

**MINUTES OF
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
WORKSESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 28, 2011**

A Combined Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m. by Council Vice President Karabinchak, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Councilmembers Gomez, Karabinchak, Lankey, Mascola, Perilstein, and Prasad.
Councilmember Diehl was absent.

Also present were Township Clerk Murphy, Deputy Township Clerk Kenny, Township Attorney Kemm, Business Administrator Ruane, Acting Finance Director Pollex, Township Engineer Medina, Health Director Elliott, Recreation Director Halliwell, Police Captain Pemberton, Deputy Fire Chief Latham and Cameraman Cologna.

The Township Clerk advised that adequate notice of this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, has been provided by an Annual Notice sent to The Home News Tribune, The Star Ledger and the Sentinel on January 6, 2011, and posted in the Main Lobby of the Municipal Complex on the same date.

4. REVIEW OF MINUTES

a. through d. No comments.

5. REPORTS FROM ALL COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Councilmember Mascola said last week he attended a meeting with the Library Board, the Administration and the Finance Committee regarding the \$300,000 funding cut. The Finance Committee and the Administration worked together and came up with a way in next years 2012 budget to continue the Library at last year's level so the actual closing of the library should not happen. This is a way to keep the library going for another year. They will work after the budget with the continuation of the funding.

Council Vice President Karabinchak thanked everyone for getting together and working this out.

6. POINTS OF LIGHT:

None

7. FROM THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

a. Councilmember Gomez asked when the actual payment will go out.

Ms. Ruane said it is on this bill list for approval tonight and it will go out this week.

b. through d. No comments were made.

8. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE:

a. through e. No comments were made.

9. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH:

a. through d. No comments were made.

10. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENGINEERING:

a. No comment was made.

11. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION:

a. No comment was made.

12. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

a. through f. No comments were made.

g. Councilmember Perilstein asked if there was an update on Conrail.

Mr. Medina said there will be a meeting with Conrail the second week in January.

Council Vice President Karabinchak asked for the date of this meeting.

13. FROM THE CHIEF OF FIRE:

a. No comment was made.

14. FROM THE TOWNSHIP CLERK:

a. No comment was made.

15. FROM THE COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD:

Council Vice President Karabinchak explained the two cases heard on December 19th.

**16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
ORDINANCES FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND PUBLIC HEARING:**

- O.1783-2011 No comment was made.
- O.1787-2011 No comment was made.
- O.1788-2011 No comment was made.
- O.1789-2011 No comment was made.

17. COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. through c. No comments.

Councilmember Mascola added a communication from the Library Board.

18. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Council President Diehl:

Council President Diehl was absent.

Councilmember Gomez:

None

Councilmember Karabinchak:

- a. Councilmember Karabinchak said there are major challenges next year in the budgetary process and this is going to affect everyone who lives in New Jersey. It will take work from the Council, Administration and our Legislators. We have been discussing this for the last two years. We have to find new sources of revenues next year.
- b. through e. No comments were made.

Councilmember Lankey:

- a. Councilmember Lankey spoke about the health benefits.

Ms. Ruane said she received some changes to the RFP from Council Vice President Karabinchak but no one else as yet. She asked if she should send it out with the changes.

Council Vice President Karabinchak said this is for the insurance broker.

Councilmember Lankey said this was discussed verbally.

Council Vice President Karabinchak asked if the RFP is for different health carriers.

Ms. Ruane said the consultant went out and solicited quotes.

Council Vice President Karabinchak asked her to share the bids with the Council.

Councilmember Mascola:

None

Councilmember Perilstein:

- a. Councilmember Perilstein asked about the budget and Ms. Ruane explained.
- b. Councilmember Perilstein thanked the Administration for having Mr. Yoskin come in and discuss the landfill.

Ms. Ruane said they will have a meeting every six weeks.

Councilmember Perilstein asked who will be representing the Council on this.

Councilmember Mascola offered to be the liaison.

Councilmember Prasad:

- a. Councilmember Dr. Prasad asked when we anticipate picking up all the branches.

Ms. Ruane said she does not have a date when this will be completed.

Councilmember Dr. Prasad was concerned with what is happening on the smaller streets because the main thoroughfares are not being cleaned. He was also concerned with people in wheelchairs that cannot go around the branches that are on the sidewalk.

19. CLOSED SESSION:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Gomez and duly carried, the Minutes of the Combined Meetings of November 9 and 21, 2011 and Closed Session Meetings of December 8 and 12, 2011 were accepted as submitted.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Council Vice President Karabinchak said Council President Diehl is not present tonight.

RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

Councilmember Lankey made a motion to add Resolution R.895-122011, seconded by Councilmember Gomez, with all in favor.

Councilmember Perilstein abstained.

The following Resolution of Recognition was read in its entirety:

RESOLUTION R.895-122011

WHEREAS, a desire for good government and to do what is right to improve the lives of Edison Township residents has been the trademark of Councilmember Melissa Perilstein's four year career on the Edison Township Council; and

WHEREAS, Melissa Perilstein, mother of Garret and Jillian and wife to Neil Perilstein, is a resident of Edison's Oak Hill section of town. She was the founding member of the Edison Township Education Foundation and a member of the Menlo Park PTA. She managed a Fortune 500 Company early in her career; and

WHEREAS, Melissa was called into public service in 2007 being elected to the Township Council. Over the past four years, she has diligently, faithfully and with complete love and devotion to her duties acted to the best of her abilities, so as to improve this Township and the lives of the people she was elected to service.

