

**MINUTES BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING OF MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2011**

Mayor Cope called the regular meeting of the Bass River Township Board of Commissioners to order at 7:30 p.m. Present at meeting were: Mayor Deborah Buzby-Cope, Commissioner T. Richard and Commissioner Gary Smith. Also present Township Clerk Amanda Somes and Solicitor. Members of the public were present at this meeting.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Cope led the flag salute and read the sunshine statement.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the regular meeting of October 3, 2011, were presented to the Board for review with copies available for public. The motion was made by Commissioner Bethea, seconded by Mayor Cope to approve minutes as submitted by the Clerk. Votes: Cope - Yes, Bethea -Yes, Smith-Abstain. Minutes hereby approved.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST:**

The motion was made by Commissioner Bethea to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$526,795.18. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve bills for payment. Votes: Cope –Yes, Bethea-Yes, Smith-Yes. All present in favor and bills were ordered paid.

CONWAY AUTOMOTIVE	14320	-13.78
GREENWOOD TREE SERVICE, INC.	14324	-3450.00
BASS RIVER BD OF ED	14344	101223.33
A T & T	14345	49.54
A T & T	14346	181.01
LANGUAGE SERVICES ASSOCIATES	14347	12.60
VERIZON	14348	537.02
VERIZON	14349	329.18
A T & T	14350	71.05
FLEET FUELING	14351	844.91
VERIZON WIRELESS	14352	212.99
ACUA	14353	503.00
AMANDA SOMES	14354	34.00
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	14355	2009.09
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	14356	283.41
BF MOLZ	14357	113.74
BURL CO TREAS, LANDFILL	14358	4005.03
BURL CO TREASURER	14359	174217.49
BURLINGTON COUNTY ANIMAL SHELT	14360	90.00
CASA PAYROLL SERVICES	14361	312.10
CHRISTOPHER NORMAN, ESQ.	14362	300.00
COMCAST	14363	95.12
CONNER STRONG COMPANIES, INC.	14364	2962.00
CONWAY AUTOMOTIVE	14365	27.08
DAVE 'S SEPTIC	14366	340.00

DEER PARK - NESTLE WATERS	14367	13.01
EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS, IN	14368	95.89
FIRE APPARATUS REPAIR, INC.	14369	750.00
GRAMCO BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS	14370	1445.00
HOME DEPOT	14371	176.94
ITS MAILING SYSTEMS INC	14372	349.85
KLUK CONSULTANTS	14373	21609.51
MARK STOLZENBERG	14374	700.00
MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	14375	151.00
MUNIDEX INC	14376	93.65
NEW JERSEY CONF MAYORS	14377	295.00
NEW JERSEY PLANNING OFFICIALS	14378	315.00
NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	14379	40.00
NORTHEAST METRO AMBULANCE	14380	160.00
ORCHARD HYDRAULICS INC.	14381	198.55
PEGGY BECK	14382	16.32
PETER C. LANGE	14383	2931.58
PETROLEUM TRADERS	14384	1754.16
PINELAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST	14385	154594.20
POSITIVE PROMOTIONS	14386	149.25
PRESERVATION & WILDLIFE SOCIET	14387	1.00
REGISTRAR'S ASSOC. OF N.J.	14388	74.00
RICHARD IRETON	14389	66.60
RUSSELL P. CHERKOS ESQ.	14390	4500.00
SOUTH JERSEY WATER TEST	14391	1155.00
STAPLES INC	14392	216.78
THE EXIT LIGHT CO., INC.	14393	46.12
TRANSFORMATION ENTERPRISES	14394	4960.00
TREASURER STATE OF NEW JERSEY	14395	125.00
TRISH HOME CENTER	14396	16.36
TUCKERTON LUMBER COMPANY	14397	455.50
U P S	14398	3.62
USHER PUBLISHING CO	14399	315.00
VITAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	14400	49.00
W.B. MASON COMPANY	14401	110.96
WEST PUBLISHING	14402	63.00
BASS RIVER PAYROLL ACCOUNT	100611	14410.99
BASS RIVER PAYROLL ACCOUNT	102011	14408.44
BASS RIVER PAYROLL ACCOUNT	110311	14688.99

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Pinelands Commission notifying Board of requirements to update Township Ordinances per the comprehensive management plan and acknowledging letter from Solicitor Lange requesting an extension. Pinelands Commissioner granted extension to December 30, 2011 noting that if additional time is necessary, to please let the Commission know and a further extension would be considered.

