

## NOVEMBER 11, 2015

The South Harrison Township Committee held a finance and regular meeting on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at 7:00 and 7:30 p.m. respectively in the South Harrison Township Municipal Building.

Mayor James McCall called the meeting to order and was followed by the flag salute.

Requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were met. Notice of this meeting was given by: (1) sending sufficient notice herewith to the Today's Sunbeam of Salem and the Gloucester County Times of Woodbury; and (2) posting notice on the public bulletin board at the South Harrison Township Municipal Building.

**Roll Call:** Robert Diaz – present, John Horner – absent, Mary Howard – present, James McCall – present, Robert Schenk – present, Brian Lozuke, Solicitor – present, Mark Basehore, Engineer – present, Nancy Kearns, Clerk – present

Edmund Crispin of the South Harrison Veterans Committee gave a presentation and talk regarding the veterans' of World War II along with a small bio of his experiences while serving in WW II. Mr. Crispin shared pictures and presented each Committee Member with a packet of information on the veterans'. Several extra copies will be maintained in the Clerk's Office. At the end of Mr. Crispin's report, the following members (Chester Randall, Joseph Wille and Charles Tyson) of the Committee presented a plaque to Mr. Crispin for his service to home, community and county.

### Minutes:

Motion to approve the regular session minutes of October 14, 2015 was made by Robert Schenk, second by Mary Howard.

**Roll Call Vote:** Robert Diaz – yes, John Horner – absent, Mary Howard – yes, James McCall – abstained, Robert Schenk – yes. **R.C.V.: 3 – yes', 0 – no's, 1 - abstention.**  
**Motion carried.**

Motion to approve the regular session minutes of October 26, 2015 was made by Mary Howard, second by Robert Schenk.

**Roll Call Vote:** Robert Diaz – yes, John Horner – absent, Mary Howard – yes, James McCall – yes, Robert Schenk – yes. **R.C.V.: 4 – yes', 0 – no's. Motion carried.**

### Committee Reports:

Construction Code Official – October 2015 Report  
Police Department - October 2015 Report  
Engineer Report – November 2015  
Harrisonville Fire Company – October 2015 Report  
Tax Collector – October 2015 Report  
JIF Report – Deputy Mayor Diaz gave a brief overview of the 2015 Member Visitation Program Update that was distributed to the Committee.

**Old Business: Ordinance O-15-08**  
**An Ordinance of the Township Committee of the Township of South Harrison**  
**Amending Chapter 90 of the South Harrison Township Code Entitled "Land Use and**  
**Development**

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-15-08 as revised on reintroduction and first reading was made by Mary Howard, second by Robert Schenk.

**Roll Call Vote:** Robert Diaz – yes, John Horner –absent, Mary Howard – yes, James McCall – yes, Robert Schenk – yes. **R.C.V.: 4 – yes', 0 – no's. Motion carried.**

Public hearing and final adoption set for December 9, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

**New Business: Resolution R-15-77**  
**Resolution of the Township of South Harrison, County of Gloucester, Authorizing the**  
**Execution of a Commodity Resale Agreement with the County of Gloucester**

**Resolution R-15-79**  
**Resolution of the Township of South Harrison, County of Gloucester Approving the**  
**Refund to Jeffrey Hutchins Block 14, Lot 5 Road Opening Access Fee**

**Resolution R-15-80**  
**Resolution Appointing Construction Code Official in the Township of South Harrison**

**Resolution R-15-81**  
**Resolution Appointing a Zoning Officer in the Township of South Harrison**

**Resolution R-15-82**  
**Resolution Amending and Supplementing Resolution R-15-16 Pertaining to Planning**  
**Board Membership**

**Resolution R-15-83**  
**Resolution Appointing Electrical Sub-Code Inspector in the Township of South**  
**Harrison**

**Resolution R-15-84**  
**Resolution Appointing a Housing Officer in the Township of South Harrison**

Motion to adopt Resolutions R-15-77, and R-15-79 through and including R-15-84 was made by Robert Diaz, second by James McCall.

**Roll Call Vote:** Robert Diaz – yes, John Horner –absent, Mary Howard – yes, James McCall – yes, Robert Schenk – yes. **R.C.V.: 4 – yes', 0 – no's. Motion carried.**

**Resolution R-15-78**

**Resolution of the Township of South Harrison Authorizing and Ratifying Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Motion to table Resolution R-15-78 was made by Robert Diaz, second by Mary Howard.

**Roll Call Vote:** Robert Diaz – yes, John Horner –absent, Mary Howard – yes, James McCall – yes, Robert Schenk – yes. **R.C.V.: 4 – yes’, 0 – no’s. Motion carried.**

The Township Committee by consensus agreed to have the JIF dividend applied as a credit toward the 2016 JIF assessment.

The following letter was read into the record by Mayor McCall:

To: Mayor and Council, South Harrison Twp  
From: Edward F Menold  
Subject: Police Officer Theresa Cabanas

ONLY

This note is long overdue, but never the less it comes from the heart. On November 30, 2013, I was involved in a domestic accident that almost cost me my life 4 times. I was helping a friend and fellow South Harrison Resident cut down a tree in his backyard. Sparing you the details, suffice it to saw the tree split, hitting me in the face and knocking me off the ladder I was on. I fell ten feet and landed on my back. I suffered a broken eye socket, concussion, brain injury, spinal cord injury, broken neck, broken back, five broken ribs, and 7 compressed vertebrae, not to mention a cut on my head that toke 54 stitches to close. The neighbor called 911 and Officer Cabanas actually arrived at the scene before the Gloucester County Ambulance. She took one look at me profusely bleeding and immediately called for a Medivac Helicopter. As she later told me, she didn't think I was going to survive, and when the EMS personnel arrived, they agreed with her. Sparing you the details of almost bleeding out and the other 3 times in the next 53 days that I almost died, suffice it to say that had she not responded so quickly AND more importantly , not called for the helicopter I would not be alive today. Her quick thinking and bypassing protocol by calling for the chopper instead of letting the EMS people make that call, saved my life.

But the story of this amazing woman does not end here. When I was discharged from the hospital in January, my first stop was to the Boro Hall to thank her. In spite of the back brace and neck brace I wore until the end of March, I got the warmest hug and good wishes I could ever imagine. And just 2 weeks ago, this kind hearted Office I am proud to call my friend, presented me with an oil painting she painted for me, to inspire me to live my life to the fullest.

South Harrison is so very fortunate to have her as an Officer. If there was a way I could let the whole town know what she did, I wouldn't hesitate to broadcast it from the highest point in the township. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated officer and warm hearted person in our midst, and I hope and pray that you make a note in your meeting minutes about the gem we have.

Edward F Menold  
54 Vestry Rd

IMMEDIATE

Mayor McCall advised that the County EMS will be removing the ambulance and housing a "Quick Response Vehicle" in the ambulance bay in South Harrison Township.

**Open Meeting to the Public:**

Motion to open the meeting to the public was made by Robert Schenk, second by Mary Howard. Motion carried.

No questions or comments were received from the public.

**Close Meeting to the Public:**

Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Robert Diaz, second by Robert Schenk. Motion carried.

**Approve Payment of the Bills:**

Motion to approve payment of the bills was made by Mary Howard, second by Robert Schenk.

**Roll Call Vote:** Robert Diaz – yes, John Horner – absent, Mary Howard – yes, James McCall – yes, Robert Schenk – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes, 0 – no's. **Motion carried.**

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Robert Schenk, second by Mary Howard. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Kearns, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

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