WHEREAS, the record of service and achievement is a mere tip of the iceberg, underscoring Melissa's true love and enjoyment of working on behalf of the people of Edison, and doing her best everyday to make Edison a better place to live and work

WHEREAS, Councilmember Perilstein's accomplishments and dedication to this Council and her official duties have been exemplary and she has truly made a difference for the Township of Edison that cannot be properly expressed by mere resolution; and

WHEREAS, as Councilmember Perilstein now leaves the Council, she will be remembered for her selfless efforts, volunteerism, charitable acts and many good deeds to the benefit of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council, Township of Edison, Middlesex County, New Jersey that it is fitting and proper for this Council to honor and commend Melissa Perilstein for her excellent work and achievements as a member of this Council and thank her family for allowing her to selflessly and honorably serve Edison Township.

Council Vice President Karabinchak opened the meeting for public comment on Resolution of Recognition R.895-122011.

Esther Nemitz, 162B Fay Street, said she cannot say how much she appreciates the service Councilmember Perilstein has given Edison. She is an outstanding Councilmember and we will miss having a woman on the Council. She appreciates the environmental efforts that Councilmember Perilstein made in the Township and she hoped someone will pick this up in her place. She said environmental issues are not easy and they usually contain controversy.

Jane Tousman, 14 Butler Road, said she also appreciated all Councilmember Perilstein's efforts on behalf of the environment and she will miss her.

Burton Gimelstob, 6 Churchill Road, said Councilmember Perilstein is everything he thought the Mayor would be. She listens to the public and she doesn't hold a grudge if you disagree with her.

Hearing no further comments, the public hearing was closed on a motion made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Mascola and duly carried.

Councilmember Lankey said he was not quite sure what to expect when he was elected but the experience has been tremendous and he appreciates everything Councilmember Perilstein did. She was his conscience many times and made him a better Council person.

Councilmember Gomez said this was his first year on the Council and he is glad he worked with her and witnessed her passion and dedication. He is honored to have had the opportunity to sit with her on the Council.

Council Vice President Karabinchak said they have gone back many years and had some good debates on many issues. Her best attribute is that she has no fear of sticking to her point and listening and changing her position. This is what makes a good person and a good politician. Sitting with her has been a good experience. She is always honest and up front and he is honored to work with her and call her a friend. He will miss her. She still has a lot to contribute and he thanked her for all her hard work and efforts and thousands of hours of service.

A motion was made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Prasad, to adopt Resolution of Recognition R.895-122011:

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Lankey, Mascola, Perilstein, Prasad, and Council Vice President Karabinchak

NAYS - None

Council President Diehl was absent.

This Resolution was presented by Councilmember Mascola and Prasad.

Councilmember Mascola presented her with a plaque of the Resolution and thanked her for her work during the last five years. He said they did not know each other until they got involved in politics. He said she is always true to her word.

Councilmember Dr. Prasad said she shone through every adversity and succeeded. He wished her the best of luck and hoped to see her involved for many years.

Councilmember Perilstein said she considers herself an elected official and not a politician. She thanked everyone for their kind words and said these four years went by fast. She thanked her family who has given her support. She thanked former Mayor Jun Choi and said this has been an incredible personal journey. She said Councilmembers Mascola, Dr. Prasad and herself have been through a lot together. They had a challenging first year and without them and their friendship she would not have gotten through. She said it should be about trying to make things better for the Township and not about personal goals and desires. Leadership isn't always about pleasing everyone. It's about a path that needs to be followed for the future. She wished the newest member of the Council, Michael Lombardi, all the best and said he will be working with a great group of people. She said they have weathered many challenges by doing this together and she valued the time she had with each Councilmember. She said she could not have done this without the support of friends and the community at large. She highlighted Dora Ramos with CARE and Jackie Goedesky with Hands of Hope. She also recognized Walter Stochel who has dedicated his life to preserving Open Space and the Takash's for their help with the Environmental Commission. She said they are the real heroes. She said she also owes a debt of gratitude to the Clerk's office. She said hats off to everyone who works for the Township particularly the Directors who adapt to the ever changing priorities and needs. She said the times are changing and everyone needs to embrace change. There will be a lot of challenges and it's easy to blame the Council. She thanked the people who regularly attend the Council meetings for their voice and influence.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCES FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND PUBLIC HEARING

The following Ordinance, which was introduced by Title on November 9, 2011, passed on first reading, published according to law for further consideration at the meeting of November 21, 2011 at which time it was tabled and later amended at the meeting of December 14, 2011, was read by the Township Clerk:

O.1783-2011 REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF AMOUNTS OWING TO OTHERS FOR TAXES LEVIED IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$5,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF

(The above Ordinance O.1783-2011 can be found in its entirety in Ordinance Book #25.)

Council Vice President Karabinchak declared the Public Hearing opened for O.1783-2011.

Hearing no comments, on a motion made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Mascola and duly carried, this Public Hearing was closed.

On a motion made by Councilmember Mascola, seconded by Councilmember Lankey, the Ordinance was adopted.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Lankey, Mascola, Perilstein, Prasad, and Council Vice President Karabinchak

NAYS - None

Council President Diehl was absent.

The following Ordinance, which was introduced by Title on November 21, 2011, passed on first reading, published according to law for further consideration at this meeting, was read by the Township Clerk:

O.1787-2011 AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF PROPERTIES ALONG PLAINFIELD AVENUE AND ROUTE ONE AS RECOMMENDED IN THE MASTER PLAN REVIEW

Council Vice President Karabinchak declared the Public Hearing opened for O.1787-2011.

Hearing no comments, on a motion made by Councilmember Mascola, seconded by Councilmember Perilstein and duly carried, this Public Hearing was closed.

