

Merchantville, NJ

July 12, 2004

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, July 12, 2004. Mayor Patrick J. Brennan presided.

Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer were observed.

Announcement was made that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the "Open Public Meetings Act".

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Present: Madden, North, Pagano, Zeiders and Alloway

Council Absent: Finnegan

Solicitor Higgins and Borough Clerk Thomas were present.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**ORDINANCE - BONDS & NOTES: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:** Mayor Brennan opened the public hearing on the following ordinance:

**04-12**

**BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$179,000.00 THEREFORE; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$170,050.00; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING**

There being no public comment, the hearing was closed.

**PUBLIC:**

**Tami Barnett**, 14 Clifton Avenue, asked about the installation of defibrillators in police vehicles. Mayor Brennan stated that there are no plans at the moment to have them installed.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

**Thomas Cundey**, Remington & Vernick, provided an update of Borough projects. The drainage issue at the Community Center basketball courts will be reviewed with Daniel Beckett, Public Works Supervisor. Mr. Higgins has sent copies of the respective deeds to the Merchantville Country Club regarding the land swap.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**VFW POST 68:** The American Legion has requested use of the Community Center free of charge.

**Department of Community Affairs:** The Borough will receive \$25,000 in Property Tax Relief as part of the Municipal Homeland Security Police Assistance Aid program.

**Susan B. Walker Resignation:** Mrs. Walker resigned as Certified Tax Collector and Registered Municipal Clerk.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**MR. PAGANO** delivered the MEMS report. Five members attended a bicycle class and became certified. Parks & Playgrounds has begun for the summer session.

**MR. ZEIDERS** delivered the Fire Department report. The ventilation system has been installed and is operational. The leaks in the Fire House walls have been repaired. The Buildings & Grounds report was delivered. Quotes are being sought for a new lighting system at the Public Works garage.

**MRS. MADDEN** reported that the Planning Board and Historic Preservation Commission will be holding a joint meeting on July 13 to discuss the Code update. The CDBG report was given. Before discussing trash and refuse problems, **Mayor Brennan** stated he would like to examine the Code Books of other local towns regarding their trash ordinances.

**MR. ALLOWAY** stated that Chief Ward has removed several "Yard Sale" signs throughout the Borough. The Newsletter deadline is July 13. The Board of Health report was given.

**MR. NORTH** announced that the OEM meeting is July 13 in the Council offices. The Police and Court reports were delivered. A letter was received from an elderly resident regarding the size of the car show and the ability of the Police and MEMS personnel to respond to possible emergencies. The Borough will receive DWI funds of \$1,800. The punch list items have not been completed for the Community Center Air Conditioner. Maureen Counsior has requested permission for a block party from 2 PM until 11PM. The ordinance allows block parties until 10 PM and Mrs. Counsior will be notified.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE ADOPTION - BONDS & NOTES: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:** On the motion of Mr. Alloway, second of Mr. Zeiders and a unanimous roll call vote, Council adopted the following ordinance:

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**MAYORAL APPOINTMENT – BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the mayoral appointment of Karl Wirth and John Scholtz to the Business Improvement District Advisory Board.

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENT – MERCHANTVILLE/ PENNSAUKEN WATER COMMISSION:** On the motion of Mr. North and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously reappointed Mayor Brennan

to the Merchantville/ Pennsauken Water Commission.

**STATUS OF REDEVELOPMENT AREAS:** Mayor Brennan stated that 19/21 South Centre Street has been given a deadline of August 1 to complete all necessary work. The Borough is currently negotiating with the owners at the Maple/ Chapel Redevelopment Area.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden, second of Mr. Finnegan and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the Chief Financial Officer's Report of Cash Receipts for June 2004 and the Abbreviated Budget Status as of June 30, 2004.

**RESOLUTION – 2003 AUDIT:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

**R04-81  
RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S. 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 2003 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Merchantville as per the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Local Finance Board has promulgated 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:

Schedule of Findings 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:

Schedule of Findings and Recommendations

as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body; 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, as per the regulations of the Local Finance Board; 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 promulgations 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 no 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 governing body of the Borough of Merchantville, hereby states that it has complied with the promulgation of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey dated July 30, 1968 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

**RESOLUTION – ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF TAX COLLECTOR:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. North, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

**R04-82**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF SUSAN B. WALKER AS THE MUNICIPAL TAX COLLECTOR AND TAX SEARCH OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE**

**WHEREAS**, Susan B. Walker is the duly appointed Municipal Tax Collector and Tax Search Officer of the Borough of Merchantville; and

**WHEREAS**, Susan B. Walker has decided to resign from her positions as Municipal Tax Collector and Tax Search Officer as of July 12, 2004;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville that the resignation of Susan B. Walker as Municipal Tax Collector and Tax Search Officer be accepted and effective as of July 12, 2004.

