A Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Wednesday, January 9, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Council President Diehl followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Councilmembers Diehl, Karabinchak, Lankey, Lombardi, and Mascola. Councilmember Gomez entered at 7:05 pm.

Councilmember Dr. Prasad was absent.

Also present were Acting Township Clerk Russomanno, Deputy Township Clerk Kenny, Township Attorney Kemm, Business Administrator Ruane, Management Specialist Stephens, Finance Director Saponaro, Township Engineer Medina, Health Director Elliot, Recreation Director Halliwell, Police Captain Kelly, Fire Chief Latham and Cameraman Cologna.

The Acting 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 December 27, 2012, and posted in the Main Lobby of the Municipal Complex on the same date.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

7. NEW BUSINESS:
PROPOSED ORDINANCES PUBLIC HEARING SET DOWN FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2013

The following Ordinances, which were introduced by Title on January 9, 2013, passed on first reading, published according to law for further consideration at this meeting, were read by the Township Clerk:

O.1818-2013 AN ORDINANCE REMOVING THE AUTHORIZATION TO SELL POLICE FIREARMS TO LICENSED FIREARMS DEALERS.

(The above Ordinance O.1818-2013 can be found in its entirety in Ordinance Book # 26.)

Council President Diehl declared the Public Hearing opened for O.1818-2013.

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

On a motion made by Councilmember Karabinchak, seconded by Councilmember Lombardi, the Ordinance was adopted.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Karabinchak, Lankey, Lombardi, Mascola, and Council President Diehl.

NAYS - None

Councilmember Prasad was absent.

O.1819-2013 AN ORDINANCE VACATING UNDEVELOPED STREETS ON CERTAIN BLOCKS AND LOTS.

(The above Ordinance O.1819-2013 can be found in its entirety in Ordinance Book #26.)

Council Vice President Lombardi declared the Public Hearing opened for O.1819-2013

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

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

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Karabinchak, Lankey, Lombardi and Mascola.
NAYS - None
Council President Diehl abstained from voting.
Councilmember Prasad was absent.


(The above Ordinance O.1820-2013 can be found in its entirety in Ordinance Book # 26.)

Council Vice President Lombardi declared the Public Hearing opened for O.1820-2013

Hearing no comments, on a motion made by Councilmember Gomez, seconded by Councilmember Lankey, 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, Karabinchak, Lankey, Lombardi and Mascola.
NAYS - None
Council President Diehl abstained from voting.
Councilmember Prasad was absent.

O.1821-2013  AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-2.1 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENTS THAT THE POSITION OF MAYOR BE A FULL-TIME POSITION AND HIS/HER PRIMARY OCCUPATION.

(The above Ordinance O.1821-2013 can be found in its entirety in Ordinance Book # 26.)

Council President Diehl declared the Public Hearing opened for O.1821-2013.

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

On a motion made by Councilmember Karabinchak, seconded by Councilmember Lombardi, the Ordinance was adopted.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Karabinchak, Lankey, Lombardi, Mascola, and Council President Diehl
NAYS - None
Councilmember Prasad was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE RESOLUTION:
Council President Diehl opened the meeting to the public for comments on Proposed Resolutions R.003-012013 through R.028-012013.

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

Councilmember Lankey requested that Resolution R.003-012013 be pulled for separate vote due to conflict.

The following Resolutions R.004-012013 through R.028-012013 were adopted under the Consent Agenda on a motion made by Councilmember Karabinchak and seconded by Councilmember Mascola.
AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Karabinchak, Lankey, Lombardi, Mascola, Prasad, and Council President Diehl

NAYS - None
Councilmember Prasad was absent.

RESOLUTION R.004-012013

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 $296,108.33.

RESOLUTION R.005-012013

WHEREAS, on various properties located within the Township of Edison, overpayments of real estate taxes have been made due to erroneous or duplicate payments; and

WHEREAS, applications have been made to the Tax Collector for refunds of said overpayments, totaling $10,000.00 and

WHEREAS, the attached listing is a detail of the requested refund.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison that the Director of Finance shall and is hereby authorized to draw checks to the parties in the amounts specified on the attached listing.