On a motion made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Mascola, the Ordinance was adopted.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Lankey, Mascola, Perilstein, Prasad, and Council Vice President Karabinchak

NAYS - None

Council President Diehl was absent.

The following Ordinances, which were introduced by Title on December 14, 2011, passed on first reading, published according to law for further consideration at this meeting, were read by the Township Clerk:

O.1788-2011 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A CROSS ACCESS EASEMENT LOCATED AT 1031-1043 AMBOY AVENUE FROM AMBOY AVENUE INVESTMENT, LLC

(The above Ordinance O.1788-2011 can be found in its entirety in Ordinance Book #25.)

Council Vice President Karabinchak declared the Public Hearing opened for O.1788-2011.

Hearing no comments, on a motion made by Councilmember Perilstein, seconded by Councilmember Prasad and duly carried, this Public Hearing was closed.

On a motion made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Gomez, the Ordinance was adopted.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Lankey, Mascola, Perilstein, Prasad, and Council Vice President Karabinchak

NAYS - None

Council President Diehl was absent.

O.1789-2011 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON REGARDING THE SERGEANTS LIST

(The above Ordinance O.1789-2011 can be found in its entirety in Ordinance Book #25.)

Council Vice President Diehl declared the Public Hearing opened for O.1789-2011.

Jane Tousman, 14 Butler Road, asked for an explanation.

Councilmember Lankey said the promotion list for Police Sergeant is two years old and will expire. This is an Ordinance to extend this list.

Burton Gimelstob, 6 Churchill Road, asked if this is not voted on, will the list expire.

Council Vice President Karabinchak said it will.

Mr. Gimelstob asked if the Mayor can extend the list.

Mr. Kemm said no but she can veto the Ordinance.

Mr. Gimelstob felt the Council is doing the right thing. He said people took a test with the anticipation of being promoted. He asked if the Mayor discussed vetoing this.

Mr. Kemm said she has not discussed this with him.

Sal Della Fave, President of Edison PBA 75, said he sent the Council an email about this last week. The PBA is against extending the list for two years. He felt maybe ten individuals would benefit from this. The others are preparing for a new test. He felt it unfair to the vast majority and will only benefit a small minority. He urged that the test be given immediately. He estimated the test would cost approximately \$10,000 to be given again and the rest of the process could be done while employees are working. The union will not object to a smaller duration such as extending the list for six months. He suggested getting something together that is more merit based as Police promotions are always a volatile issue. The last few generated lawsuits.

Jeff Diacunzak, Police Officer of nineteen years, State delegate, spoke on behalf of PBA Local 75. He said the test was administered and the list created two years ago. He said the Ordinance states that the list will be in force for two years. Every Officer who participated knew the list was good for two years. He felt making this a four year list is unacceptable. He said eighty five members will have to wait for another two more years and this will affect morale. He suggested meeting to resolve this matter before more lawsuits occur. He is in favor of promotions and felt we still have time to promote.

Hearing no further comments, on a motion made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Prasad and duly carried, this Public Hearing was closed.

Council Vice President Karabinchak said he read the letter from the PBA and it had a lot of good points. He thought extending the list was an issue that came up in the last two weeks. He felt we need to change the process to make it fairer for everyone. If the Ordinance is adopted today and if the Mayor vetos it, the Council has the next step to allow the veto to stand or override it. He recommends that the Public Safety committee meet with the PBA to have all promotions looked at.

On a motion made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Mascola, the Ordinance was adopted.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Lankey, Mascola, Perilstein, and Council Vice President Karabinchak

NAYS - Councilmember Prasad
Council President Diehl was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AS TO PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

Council Vice President Karabinchak opened the meeting to the public for comments on Proposed Resolutions R.896-122011 through R.918-122011.

Jane Tousman, 14 Butler Road, said she is glad to see the Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds. She spoke about the Green team, but would like to see more protection of wetlands. She also spoke about contaminated sites.

Esther Nemitz, 162B Fay Street, spoke on Resolution R.918-122011. She said she supports everything Ms. Tousman said. We need to have more passion for the Green Team and Environmental Commission. She felt we need to have a Council subcommittee to look at a range of issues and stop nitpicking.

Council Vice President Karabinchak asked if the Green Team works with the Open Space committee.

Ms. Nemitz said no and we need to have coordination on these items. One of the most effective things was the information appended to the Master Plan to look at environmental issues in Edison.

Burton Gimelstob, 6 Churchill Road, questioned Resolution R.907-122011.

Ms. Ruane said she has been forthcoming with the Council that another one will be coming. This is the last projection of numbers.

There were no other comments from the public regarding Proposed Resolutions. On a motion made by Councilmember Lankey, seconded by Councilmember Prasad and duly carried, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Lankey requested that Resolution R.896-122011 be pulled for separate vote.

The following Resolutions R.897-122011 through R.918-122011 were adopted under the Consent Agenda on a motion made by Councilmember Mascola and seconded by Councilmember Perilstein.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Lankey, Mascola, Perilstein, Prasad, and Council Vice President Karabinchak

NAYS - None
Council President Diehl was absent.

RESOLUTION R.897-122011

EXPLANATION: This resolution provides for Township Acceptance of the constructed improvements under Contract No. 10-31-01: Roxy Avenue Resurfacing, from New Dover Road to Inman Avenue, and this resolution also authorizes FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENT in an amount not to exceed \$15,258.25 to Z Brothers Concrete Contractors, Inc., for a total construction contract as-built cost of \$314,753.24.

