

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF WALL, HELD IN THE  
MEETING ROOM, MUNICIPAL COMPLEX  
DECEMBER 9, 2009**

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Clayton at 7:35 P.M. Present were Mayor Michael J. Clayton presiding, Deputy Mayor George K. Newberry, Committeeman Jeffrey W. Foster, Committeewoman Ann Marie Conte, Committeeman Clinton C. Hoffman, Township Administrator Joseph Verruni, Township Attorney Joseph Oxley and Township Clerk Lorraine Kubacz. Assistant Administrator Kate Kohri was absent.

Mayor Clayton read the sunshine statement.

Roll-call was taken by Lorraine Kubacz.

Mayor Clayton noted that the Committee honors servicemen and women at their meetings. This month we are honoring Doug Borst, a Wall police officer, who served in the armed forces.

A Proclamation honoring Peter Onulak is being held until next year.

A Proclamation honoring Ed Clayton was presented. This is a surprise for Mr. Clayton. Mr. Clayton has helped fight litter and pollution within his home community of Wall Township. The Mayor and Committee congratulated and thanked Mr. Clayton for his dedication to the Township.

Committeeman Hoffman made a motion to approve the Vouchers for November 11 through November 24, 2009 in the amount of \$12,781.385.79. Committeeman Foster seconded the motion and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Conte	Yea
Hoffman	Yea
Foster	Yea
Newberry	Yea
Clayton	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the vouchers adopted.

Committeeman Foster moved that the Minutes for July, 2009, be approved. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

This being the advertised time for the Second Reading and Public Hearing of **ORDINANCE NO. 28-2009** - Amending Chapter 215 - Speed Limits - Wall Church Road entitled, "ORDINANCE

AMENDING CHAPTER 215-48, (SCHEDULE XVI) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL ENTITLED SPEED LIMITS." Mrs. Kubacz read the Ordinance by title only as required by law. Mayor Clayton declared the Public Hearing open. There were no comments or objections, Deputy Mayor Newberry moved that the public hearing be closed. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and all members voted yes. Deputy Mayor Newberry moved that the Ordinance be adopted as to its second reading and final passage. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Conte	Yea
Hoffman	Yea
Foster	Yea
Newberry	Yea
Clayton	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted. Deputy Mayor Newberry moved that the Ordinance be advertised according to law. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and all members voted yes.

This being the advertised time for the Second Reading and Public Hearing of **ORDINANCE NO. 34-2009** - Amending Mobile Home Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH AMENDING CHAPTER 153 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL ENTITLED MOBILE HOMES AND MOBILE HOME PARKS". Mrs. Kubacz read the Ordinance by title only as required by law. Mayor Clayton declared the Public Hearing open.

Lori Greenberg, Attorney for Shore Acres and Bearmore, Marlton, NJ, said she appreciated the changes that are being made to the Ordinance. Ms. Greenberg noted that the landlords would like to have more of a say on the Rent Board. There should be landlord representatives on the Board. Mayor Clayton advised that the Ordinance will be carried to December 22, 2009, at 3:30 p.m. so that the Ordinance can be reviewed again before adoption.

Bill Spillane, Shore Acres Mobile Home, President of Homeowners Association, read a statement to the Committee asking that they change the Ordinance so that homeowners will have an incentive to upkeep their homes and the community. Mr. Spillane noted that new homeowners realize as rent increases, the price of the mobile home decreases. When this happens they don't make improvements to their homes. Mr. Spillane asked the Committee to change the ordinance so that improvements will be made to the homes.

There being no further comments or objections, Deputy Mayor Newberry moved to carry the public hearing to December

22, 2009, at 3:30 p.m. Committeeman Foster seconded the motion and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Conte	Yea
Hoffman	Yea
Foster	Yea
Newberry	Yea
Clayton	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the Ordinance carried.

