible to be a member of the New Jersey State Firemen's Association:

Thomas E. Howard

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**RESOLUTION 16-188  
AUTHORIZE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL  
AT STIRLING LAKE CONCERT AS PER TOWNSHIP CODE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Recreation Director and Recreation Advisory Committee hereby approves a Lake Concert at Stirling Lake, Saturday, June 18, 2016 with Parrot Beach; with a rain date of Sunday, June 19, 2016.

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that based on the recommendation of the Recreation Advisory Committee alcoholic beverages be allowed at the concert in accordance with Long Hill Township Code 11-2.5, *et. sec.*, the Township Committee does hereby approve alcoholic beverages be allowed at the lake concert provided that the Recreation Advisory Committee provide the Police Chief with a plan to check identification and control the consumption of alcoholic beverages and the plan is acceptable to the Police Chief.

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**RESOLUTION 16-189  
AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF ROAD OPENING BOND  
666 Long Hill Road**

**WHEREAS**, Sara Walcavich of 666 Long Hill Road, Millington, NJ applied for Road Opening Permit on May 20, 2015 with a cash bond; and

**WHEREAS**, the engineering inspector has determined that all work is completed and in accordance with Township standards; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate at this time the cash bond be returned to Ms. Walcavich; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that \$3,000.00 remains in the account;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill hereby directs the Chief Financial Officer to return the Road Opening Bond in the amount of \$3,000.00 to Sarah Walcavich, 666 Long Hill Road, Millington, NJ 07946

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**RESOLUTION 16-190  
AUTHORIZING RENEWING OF LIQUOR LICENSES FOR 2016-2017**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that all applications being in good order and the required **\$2,500.00** fee having been paid, the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby grant the following Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses for the year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017:

Stirling Hotel, Inc.  
d/b/a Stirling Hotel Inc.  
227 Main Street  
Stirling, NJ 07980  
License No. 1430-33-001-003

The Primavera, Inc.  
The Primavera Regency  
1080 Valley Road  
Stirling, NJ 07980  
License No. 1430-33-002-006

NA&J Associates, Inc.  
12 Islands Greek Taverna  
Stirling, NJ 07980  
License No. 1430-33-012-005

CRI Long Hill, Inc.  
Chimney Rock Inn  
342 Valley Road  
Gillette, NJ 07933  
License No. 1430-33-008-005

Bar Cilento, LLC  
37 Plainfield Road  
Stirling, NJ 07980  
License No. 1430-33-005-008

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all applicants being in good order and the required \$2,088.00 fee having been paid, the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby grant the following Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses for the year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017.

The Bottle Depot L.L.C.  
t/a Wine World  
1001 Valley Road  
Gillette, NJ 07933  
License No. 1430-44-003-007

Ansoni, Inc.  
t/a Gillette Liquors  
399 Valley Road  
Gillette, NJ 07933  
License No. 1430-44-014-010

Richard McAdam, Inc.  
Stirling Fine Wines/Stirling World of Liquor  
1168 Valley Road  
Stirling, NJ 07980  
License No. 1430-44-015-005

**BE IT RESOLVED** that all applicants being in good order and the required \$63.00 fee having been paid, the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby grant the following Limited Retail Distribution Licenses for the year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017.

Dharma Bhakti Corporation  
Millington Food Store Corporation  
87 Division Avenue  
Millington, NJ 07946  
License No. 1430-43-013-005

Ladida Kitchen Creations LLC  
d/b/a Meyersville Cafe  
625 Meyersville Road  
Gillette, NJ 07933  
License No. 1430-43-010-007

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all applicants being in good order and the required \$188.00 fee having been paid, the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby grant the following Club Licenses for the year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016.

BPO Elks No. 2392  
t/a Stirling Elks #2392  
1138 Valley Road  
Stirling, NJ 07980  
License No. 1430-31-018-001

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all applicants being in good order and the required \$250.00 (10% of \$2,500.00).fee having been paid, the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby grant the following Pocket License (Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses) for the year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016.