RESOLUTION R.006-012013

WHEREAS, the Municipal Tax Collector informs that from time to time there are property tax credits or delinquencies on certain property located within the Township of Edison, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1 provides that a municipality may adopt a resolution authorizing a municipal employee to process, without further action on their part, the cancellation of any property tax refund or delinquency of less than $5.00, and

WHEREAS, that the Municipal Tax Collector is qualified, and recommends, to process said cancellation in his continuing effort to maintain the highest level of fiscal responsibility and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that the Municipal Tax Collector is hereby authorized to process the cancelation of tax refunds or delinquency of less than Five ($5.00) dollars during the calendar year of 2013 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1.

RESOLUTION R.007-012013
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 2012 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:

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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.
in excess of $1,500.00 to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date of actual payment to the collector is received provided that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made on or before the tenth calendar day following the date upon which same became payable; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the rate of interest on unpaid sewer utility bills shall be eighteen percent (18%) per annum on any delinquency to be calculated from the date the bill was payable until the date of actual payment, provided that no interest shall be charged if payment of any bill is made within thirty (30) calendar days following the billing date or before the tenth calendar day following the date upon which same became payable, whichever is later; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a penalty of six percent (6%) be charged on all delinquent municipal charges in excess of $10,000.00 that are not paid prior to the end of the fiscal year

**RESOLUTION R.009-012013**

WHEREAS, it is projected that as of November 11, 2013, over 25% of properties located within the Township of Edison will have unpaid municipal charges (i.e. real estate taxes and/or sewer service charges); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-19 requires that any unpaid taxes and/or other municipal charges that remain in arrears on the eleventh day of the eleventh month be sold at a tax sale; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 99, Public Laws allows accelerated tax lien sale as of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of the fiscal year upon passage of a resolution of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the annual accelerated tax sale for the Township of Edison is scheduled to be held in December 16, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the tax sale process is lengthy and costly and places a large financial burden on the general tax base; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township of Edison to hold taxpayers who cause the tax sale procedure to be held accountable for the fees associated with said sale; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-26 provides for direct mailing of the tax sale notices in-lieu of up to two (2) legal advertisements, the costs of which shall be added to the cost of the sale, not to exceed $25.00 for each set of notices; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Tax Collector’s office that an appropriate direct mail cost for the 2013 tax sale would be Twenty-Five ($25.00); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-38 provides for fees in connection with holding a tax sale, of two (2%) percent of the total of municipal charges, including all interest and penalties, to the date of sale. The two (2%) percent shall not be less than Fifteen ($15.00) dollars nor more than One Hundred ($100.00) dollars for each parcel sold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-29 provides for payment prior to the tax sale to include all interest, costs and penalties;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Council of the Township of Edison in the County of Middlesex the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to conduct an accelerated tax lien sale for Fiscal year 2013 delinquencies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5-26, the Tax Collector’s office is hereby authorized to send two (2) direct mailings, in lieu of 2 advertisements, and collect a mailing fee of Twenty Five dollars ($25.00) for each notice mailed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that costs of preparation, administration and advertisement, prior to the sale are hereby determined to be two (2%) percent of the total municipal charges, including all penalties and interest, but not less than Fifteen ($15.00) dollars and not more than One Hundred ($100.00) for each parcel.

**RESOLUTION R.010-012013**
TOWNSHIP OF EDISON
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION CANCELLING AN UNEXPENDED PORTION OF A REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2012 the Township Council adopted a Refunding Bond Ordinance in the amount of $9,500,000 which provided for a five-year financing of tax refunds and associated costs up to the authorized amount relating to property tax appeal settlements in 2012 for tax years 2011 and prior, and;

WHEREAS, the Township subsequently determined that the maximum amount of refunds and costs that would be required for the above referenced tax appeals settled in calendar year 2012 would be less than $9,500,000, and;

WHEREAS, the unexpended balance of the Refunding Bond Ordinance, in the amount of $7,000,000 is no longer necessary, and it is in the best interests of the Township that this unseeded ordinance balance be cancelled;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Township of Edison in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey that the unexpended balance of the initial $9,500,000 Refunding Bond Ordinance, in the amount of $7,000,000 be and is hereby cancelled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township CFO is hereby directed to make such entries in the Township’s books of accounts and records as necessary to reflect this cancellation.

