

Merchantville, NJ

September 13, 2010

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, September 13, 2010. Mayor Frank M. North 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: Alloway, Brennan, Perno, Brickley, Fields, Clerk Brouse, CFO Moules, Attorney Higgins.

Mayor North remarked that the petition has been returned. Towns must Asked Mr. Higgins to have a resolution prepared to work with Cherry Hill and have a study looked into. Mayor of Cherry Hill has never "Not" returned calls. Communication has been open with Mayors.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 10-11 Salary Ordinance for 2010**

None

**ADOPT ORDINANCE 10-11 Salary Ordinance for 2010-** On a motion of Mr. Brickley and second of Mr. Brennan, Council adopted the following Ordinance:

**10-11  
AN ORDINANCE FOR THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE IN THE  
COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ENTITLED  
"SALARIES & COMPENSATION"**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The maximum annual salaries of the employees of the Borough of Merchantville are hereby established, in accordance with the following schedule for services performed during the year 2010 as of January 1, 2010.

<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>SALARY</u></b>
Tax Clerk (Per Hour)	16.00
Accounts Payable Clerk (Per Hour)	12.00
Tax Assessor	8,709.00
Borough Clerk/Registrar	50,000.00
Neighborhood Preservation Program Director	4,000.00
Coordinator – Neighborhood Preservation Program (Per Hour)	16.00
Planning/Zoning Officer	12,360.00
Code Enforcement Official	12,360.00
Police Chief	96,762.80
Police Secretary	33,282.00
Community Relations Officer	37,407.00
School Traffic Guard (Per Day)	20.00
Meter Attendant (Per Hour)	7.21
Paid Fireman	39,871.00
Fire Official (\$1,800 flat rate plus Pd per Inspection by pay scale)	5,700.00
Fire Inspector (Paid per Inspection per pay scale)	3,800.00
Clerk Typist (Per Hour)	10.00
Prosecutor	10,500.00
Public Defender	10,000.00

Public Works Superintendent	15,336.00
Public Works Manager (Temporary Per Hour)	22.50
Clean Communities Worker (Per Hour)	7.50
Community Center Custodian (Per Month)	25.00
Meeting Cleanup (Per Meeting)	60.00
Parks and Playgrounds Counselor (Per Hour)	Start at \$5.50 and add \$0.25 for each year of service
Magistrate	17,000.00
Municipal Court Administrator	39,634.00
Deputy Court Administrator (Per Hour)	16.70
Violations Clerk (Per Hour)	9.90
Wastewater Collection Operator	3,000.00

**Section 2.** Longevity shall be added to the above salaries in accordance with the following schedule:

**LONGEVITY SCHEDULE FOR FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES HIRED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1994:**

After 5 years through 10 years	2%
After 10 years through 15 years	3%
After 15 years through 20 years	4%
After 20 years through 24 years	5%
After 24 years	6%

Retiring employees will be paid longevity on a prorated basis.

**SECTION 3.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies only.

**SECTION 4.** This ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after publication thereof following final passage, and all salaries and compensation shall be retroactive to January 1, 2010.

**PUBLIC**

**Bonnie Haddon, 129 Maple Terrace,** School choice bill has been signed today.

**Cliff & Pam Matukonis, 501 W. Maple Avenue,** Linden Avenue turning into gravel on street, nothing left to patch. Needs to be repaved. Councilperson Brickley will look at street, try to use DOT funds and may be on engineer list of streets. Locust Street is, looking at intersection. Regarding speed humps, are we adding more? When does 2011 planning begin? Mr. Brickley responded starts at County level and worked its way up to Municipalities usually bid in the spring. Need to send someone to repair.

**ENGINEERS REPORT:** Clean up Locust, submit plans to DOT and recommend going out to bid. Allstate should begin in 2 weeks. Info on website to begin. Fire dept ramp within 2 weeks. Will send report.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** On a motion of Mrs. Fields and second of Mr. Brennan, with Mr. Brickley abstaining, Council approved the regular meeting minutes for 6/14/10 and 7/12/10.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

Mrs. Fields-interviewing for administrative assistant for front office. Planning board, 103 Poplar continue fence, 5 resale, 6 abandon properties, 10 property maintenance, 12 violations abated, 6 cases going to court, 4 applications for new businesses. Ways & Means budget INFO IN October to talk with Dept heads early and try to cut costs. CE meeting Wednesday.