**RESOLUTION – APPOINTING TAX COLLECTOR:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

**R04-83**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPOINTING JOHN C. FRY AS THE MUNICIPAL TAX COLLECTOR AND TAX SEARCH OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville have accepted the resignation of Susan B. Walker as the Municipal Tax Collector and Tax Search Officer of the Borough of Merchantville; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-142 require the appointment of a Municipal Tax Collector for the unexpired term when a vacancy occurs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville that John C. Fry be and is hereby appointed to the position of Municipal Tax Collector and Tax Search Officer for the unexpired term commencing July 13, 2004 and concluding on December 31, 2006.

**RESOLUTION – EXTENDING 3<sup>RD</sup> QTR 2004 TAX DUE DATE:** On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

**R04-84**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY EXTENDING THE DUE DATE FOR THIRD QUARTER 2004 PROPERTY TAXES**

**WHEREAS**, the final 2004 tax bill mailing may be delayed due to lack of information from the County of Camden concerning the annual tax rate; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville will not meet again until August 9, 2004;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that if the tax bills are mailed after July 16, 2004, then payment of the third quarter property taxes that are due August 1, 2004 shall have a grace period of 10 days plus the same number of days as the number of days that the tax bills are mailed after July 16, 2004; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any payments received after the extended grace period, if any, shall be subject to interest payments from August 1, 2004.

**RESOLUTION – CAPITAL PURCHASE OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT:** On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

**R04-85**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY  
AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE CAPITAL PURCHASE OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville is desirous of purchasing computer equipment in accordance with Ordinance 01-05M; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that approval has been granted for the purchase of computer equipment from Dell Computer Corporation, Round Rock, TX, under state contract, in the total amount of \$1,011.89.

**RESOLUTION – MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. North, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

**R04-86**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE  
OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF  
PUBLIC WORKS**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Public Works uses his personal vehicle for Borough business on a daily basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds in the 2004 Current Fund Budget;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to pay the Superintendent of Public Works a quarterly mileage stipend based on a maximum of nine hundred (900) miles at the current IRS standard mileage rate.

**RESOLUTION – PROPERTY MAINTENANCE LIENS:** On the motion of Mr. North and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

**R04-87**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE  
OF NEW JERSEY IMPOSING A MUNICIPAL LIEN ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES PURSUANT TO  
CHAPTER 14 AND CHAPTER 60B OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 14 of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville indicates that should the Borough incur a cost for the removal of brush, grass, weeds, and other obnoxious growths as defined in section 14-1 of the Code, that the amount so charged shall forthwith become a lien upon such lands and shall be added to and become part of and form a part of the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon such lands; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 60B of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville, in adopting the BOCA standards, also provides for similar relief in terms of a municipal lien,

**WHEREAS**, The Borough has expended such funds as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto to this lien, and

**WHEREAS**, The Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville hereby desires to state, by Resolution, that these funds be and shall become a lien against the property pursuant to the aforesated Borough Ordinances and New Jersey State Statutes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville that the following municipal liens in the following amounts shall be placed on the properties so listed below:

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Block 4, Lot 5 (21 Euclid Ave.):      | \$462.02 |
| Block 7, Lot 8 (22 West End Ave.):    | \$439.43 |
| Block 25, Lot 19.02 (38 Chapel Ave.): | \$122.60 |
| Block 39, Lot 9 (217 Maple Terrace):  | \$544.95 |

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Tax Collector of the Borough of Merchantville be and hereby is directed to place upon these properties a municipal lien in like amounts, with the same bearing interest at the same rate as taxes and shall be collected and enforced by the same officers and in the same manner as taxes.

**RESOLUTION – CHAPTER 159, HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION GRANT:** On the motion of Mr. North and second of Mr. Madden, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

#### **R04-88**

#### **RESOLUTION**

#### **INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948)**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S. 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 thereof 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 Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville in the County of Camden, 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 2004 in the sum of \$184,434.00 which is now available as a revenue from Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Municipal Grant Program in the amount of \$184,434.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a like sum of \$184,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Municipal Grant Program; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the above is the result of funds from NJDEP in the amount of \$184,434.00.