RESOLUTION R.011-012013
RESOLUTION CANCELLING A PORTION OF AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2013 the Township Council approved an emergency appropriation in the amount of $16,500,000 to finance the estimated value of refunds that would be required upon the settlement of property tax appeals for tax years 2011 and prior that were pending before the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey, and;

WHEREAS, the Township subsequently determined that the maximum amounts of refunds and costs that would be required for the above referenced tax appeals settled in calendar year 2012 would be $9,500,000, and an application seeking a multi-year financing of these refunds and costs was submitted to and approved by the Local Finance Board of the Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, and;

WHEREAS, the remaining balance of $7,000,000 of the initial emergency appropriation is not necessary, and it is in the best interests of the Township that this unseeded emergency appropriation balance be cancelled;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Township of Edison in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey that $7,000,000 of the initial $16,500,000 emergency appropriation approved on July 25, 2012 be and is hereby cancelled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township CFO is hereby directed to make such entries in the Township’s books of accounts and records as necessary to reflect this cancellation.

RESOLUTION R.012-012013

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING A CONTRACT TO CROWN TROPHY FOR THE FURNISHING OF PROMOTIONAL ITEMS, TROPHIES AND AWARDS

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on November 29, 2012 for Public Bid No. 12-01-18-Promotional Items, Trophies and Awards; and

WHEREAS, CROWN TROPHY, 3443 Route 9 North, Freehold, NJ 07728, submitted the lowest legally responsible bid for various items of the bid; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract, not to exceed $7,200.00 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
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 CROWN TROPHY, 3443 Route 9 North, Freehold, NJ 07728 for Promotional Items, Trophies and Awards is determined to be the lowest legally responsible bid for various items of the bid.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed $7,200.00 and any other necessary documents, with CROWN TROPHY.
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.013-012013
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING A CONTRACT TO PRINCETON ADVERTISING SPECIALTIES FOR THE FURNISHING OF PROMOTIONAL ITEMS, TROPHIES AND AWARDS

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on November 29, 2012 for Public Bid No. 12-01-18 Promotional Items, Trophies and Awards; and

WHEREAS, PRINCETON ADVERTISING SPECIALTIES, P.O. Box 729, East Brunswick, NJ 08816 submitted the lowest legally responsible bid for various items of the bid; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract, not to exceed $6,200.00, 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 PRINCETON ADVERTISING SPECIALTIES, P.O. Box 729, East Brunswick, NJ 08816, for Promotional Items, Trophies and Awards is determined to be the lowest legally responsible bid for various items of the bid.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed $6,200.00 and any other necessary documents, with PRINCETON ADVERTISING SPECIALTIES.
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.014-012013
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF $7,191.93 TO FLORIO & KENNY, L.L.P., ATTORNEYS AT LAW FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED FOR LISA LARUE VS TOWNSHIP OF EDISON

WHEREAS, the Township was in need of legal services relating to Lisa LaRue v Township of Edison; and

WHEREAS, FLORIO & KENNY, L.L.P., ATTORNEYS AT LAW, 5 Marine View Plaza, Suite 103, PO BOX 771, Hoboken, NJ 07030 provided professional legal services for Lisa Larue V. Township of Edison; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Agreements Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, more specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, allows for the awarding of “Professional Services” without public advertising for bids; and

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 payment to FLORIO & KENNY, L.L.P., ATTORNEYS AT LAW, 5 Marine View Plaza, Suite 103, PO BOX 771, Hoboken, NJ 07030 in the amount of $7,191.93.