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison received a FY 2009 Municipal Aid allotment from the NJDOT Bureau of Local Aid in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for a construction contract for the Resurfacing of Roxy Avenue, from New Dover Road to Inman Avenue, Township of Edison, Middlesex County, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Z Brothers Concrete Contractors, Inc., 304 Jernee Mill Road, Sayreville, NJ 08872 (phone # 732-257-8087) was awarded a construction contract through resolution R.712-112010 dated November 22, 2010 in a contract amount not to exceed \$379,445.73 for the Resurfacing of Roxy Avenue, from New Dover Road to Inman Avenue; and

WHEREAS, upon tabulation and review of as-built construction quantities, it has been determined by the Township Engineer that there is a net reduction of \$64,692.49 in the final construction costs resulting in a revised and final total construction contract amount not to exceed \$314,753.24; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has reviewed the project and certifies the construction work has been completed, and states that a two-year (2-year) maintenance bond, effective from September 15, 2011, in an amount equivalent to 100% of the final as-built construction costs of \$314,753.24 for the project has been received by the Township of Edison, and the Township Engineer therefore recommends project acceptance, release of the performance bond, and that final payment, including retainage, be made to Z Brothers Concrete Contractors, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$15,258.25 for a total construction contract as-built cost of \$314,753.24, which is \$64,692.49 below the original bid amount.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, Middlesex County, New Jersey that the project under Contract No. 10-31-01: Roxy Avenue Resurfacing, from New Dover Road to Inman Avenue, is deemed accepted by the Township of Edison, subject to the provisions of the maintenance bond and the NJDOT Bureau of Local Aid, and that the performance bond shall be released, and that final payment, including retainage, shall be made to Z Brothers Concrete Contractors, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$15,258.25 for a total construction contract as-built cost of \$314,753.24, and that the remaining contract balance of \$64,692.49 is deducted from the contract and is to be unencumbered after final payment is made, and said unexpended contract amount shall be restored to the appropriate Township account.

RESOLUTION R.898-122011

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REIMBURSEMENT OF FEES TO CRAIG SELIGMAN FOR DUPLICATE PAYMENT OF TEMPORARY RETAIL FOOD LICENSE FEES

WHEREAS, Craig Seligman, made an online application for a Temporary Retail Food License along with payment in the amount of \$100.00; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Seligman had already applied and paid the required fee for Temporary Retail Food License #120410;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, that the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Edison shall refund the amount of \$100.00 to Craig Seligman 8112 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209 which represents the amount of overpayment for Temporary Retail Food License.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount not to exceed \$100.00 are available for the above refund in Account No. 1-01-55-0291-000-000.

/s/ Lawrence Pollex
Acting Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.899-122011

EXPLANATION: This Resolution authorizes the Mayor and the Township Clerk to execute an Interlocal Service Agreement with the Township of Scotch Plains

WHEREAS, The Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8-1 et seq. authorizes municipal local units to enter into contracts with one another for the purpose of providing shared services; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Scotch Plains is desirous of procuring Animal Control Shelter Services for the period of January 1, 2012 through December, 31 2014 inclusive, to comply with the laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Edison is desirous of supplying and undertaking the duties of Animal Control Shelter Services and fulfilling the obligations thereof as prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Scotch Plains represents that the funds to meet the costs of this contract are included in the current budget of appropriations, or in the alternative, that there has been and there will continue to be an Ordinance authorizing the appropriation sufficient to meet the costs of carrying out the provisions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, Middlesex County, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the attached interlocal service agreement with the Township of Scotch Plains for the purpose of providing Animal Control Services to said Borough.
2. The Township Clerk is directed to forward and execute interlocal service agreement to the Township of Scotch Plains Clerk, at 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076, with the instructions to return a fully signed copy to the Township for its records.

RESOLUTION R.900-122011

WHEREAS, the Borough of Metuchen is desirous of procuring Animal Control Shelter Services for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014 to comply with the laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison is desirous of supplying and undertaking the duties of Animal Control Shelter Services and fulfilling the obligations thereof as prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Metuchen represents that the funds to meet the costs of this contract are included in the current budget of appropriations , or in the alternative, that there has been and there will continue to be an Ordinance authorizing the appropriation sufficient to meet the costs of carrying out the provisions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison that the Mayor and the Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into an Animal Control Agreement between the Township of Edison and the Borough of Metuchen.

RESOLUTION R.901-122011

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8-1 et seq. authorizes municipal local units to enter into contracts with one another for the purpose of providing shared services; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (“Piscataway”) is desirous of procuring Animal Control Shelter Services for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014 to comply with the laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison (“Edison”) is desirous of supplying and undertaking the duties of Animal Control Shelter Services and fulfilling the obligations thereof as prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway represents that the funds to meet the costs of this contract are included in the current budget of appropriations, or in the alternative, that there has been and there will continue to be an Ordinance authorizing the appropriation sufficient to meet the costs of carrying out the provisions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, Middlesex County, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the attached interlocal service agreement with Piscataway for the purpose of providing Animal Control Services to Piscataway.
2. The Township Clerk is directed to forward the executed interlocal service agreement to the Piscataway Township Clerk at 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey 08854 with instructions to return a fully signed copy to Edison for its records.

RESOLUTION R.902-122011

WHEREAS, at various sales of land for delinquent taxes held by the Edison Township Collector of Taxes, Middlesex County, New Jersey, the attached listing of tax sale certificates were sold; and

WHEREAS, the said tax sale certificates have been redeemed thereof, and the purchasers of said property are legally entitled to a refund of monies paid at the time of redemption.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to draw checks to the noted parties in the amounts specified on the attached listing, totaling \$528,335.61.