Mr. Brickley track SS contract is being worked on. Public Works super is meeting with Cherry Hill tomorrow, bids should be out soon. County wide disposal took place this weekend to remove bag waste. Watching trees looking for leaf schedule on web site, newsletter & have several dates for collection. Personnel issues-suspensions and hope this will help to solve. Man & rep air issues on trucks.

Mr. Perno reported on CDBG. Community Center/some repairs with NPP funds & CDBG.

Mr. Brennan reported on Public events, Townwide yard sale rain or shine, register at Boro Hall \$15.00, September 25<sup>th</sup>. PE meeting, September 20, 7:00. Fire 28 calls, 14 mutual aid. 5 minute is average response line. Court 15, 166 cases, 300 added, 394 disposed.

Mr. Alloway reported 282 police calls, 222 traffic, 33 criminal, 5 DWI. Operation take back NJ medicine disposal on Sept. 25. 10- 2 pm. Over the limit, August 21 – Sept 6, 5 arrested, 4 other summons. Concrete patch repaired on Browning Road, CPR training completed. Full fire arms training is being worked on. Poplar Ave police activity.

#### **CLERK'S REPORT**

The council meeting scheduled for the second Monday in October will take place on October 18<sup>th</sup> due to the Columbus holiday.

The Tax sale is scheduled for October 14<sup>th</sup>.

The League Conference in Atlantic City will be November 16-19 let me know if you want to attend.

Shade Tree Conference will be October 22 and 23

New OPRA rules have been sent from the State and we will make necessary changes to our ordinance.

Sorry for the passing of Jonathon Page and Don LaJeunesse.

The NJ planning officials program is beginning and would like to know if anyone is interested in attending.

#### **CFO REPORT**

Sewer rate increases were discussed.

The States best practices worksheet was explained and reviewed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Discussion** Merchantville Little League field fence

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION**-On a motion of Mr. Brickley and second of Mr. Alloway, Council approved the introduction of the following Ordinance:

**10-12**  
**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE,  
COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING  
CHAPTER 86, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, OF THE CODE OF  
THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey that Chapter 86, Vehicles and Traffic, of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville, is amended as follows:

**ARTICLE I.**

**ARTICLE IV. SECTION 86-7.3**

**Pedestrian Crosswalks.**

A. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across West Maple Avenue, from the a point commencing 16 feet east of the northeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Morris Street, and ending 24 feet east of the northeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Morris Street, to a point commencing 78 feet east of the southeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Morris Street, ending at a point 86 feet east of the southeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Morris Street.

B. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across South Centre Street, from the a point commencing 28 feet north of the northeast corner of the intersection of South Centre Street and Locust Street, and ending 34 feet north of the northeast corner of the intersection of South Centre Street and Locust, to a point commencing 700 feet south of the southeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and South Centre Street, ending at a point 706 feet south of the southeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and South Centre Street.

C. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across Chapel Avenue, from the northwest corner of the intersection of Chapel Avenue and Victoria Street, to a point commencing 538 feet south of the southeast corner of the intersection of Chapel Avenue and West Maple Avenue, ending at a point 546 feet south of the southeast corner of the intersection of Chapel Avenue and West Maple Avenue.

D. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across Chapel Avenue, from the southwest corner of the intersection of Chapel Avenue and Victoria Street, to a point commencing 166 feet north of the northwest corner of the intersection of Chapel Avenue and Russell Avenue, ending at a point 174 feet north of the northwest corner of the intersection of Chapel Avenue and Russell Avenue.

E. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across Browning Road, from the a point commencing 760 south of the southwest corner of the intersection of Browning Road and West Maple Avenue, ending at a point 768 feet south of the southwest corner of the intersection of Browning Road and West Maple Avenue, to a point commencing 174 feet north of the northeast corner of the intersection of Browning Road and Volan Street, ending at a point 182 feet north of the northeast corner of the intersection of Browning Road and Volan Street.

F. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across Browning Road, from the a point commencing 160 south of the southeast corner of the intersection of Browning Road and West Maple Avenue, ending at a point 168 feet south of the southeast corner of the intersection of Browning Road and West Maple Avenue, from the a point commencing 300 south of the southwest corner of the intersection of Browning Road and West Maple Avenue, ending at a point 308 feet south of the southwest corner of the intersection of Browning Road and West Maple Avenue

G. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across West Maple Avenue, from the southeast corner of the intersection of Chapel Avenue and West Maple Avenue, to a point commencing 130 feet west of the northwest corner of the intersection of Alexander Avenue and West Maple Avenue, ending at a point 138 feet west of the northwest corner of the intersection of Alexander Avenue and West Maple Avenue.

H. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across West Maple Avenue, from the southwest corner of the intersection of Chapel Avenue and West Maple Avenue, to a point commencing 576 feet east of the northeast corner of the intersection of Morris Street and West Maple Avenue, ending at a point 584 feet east of the northeast corner of the intersection of Morris Street and West Maple Avenue.

I. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across West Maple Avenue, commencing from a point 312 feet east of the northeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Morris Street, ending at a point 320 feet east of the northeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Morris Street, from a point 344 feet east of the southeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Morris Street, ending at a point 352 feet east of the northeast corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Morris Street.

J. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across West Maple Avenue, commencing from a point \_\_\_\_\_ feet west of the southwest corner of the intersection of West

Maple Avenue and South Centre Street, ending at a point \_\_\_\_\_ feet west of the southwest corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and South Centre Street, from a point \_\_\_\_\_ feet west of the northwest corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and South Centre Street, ending at a point \_\_\_\_\_ feet west of the northwest corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and South Centre Street.

K. A mid-block crosswalk is hereby established across West Maple Avenue, commencing from a point 334 feet west of the southwest corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Linden Avenue, ending at a point 342 feet west of the southwest corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Linden Avenue, from a point 178 west of the northwest corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Linden Avenue, ending at a point 186 feet west of the northwest corner of the intersection of West Maple Avenue and Linden Avenue.

L. Any crosswalk markings shall be installed in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways, and any signs used to affect the above-designated crosswalks shall be authorized by the County of Camden and/or New Jersey Department of Transportation.

M. This section shall take effect upon approval by the County of Camden and/or the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Transportation, its agents, servants and/or employees.

**N. ARTICLE II. ARTICLE IX. SECTION 86-26 Stop intersections.**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 86-6, the following described intersections are added to the list of intersections designated as stop intersections:

<b>At Intersection of</b>	<b>Stop Sign On</b>
Greenleigh Court and Somerset Street	Somerset Street
Westminster Avenue and Somerset Street	Somerset Street

**ARTICLE III.**

All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

**ARTICLE IV.**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

**Discussion Rent of Public Property-**Mayor stated some time may pass before redevelopment may begin and would like to rent out properties month to month and PNC was supposed to have a brew pub, only can have a license if Merchantville owns building, consensus license \$2,500 per year. Brew pub was going to pay Merchantville rent. Would like to sell or lease. Mr. Brickley is against renting properties. Would like to have redeveloper knock down building. PNC lease is an option at this market. We should not rent properties on Park Avenue. All for renting PNC building. Mr. Perno asked will we solicit for RFP or go out to Public Auction. Would be in favor if going through RFP process. Concern with lease of Park Avenue properties. Could be obligated to do repairs would rather have developer move ahead. Mr. Alloway agrees with getting developer involved. Mr. Brennan asked about liability issue. Mrs. Fields agrees with RFP for PNC, agree with developer, liability is a concern. Meeting with developer this week. Still can have use of EMS building?

**Discussion-174 Prospect Avenue RFP-**owner is giving Borough the property, free & clear of judgments, etc. House is not in great shape and we should set up RFP. Mr. Perno, Mrs. Fields and Mr. Higgins will work together to make this project move forward. DO NOT ENTER sign on building. Confirm that we can go to the \$ sale in a day due to its safety. Have RFP ready to go even before we take title.

**Approval of street closing 9/25/10 St. James Avenue block party-**On a motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Alloway, Council approved the closing of St. James Avenue for a block party on 9/25/10.

**Approval-Use of Wellwood Park on 10/3/10 for benefit concert-** On a motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Brennan, Council approved the use of Wellwood Park for a benefit concert on 10/3/10.

**Resolution to be read by consent agenda:** On a motion of Mr. Brickley and second of Mr. Perno, Council approved the following resolutions to be read consent agenda:

#### **R10-91**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY YEAR 32 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, A cooperative agreement was heretofore entered into between the Borough of Merchantville and the County of Camden for the establishment of a cooperative means of conducting certain community development activities ; and

**WHEREAS**, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act (N.J.S.A. 40A: 40A:65-4 et seq.) permits local units such as counties and municipalities to enter into agreements for the provision of joint services; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has achieved "Urban County" status in accordance with the requirements set forth in Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended and the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has entered into a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act, as amended, for an Entitlement Grant; and

**WHEREAS**, this Grant is administered for the County by the Count's Community Development Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Merchantville has proposed certain activities to be carried out under the 32<sup>nd</sup> Year Program: and

**WHEREAS**, the County has approved funding for eligible project(s) of the Borough of Merchantville from said grant and desires the Borough of Merchantville to undertake said project (s)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body, that the Year 32 Municipality CDBG Grant Agreement be adopted between the Borough of Merchantville and the County of Camden, a copy of the Agreement which is attached thereof; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its enactment as provided by law.