CERTIFICATION
I hereby certify that funds in the amount of $7,191.93 are available in Account No. 2-01-22-0195-000-027.
RESOLUTION R.017-012013
EXPLANATION: This Resolution names and authorizes the Township Engineer to execute treatment works approval (TWA) applications and temporary discharge approval (TDA) applications on behalf of the Township of Edison for the purpose of approval of sanitary sewer extensions and/or temporary discharge approvals to Edison’s sanitary sewer system.

WHEREAS, under certain parameters promulgated by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), it is necessary that an application be submitted with Township endorsement to the aforesaid agency for treatment works approvals and/or extensions to the Edison Township sanitary sewer system; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to New Jersey Statutes, it is a requirement that the applicants gain approval of the aforementioned Edison Township sanitary sewer system extension from the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP); and

WHEREAS, the required approval for the Edison Township sanitary sewer system extensions, and/or temporary discharges to the Edison Township sanitary sewer system, will not be approved unless the applications bear the signature of the Edison Township Engineer, John A. Medina, P.E., to indicate his approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison that the Edison Township Engineer, John A. Medina, P.E., be and is hereby authorized to sign the required applications for treatment works approval (TWA) for extensions to the Edison Township sanitary sewer system, and for applications for temporary discharge approval (TDA), as the case may be, for submission to the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) and/or the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

RESOLUTION R.018-012013
EXPLANATION: This Resolution establishes the hourly rates to be charged for in-house review of applications for development, review and preparation of documents, inspection of improvements, or other applicable in-house engineering charges made under N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53.2(a), by and/or under the direction and immediate supervision of the Township Engineer.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that in accordance with Section 53.2(a) of the Municipal Land Use Law, (the “MLUL”), the attached 2013 Engineering Escrow Fee Schedule establishing the hourly rates to be charged for in-house review of applications for development, review and preparation of documents, inspection of improvements, or other in-house engineering charges authorized by the MLUL, by and/or under the direction and immediate supervision of the Township Engineer, is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Engineer shall maintain the 2013 Engineering Escrow Fee Schedule hereby established and shall transmit updates or revisions to be appended to the 2013 Engineering Escrow Fee Schedule to the attention of the Township Clerk should updates or revisions become necessary during the course of the calendar year 2013.

RESOLUTION R.019-012013
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING QUOTE AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO A-PLUS CONSTRUCTION INCORPORATED FOR HOME IMPROVEMENTS AS PART OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are used to facilitate various projects throughout the community as outlined in the Program Year 2012 Consolidated Annual Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, part of the funding is for improvements to qualified single family, owner occupied dwellings located in Edison; and

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited by the Township of Edison for Case Number 0711; and

WHEREAS, A-PLUS CONSTRUCTION INCORPORATED, 18 Station Road, Lincoln Park, NJ 07035, submitted the sole quote in the amount of $9,950.00; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of $9,950.00 have been certified to be available in the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Account Number T-14-12-0510-000-001.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:
1. The sole quote has been reviewed, and the quote in the amount of $9,950.00 by A-PLUS CONSTRUCTION INCORPORATED, 18 Station Road, Lincoln Park, NJ 07035 for home improvements is determined to be the lowest quote.
2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount of $9,950.00 and any other necessary documents, with A-PLUS CONSTRUCTION INCORPORATED as described herein.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of $9,950.00 are available for the above contract in Account No. T-14-12-0510-000-001.

/s/ Janice Saponaro
Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.020-012013

EXPLANATION: This resolution provides for refund of a construction permit fee.

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2012, a Construction (Building) Permit fee, check #1115 and #1116, permit # 2012-1400, were posted in the total amount of $103.00 and $53.00 by the contractor, VRAJ Management Khushboo, having offices at 1734 Oak Tree Road N.J. 08820; and

WHEREAS, the application was submitted for a demolition to a dining room in a restaurant due to fire and to close access to Kitchen Area to Dining area, to use Kitchen for Catering Hall. And having found conflict of interest on this project, the applicant was directed to South Plainfield Code Enforcement for their permits; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommends the refund of the construction permit fee, on Construction Permit # 2012-1400, in the amount of $156.00 for the referenced application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison that the sum not to exceed $156.00 on construction permit fees posted by Kusshoo Restaurant be refunded to the owner;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and is hereby authorized to refund the said amount of $156.00 from the Refund of Revenue Fund to the owner, VRAJ Management Inc. Khushboo, 1734 Oak Tree Road, Edison, NJ 08820.