**RESOLUTION – TRANSFERRING TAX OVERPAYMENTS:** On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

#### **R04-89**

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TRANSFER OVERPAYMENTS TO OUTSTANDING BALANCES**

**WHEREAS,** total tax payments for the year of 2002 have resulted in overpayments and are being applied to outstanding balances in 2003 as follows:

|       |       |                      |          |
|-------|-------|----------------------|----------|
| Block | 27.01 | Dennis Doolin        | \$347.82 |
| Lot   | 8     | 207 Lexington Avenue |          |

**WHEREAS,** total tax payments for the year of 2002 have resulted in overpayments and are being applied to outstanding balances in 2004 as follows:

|       |       |                                     |          |
|-------|-------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Block | 8     | Clifton Bailey Jr. & Sheila Johnson | \$198.22 |
| Lot   | 10    | 114 Poplar Avenue                   |          |
| Block | 8.01  | PA Sicklerville Associates          | \$348.59 |
| Lot   | 1     | 730 W. Maple Avenue                 |          |
| Block | 27.02 | Christopher Barraro                 | \$196.35 |
| Lot   | 3     | 300 Volan Street                    |          |
| Block | 43    | Geraldine Y Hargrove                | \$23.73  |
| Lot   | 22    | 319 Plymouth Place                  |          |
| Block | 57    | Steve & Mary Tran                   | \$48.96  |
| Lot   | 16    | 47 W. Chestnut Avenue               |          |

**WHEREAS,** total tax payments for the year of 2002 have resulted in overpayments and are being applied to outstanding balances in 2003 as follows:

|       |    |                              |           |
|-------|----|------------------------------|-----------|
| Block | 9  | Vahy W. Zari                 | \$1122.00 |
| Lot   | 4  | 604 W. Maple Avenue          |           |
| Block | 22 | Victor & Marin Luis Castillo | \$0.46    |
| Lot   | 22 | 16 S. Centre Street          |           |

**WHEREAS,** total tax payments for the year of 2002 have resulted in overpayments and are being applied to outstanding balances in 2003 and 2004 as follows:

|       |      |                    |          |
|-------|------|--------------------|----------|
| Block | 54   | Elizabeth J. Clapp | \$250.00 |
| Lot   | 1.02 | 133 Leslie Avenue  |          |

**WHEREAS,** total tax payments for the year of 2003 have resulted in overpayments and are being applied to outstanding balances in 2004 as follows:

|       |    |                      |           |
|-------|----|----------------------|-----------|
| Block | 29 | PNC Reality Services | \$58.05   |
| Lot   | 14 | 15 S. Centre Street  |           |
| Block | 26 | Mohammed N. Haleem   | \$196.96  |
| Lot   | 15 | 25 Chapel Avenue     |           |
| Block | 25 | Eugene Riley         | \$250.00  |
| Lot   | 15 | 35 Volan Street      |           |
| Block | 51 | John F. Heinz        | \$1498.55 |
| Lot   | 16 | 15 E. Cedar Avenue   |           |

**WHEREAS,** total tax payments for the year of 2004 have resulted in overpayments and are being applied to outstanding balances in 2003 as follows:

|       |    |                       |          |
|-------|----|-----------------------|----------|
| Block | 19 | James D. Thomas       | \$135.00 |
| Lot   | 16 | 20 Springfield Avenue |          |

**WHEREAS,** total tax payments for the year of 2004 have resulted in overpayments and are being applied to outstanding balances in 2004 as follows:

|       |    |                     |        |
|-------|----|---------------------|--------|
| Block | 13 | Basel Mazahreh      | \$0.01 |
| Lot   | 11 | 209 West End Avenue |        |

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville to adjust the amounts as stated above.

**RESOLUTION – REFUNDING TAX OVERPAYMENTS:** On the motion of Mr. North and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

**R04-90**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF DUPLICATE TAX PAYMENTS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that warrants be drawn to the mortgage company listed below in the designated amount representing duplicate tax payments as follows:

| <b><u>BLOCK/LOT</u></b> | <b><u>NAME &amp; ADDRESS</u></b>                                                                                                                        | <b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 8/10                    | First American Real Estate Tax Service<br>Attn: Claims Department<br>95 Methodist Hill Drive<br>Suite 100<br>Rochester, NY 14623                        | \$1080.00            |
| 39/8                    | First American Real Estate Tax<br>Renaissance Tower, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor<br>1201 Elm Street Suite 400<br>Dallas, TX 75270<br>Attn: Refunds Department | \$1320.85            |
| 27.02/6                 | First American Real Estate Tax<br>Renaissance Tower, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor<br>1201 Elm Street Suite 400<br>Dallas, TX 75270<br>Attn: Refunds Department | \$1320.85            |
| 37.01/6                 | First American Real Estate Tax<br>Renaissance Tower, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor<br>1201 Elm Street Suite 400<br>Dallas, TX 75270<br>Attn: Refunds Department | \$1501.60            |

Check made payable to: First American Real Estate

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT,** First American has advised that they would like to have a refund rather than applying this payment to subsequent property taxes.