RESOLUTION R.903-122011

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REIMBURSEMENT TO
RUTHE GEARDINO FOR THE RENTAL OF YELENCISCS PARK**

WHEREAS Ruthe Geardino made an overpayment in the amount of \$150.00 for the rental of Yelenciscs Park; and

NOW; THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, that the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Edison shall refund the amount of \$150.00 to Ruthe Geardino, 153 Fifth Street., Edison, NJ 08837, which amount represents the amount of the overpayment.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of \$150.00 are available in Account #1-01-55-0291-000-000.

/s/ Larry Pollex
Acting Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.904-122011**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE 2009 AND 2010 LOSAP PAYMENT TO AIG VALIC C/O CHASE BANK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$167,000.00**

WHEREAS, On June 26, 2002, the Edison Township Municipal Council adopted Resolution R.376-062002 which implemented the Township's Length of Service Award "LOSAP" program; and

WHEREAS, this program was created to ensure retention of existing volunteers and to provide incentives for recruiting new volunteer firefighter and first aid/rescue squad members; and

WHEREAS, the original resolution contributed yearly five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per eligible member to a deferred income account and Ordinance O.1576-2007 increased this contribution to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00); and

WHEREAS, for the 2009 contribution, there are forty four (44) eligible First Aid Squad members and thirty eight (38) eligible Volunteer Fire Company members at one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) each for a total amount of eighty two thousand dollars (\$82,000.00); and

WHEREAS, for the 2010 contribution, there are forty seven (47) eligible First Aid Squad members and thirty eight (38) eligible Volunteer Fire Company members at one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) each for a total amount of eighty five thousand dollars (\$85,000.00).

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, Middlesex County, New Jersey that the proper Township officials shall make the 2009 and 2010 LOSAP payment to AIG VALIC C/O CHASE BANK PO BOX 200777, HOUSTON, TX 77216 in the total amount of \$167,000.00.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of \$99,000.00 are available for the above payment in Account No. 0-01-24-0230-000-028 and funds in the amount of \$68,000.00 are available in account number 1-01-24-0230-000-028.

/s/ Lawrence Pollex
Acting Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.905-122011**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON'S DEBT SERVICE FOR THE YEAR 2012**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-4 imposes an unlimited obligation upon municipalities to pay the debt service on its incurred debt obligations without limitation as to debt or amount; and

WHEREAS, the following amounts are now known to be due and scheduled for payment during calendar year 2012, pending adoption of the final budget:

Payment of Bond Principal	\$2,500,000.00
Payment of Bond Notes and Interest	\$2,500,000.00
Green Trust Loan Program, Principal and Interest	\$ 200,000.00
MCIA Capital Lease Payments, Principal & Interest	\$ 500,000.00
NJEIT Loan, Principal and Interest	\$ <u>150,000.00</u>
TOTAL MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE AUTHORIZED	\$5,850,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Edison in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey that the foregoing "Debt Service Authorizations" are hereby approved and shall be paid as they become due during the year, pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:2-4; and they shall be amended as required in the permanent municipal budget when adopted.

RESOLUTION R.906-122011

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 2011 SOLID WASTE COLLECTION DISTRICT FUND BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59 authorizes the transfer of funds during the last two months of a fiscal year and during the first three months of the subsequent fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, certain calendar year 2011 appropriations as budgeted are insufficient to meet the needs for which those appropriations were originally established while certain other appropriations appear to have surplus balances not currently needed to pay claims for which they were budgeted; and

WHEREAS, the following details explain the accounts to which funds need to be transferred and the accounts from which funds will be transferred from to insure that adequate appropriation balances exist where needed to pay approved claims against the Township;

<u>FROM:</u>		<u>TO:</u>	
Operating S&W, Regular		Operating Supplies General	
1-09-55-0800-001-101	\$150,000.00	1-09-55-0800-001-210	<u>\$225,000.00</u>
Capital Outlay			
1-09-55-0880-000-600	<u>\$ 75,000.00</u>		
TOTAL	\$225,000.00	TOTAL	\$225,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, THAT the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to transfer funds as indicated on the annexed spread sheet from those designated appropriations having apparent surplus balances to those designated appropriations having apparent insufficient balances to insure that adequate appropriation balances exist where needed.

RESOLUTION R.907-122011

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 2011 CURRENT FUND BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 40A:4-59

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59 authorizing the transfer of funds during the last two months of a fiscal year and during the first three months of the subsequent fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, certain calendar year 2011 appropriations as budgeted are insufficient to meet the needs for which those appropriations were originally established while certain other appropriations appear to have surplus balance not currently needed to pay claims for which they were budgeted; and

WHEREAS, the annexed spread sheets detail the accounts to which funds need to be transferred and the accounts from which funds will be transferred from the insure that adequate appropriation balances exist where needed to pay approved claims against the Township;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, THAT the proper Township Officials are hereby authorized to transfer funds as indicated on the annexed spread sheet from those designated appropriations having apparent surplus balances to those designated appropriations having apparent insufficient balances to insure that adequate appropriation balances exist where needed.