This being the advertised time for the Second Reading and Public Hearing of **ORDINANCE NO. 36-2009** - Identity Theft Program entitled, "ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL ADOPTING AN IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM TO PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION IN WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS." Mrs. Kubacz read the Ordinance by title only, as required by law. Mayor Clayton declared the Public Hearing open. There were no comments or objections, Committeeman Hoffman moved that the public hearing be closed. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and all members voted yes. Committeeman Hoffman moved that the Ordinance be adopted as to its second reading and final passage. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Conte	Yea
Hoffman	Yea
Foster	Yea
Newberry	Yea
Clayton	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted. Committeeman Hoffman moved that the Ordinance be advertised according to law. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and all members voted yes.

This being the advertised time for the Second Reading and Public Hearing of ORDINANCE NO. 37-2009 - Salary Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL FOR THE YEAR 2010." Mrs. Kubacz read the Ordinance by title only, as required by law. Mayor Clayton declared the Public Hearing open. There were no comments or objections, Committeewoman Conte moved that the public hearing be closed. Committeeman Hoffman seconded the motion and all members voted yes. Committeewoman Conte moved that the Ordinance be adopted as to its second reading and final passage. Committeeman Hoffman seconded the motion and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Conte	Yea
Hoffman	Yea
Foster	Yea

Newberry	Yea
Clayton	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted. Committeeman Hoffman moved that the Ordinance be advertised according to law. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and all members voted yes.

This being the advertised time for the Second Reading and Public Hearing of ORDINANCE NO. 39-2009 - Purchase of Property - Holly boulevard, "ORDINANCE AFFIRMING TOWNSHIP OF WALL'S PURCHASE OF PROPERTY FROM CARLTON CARE CORPORATION." Mrs. Kubacz read the Ordinance by title only, as required by law. Mayor Clayton declared the Public Hearing open.

Sharon Larson, Riverside Terrace, stated that this property is not suitable for affordable housing units and she objected to the purchase. Ms. Larson presented a letter to the Mayor and said that, based on this letter, the property is not suitable. Mayor Clayton said that he would forward the letter to the Engineer and Planners for review.

Bob McGuinness, Holly Boulevard, said that he objected also because the property is not suitable. The area has not had the opportunity to find out anything about this project. Mr. McGuinness said it was disturbing that 150 units would be built and none of the neighbors were asked for comments or informed about this. All the cars from the 150 units will have to travel down Holly Boulevard, there are water problems and the drainage for the office complex that was built six years ago has problems. Mr. McGuinness questioned why all the units would be put in one place.

Committeeman Hoffman said he doesn't know how to apologize for the residents just finding out about this. The Committee has been working on this for sixteen months in full view of the public. The Committee has been very transparent. A committee was formed to oversee the recommendations that also held meetings. We also have things on the website. Public meetings are on the website along with the Fair Share Housing.

Mr. McGuinness again stated that there is a serious water problem on Holly Boulevard and a lot of small children. The traffic is not a wise idea. Mayor Clayton said that these units would be for senior units not young children. Mr. McGuinness said he is also concerned with seniors because of the young children who live there now. Mayor Clayton noted that this would go before the Planning Board before anything is approved for the neighbors to comment. Engineers will look at it for the drainage. This is only a proposal so we can be in compliance with COAH. There are 667 units spread

throughout the Township. Mayor Clayton said that the Committee doesn't like this obligation either and hopes that the new governor will change this requirement. Committeeman Foster said that Wall is one of the first towns to fight COAH with lawsuits.

Sharon Larson asked at what point it would be too late to make adjustments to this plan. Mr. Hoffman noted that Ms. Larson attended a meeting of the Citizens Committee. This is the only town to have a group oversee what is going on. That is what their meetings are all about. Ms. Larson asked who selected the members of the Citizens Committee. Mr. Hoffman noted that the Township Committee put out requests and selected six people. The Committee went by school districts so there was a representative from each district. Mr. Foster said that the Township Committee voted on it. Ms. Larson still felt it was not an open process because these residents tonight only had a day to find out about this meeting.

Committeeman Hoffman noted that Ms. Larson also contacted him in June and he told her everything that was going on and asked how he could have been more transparent. There was a meeting downstairs with State representatives also. Ms. Larson said that one person notified everyone by email about tonight's meeting and asked what is the emergency of this meeting and when does it have to be turned in.