RESOLUTION R.021-012013

EXPLANATION: This resolution provides for Senior Resident refund of the construction permit fee, less the DCA fee, posted for a residential construction permit.

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2012, a Construction (Building) Permit fee, check #1001, permit # 2012-1944, was posted in the total amount of $137.00 by George John, 5200 Hana Road, Edison, N.J. 08817; and

WHEREAS, the application was directed to South Plainfield Code Enforcement for their permits; and

WHEREAS, appropiate documents have been submitted to the Township indicating that the work was done by a senior resident it is therefore appropriate that the municipal permit fee in the amount of $108.00, derived from the $137.00.00 total construction permit fee less the $2.00 DCA fee and the 20% review fee of $27.00, be refunded to the Homeowner George John, residing at 5200 Hana Road, Edison, NJ 08817; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommends the refund of the municipal permit fee portion, on Construction Permit # 2012-1944, in the amount of $108.00 for the referenced application;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and is hereby authorized to refund the said amount of $108.00 from the Refund of Revenue Fund to the Homeowner, George John, 5200 Hana Road, Edison, NJ 08817.

RESOLUTION R.022-012013

EXPLANATION: This Resolution authorizes the Township Engineer to execute transportation, environmental, and other regulatory permit applications on behalf of the Township of Edison.

This resolution also establishes the Township Engineer as the “Community Official” responsible for floodplain management under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security – Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that Edison Township Engineer, John A. Medina, P.E., is hereby authorized to prepare and execute as may be necessary on behalf of the Township of Edison, any and all, transportation, environmental, and other regulatory permit applications required to be issued by federal, state, county, regulatory body or entity (including but not limited to permit applications under the NJDEP, the NJDOT, the FSCD, and/or the County of Middlesex); and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that Edison Township Engineer, John A. Medina, P.E., is also designated as the Community Official responsible for floodplain management under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security – Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program, and is hereby authorized to sign and execute such Community Acknowledgement Forms, certifications, and prepare FEMA applications, as may be deemed necessary pursuant to the National Flood Insurance Program, on behalf of the Township of Edison.

RESOLUTION R.023-012013

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO XYLEM DEWATERING SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED D/B/A GODWIN PUMPS OF AMERICA FOR SEWER PUMP AND GENERATOR RENTALS

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on December 13, 2012 for Public Bid No.12-08-25AR, Sewer Pump Rentals, for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, XYLEM DEWATERING SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED, D/B/A GODWIN PUMPS OF AMERICA, 6 Connerty Court, East Brunswick, NJ 08816, submitted the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this contract, not to exceed $100,000.00 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 XYLEM DEWATERING SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED D/B/A GODWIN PUMPS OF AMERICA, 6 Connerty Court, East Brunswick, NJ 08816 for Sewer Pump Rentals 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 $100,000.00 and any other necessary documents, with XYLEM DEWATERING SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED D/B/A GODWIN PUMPS OF AMERICA 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.024-012013

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO EXPANDED SUPPLY PRODUCTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF HDPE PIPE

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on December 27, 2012 for Public Bid No. 12-02-11-HDPE PIPE, for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, EXPANDED SUPPLY PRODUCTS, 3330 Route 9, Cold Spring, NY 10516, submitted the lowest legally responsible, responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase shall not exceed $20,720.00; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of $20,720.00 have been certified to be available in the Streets and Roads Materials & Supplies Account, Number 3-01-26-0290-000-030, contingent upon Council adoption of the 2013 temporary and/or final budget.

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 EXPANDED SUPPLY PRODUCTS, 3330 Route 9, Cold Spring, NY 10516 for the purchase of HDPE PIPE, 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 $20,720.00 and any other necessary documents, with EXPANDED SUPPLY PRODUCTS 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.
CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of $20,720.00 are available for the above contract in Account No. 3-01-26-0290-000-030, contingent upon Council adoption of the 2013 temporary and/or final budget.