FROM: OTHER EXPENSES			
			FROM:
Purchasing 20-0100-003-026		\$	10,000.00
Tax Assessing 20-0150-000-026		\$	5,000.00
Health 27-0330-001-028		\$	5,000.01
Recreation 28-0370-000-066		\$	10,000.00
Communications/911 25-0250-000-026		\$	10,000.00
Parks 28-0375-000-030		\$	5,000.00
Personnel/HR 20-0105-000-059		\$	10,000.00
Pub. Bldgs.; Ht,Lt.&Pwr 31-0430-000-071		\$	18,070.00
	TOTAL	\$	219,370.01
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RESOLUTION R.908-122011

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARING CONTRACT TO FOLEY INCORPORATED FOR TRUCK TRANSMISSION REPAIR

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on November 10, 2011 for Public Bid No. 11-09-07, Truck Transmission Repair, for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, FOLEY INCORPORATED, 855 Centennial Avenue, Piscataway, NJ 08855, submitted the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract, not to exceed \$15,000.00, cannot be encumbered at this time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10 funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. All bids have been reviewed, and the bid submitted by FOLEY INCORPORATED, 855 Centennial Avenue, Piscataway, NJ 08855 for Truck Transmission Repair for the Department of Public Works, is determined to be the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, and any other necessary documents, with FOLEY INCORPORATED, as described herein.
3. The Township of Edison Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to return any and all deposits and/or bonds of the unsuccessful bidders.

RESOLUTION R.909-122011

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO VARGA ENTERPRISES INCORPORATED FOR AUTOMOBILE TRANSMISSION REPAIR

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on November 10, 2011 for Public Bid No. 11-07-25, Automobile Transmission Repair; and

WHEREAS, VARGA ENTERPRISES INCORPORATED, 937 Joyce Kilmer Avenue, North Brunswick, NJ 08902, submitted the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract, not to exceed \$25,000.00, cannot be encumbered at this time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10 funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. All bids have been reviewed, and the bid submitted by VARGA ENTERPRISES INCORPORATED, 937 Joyce Kilmer Avenue, North Brunswick, NJ 08902 for Automobile Transmission Repair, is determined to be the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 and any other necessary documents, with VARGA ENTERPRISES INCORPORATED as described herein.
3. The Township of Edison Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to return any and all deposits and/or bonds of the unsuccessful bidders.

RESOLUTION R.910-122011

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO CAPOZZI OVERHEAD DOORS, INCORPORATED FOR OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIRS

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on November 23, 2011 for Public Bid No. 11-08-31, Overhead Door Repairs, for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, CAPOZZI OVERHEAD DOORS, INCORPORATED, 80 Howard Place, Nutley, NJ 07110, submitted the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract, not to exceed \$18,000.00, cannot be encumbered at this time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10 funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. All bids have been reviewed, and the bid submitted by CAPOZZI OVERHEAD DOORS, INCORPORATED, 80 Howard Place, Nutley, NJ 07110 for Overhead Door Repairs for the Department of Public Works, is determined to be the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$18,000.00, and any other necessary documents, with CAPOZZI OVERHEAD DOORS, INCORPORATED, as described herein.
3. The Township of Edison Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to return any and all deposits and/or bonds of the unsuccessful bidders.

RESOLUTION R.911-122011

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO ADK ELECTRICAL SERVICE INCORPORATED FOR EMERGENCY TRAFFIC SIGNAL REPAIRS

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on November 22, 2011 for Public Bid No. 11-06-26, Emergency Traffic Signal Repairs for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, ADK ELECTRICAL SERVICE INCORPORATED, 858 Route 1, Edison, NJ 08817, submitted the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract, not to exceed \$50,000.00, cannot be encumbered at this time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10 funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. All bids have been reviewed, and the bid submitted by ADK ELECTRICAL SERVICE INCORPORATED, 858 Route 1, Edison, NJ 08817 for Emergency Traffic Signal Repairs for the Department of Public Works, is determined to be the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, and any other necessary documents, with ADK ELECTRICAL SERVICE INCORPORATED as described herein.
3. The Township of Edison Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to return any and all deposits and/or bonds of the unsuccessful bidders.

RESOLUTION R.912-122011

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO THE NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES FOR 2012 MEMBERSHIP DUES

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison is a member of the New Jersey State League of Municipalities and benefits from said membership;

WHEREAS, membership benefits include updates and alerts on pending legislation, publications, positions on legislations affecting municipalities, training, seminars, advisory services, grant services, and other services to benefit Edison Township; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$5,600.00 have been certified to be available in the Municipal Clerk-Professional Association Dues Account, Number 2-01-20-0120-001-044 subject to and contingent upon Council adoption of the 2012 temporary and/or final budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, that the Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract and any other necessary documents, in the amount of \$5,600.00, with NJ STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES, 222 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08608 as set forth above.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of \$5,600.00 are available for the above contract in Account No. 2-01-20-0120-001-044 subject to and contingent upon Council adoption of the 2012 temporary and/or permanent final budget.

/s/ Lawrence Pollex
Acting Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.913-122011

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO OFFICE SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE AVAYA PHONE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison needs to renew the maintenance of the Avaya phone system; and

WHEREAS, quotes were received for this and OFFICE SOLUTIONS, INC., 217 Mount Horeb Road, Warren, NJ 07059, has submitted the lowest quote to provide such services for one year from November 30, 2011 through November 29, 2012 at a total cost of \$16,986.28; and

WHEREAS, although quotes were received, OFFICE SOLUTIONS, INC. has also been awarded State Contract Number 72556 under T-1316/Telecommunications Equipment; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$1,415.52 have been certified to be available in the Business Administrator Maintenance of Other Equipment Account, Number 1-01-20-0100-001-026 and funds in the amount of \$15,570.76 will be made available in Account number 2-01-20-0100-001-026 subject to and contingent upon appropriation of sufficient funds in the 2012 budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$16,968.28 and any other necessary documents, with OFFICE SOLUTIONS, INC., 217 Mount Horeb Road, Warren, NJ 07059, as described herein.
2. This contract is authorized pursuant to the authority set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 of the Local Public Contracts Law, and State Contract, No. 72556 under T-1316.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of \$1,415.52 are available for the above contract in Account No. 1-01-20-0100-001-026 and funds in the amount of \$15,570.76 are available in Account number 2-01-20-0100-001-026, subject to and contingent upon appropriation of sufficient funds in the 2012 budget.