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Letter from the Nature Conservancy notifying the Board of upcoming public hearing for transfer of land owned by the Nature Conservancy to NJ DEP. Hearing is scheduled for December 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the township building.

Letter from Board of Chosen Freeholders giving approval for the stormwater management plan.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

**ORDINANCE 2011-06**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A “NO PASSING” RESTRICTION  
ON SOUTH MAPLE AVENUE IN BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP  
AND PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PRESCRIBING  
PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF ITS PROVISIONS**

Ordinance 2011-06 was introduced by title only upon a motion by Commissioner Smith seconded by Commissioner Bethea. Votes: Cope-Yes, Bethea-Yes, Smith-Yes. All in favor and Ordinance 2011-06 was approved upon first reading by title only. Second reading and public hearing will be scheduled for December regular meeting.

**BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP  
ORDINANCE 2011- 06**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A “NO PASSING” RESTRICTION  
ON SOUTH MAPLE AVENUE IN BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP  
AND PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PRESCRIBING  
PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF ITS PROVISIONS**

*BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Commissioners of the Township of Bass River, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that:*

**§ 1. NO PASSING ZONE**

*A No Passing Zone is hereby established and shall be maintained along the entire length of South Maple Avenue in the Township of Bass River, County of Burlington*

**§ 2. Penalties.**

*Unless another penalty is expressly provided for by New Jersey Statute, every person convicted of a violation of this chapter shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$ 400.00.*

*ALL OF WHICH IS ADOPTED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2011 by the Bass River Township Board of Commissioners.*

**RESOLUTION 2011-75**

**BUDGET TRANSFER**

The motion was made by Commissioner Bethea, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Resolution 2011-75. Votes: Cope–Yes, Bethea -Yes, Smith-Yes. All present in favor and Resolution 2011-75 where hereby approved.

***RESOLUTION 2011-75***

***BUDGET TRANSFER RESOLUTION***

***WHEREAS***, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey is authorized to permit transfers within the 2011 budget and;

***WHEREAS***, it is the desire of the Board of Commissioners to make the following transfers;

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that the CFO of the Township of Bass River is hereby directed to transfer the following:

<b><i>FROM:</i></b>	<i>Liability Insurance</i>	<i>\$3000.00</i>	
	<i>Legal Services O/E</i>	<i>\$ 3000.00</i>	
			<i><u>Total</u> \$6000.00</i>
<b><i>TO:</i></b>	<i>Planning Board S/W</i>	<i>\$1000.00</i>	
	<i>Utility Maintenance O/E</i>	<i>\$2000.00</i>	
	<i>Sewer System O/E</i>	<i>\$3000.00</i>	
			<i><u>Total</u> \$6000.00</i>

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the CFO for proper execution.

**RESOLUTION 2011-76**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON**

The motion was made by Commissioner Bethea, seconded by Commissioner Bethea to approve Resolution 2011-76. Votes: Cope–Yes, Bethea -Yes, Smith-Yes. All present in favor and Resolution 2011-76 where hereby approved.

**RESOLUTION 2011-76**

***A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON***

***WHEREAS***, the Bass River Township Commissioners recognize the need to provide the residents of the Township with appropriate cost savings measures and the need to take advantage of opportunities to provide cost savings in the administration of local government services for the benefit of all residents; and

***WHEREAS***, Bass River Township has requested that the Borough of Tuckerton provide for use of public works equipment to the Township; and

*WHEREAS, Bass River Township and the Borough of Tuckerton have negotiated the terms and conditions of an agreement for the provision of such services to Bass River Township by the Borough of Tuckerton as detailed in the attached Shared Services Agreement; and*

*WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River evidences its desire to enter into such Agreement through passage of this resolution; and*

*WHEREAS, the Townships are authorized by the "Shared Services Act", N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4, et seq. to enter into any contract for the joint provision of any service which any party to the agreement is authorized to render within its own jurisdiction; and*

*WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to participate in the Shared Services Agreement between the Townships and enter into the agreement establishing the respective rights and obligations of the parties regarding this Shared Services Agreement;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Bass River that:*

- 1. The attached Shared Services Agreement between Bass River Township and the Borough of Tuckerton shall be effective according to its terms.*
- 2. The Mayor and Township Clerk of Bass River Township are hereby authorized to sign, seal, execute and witness/attest the Agreement.*
- 3. The Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized to take any action necessary to implement the terms of the Shared Services Agreement.*

## **RESOLUTION 2011-77**

### **A RESOLUTION EXTENDING SOLID WASTE CONTRACT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1**

The motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Bethea to approve Resolution 2011-77. Votes: Cope—Yes, Bethea -Yes, Smith-Yes. All present in favor and Resolution 2011-77 where hereby approved.