Committeeman Hoffman said there is no specific time but there is a threat of a builders' remedy law suit. If we don't put something in, we are subject to this. Ms. Larson wanted everyone to know that the meetings she attended did not discuss specific sites. Mr. Hoffman said that the Township is trying to find alternatives before a shovel goes in the ground. Mr. Hoffman explained how the process works and the guidelines to accrue the 667 units required. We have to make sure whatever plan we give to the Judge is realistic or he can say it is not responsible. Ms. Larson ended by saying that she doesn't know why this site is worth purchasing at this time, it is a waste of taxpayers' money.

Ron Stropoli, Lakewood Road, said that he is against this. This will add to the traffic going down Ramshorn Dr. There are also sewerage and draining problems. Mr. Stropoli noted that most of the people in the neighborhood don't know about this and it is creating a burden on the community. Mr. Stropoli said he would like time to react to it and asked that it be delayed until January to give people time to prepare statements. Mr. Hoffman said that there is a procedure that will be followed including Planning Board meetings for input. Residents will be notified of Planning Board meetings.

Tim Farrell, Walton Way, noted that North Wall has its fair share of COAH also. There is Collingswood Circle with

126 units, Old Mill, Spring Lake Gardens. There is also a group home in Mr. Farrell's neighborhood. Mayor Clayton noted this is not a North Wall-South Wall issue.

Dennis Margillo, Sycamore Street, suggested that everyone be noticed about this and have a link on the website about COAH. Mr. Hoffman said that there is a link to COAH issues. Mr. Margillo asked if there was a plan if Corzine is out and Christie is in. Mayor Clayton said the committee would like to see the RCA's come back because we could contribute half the units to other municipalities. In the past we could do that. Hopefully, the new governor will address this. Mr. Margillo asked about law suits. Attorney Surenian said that Wall Township is one of the many who have challenged this. The Township thinks that this is an onerous program and violates the Fair Housing Act. Mr. Margillo asked if more people could be appointed to the Citizens Committee. Mr. Hoffman said that there are term limits. If anyone wants to be on that board, they can apply. The CCAH meets the first Monday of every other month. The dates are on the website.

Mr. Margillo asked if there was a specific plan for Holly Boulevard site. Mr. Hoffman said nothing specific. If we purchase this, we won't break ground until 2011. Mr. Surenian advised that within two years after the plan is approved, the court looks at the growth and we have to be within 90% of that number and we would have to break ground at that time.

Laurie Aromando, Windfield Drive, noted that at the May Planning Board meeting it was brought up that there was water on this property and there were serious concerns. The drainage and flooding and streams were directly down the middle. That was in May, and now there are questions about this. There are concerns that we are purchasing property that we are not sure will cause a problem. Committeeman Hoffman said that the Township is authorizing the purchase and advising the staff that they will not sign anything until the DEP tells us if there is a problem. The head of the DEP has promised an expedited answer. If it comes back and there is a problem, we will not purchase it.

Administrator Verruni said that the Commissioner will expedite the review. It will be determined by the LOI. There are approvals in place for Carlton Care. The wetlands are not the problem. There is something in the center of the property that is not on GIS maps. We want to make sure that this is not regulated. That is what we are asking the DEP. We will have an answer prior to the end of the year. Ms. Aromando asked that the township is not moving forward with the purchase. Mr. Verruni said, if there is a question, the Committee has said that the Mayor cannot execute a contract of sale. Mayor Clayton said we have to protect Wall Township and move forward with this plan.

Ms. Aromando said she would rather the township wait to see what the new governor will do rather than rush this. Ms. Aromando said she would rather risk builders' remedy than do this. Committeeman Hoffman said if the new governor changes the rules, we won't have to build the homes. This is a plan, we are not building in January.