/s/ Janice Saponaro
Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.025-012013

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO THE NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES FOR 2013 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 $5,700.00 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 2013 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 $5,700.00, 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 $5,700.00 are available for the above contract in Account No. 3-01-20-0120-001-044 subject to and contingent upon Council adoption of the 2013 temporary and/or permanent final budget.

/s/Janice Saponaro
Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.026-012013

WHEREAS, in accordance with Municipal Code Section 2.80.070 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.1 et seq., it is the duty of the Municipal Council to appoint members to the Edison Township Ethics Board; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council wishes to reappoint the following member to the Ethics Board; James Lennox, 183 Hidden Hollow Court, Edison, NJ 08820, expiring December 12, 2017

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison that the abovementioned individual be reappointed as a member of the Ethics Board.

RESOLUTION R.027-012013

WHEREAS, in accordance with Municipal Code Section 2.80.070 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.1 et seq., it is the duty of the Municipal Council to appoint members to the Edison Township Ethics Board; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council wishes to reappoint the following member to the Ethics Board; Robert Maurer, 193 Monroe Avenue, Edison, NJ 08820, expiring December 12, 2017

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison that the abovementioned individual be reappointed as a member of the Ethics Board.

RESOLUTION R.028-012013

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Municipal Council to appoint a 1st Alternate member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council has selected Harish Verma to be appointed to said Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, Middlesex County, New Jersey, that Harish Verma, 29 Prestwick Way, Edison, New Jersey 08820 be and he is
hereby appointed as the 1st Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, said term to expire December 31, 2014.

The following Resolutions will be voted upon separately:

RESOLUTION R.015-012013

Explanation: This Resolution awards a Professional Services Contract to Louis Rainone, Esq., of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, to represent the Township as labor counsel.

WHEREAS, Louis Rainone, Esq., previously handled legal matters on behalf of the Township of Edison; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor recommends, with the approval of the Director of Law, that Louis Rainone, Esq., for the position of Labor Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et seq., more specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, allows for the awarding of a contract for "Professional Services" without public advertising for bids; and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of a contract, Louis Rainone, Esq., will have completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that no individual with a 10% interest or larger in DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, has made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township Council of the Township of Edison in the previous year, and that the contract will prohibit an individual with a 10% interest or larger in DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq; and

WHEREAS, this contract is not awarded through a “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, compensation for the professional services shall be at a rate of $140 per hour for all attorneys and $70 per hours for legal assistants, in an amount not to exceed the amount certified below by the Chief Financial Officer (inclusive of expenses); and

WHEREAS, the Township Council feels that it is in the best interest of the Township of Edison to enter into the attached Contract for Professional Services with Louis Rainone, Esq. of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, to represent the Township as special counsel for the limited outstanding tax appeals herein identified, and

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

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Contract for Professional Services with Louis Rainone, Esq. of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, to represent the Township as Labor Counsel.

2. The Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, more specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, because the services in question are of a specialized, technical and professional nature.

3. A certificate showing the availability of funds for the Contract authorized hereby has been provided by the Chief Financial Officer and is made a part hereof indicating that the appropriation for the within expenditure is charged to the applicable accounts and is contingent upon the adoption of a temporary and/or permanent budget for the 2013 calendar year.

4. No payments in excess of the "not-to-exceed" Contract amount will be approved, unless such services/expenditures are negotiated and agreed upon in advance of service delivery.

5. Any modification to the Contract shall be in writing and signed by both parties, and upon obtaining said signatures shall immediately become a part of the contract.

6. The Township of Edison may, upon ten (10) days written notice, and without cause, terminate the Contract.

7. The Contract shall, for all purposes, be deemed a New Jersey Contract and any provisions of the Contract shall be governed and interpreted according to the Laws of the State of New Jersey.

8. The contractor shall report directly to the Edison Township Attorney, who will be the chief contact with the Township of Edison.