#### **R10-92**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG ALLIANCE**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Camden;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of an application for the Merchantville Municipal Alliance grant for calendar year 2011 in the amount of \$8,713.00.

2. The Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

#### **R10-93**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR CAMDEN COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND MEMBERSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Merchantville is a member of the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, said renewed membership terminates as of December 31, 2010 unless earlier renewed by agreement between the Municipality and the Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality desires to renew said membership;

**NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:**

1. The Borough of Merchantville agrees to renew its membership in the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and to be subject to the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, coverage's and operating procedures thereof as presently existing or as modified from time by lawful act of the Fund.
2. The Mayor and Clerk shall be and hereby are authorized to execute the agreement to renew membership annexed hereto and made a part hereof and to deliver same to the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund evidencing the Municipality's intention to renew its membership.

#### **R10-94**

### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD CONTRACTS WITH OFFICE BASICS, W.B. MASON, PAPER MART, QUILL AND RIS PAPER COMPANY FOR PRICE ONLY CONTRACTS FOR BID A-23, COPY AND COMPUTER PAPER AND ENVELOPES UNDER THE CAMDEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM, SYSTEM IDENTIFIER #57-CCCPS**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Camden, as the Lead Agency for the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, System Identifier #57-CCCPS (Cooperative), received and opened bids at its Division of Purchasing on July 9, 2010 at 11:00 AM, Prevailing Time, for Bid A-23, Copy and Computer Paper and Envelopes for various Camden County Departments and municipalities under The Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, System Identifier #57-CCCPS, the receipt of which bids were duly advertised in accordance with law; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Board of Chosen Freeholders to award contracts to

responsible bidders, for items listed herein for the needs of the County of Camden and other Cooperative Purchasing Members; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville to award contracts, for the items listed herein for the needs of the Borough of Merchantville; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for this purpose for the Borough of Merchantville shall not exceed the maximum line items for office supplies in the Borough's 2010 permanent budget and shall be encumbered prior to incurring the obligation pursuant to NJAC 5:30-5.5(b)(2); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that, contingent upon funding as described herein, the aforementioned Bid A-23, be and is hereby awarded to Office Basics, W. B Mason, Quill, RIS Paper and Paper Mart for Bid A-23, Copy and Computer Paper and Envelopes for term ; and

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

On the motion of Mrs. Fields and second of Mr. Brennan, Council approved the following bills for payment:

**R10-95  
RESOLUTION**

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

<b>Borough of Merchantville Current Fund</b>	<b>Bill List Summary</b>	<b>September 13, 2010 Revenue fund</b>	
<b>Checks Current Fund</b>	2010 Budget		\$79,008.99
	2009 Budget		
	Payroll		
	State / Federal Grants		\$15,900.00
	Checks Delivered Grants		\$990.00
	Debt Service		
	Board of Education		
	Revenue Current	\$2,488.55	
	Checks Delivered		\$17,569.92
		Total Current	\$2,488.55
<b>Sewer Utility Fund</b>	2010 Budget		\$8,825.80
	Payroll		
	Debt Service		
	Checks Delivered		
	Total Sewer		\$8,825.80
<b>Recreation Commission</b>	2010 Budget		
	Payroll		
	Revenue Rec	\$900.00	
	Checks Delivered		

Total Recreation		\$900.00
<b>General Capital Fund</b>	2010 Budget	\$16,222.98
<b>Sewer Capital Fund</b>	2010 Budget	
	Payroll	
	Checks Delivered	\$184.66
Total Capital		\$16,407.64
<b>Trust-Other Fund</b>	2010 Budget	\$3,762.96
	Payroll	
	Checks Delivered	\$4,984.55
Total Trust		\$8,747.51
<b>Animal Trust</b>	2010 Budget	\$16.80
<b>Unemployment</b>	2010 Budget	
	Checks Delivered	
Total		\$16.80
Total Bill list	Revenue \$ 3,388.55	Budget \$147,466.66

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Brickley the meeting was adjourned at            PM.

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DENISE BROUSE  
BOROUGH CLERK