#### **TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER**

#### **RESOLUTION 2011-77**

### **A RESOLUTION EXTENDING SOLID WASTE CONTRACT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1**

*WHEREAS, sealed public bids for the collection and disposal of trash and garbage were received by Bass River Township in 2008 which resulted in a contract by and between Bass River Township and Transformation Enterprises, Inc. dated July 1, 2008; and*

*WHEREAS, the Contract by and between Bass River Township and Transformation Enterprises, Inc. provides for the unilateral extension of the Contract term by Bass River Township for two (2) additional one (1) year terms; and*

*WHEREAS, Transformation Enterprises, Inc. has performed to the satisfaction of the Bass River Township Commissioners; and*

*WHEREAS, the Bass River Township Commissioners do not believe that there is any current benefit to be derived from re-bidding the contract in accordance with applicable state regulation;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Bass River Board of Commissioners that Bass River Township does hereby exercise its right under the aforementioned Contract to extend the Contract for an additional one (1) year term commencing July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.*

*I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Bass River Township Board of Commissions held on the 7th day of November, 2011.*

**RESOLUTION 2011-78**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO EMPLOYEES FOR OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES**

The motion was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bethea to approve Resolution 2011-78. Votes: Cope–Yes, Bethea -Yes, Smith-Yes. All present in favor and Resolution 2011-78 where hereby approved.

***RESOLUTION 2011-78***

***RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO EMPLOYEES FOR OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES***

*WHEREAS, from time to time Township Employees pay at their own expense equipment utilized to perform their duties for Bass River Township; and*

*WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Commissioners to reimburse for some of these expenses.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CFO of the Township of Bass River is hereby directed to make payment to the following for expenses incurred for 2011*

*PEGGY BECK  
Municipal Court O/E \$500.00*

*FREDERICK HAMPLE  
Code Enforcement O/E \$500.00*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the CFO for proper execution.*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Cramers Junkyard License Renewal—The motion to continue to table the hearing on the Junkyard License Renewal for Cramers was made by Commissioner Bethea, seconded by Mayor Cope. All present in favor. Ordered continued until December Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pinelands Commissioner is requesting an update in the Pinelands CMP. Copies of draft ordinances were provided to the Planning/Zoning Board to review and make recommendations to the Board at a future meeting.

REPORTS:

The following reports were noted:

Report of Solicitor  
Report of Municipal Court  
Dog Report  
Report of Safety Coordinator  
Report of the Governing Body Members

Senior Luncheon is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup> at the Grapevine Restaurant at 11 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The meeting was open for public comment at 8:10 p.m. upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Bethea.

Mr. W. Aaronson asked if Engineer fees seemed high this month. Deputy Mayor Bethea explained the Engineer has done a lot of grant work in town and monitoring well reports.

Mrs. R. Bourguignon commented on West Road and feels that West Road was dropped down when repaving was done. Commissioner Smith said the project is not yet complete. After first raid it will be further determined what work needs to be done.

Mr. W. Aaronson asked if millings were taken to the dump from the West Road project. Commissioner Smith stated that, no, only dirt from the sides of the road were brought to the dump and utilized and any brush taken was a small amount. He noted that the brush that was trimmed was brush that would have been trimmed by the township anyway. Solicitor noted that the project was bid appropriately.

Mr. L. Bourguignon commented on accidents on the parkway and the need for information to be relayed to central to relay back to emergency services so that they have the most up to date information on the site.

Mr. W. Aaronson asked about the outstanding issues cited by the fire marshal against crammers junkyard. This information was at this time confidential.

Mr. H. Bourguignon noted that the tax maps need to be corrected. Mayor Cope told him that this is a process that will continue.

Mrs. R. Bourguignon asked why New Gretna is not utilized when using GPS...Only Bass River Township.

Mrs. Dolch told the Board that a group inspected the generator at the school. The generator is damaged beyond repair. Also, commented on a gate being open to the generator as well as doors to the kitchen and noted concern for safety of the children. This should be voiced to the administration of the school.

Being no further comments the motion to close the public portion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Bethea. All in favor and public comment was closed at 8:50 p.m.

Being no further business to come before the Board the motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Bethea. All in favor and meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Amanda S. Somes, RMC  
Township Clerk

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Deborah Buzby-Cope, Mayor