Ms. Aromando asked if the Schwartz property was able to get the sewers. This is the number one requirement for COAH. Mr. Hoffman said that a letter from the DEP said that there is a portion of the property that could be used. Mr. Surenian said that this site is within the sewer service. It is in danger of being taken out and we are fighting to keep it in and have confidence that we will resolve all the problems with the site. Ms. Aromando disagreed that this site is in the sewer service. Mr. Surenian explained that the Township has reserved the right to not use this site. Even if we change our mind, we can take it out. We have emphatically reserved our right to make changes. The plan is built to be able to deal with that.

Ms. Aromando asked if Committeeman Hoffman was at the Planning Board meeting on Monday. Mr. Hoffman said he attended a portion. Ms. Aromando asked if this was a violation of the Sunshine Law. Attorney Oxley said there is no problem if they are in the audience and not making comments or offering advice. Deputy Mayor Newberry said that he was concerned about that and questioned the board's attorney before the meeting started. Attorney Tom Hirsch insisted it was not a problem. Committeeman Hoffman also asked if this was a problem and Tom Hirsch again said it was not a problem.

Ms. Armando said she would like to see something in writing from the DEP and said that in her opinion the Township should not move forward to purchase the property if we are not sure we will have a problem. Committeeman Foster asked Ms. Aromando how she voted on the plan. Ms. Aromando said she voted for it. She read 600 pages of COAH, and contacted COAH. Ms. Aromando said she no longer trusts her professionals when it comes to COAH.

Joseph Stillo, Orchard Crest Boulevard, said that he was originally opposed to this site. Mr. Stillo said that he doesn't think that anyone who is taking care of senior citizens who need affordable housing, that this is not an issue. Mr. Stillo had the privilege of taking care of senior citizens and is now overseeing a rehabilitation office in Ocean County. This is a treacherous area to drive. Many of the patients have had strokes, etc. Many go back to driving and it is a huge issue for driving safety. This site on Holly couldn't be a worse site to place 150 senior units purely for

medical reasons. From a medical perspective, this is not the pace to put these kinds of units.

John Carvelli, Mahogany Trail, said he trust the council representing the people. This is a practical matter. It is a bad plan. It is going to be shot down. Mr. Carvelli asked the committee to look at the location. Ramshorn is a pretty bad road. Route 34, regardless of whether it's seniors or low income, it's a volume issue. Route 34 and Paynters Road is a very bad intersection.

Gregory Schneider, Myrtle Avenue, stated that since he moved here the housing has completely turned upside down. This is making it worse. Traffic is a nightmare and will get worse. Mr. Schneider asked about the tax relief on the property for twenty-six people, who are they and why do we care about them. Committeeman Hoffman said we don't care about their tax break, we care about what we are paying for the property. Mr. Schneider said the Township is buying this at the bottom of the market and asked if the Township is really getting a break. Mr. Hoffman said that this property is approved already for 120 assisted living units. If we don't buy the property, they will probably come and complete that project. The Committee has evaluated this and at this time, it's a good deal and we are insulating ourselves against builders' remedy.

Don Herbert, Atlantic Avenue, asked who appraised the property. Mr. Verruni said Paul Johnson Realty has to appraise it for what it's worth at OP120. Mr. Herbert asked how many acres it has. Mr. Verruni said twelve acres.

Debbie Gallo, Lakewood Road, asked if the prior approvals for the assisted living could go forward or would they have to have it approved again. The traffic was different six-seven years ago and the three medical buildings were not there. Mayor Clayton said that the governor signed the Permitted Extension Act which extends applications to 2012. It grants annuity and extends everyone's applications. Ms. Gallo also asked about a woman who lived in her home but passed away and they are trying to sell the property now. Mr. Verruni said that she had a life estate on the site. Now it went to the subject property.

Ms. Gallo asked how much the Township is paying for the property. Mr. Hoffman said \$2.5 million and the owners get a \$1 million tax credit. So it's a credit to the owner of \$3.5 million. Mr. Verruni said \$1.3 million municipal. Ms. Gallo asked where the township is getting the money. Mr. Verruni said a bond issue for \$180,000 a year debt service. We don't know if we are selling the bonds yet. We don't know the interest rate. If everything works out, we will know in a few

weeks. We hope to purchase in the area of 1 ¾ - 2% which is very favorable.

