A Special Meeting of the Municipal Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex on Thursday, September 24, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Council President Diehl, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Councilmembers Diehl, Gomez, Karabinchak, and Shah.

Councilmember Lombardi entered at 6:02 p.m.

Councilmembers Mascola and Prasad were absent.

Also present were Township Clerk Russomanno, Deputy Township Clerk Kenny, Township Attorney Northgrave, Business Administrator Ruane, Township Engineer Katayniak 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 a Special Notice sent to The Home News Tribune, The Star Ledger and the Sentinel on September 16, 2015, and posted in the Main Lobby of the Municipal Complex on the same date.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AS TO PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Council President Diehl opened the meeting to the public for comments on Proposed Resolution R.659-092015.

Esther Nemitz, 162B Fay Street, asked for a list of streets that are going to be paved and if the list could be attached to the Resolution. She also asked if this information could be placed on the website.

Ms. Ruane explained that this is a Resolution to award the contract and it will be placed on the website.

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

The following Resolution R.659-092015 was adopted under the Consent Agenda on a motion made by Councilmember Gomez seconded by Councilmember Karabinchak.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Karabinchak, Lombardi, Shah and Council President Diehl

NAYS - None

Councilmembers Mascola and Prasad were absent.

RESOLUTION R.659-092015

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO LUCAS BROTHERS INC. FOR THE 2015 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM PHASE 2 (VARIOUS STREETS) FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township of Edison on September 23, 2015 for Public Bid No. 15-31-02 2015 Road Resurfacing Program Phase 2 (Various Streets) for the Township of Edison; and

WHEREAS, LUCAS BROTHERS INC., 80 Amboy Road, Morganville, NJ 07751 submitted the lowest, legally responsible, responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the purchase shall not exceed $3,268,834.61; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of $2,305,701.17 have been certified to be available in the Repaving & Reconstruction of Various Roads Account, number C-04-15-1899-290-000 and funds in the amount of $963,133.44 will be available as authorized under the 2015 street paving phase 2 capital ordinance O.1914-2015; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein and as submitted on the summary spreadsheet.
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 LUCAS BROTHERS INC., 80 Amboy Road, Morganville, NJ 07751 for the 2015 Road Resurfacing Program Phase 2 (Various Streets), is determined to be the lowest, legally responsible, responsive bid as listed on the spreadsheet.
2. The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed $3,268,834.61 and any other necessary documents, with LUCAS BROTHERS INC. 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 $2,305,701.17 are available in account number C-04-15-1899-290-000 and funds in the amount of $963,133.44 will be available as authorized under the 2015 street paving phase 2 capital ordinance O.1914-2015.

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Nicholas C. Fargo
Chief Financial Officer

Date

The Council retired to Closed Session at 6:04p.m. on a motion made by Councilmember Lombardi, seconded by Councilmember Gomez and duly carried. The Township Clerk read the following Resolution into the record:

CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Article VI of the Open Public Meetings Act provides that a public body may hold a closed session; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council will during this meeting enter into discussion of the following matters:

1) Personnel

WHEREAS, the matters to be discussed in closed session are to remain in the strictest of confidence by all Council Members in furtherance of their fiduciary duties to the Township of Edison;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, matters discussed at this meeting will be released to the public when the reasons for discussing and acting upon them in closed session no longer exists.

The Council returned from Closed Session at 6:10pm, on a motion made by Councilmember Karabinchak seconded by Councilmember Lombardi and duly carried.

On a motion made by Councilmember Gomez, seconded by Councilmember Lombardi, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11p.m.

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Robert Diehl
Council President

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Cheryl Russomanno, RMC
Municipal Clerk