Truheaven, LLC  
664 Valley Road  
Gillette, NJ 07933  
License No. 1430-33-011-007

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**RESOLUTION #16-191  
AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROWS**

**WHEREAS**, the Planning & Zoning Administrator, Board Engineer, Board Attorney, Township Planner have certified that there are no outstanding invoices and have approved the release of the following escrows.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release the following escrows as per N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53.1.

**Developer’s Escrow**

J. Richardone/ L. Ascani– 16-01Z	\$1,425.19
Mark Whitney – 15-06Z	\$1,362.18

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**RESOLUTION 16-192  
APPOINT ADDITIONAL 2016 STIRLING LAKE STAFF**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the recommendations of the Recreation Director and Lake Director does hereby appoint the Stirling Lake Staff effective May 26, 2016 and ending September 6, 2016

<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>WAGE/HOUR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Raimer	Jake	\$9.50	Lifeguard
Ihringer	Lukas	\$9.50	Lifeguard

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**RESOLUTION 16-193  
BANNER APPROVAL FOR LONG HILL COMMUNITY CENTER  
[FALL FEST – ANTIQUE & CLASSIC CAR SHOW]**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey that by recommendation of the Township Clerk, based on the approval of the Morris County Freeholders and JCP & L that the Township Committee does hereby approve a banner to be hung across Valley Road, County Route 512 for 2 weeks, starting September 18, 2016 until October 2, 2016.

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**RESOLUTION #16-149  
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT  
OF PENDING LITIGATION**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the Settlement Agreement and General Release in the matter of *Joshua Tolentino v. Long Hill Township et al.*, filed in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Morris County, at Docket No. L4895-15.

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**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION 16-180  
GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT**

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**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

**WHEREAS**, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2015 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Township Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS**, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

**WHEREAS**, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

**WHEREAS**, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Schuler of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution #16-180 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia. **ROLL CALL VOTE**: All in favor. Committeeman Rae was absent.

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**RESOLUTION 16-194  
AUDIT CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN**

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**WHEREAS**, the Long Hill Township Committee is in receipt of the 2015 Report of Audit for the period ending December 31, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Township Committee formally accepted said audit document on June 8th, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to develop and obtain Mayor and Township Committee approval of an Audit Corrective Action Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, said plan must be approved and filed within sixty days of formal notice.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that the required Audit Corrective Action Plan, having been prepared and submitted by the Chief Financial Officer, is hereby approved and further that said plan document be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk.

**MOVED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution #16-194 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. **ROLL CALL VOTE**: All in favor, Committeeman Rae was absent.

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**RESOLUTION 16-195  
SUPPORTING ADOPTION OF S2254/A3821 TO CLARIFY  
MUNICIPAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the March 2015 New Jersey Supreme Court order which transferred oversight of the Fair Housing Act (FHA) to the courts, many municipalities (including Long Hill Township) filed declaratory judgment actions to voluntarily comply with their present and prospective affordable housing requirements as established in the FHA; and

**WHEREAS**, the FHA and existing case law are clear that “present and prospective fair share of the housing need in a given region ... shall be computed for a 10-year period.” (See N.J.S.A. 52:27D-307(c)); and

**WHEREAS**, in October 2015, the Middlesex County Superior Court issued a decision that included a distinct “gap period” obligation, retroactively imposing an additional municipal obligation over an additional 16-year period, separate and apart from the normal 10 year present and prospective need set forth in the FHA. Recently the Ocean County Superior Court did the same. The Ocean County decision is currently on appeal; and

**WHEREAS**, this “gap period” issue arises out of COAH’s inability to promulgate third round regulations from 1999 to the present or make any final determination as to state and regional housing need. Despite this, the courts are not holding COAH accountable but rather are imposing additional obligations on municipalities. These retroactive obligations will have a significant and unfunded impact on municipalities, straining their already overburdened resources; and

**WHEREAS**, aside from other inequities and issues imposed by a so-called “gap” obligation, the households counted in the “gap period” may well be double counted when the present need is calculated. The prospect of double counting compounds this dilemma and will likely result in forcing municipalities and their property taxpayers to subsidize development or subject them to court orders allowing enormous numbers of new housing units as a result of “builder’s remedy” lawsuits. Such a result will radically and irrevocably transform the character and quality of life for all New Jersey residents; and