Ms. Gallo asked if the other sites in the plan are already purchased. Mr. Hoffman said that some of them aren't actually properties. For example, Bearmore, and one piece that the Township already owns. The Schwartz property we have to purchase.

Claire Morrison, Riverside Terrace, asked about the Permit Extension Act and said that conditions have changed including traffic and asked how involved the DOT gets in this plan and evaluation of the site. Mr. Verruni said they would have to grant approvals but we are not at that stage yet. Ms. Morrison said that the DOT had issues with this. The highest concern is safety and Ms. Morrison doesn't think this plan will get DOT approval.

There being no further comments or objections, Committeeman Hoffman moved that the public hearing be closed. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and all members voted yes. Committeeman Hoffman moved that the Ordinance be adopted as to its second reading and final passage. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Conte	Yea
Hoffman	Yea
Foster	Yea
Newberry	Yea
Clayton	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted. Committeeman Hoffman moved that the Ordinance be advertised according to law. Committeewoman Conte seconded the motion and all members voted yes. Mrs. Conte noted that the purchase will not happen if anything comes back negatively from the DEP.

### **Consent Agenda**

With reference to Items 13 A - R it was announced that all matters will be adopted or approved collectively by a single motion and roll-call vote by a majority of the Township Committee. All items on the consent agenda have been made available in advance of the meeting for public inspection and are also available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired on any item, it will be considered separately. Mayor Clayton asked if any member of the Township Committee wished to consider any other item separately. There being no comments, a motion was made by Committeewoman Conte and seconded by Committeeman Foster to

adopt the following Resolutions, and on roll-call, members voted as follows:

Conte	Yea
Hoffman	Yea
Foster	Yea
Newberry	Yea
Clayton	Yea

There being five yeas and no nays, the Mayor declared the following Resolutions adopted:

#09-1201 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL AUTHORIZING THE DISCUSSION OF MATTERS IN A CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO THE STATUTORY EXCLUSIONS OF N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (12/2/09)

#09-1203 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL ENDOSING AN AMENDED HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN AND AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR COURT APPROVAL OF SAME.

#09-1204 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL RENEWING A BYOB LICENSE FOR THE 2010 TERM

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#09-1214 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDED DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT

#09-1215 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION FOR THE PROVISION OF BILLING AND COLLECTION SERVICES IN REFERENCE TO PRIVATIZED AMBULANCE SERVICES UTILIZED BY THE TOWNSHIP

#09-1216 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL SCHEDULING A SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

#09-1217 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL AUTHORIZING CERTAIN TAX REFUNDS

#09-1218 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL AUTHORIZING CERTAIN WATER/SEWER REFUNDS

#09-1219 - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONNEL ACTIONS

#### **End of Consent Agenda**

#### **Audience Participation**

Walt Weaver, First Avenue, asked if the Township receives revenue from the Cablevision Contract. Administrator Verruni said yes, we receive a Municipal Franchise Fee which is permitted by law. Cablevision is required to reimburse us for air rights in the town. Mr. Weaver asked if these charges are passed on to him. Mr. Verruni said they are charged to any place in Wall Township. Cablevision is being taxed like anyone else. We are not allowed to assess value where they run the cable. This is in lieu of assessed value. Mr. Weaver asked where the money goes.

Deputy Mayor Newberry advised that the State collects the fees from the power companies and telephone companies and they call it "State Aid." Mr. Weaver said his bill has gone up \$3 a month and asked why he has to pay this. Mr. Verruni said we charge Verizon and other providers a tax on their equipment in Wall Township. This is similar to that. Committeeman Hoffman added that all business in Wall pays taxes but they don't break it out on their bills. With Cablevision's bill, it is broken out. Mr. Hoffman said all businesses pass it along. Mr. Weaver said he doesn't think this is right and he refused to pay it.