/s/ Lawrence Pollex
Acting Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.914-122011

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING QUOTE AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO TRIUS, INC. TO PURCHASE TWO SNOW PLOWS AS PART OF AN INSURANCE CASE

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited by The Township of Edison for an insurance case to replace two snow plows on vehicles R-37 and S-14 damaged in a snow storm on January 12, 2011; and

WHEREAS, TRIUS, INC., PO BOX 158, Bohemia, NY 11716 submitted the lowest quote in the amount of \$4,350 each for a total amount not to exceed \$8,700.00 for two; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$8,700.00 have been certified to be available in the Reserve for Self Insurance Account, No. T-13-00-0013-000-000.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. All quotes have been reviewed, and the quote as submitted by TRIUS, INC., PO BOX 158, Bohemia, NY 11716 for snow plows is determined to be the lowest quote.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$8,700.00, and any other necessary documents, with TRIUS, INC.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of \$8,700.00 are available for the above contract in Account No. T-13-00-0013-000-000.

/s/ Lawrence Pollex
Acting Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.915-122011

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING QUOTE AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO PREMIER CAR CARE FOR CAR WASHING SERVICES

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited by The Township of Edison for Car Washing Services; and

WHEREAS, PREMIER CAR CARE, 175 Essex Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840 submitted the sole quote in the amount \$5.50 per car wash with interior cleaning, \$2.50 for exterior cleaning only and \$25.00 for emergency interior cleaning; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract, not to exceed \$10,000.00, cannot be encumbered at this time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10 funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. All bids have been reviewed, and the bid by PREMIER CAR CARE, 175 Essex Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840 for Car Washing Services is determined to be the lowest quote.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 and any other necessary documents, with PREMIER CAR CARE.

RESOLUTION R.916-122011

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS TO VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES AND VOLUNTEER FIRE CHIEFS FOR CLOTHING ALLOWANCE

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township of Edison to appropriate funds to the Volunteer Firefighters for Clothing Allowance; and

WHEREAS, the total amount to be distributed to Volunteer Firefighters and Fire Chiefs for clothing allowance shall be \$69,912.08; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$69,912.08 have been certified to be available in the Aid to Volunteer Fire Clothing and Uniform Account, Number 1-01-25-0255-000-032.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, Middlesex County, New Jersey that the Volunteer Firefighters are hereby authorized to receive clothing allowance as set forth above.

RESOLUTION R.917-122011

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO GABRIELLI KENWORTH OF NJ, LLC FOR A UTILITY SERVICE BODY TRUCK

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on November 18, 2011 for Public Bid No. 11-01-11R, Utility Service Body Truck for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, GABRIELLI KENWORTH OF NJ, LLC, 2300 Route 130, Dayton, NJ 08810 submitted the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase shall not exceed \$91,000.00; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$6,000.00 have been certified to be available in the Purchase Heavy Equipment Account, Number C-04-05-1452-391-002 and funds in the amount of \$85,000.00 have been certified to be available in the Sewer Capital Improvements Project Account, Number 1-07-55-0501-000-117 and;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. All bids have been reviewed, and the bid submitted by GABRIELLI KENWORTH OF NJ, LLC, 2300 Route 130, Dayton, NJ 08810 for a Utility Service Body Truck, is determined to be the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$91,000.00, and any other necessary documents, with GABRIELLI KENWORTH OF NJ, LLC as described herein.
3. The Township of Edison Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to return any and all deposits and/or bonds of the unsuccessful bidders.

RESOLUTION R.918-122011

**Explanation: A Municipal Resolution Supporting the Official
Continuation of the Township of Edison Sustainable Jersey Green Team**

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments as steps to building a sustainable community that will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, the Township hereby acknowledges that the residents of Edison desire a stable, sustainable future for themselves and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Township wished to support a model of government which benefits our residents now and far into the future by exploring and adopting sustainable, economically-sound, local government practices; and

WHEREAS, by endorsing a sustainable path the Township is pledged to educate itself and community members as to green/sustainable activities and to develop initiatives supporting sustainable local government practices; and

WHEREAS, to focus attention and effort within Edison on matters of sustainability, the Township wished to pursue local initiatives and actions that will led to Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification, as well as to the subsequent and continuing investigation, development and implementation of green and sustainable initiatives, activities, projects and achievements, for the environmental and economic benefit of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Edison Sustainable Jersey Green Team has played a dynamic role in such green/sustainable activities as the development of the current Environmental Resource Inventory, 2011 ECTE/ESJGT Earth Day Celebration At Oak Tree Pond Park and ESJGT Urban Greenhouse Project SJ Small Grant Application; and

WHEREAS, in an attempt to develop and maintain a dynamic focus upon local Green and Sustainable issues, the Township of Edison established a Sustainable Jersey Green Team Advisory Committee, as required for by Sustainable Jersey regulations for the Township of Edison to apply for and achieve Sustainable Jersey Silver Level certification; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison had previously established the Township of Edison Sustainable Jersey Green Team Advisory Committee of twelve (12) members, consisting of residents and employees of the Township of Edison, appointed annually, with a term ending December 31, 2012:

Jay Elliot, Coordinator, Edison Clean Communities Program
Lisa Gulla, Health Officer/Director, Department of Health & Human Services
Karen Halo, Business Owner, Absolute Green (New Appointment)
John Medina, Township Engineer/Director, Department of Planning & Engineering
Chris Mazauskas, Resource Development Officer, Department of Administration
Kristyn Morrison, Chairperson, Environmental Council of the Township of Edison
Jeffrey Roderman, Director, Department of Public Works
Walter Stochel, Chairperson, Township of Edison Open Space Advisory Committee
Robert Takash, President, Edison Greenways Group, Inc.
Monika Pankiewicz, Vice President, Edison Job Corps
Mike Kruimer, Chairman, NJ State Committee for the East Coast Greenway
Inder Soni, Entrepreneur, Edison East Indian Community Advocate

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, at a regularly-scheduled, combined Work Session/Public Meeting on December 28, 2011, that we do hereby authorize the official continuation of the Township of Edison Sustainable Jersey Green Team, composed of the twelve (12) above-cited members, whose appointed terms will end December 31, 2012, subject to re-appointment.