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**WHEREAS**, hundreds of New Jersey’s municipalities have expended significant financial and other administrative resources in their attempts to voluntarily comply with their constitutional obligation for affordable housing as established by the Supreme Court and the FHA. As a direct result of the State’s failure to advance viable regulations or enact overdue legislative reform, this will only continue to spiral out of control; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill S2254 and Assembly Bill A3821 are important legislative remedies designed to clarify existing law and preclude these significant, unfair impacts. Swift and decisive adoption of both is a critical step toward a more rational statewide housing policy, including reasonable and achievable obligations for municipalities;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The Township Committee hereby supports the adoption of Senate Bill S2254 and Assembly Bill A3821 to clarify that a municipality’s present and prospective fair share of the housing need in a given region shall be computed for a 10-year period, and shall not include a retrospective obligation arising from any so called “gap period.”
2. The Township Committee urges the members of the New Jersey Senate, General Assembly and the Governor to swiftly and decisively adopt this legislation as a critical step toward a more rational statewide housing policy, including reasonable and achievable obligations for municipalities.
3. A certified copy of this resolution shall be sent to Hon. Chris Christie, Governor; Hon. Steve Sweeney, President, NJ Senate; Hon. Vincent Prieto, Speaker, NJ General Assembly; Senate and General Assembly representatives and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

Attorney Pidgeon explained the reason behind this resolution was to have the GAP period when COAH wasn’t functioning from 1999-2015 excluded from the fair housing obligation.

**MOVED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution #16-195 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor. Committeeman Rae was absent.

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**RESOLUTION 16-196  
AUTHORIZING TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO FILE AN ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT  
FILED BY DEMAIIO ELECTRICAL COMPANY, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, DeMaio Electrical Company, Inc. (“DeMaio”) was the contractor on the Township’s Wastewater System Improvements Project; and

**WHEREAS**, DeMaio has filed a Complaint against the Township in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Morris County, at Docket No. MRS-L-1120-16, seeking additional compensation in the amount of \$545,541.98; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township denies that DeMaio is owed this additional amount;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that Township Attorney, John R. Pidgeon, is hereby authorized to file an Answer to the DeMaio Complaint described in the preamble and to take all other steps necessary to defend the Township’s interests in this litigation.

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Administrator Henry explained the pending litigation and the items in the upgrading of the Wastewater System that the contractor is disputing; traffic control, laterals and different size pipes.

**MOVED** by: Committeeman Schuler of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution #16-196 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor, Committeeman Rae was absent

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**ORDINANCES**

**ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING/CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION**

**ORDINANCE #385-16**

**BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$965,751, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$665,751 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY** (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, New Jersey. For the said several improvements or purposes stated in said Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriations made for said improvements or purposes, said sums being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and amounting in the aggregate to \$965,751 including the aggregate sum of \$50,000 as the several down payments for said improvements or purposes required by law and more particularly described in said Section 3 and now available therefor by virtue of provision in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Township for down payment or for capital improvement purposes and including also, in the case of the improvement or purpose described in paragraph (b) of said Section 3, the sum of \$250,000 received or expected to be received by the Township from the New Jersey Department of Transportation as a grant-in-aid of financing said improvement or purpose.

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**Section 2.** For the financing of said improvements or purposes and to meet the part of said \$965,751 appropriations not provided for by application hereunder of said down payments, negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$665,751 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in a principal amount not exceeding \$665,751 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

**Section 3.** The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, the appropriation made for and estimated cost of each such purpose, and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each such purpose, are respectively as follows