Gary Krakorian, Belmar Boulevard, suggested renaming the Manasquan Circle and asked that we contact New Jersey Natural Gas to donate an eternal flame in memory of 911. Mr. Krakorian also suggested a sign that would say "Wall Business District - Thank you for Shopping in Wall Township."

Mr. Krakorian complimented Mayor Michael Clayton for the things he accomplished such as our lowest tax increase, organization against COAH, Wall Auto Wreckers is moving along, and successfully negotiating pay cuts with most employees in town. Mr. Krakorian said that Mayor Clayton is the nicest person and a gentleman. Mr. Krakorian presented Mayor Clayton with an "honorary Oscar" and thanked him for his service.

Tom Oleszkiewicz, Edgemere Road, asked if the Committee will support Mary Burne for the Sewerage Authority appointment if she takes benefits. Mayor Clayton said the town is looking at this, but we have to contact the other towns in the Authority. A letter will be going out asking them to restrict benefits to new members. Deputy Mayor Newberry said that he is not going to appoint someone just because they are not taking benefits. He would prefer them not, but he wouldn't do that to someone who has ten years' experience. Committeeman Foster and Committeewoman Conte said they would not. Committeeman Hoffman said he supports asking them not to take benefits, but the Township is trying to find out if this is legal. Someone can say they won't take them, and then take them.

Mr. Oleszkiewicz asked if someone did that, would the Committee remove them. Mr. Hoffman said it would be undefendable in a Court of law. Mr. Newberry advised that Chris Christie has made it specific that he would like to enforce not taking benefits. We would rather have it that way because we are not sure the Township could enforce it.

Mr. Oleszkiewicz asked if the appointment could be held until Mr. Christie takes office. Mr. Newberry said the term does not expire until the end of January. Mr. Oleszkiewicz asked that the appointment be held. Mr. Verruni said that we can only tell the candidate that we wish them not to take benefits. We can send a letter to the other Mayors asking them to do the same.

Don Herbert, asked if the Township found out who the owner of the cemetery is. Mr. Verruni said we are looking into it. Mr. Herbert said the flag at the Allenwood center needs to be replaced or removed. Mr. Hoffman said we would get that done. Mr. Herbert asked what a commercial vehicle can bring to the recycling center. Mr. Verruni said everything but bulk or brush. Commercial vehicles will not receive stickers for recycling. Mr. Herbert said that the Allenwood neighborhood is required to provide identification and a tax bill and asked why. Mr. Verruni said if the driver's license doesn't have an address, he needs to show a tax bill. Mr. Hoffman said he would look into fixing this.

Terry Domino, Atlantic Avenue, commended the Committee for taking a proactive stand on a very difficult situation on COAH which was imposed upon us.

Gary Krakorian, Belmar Boulevard, wished everyone a happy holiday.

Committeeman Hoffman advised that he had business cards asking for donations for Wall Day's campaign for fireworks and Wall Day festivities. Mayor Clayton is heading the committee. If anyone wants some they should contact the Mayor or Recreation.

Deputy Mayor Newberry wished Mayor Clayton well and thanked him for his service because this is the last full meeting that he will be attending. Committeeman Foster also said that Mayor Clayton is a gentleman and an inspiration to the Committee. Committeewoman Conte agreed and thanked the Mayor stating that he will be missed.

Mrs. Conte stated that COAH is a very difficult situation and the Township doesn't want this, but needed to do its due diligence. The Committee will continue to do the best to communicate what is going on. Mrs. Conte wished everyone a healthy, happy holiday season.

Deputy Mayor Newberry advised that the Wall Fire Company is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and they will be recognizing this at the fire company at 7 p.m. tomorrow. Mr. Newberry thanked the members of the fire company for volunteering. The company will reenact the first meeting from 100 years ago.

Mayor Clayton thanked everyone and said working with the Committee has been quite an honor.

There being no further comments, Committeeman Foster made a motion to adjourn. Committeeman Hoffman seconded the motion and all members voted yes. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

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**TOWNSHIP CLERK**

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**MAYOR**