9. The contractor shall notify the Edison Township Attorney when 80% of the "not-to-exceed" amount is attained.
10. All work relating to the demotions of policemen and fireman in the letters of January 8, 2010 from Mayor Ricigliano will be billed separately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison that a copy of this Resolution shall be published in the official newspaper within 10 days of its passage, as required by law, and shall be on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Edison Township Municipal Clerk, Edison Township Municipal Building, 100 Municipal Boulevard, Edison, New Jersey 08817.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that, contingent upon the adoption of a temporary and/or permanent budget for the 2013 calendar year, funds in the amount of $415,000.00 are available in Account No. ______.

/s/ Janice Saponaro
Chief Financial Officer

A motion was made by Council President Diehl to pull this Resolution.

RESOLUTION R.016-012013

Explanation: This Resolution awards a Professional Services Contract to Karl P. Kemm, Esq. to represent the Township of Edison as Township Attorney.

WHEREAS, Karl P. Kemm, Esq., previously handled various legal matters on behalf of the Township of Edison, has an excellent reputation in the area of municipal government, has practiced law for many years, has knowledge of the Township of Edison (“Township”) and has extensive legal staff and resources and a multi-disciplinary practice necessary to handle any matter in the municipal arena and any other unanticipated legal issue which may arise from time to time; and

WHEREAS, for these reasons the Mayor and the Township Council recommend Karl P. Kemm, Esq., for the position of Township Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A., 40A: 11-1 et seq., more specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, allows for the awarding of a contract for "Professional Services” without public advertising for bids; and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of a contract, Karl P. Kemm, Esq., will have completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that no individual with a 10% interest or larger in Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst & Doukas, LLP, has made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township Council of the Township of Edison in the previous year, and that the contract will prohibit an individual with a 10% interest or larger in Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst & Doukas, LLP, from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, this contract is not awarded through a “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, compensation for the professional services included under the Township Attorney Retainer shall be the sum of $33,000.00, payable in 12 monthly installments at the first Council Meeting of each month, and shall include:

Advise the Council. Advise the Council or its committees or any Township Officer, when thereto requested, upon all legal questions arising in the conduct of the Township's business;

Prepare Ordinances. Prepare and revise all ordinances of the Code when so requested by the Council or any committee thereof;

Prepare Resolutions. Prepare or draft and revise all resolutions when so requested by the Council or any committee or member thereof;

Render Opinions. Render his or her opinion on any legal matter or question submitted to him or her by the Council or any of its committees or by any Township officer, in writing or orally;

Attend Council Meetings. Attend Council meetings, including special meetings and conference meetings, for the purpose of giving the Council any legal advice requested by its members;

Bid Openings. Attend and advise the Council or any designated officer of the Township in the opening and awarding of public bids; and

WHEREAS, compensation for the professional services outside of the scope of the above Township Attorney Retainer including but not limited to:

Advise the Mayor and Administration or any Township Officer, when thereto requested, upon all legal questions arising in the conduct of the Township's business; and
Represent the Township in all legal matters and litigation matters and before all boards and
government agencies.

shall be at a rate of $140 per hour for all attorneys and $70 per hours for legal assistants; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council feels that it is in the best interest of the Township of Edison to enter
into the attached Contract for Professional Services with Karl P. Kemm, Esq. to represent the Township as
Township Attorney; and

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

9. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Contract for
Professional Services with Karl P. Kemm, Esq. to represent the Township as Township Attorney.

10. The Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a “professional service” under the
provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, more specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, because the
services in question are of a specialized, technical and professional nature.

11. A certificate showing the availability of funds for the Contract authorized hereby has been
provided by the Chief Financial Officer and is made a part hereof indicating that the appropriation
for the within expenditure is charged to the applicable accounts and is contingent upon the
adoption of a temporary and/or permanent budget for the 2013 calendar year.

12. No payments in excess of the “not-to-exceed” Contract amount will be approved, unless such
services/expenditures are negotiated and agreed upon in advance of service delivery.