<u>IMPROVEMENT OR PURPOSE</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF BONDS AND NOTES</u>
(a) Improvement of municipally-owned properties and facilities in and by the Township, including the municipal bocce courts by the resurfacing thereof, the Recreation Department by the upgrade of the shed, and the municipal building by the upgrade of the telephone system thereof, together with for all the aforesaid all equipment, structures, site work, furnishings, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	\$28,500	\$27,000
(b) Improvement of various roads and locations in and by the Township, including, without limitation, Sherwood Lane, Carlton Road, Castle Place, Hamilton Road, Bay Street, Delaware Avenue, St. Josephs Drive, Maple Avenue, High Street, Pine Street, Somerset Street, Northfield Road, Central Road and Main Avenue by the reconstruction, surfacing or resurfacing thereof to provide roadway pavements at least equal in useful life or durability to a roadway pavement of Class B construction (as used or referred to in Section 40A:2-22 of said Local Bond Law), together with all curbing, structures, storm water drainage improvements, catch basins, milling, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto,		

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all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specification therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved, the \$730,051 appropriation hereby made therefor being inclusive of the amount of \$250,000 received or expected to be received by the Township from the New Jersey Department of Transportation as a grant-in-aid of financing said improvements to Northfield Road, Central Road and Main Avenue

730,051

441,751

(c) Acquisition by purchase and installation, as necessary, of new and additional equipment, including a copier for use by the Police Department of the Township, emergency bypass equipment for use by the Office of Emergency Management of the Township, turn-out gear, self-contained breathing apparatus, fire hoses, and communication equipment for use by the Fire Departments of the Township, field hockey goals for use by the Recreation Department of the Township and office furnishings for use by the Municipal Building in the Township, together with for all the aforesaid all attachments, appurtenances and accessories necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved

207,200

197,000

Totals

\$965,751

\$665,751

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the said down payment for said purpose.

**Section 4.** The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

- (a) The said purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and each is a property or improvement which the Township may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (b) The average period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the respective amounts of the said obligations authorized for the several purposes, according to the reasonable life

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thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 11.68 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in said Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$665,751, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) Amounts not exceeding \$100,000 in the aggregate for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs and other items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Local Bond Law may be included as part of the costs of said improvements and are included in the foregoing estimate thereof.

**Section 5.** The funds from time to time received by the Township on account of the grant referred to in Section 1 of this bond ordinance shall be used for financing the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(b) of this bond ordinance by application thereof either to direct payment of the costs of said improvements or purposes, or to payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Township authorized by this bond ordinance. Any such funds so received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of such costs shall, be held and applied by the Township as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Township authorized by this bond ordinance.

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**Section 6.** All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of Section 40A:2-8 of said Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body of the Township at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

**Section 7.** The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

**Section 8.** The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget

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or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

**Section 9.** This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond Law.

**NOTICE**

The foregoing ordinance having been introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 will be considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at the Municipal Building, 915 valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey when and where or at such time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

Cathy Reese, RMC, CMR  
Township Clerk

Mayor Meringolo opened the PUBLIC Hearing, and as there was not public comment, closed the public hearing and asked for a motion to adopt Ord. 385-16

**MOVED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Ordinance 385-16 is hereby adopted on final reading. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor, Committeeman Rae was absent

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**ORDINANCE #386-16**

**ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$174,100 THEREFOR FROM VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE TOWNSHIP.**

**BE IT ORDAINED** BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, New Jersey. For the said improvements or purposes stated in said Section 2, there is hereby appropriated therefor the sum of \$174,100, to the extent of \$62,100, from moneys available in the Capital Surplus of the Township and, to the extent of \$112,000, from moneys available in the Sewer Reserve of the Township.

**Section 2.** The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for the financing of which the appropriation is made as provided in Section 1 of this ordinance are as follows: (a) the acquisition by purchase of equipment for use by the Police Department and Office of Emergency Management of the Township, equipment for use by the Recreation Department of the Township, and a mower for use by the Department of Public Works of the Township; and (b) the improvement of the sanitary sewerage system of the Township, including, for all of the foregoing, all site work, appurtenant equipment, accessories, attachments, work and materials, and all engineering, legal, advertising and other costs associated therewith, and all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved.

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**Section 3.** The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

**Section 4.** This ordinance shall take effect after publication after final adoption, as provided by law.

**NOTICE**

The foregoing ordinance having been introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 will be considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at the Municipal Building, 915 valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey when and where or at such time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

Cathy Reese, RMC, CMR  
Township Clerk

Mayor Meringolo opened the Public Hearing and as there were no public comments, he closed the hearing and requested a motion to adopt Ord. 386-16.

