

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AGENDA

March 12, 2015
March 10, 2015 Draft

Meeting Called to Order

Adequate Notice of this meeting of the Township Committee was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to both The Chatham Courier and the Morris County Daily Record on January 7, 2015; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 7, 2015; and notice was filed with the Township Clerk on January 7, 2015.

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Roll call

Approval of Agenda

Reports:

1. Library of the Chathams Annual Report
2. Colony Pool Club Website Introduction

Hearing of Citizens/Petitions Note: This is an opportunity for any member of the public to be heard about issues which are not topics scheduled for Public Hearings tonight. To help facilitate an orderly meeting, and to permit all to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to three minutes.

Public Hearing/Final Adoption of Ordinances

1. Ordinance 2015-09 Reducing Open Space Tax

Consent Agenda (routine items that may be passed by a single roll call vote; any Committee member may call for a separate discussion or vote on any item)

1. Resolution 2015-069 Payment of Bills
2. Resolution 2015-070 Approving Meeting Minutes
3. Resolution 2015-071 Affirming Green Team as Lead Agency for Sustainable NJ
4. Resolution 2015-072 Affirming Support of Sustainable Land Use
5. Resolution 2015-073 Refunding Tax Lien

Discussion: possible ordinance or resolution

1. Amendment to Land Development Regulations to Prohibit Pipelines

Hearing of Citizens (Time Permitting)

Executive Session* - Resolution 2015-P-03

1. Contract Negotiations – Allied Construction Group
2. Personnel – Police Department

Adjourn

*In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, items to be discussed in Executive Session will be made public as soon as known.

ORDINANCE 2015-09

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE PROVISIONS FOR THE FUNDING OF
OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham wishes to reduce the tax levy for the contribution to the Open Space Reserve as set forth at Chapter 2, Article VIII, Section 2-75, Open Space Trust Fund for the tax year 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Chatham, are amended to provide for modifications to Chapter II, Subsection 2-75.2, Funding of the Reserve for Open Space Acquisition, as follows:

1. 2-75.2 Funding of the Reserve for Open Space Acquisition.

The Reserve for Open Space Acquisition shall be funded through the dedication to the fund of an amount of one-half (\$.005) cent per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed valuation for the tax levy for the year 2015. The Reserve shall also be permitted to accept donations and testamentary bequests. The funds accumulated within the Reserve may be utilized for the acquisition of land, easements, or development rights in land within the Township, including use for active and passive recreation, the development and maintenance of municipal properties to be used for active and passive recreation, or as a down payment for the issuance of bonds for the same purposes at the discretion of the Township Committee. Any and all interest accruing on said funds shall be placed into the Reserve for Open Space Acquisition. Unless the Township Committee takes further action, the annual tax levy for the Reserve for Open Space Acquisition shall return to two (\$.02) cents per hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed valuation commencing with the tax levy for the year 2016.

2. All other provisions of Chapter II, Article VIII, Section 2-75, shall remain unchanged.

3. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Introduced: February 26, 2015

Adopted:

Attest:

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF
MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BY: _____
Kevin M. Sullivan, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2015-069

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF CHATHAM AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLLS,
SCHOOL TAXES AND COUNTY TAXES**

BE IT RESOLVED that bills in the total amount of \$741,043.22 and the prior month's payroll of \$435,017.32 Current Fund, \$51,403.99 Sewer No. 1, \$11,138.27 Sewer No. 2, and \$7,075.64 Police Private Employment be paid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that taxes due to the School District of the Chathams, for the month of March 2015, in the amount of \$2,828,281.01 be paid.

Adopted: March 12, 2015

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Kevin M. Sullivan, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2015-070

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHATHAM APPROVING MINUTES OF MEETINGS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham acknowledges receipt of and approves the minutes of the Township Committee meeting held on February 26, 2015.

Adopted: March 12, 2015

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Kevin M. Sullivan, Mayor

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RESOLUTION 2015-071

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AFFIRMING THE DESIGNATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM AS THE GREEN TEAM TO LEAD IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE JERSEY MUNICIPAL CERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham supports participation of the Township of Chatham in the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification Program; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification Program has a mandatory action requirement that participating communities create a Green Team to lead and coordinate the sustainable activities of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission of the Township of Chatham was created for the protection, development or use of all natural resources located within the Township

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham affirms its continued support of Resolution 2009-124 adopted on May 28, 2009, which resolution designated the Environmental Commission of the Township of Chatham to serve as the Green Team to lead in the sustainable activities of the community and in coordinating the implementation of local initiatives and actions that will lead to Sustainable Jersey

Adopted: March 12, 2015

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Kevin M. Sullivan, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2015-072

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AFFIRMING SUPPORT OF SUSTAINABLE LAND USE

WHEREAS, land use is an essential component of overall sustainability for a municipality; and

WHEREAS, poor land use decisions can lead to and increase societal ills such as decreased mobility, high housing costs, increased greenhouse gas emissions, loss of open space and degradation of natural resources; and

WHEREAS, well planned land use can create transportation choices, provide for a range of housing options, create walkable communities, preserve open space and allow for continued use of vital natural resources; and

WHEREAS, given New Jersey's strong tradition of home rule and local authority over planning and zoning, achieving a statewide sustainable land use pattern will require municipalities to take the lead;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, with the intent of making the Township of Chatham a truly sustainable community affirms its continuing support of Resolution 2009-150, the Township of Chatham's Sustainable Land Use Pledge, which was adopted on July 9, 2009.

Adopted: March 12, 2015

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Kevin M. Sullivan, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2015-073

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REFUNDING TAX LIEN

WHEREAS, due to payment by property owner of the lien amount, an overpayment of property taxes now exists; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has recommended the refund of such tax lien

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following refund be made as indicated:

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>LIEN HOLDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
48.04	37	Park Finance II, LLC PO Box 109 Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927 Certificate #11-00002 DiGiacomo, Paul	\$4,082.90 – Certificate \$1,200.00 – Premium

Adopted: March 12, 2015

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Kevin M. Sullivan, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2015-P-03

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CONFERENCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - a. Contract negotiations: Allied Construction Group
 - b. Personnel: Police Department
3. It is anticipated that the minutes on the subject matter of the Executive Session will be made public upon conclusion of the matter under discussion; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and 4-13.
4. The Committee will come back into Regular Session and may take further action.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: March 12, 2015

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Kevin M. Sullivan, Mayor