**EMPLOYEE CHANGE OF STATUS/APPOINTMENTS:**

**Parks & Playgrounds:** On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mr. North, Council approved by a 5-0-1 vote (Pagano abstain) the appointment of Patricia Fields as Parks & Playgrounds Supervisor

and Steven DiMatteo, Ian Clark, Matthew Dugan, Amanda Fields, Colleen Finnegan, Kate Fitzgerald, Amanda Kelokates, Candace Nickoloff, Sean O'Sullivan, Mark Pagano, Katie Popelak, Patsy Popelak, Danielle Press, Rebecca Stopenski and Elyse Robinson as Parks & Playgrounds Councilors.

**Administration:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the appointment of Maureen Mitchell as Tax Consultant.

**Police:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the change in status of Sergeant William Watson to his twenty-first year salary designation. Mr. North explained that the mandatory 1% salary increase is pre-determined in the Police Contract.

**Public Works:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the promotion of Allen Henry to Public Works Helper II, John Laird to Public Works Helper IV and Matthew Marks to Public Works Helper III.

**APPOINTMENT – PUBLIC WORKS HELPER:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano, Council approved the appointment of Casey Fort, 409 Cherry Street, Camden as a probationary Public Works Helper.

**SALVATION ARMY NUTRITION PROGRAM RENEWAL:** On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the renewal of the nutrition program for 2005.

**DISCUSSION – CONCRETE QUOTATIONS:** Mr. Zeiders stated that the quotes for the various concrete work throughout town were too high.

**DISCUSSION – BOROUGH GARAGE:** Tabled until August 9 meeting.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:** On the motion of Mr. North, second of Mr. Pagano and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following bills for payment:

**CURRENT FUND: (PER 7/12/04 CHECK REGISTER)**

CHECKS DELIVERED

|                   |                      |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| CHECK #9673- 9680 | \$ 312,076.95        |
| CHECK #9681- 9749 | \$ 99,938.10         |
|                   | <u>\$ 412,015.05</u> |

**DOG ACCOUNT: (PER 7/12/04 CHECK REGISTER)**

|         |             |
|---------|-------------|
| CHECK # | \$ -        |
|         | <u>\$ -</u> |

**GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT: (PER 7/12/04 CHECK REGISTER)**

|                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| CHECK #1268- 1272 | \$ 14,133.76        |
|                   | <u>\$ 14,133.76</u> |

**MERCHANTVILLE SEWER UTILITY: (PER 7/12/04 CHECK REGISTER)**

|                   |                      |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| CHECKS DELIVERED  |                      |
| CHECK #1492- 1494 | \$ 79,857.81         |
| CHECK #1495- 1497 | \$ 49,159.94         |
|                   | <u>\$ 129,017.75</u> |

**PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TRUST FUND: (PER 7/12/04 CHECK REGISTER)**

|         |      |
|---------|------|
| CHECK # | \$ - |
|---------|------|

|                                                                         |                             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                                                                         | \$ -                        |
| <b><u>RECREATION COMMISSION: (PER 7/12/04 CHECK REGISTER)</u></b>       |                             |
| CHECKS DELIVERED                                                        |                             |
| CHECK #2368- 2369                                                       | \$ 1,770.00                 |
| CHECK #2370- 2379                                                       | \$ 1,679.57                 |
|                                                                         | <u>\$ 3,449.57</u>          |
| <b><u>TRUST ACCOUNT - OTHER FUNDS: (PER 7/12/04 CHECK REGISTER)</u></b> |                             |
| CHECKS DELIVERED                                                        |                             |
| CHECK #960- 961                                                         | \$ 1,656.18                 |
| CHECK #962- 963                                                         | \$ 1,015.00                 |
|                                                                         | <u>\$ 2,671.18</u>          |
| <b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: (PER 7/12/04 CHECK REGISTER)</u></b>   |                             |
| CHECK #                                                                 |                             |
|                                                                         | <u>\$ -</u>                 |
|                                                                         | <u>TOTAL: \$ 561,287.31</u> |

**EXAMINED AND FOUND CORRECT: (SIGNED AGNES A. MADDEN)**  
**DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND AUDITING**

**R04-91**

**RESOLUTION** that the Report of the Department of Accounts and Auditing be accepted and spread upon the minutes and the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the bills therein.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**PUBLIC II:**

**Tami Barnett**, stated that the law currently allows vehicles to pass on Centre Street. Mr. North replied that Centre Street is a County road and he will review the situation.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, on the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

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 OREN R. THOMAS IV  
 BOROUGH CLERK