13. Any modification to the Contract shall be in writing and signed by both parties, and upon
obtaining said signatures shall immediately become a part of the contract.

14. The Mayor of Edison may, upon ten (10) days written notice, and without cause, terminate the
Contract.

15. The Contract shall, for all purposes, be deemed a New Jersey Contract and any provisions of the
Contract shall be governed and interpreted according to the Laws of the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of
Edison that a copy of this Resolution shall be published in the official newspaper within 10 days of its passage, as
required by law, and shall be on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Edison Township
Municipal Clerk, Edison Township Municipal Building, 100 Municipal Boulevard, Edison, New Jersey 08817.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that, contingent upon the adoption of a temporary and/or permanent budget for the 2013
calendar year, funds in the amount of $290,000.00 are available in Account No______.

/s/ Janice Saponaro
Acting Chief Financial Officer

A motion was made by Council President Diehl to pull this Resolution.

ORAL PETITIONS AND REMARKS

Joe Romano, Avenue C, said he is present to discuss a safety issue at Avenue C behind the Main Street Deli. He said
people are parking in front of the deli causing the traffic to back up over Route 1 into Metuchen. He said he has
discussed the issue with Mr. Medina and the Police Department. He asked if the road was never documented can
tickets be issued.

Mr. Kemm said if it is in the right of way tickets can be issued. If there is no Ordinance on the books we would have
to adopt an Ordinance in order for “No Parking” tickets to be issued.

Mr. Romano said this is a safety issue and something needs to be done.

Jane Tousman, 14 Butler Road, referred to a 2008 letter that stated the access to the Visco property is a diversion
and not a mistake.

Bob Moss, 17 New Street, Bloomfield, said this is considered to be a diversion by the Sierra Club NJ Chapter.
Walt Shneer, Park Way, said he read a story in the newspaper regarding installing additional red light cameras, which he is in favor of. He questioned who gets the revenue from the fines.

Mr. Kemm said a percentage goes to the County, the Company and to Edison.

Walter Stochel, 2118 Oak Tree Road commented on the number of homes that sit unfinished for years and felt that this is a property maintenance issue. He asked when the new recycling cans will be in place.

Ms. Ruane said they have to wait for the new recycling truck which should be late summer or early fall.

Council President Diehl asked Ms. Ruane to let the Council know when trucks and cans are due.

Mr. Stochel said the Council needs to revise our recycling Ordinance so the public knows what can be placed in the cans.

Council President Diehl asked Mr. Stochel to provide the list of items to Mr. Roderman.

Bill Brunner, 215 Loring Avenue, thanked DPW for the change in the recycling pick-up in 2012. He also asked if the Township is still picking up branches.

Ms. Ruane said residents now must call for a special pick-up.

Council President Diehl asked how we get that information out to residents.

Ms. Ruane said the information is on our website and also on the recycling calendars.

Bruce Diamond, Calvert Avenue West, spoke on the Police lawsuits and felt the Council should ask the State to come in and run the Police Department.

Council President Diehl agreed that we need to look at the legal bills.

Mr. Diamond said we are stuck with the Mayor for another year. He said there is too much politics and it should be about the residents.

Council President Diehl assured Mr. Diamond that his comments do not fall on deaf ears.

Lois Wolke, 10 Peake Road, asked if we now have ownership of Camp Kilmer and what changed that caused the Council to pass the Resolution asking to declare it an area of redevelopment or rehabilitation.

Mr. Kemm said we do not have ownership yet and she would have to ask the Councilmember that put forth the Resolution.

Councilmember Karabinchak said regardless of the ownership there are steps that have to be followed and this has to be done.

Esther Nemitz, 162B Fay Street asked if the legal fees that were pulled are based on past history.

Mr. Kemm explained the fees.

Ms. Nemitz challenged the Finance Committee to layout and explain the contracts so residents can understand.

Councilmember Gomez said going forward there will be a list of everything we incurred cost on. Mr. Kemm will update this on a monthly basis.

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

Having no further business to discuss, on a motion made by Councilmember, seconded by Councilmember Mascola, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.