The following Resolutions will be voted upon separately:

RESOLUTION R.896-122011

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 22, 2011

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance of the Township of Edison has transmitted to the Township Council a Report of Disbursements made through December 22, 2011

FUND	AMOUNT
Current	\$31,002,135.64
Dog (Animal Control)	2,192.80
Sewer Utility	61,720.12
Capital	2,840.00
CDBG	257,530.24
Trust	117,681.46
Grant Funds	5,162.21
Sanitation Fund	311,142.19
Payroll Deductions	427,466.84
Park Improvements	0.00
Developers Escrow	35,676.98
Cash Performance	367,016.76
Affordable Housing	1,300.00
Tax Sale Redemption	121,748.92
Tree Planting	3,186.50
Federal Forfeited	0.00
Street Opening Escrow	512.00
TOTAL	\$32,717,312.66

/s/ Lawrence Pollex
Acting Chief Financial Officer

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that the above-referenced disbursements report is hereby approved.

A motion was made by Councilmember Prasad, seconded by Councilmember Perilstein to adopt this Resolution.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Mascola, Perilstein, Prasad, and Council Vice President Karabinchak

NAYS - None

Council President Diehl was absent.

Councilmember Lankey abstained from voting.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Electronic Mail Message from Frank Dougan regarding branches – receive
- Letter from Richard Brescher regarding various issues – receive
- Electronic Mail Message from Sandra deAlwis regarding the Library – receive
- Letter from the Library Director regarding actions of the Library Board of Trustees – receive (Added to the agenda at the meeting)

On a motion made by Councilmember Prasad, seconded by Councilmember Mascola and duly carried, the above Communications were received.

ORAL PETITIONS AND REMARKS

Council Vice President Karabinchak opened the meeting for public comment.

Robert Yackel, 25 Dellwood Road, President of IAFF, said he heard the Council complain about communication between the Council and the Administration. He said he has three inspectors who were demoted and owed one pay period at inspector's rate. He questioned how we pay in advance when they were not demoted yet. He spoke about payment to the arbitrator and the attorney. He requested, as a taxpayer and union leader, that the Council commission a forensic audit for 2010 and 2011. He is tired of listening about the money the Administration is saving by making these moves. He said they have a contract that the Mayor does not think she has to adhere to.

Councilmember Dr. Prasad asked if they could have day by day and hour by hour payments to the Officers to match what the pay was.

Esther Nemitz 162B Fay Street, spoke about the library and the reports she read in the newspaper. She thanked Councilmember Mascola for his efforts in trying to work on behalf of the Library Board and the people of Edison. She thanked Ms. Ruane and the Finance Committee for working on this. She felt Edison deserves to have three good functioning libraries and she hopes this will be a step forward in that direction. She said she has attended every Library Board meeting that occurred since the matter first came up a year and a half ago.

Walt Shneer, Park Way, said Councilmember Perilstein's bubbly attitude will be missed. He discussed the branches. He thanked Mr. Stephens for acting on and avoiding a bad accident at Russell Street and Old Woodbridge Avenue.

Council Vice President Karabinchak said next years budget will see a major hit based on tax appeals.

Mr. Shneer asked how we can get ratables into the Township.

Council Vice President Karabinchak said we need to look at other ways to try and create revenues without taxing the homeowners and businesses.

Mr. Shneer spoke about South Brunswick and said many warehouses were added. He wondered why Edison cannot gain businesses.

Council Vice President Karabinchak said the Edison Chamber is teaming up with the State to promote Edison. The Council approved a Resolution to designate Raritan Center as a free trade zone to allow international companies to come in there.

Councilmember Dr. Prasad felt this was a good point in what brings in ratables. He said we can either raise more money or spend less and the Township is working on almost empty. The taxpayers are also paying the max that they can. We need to work on economic development to entice people.

Mary Hines, 50 Karl Street, thanked the Council for helping with the library situation and asked them to keep supporting the libraries. She appreciates that the libraries will be open for the children. She thanked Ms. Nemitz for her comments and asked what was voted on in reference to the master plan.

Council Vice President Karabinchak said the Ordinance was only for a piece on Plainfield Avenue and he explained the area that is being affected.

Jim Kelly, Route 27, spoke about the park on Route 27 and Stony Road. He asked to have the flags replaced because they are faded.

Ms. Ruane said she will look into this.

Mr. Kelly said, on Route 27 between McDonalds and the convenience store, no one shovels the sidewalk when it snows.

Hearing no further comments from the public Councilmember Lankey made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilmember Prasad and duly carried.

Councilmember Vice President Karabinchak wished everyone a Happy and safe New Year.

Having no further business to discuss, on a motion made by Councilmember Mascola, seconded by Councilmember Perilstein, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Robert Karabinchak
Council Vice President

Reina A. Murphy, RMC
Municipal Clerk