**MOVED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Ordinance 386-16 is hereby adopted on final reading. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Schuler. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor, Committeeman Rae was absent

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**COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:**

Committeeman Dorsi reported that there is still mulch available for residents at the DPW compound. The DPW has started repairing potholes. They have targeted 61 dead trees for removal. 40 ash trees have been removed due to the blight. The Wastewater Dept. will be checking all the underground piping with cameras this summer.

Mayor Meringolo reported that the last day of school is June 22. The Township Newsletter will be going out this week. Mr. Henry and Mayor Meringolo will be submitting a Trail Grant Application for Matthew G. Kantor Park.

**DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:**

- Conservation Easement- Block 12902 Lot 2.01 High Street/Central Ave  
Atty. Pidgeon explained that Mr. & Mrs. Sferras are seeking relief of part of their conservation easement. Atty. Pidgeon explained that the Conservation easement is essentially an asset of the town and their taxpayers. In this particular case the house has no back yard due to a deep slope, and the other side has a utility easement. A discussion ensued as to whether the Committee wanted to grant a waiver of the conservation easement. Mr. & Mrs. Sferras spoke with the Township Committee with regards to their request. Mayor Meringolo polled the committee and all wanted to take no action. Mr. Meringolo made a motion to take no action on this matter. Seconded by: Committeeman Schuler. Voice Vote: All in favor.

- Construction Management – Millington Schoolhouse Phase III  
Mr. Henry updated the Committee on the progress of the final phase of renovations at the Millington Schoolhouse. Mr. Henry requested that based on the recommendation of the



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Historic Preservation Advisory Building Sub Committee, that Clarke Canton and Hintz be approved as project and bid managers for the Schoolhouse's final phase of the remodel for \$12,500.00. Deputy Mayor Piserchia made a motion, seconded Mr. Schuler to engage the services of CCH as recommended by the Administrator. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Dorsi, yes; Deputy Mayor Piserchia, yes; Committeeman Schuler, yes and Mayor Meringolo yes.

Committeeman Dorsi requested that Mr. Henry provide an analysis of the energy bills at the Millington Schoolhouse.

**OLD BUSINESS / Administrator's Report:**

Mr. Henry reported that electronic sewer payments would be on line shortly and that the proposal by the recreation Director for a future Dog Park is scheduled for the June 22<sup>nd</sup> Township Committee meeting. RFPs have been received for the sale of the wastewater facility

Mr. Henry reported that the Vision Committee has requested to stake out the Railroad Road property along with the newly acquired Central Park area in order for the landscape architects to plan a trail system in addition to the design of the new park area. A discussion ensued.

Committeeman Schuler made a motion to approve a resolution to authorize the cost of a land survey of the township assets, East of Main Avenue, West of Morristown Road, South of the train tracks and North of Valley Road, to be appropriated from the Open Space Trust not to exceed \$10,000. Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia. Roll Call Vote: All in favor, with Committeeman Rae absent.

**RESOLUTION 16-197**

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR LAND SURVEY FROM THE OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township Administrator shall authorize a land survey of the township's owned land assets; East of Main Avenue, West of Morristown Road, South of the train tracks and North of Valley Roads for the purpose of a landscape design for active and passive recreation.
2. The Finance Officer has certified sufficient funds are available under Long Hill Open Space Trust for this project, NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00.

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**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business to discuss

**Announcements/Correspondence:**

- Long Hill Schools close for the summer on June 22nd
- Reminder that all candidates remove their campaign signs from township streets

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** Remarks and Statements Pertaining to Any Matter.

Mr. Sandow was assigned by the Ordinance Sub Committee to inquire about the progress of the Valley Road Commercial District Ordinance. The Township Committee responded that it is still reviewing and making changes, once completed it will be sent to the Planning and Zoning Coordinator.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

As there was no further business to discuss, Deputy Mayor Piserchia made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Schuler to adjourn the meeting. Voice Vote: All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Reese, RMC, CMR  
Township Committee

Approved June 29, 2016