

Monday Evening  
Riverside, NJ  
December 20, 2021  
**Regular Meeting**  
7:00p.m.

Mayor Frey led in the Flag Salute.

**STATEMENT:**

**Public Notice** of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given by the Riverside Township Committee in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board at the Riverside Township Administrative Office Building on January 11, 2021 and October 13, 2021.
2. Written notice was delivered to the Burlington County Times and the Courier Post on January 11, 2021 and October 13, 2021.
3. Filed written notice with the Clerk of the Township of Riverside on January 11, 2021 and October 13, 2021.

The regular meeting of the Riverside Township Committee was held on the above date at the Riverside Municipal Building.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Frey – present, Mr. Kimble – present, Mrs. Weaver – present, Mr. Higgins – present, Mr. Giovanetti – present.

Also present: Administrator Meghan Jack (via telephone,) Township Clerk Susan M. Dydek, Township Attorney Charles Fiore and Police Chief William Eliason.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion made by Mr. Giovanetti and Mr. Higgins that the following minutes be approved: the Work Session Meeting of November 15, 2021, the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2021 and the Closed Session Meeting of November 15, 2021 carried.**

**Motion made by Mr. Higgins and Mr. Kimble that the following minutes be approved: the Special Meeting of December 6, 2021, the Closed Session Meeting of December 6, 2021 and the Work Session Meeting of December 6, 2021. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes – Messrs. Kimble, Higgins, Frey and Giovanetti. Nays – None. Abstain – Mrs. Weaver. Motion carried.**



**OPEN PORTION - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

In seeing no members of the public wishing to speak, **motion made by Mr. Kimble and Mr. Giovanetti to close Open Portion – Agenda Items Only carried.**

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

- 1) Honoring Jason Frey.

**Motion made by Mrs. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kimble to approve the aforementioned Proclamation carried.**

**ORDINANCES**

The following Ordinance was introduced at the Regular Meeting of September 27, 2021 and advertised in the Burlington County Times on November 29, 2021. **ORDINANCE 2021 - #11 entitled, “An Ordinance Adopting a Revisions and Codification of the Ordinances of the Township of Riverside, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey.”**

**Mayor Frey opened the Public Portion.**

- 1) Mr. Joseph Peditto – 607 Bem Street – Mr. Peditto asked for a clarification of the Ordinance. Township Clerk Dydek answered Mr. Peditto stating this Ordinance authorizes that the Township Code Book be updated with new ordinances that were adopted. The new Code Book will be more user friendly to the public.

Hearing nothing from the public, **motion made by Mr. Giovanetti and Mr. Higgins that Public Portion be closed. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Higgins, Kimble, Giovanetti and Frey. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Mr. Giovanetti, seconded by Mr. Higgins that the foregoing Ordinance be passed on second and final reading. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Giovanetti, Higgins, Kimble and Frey.**

**Nays – None.**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried.**

The following Ordinance was introduced at the Regular Meeting of September 27, 2021 and advertised in the Burlington County Times on November 29, 2021. **ORDINANCE 2021 - #12 entitled, “An Ordinance Adopting a Revision and Codification of the Board of Health Ordinances of the Township of Riverside, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey.**

**Mayor Frey opened the Public Portion.**

Hearing nothing from the public, **motion made by Mrs. Weaver and Mr. Giovanetti that Public Portion be closed. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Higgins, Kimble, Giovanetti and Frey. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Mr. Higgins, seconded by Mr. Kimble that the foregoing Ordinance be passed on second and final reading. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Higgins, Kimble, Giovanetti and Frey.**

**Nays – None.**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried.**

The following Ordinance was introduced at the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2021 and advertised in the Burlington County Times on November 29, 2021. **ORDINANCE 2021 - #13 entitled, “An Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Certain Officials and Employees of the Township of Riverside, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey.”**

**Mayor Frey opened the Public Portion.**

- 1) Mr. Joseph Peditto – 607 Bem Street Riverside NJ – Mr. Peditto questioned the Ordinance asking if anyone was getting a raise? Township Clerk Dydek answered Mr. Peditto stating that this is an annual Ordinance that must be done. This Ordinance authorizes a 3% cost of living increase for non-contractual employees and the contractual increase for contracted employees.

Hearing nothing additional from the public, **motion made by Mr. Higgins and Mr. Kimble that Public Portion be closed. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Higgins, Kimble, Giovanetti and Frey. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Mr. Giovanetti, seconded by Mr. Higgins, that the foregoing Ordinance be passed on second and final reading. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Giovanetti, Higgins, Kimble and Frey.**

**Nays – None.**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried.**

The following Ordinance was introduced at the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2021 and advertised in the Burlington County Times on November 29, 2021. **ORDINANCE 2021 - #14 entitled, "An Ordinance of the Township of Riverside Creating Chapter 90 of the Township Code entitled, "Fees."**

**Mayor Frey opened the Public Portion.**

Hearing nothing from the public, **motion made by Mr. Higgins and Mr. Giovanetti that Public Portion be closed. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Higgins, Kimble, Giovanetti and Frey. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kimble, that the foregoing Ordinance be passed on second and final reading. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Giovanetti, Higgins, Kimble and Frey.**

**Nays – None.**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried.**

The following Ordinance was introduced at the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2021 and advertised in the Burlington County Times on November 29, 2021. **ORDINANCE 2021 - #15 entitled, "An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance 2012 - #9 Entitled, "Amending Chapter 65 of the Township Code entitled, "Criminal History Background Checks."**

**Mayor Frey opened the Public Portion.**

Hearing nothing from the public, **motion made by Mr. Higgins and Mr. Kimble that Public Portion be closed. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Higgins, Kimble, Giovanetti and Frey. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Giovanetti, that the foregoing Ordinance be passed on second and final reading. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:**

**Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Giovanetti, Higgins, Kimble and Frey.**

**Nays – None.**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Mr. Kimble made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Weaver that the Consent Agenda be approved. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Kimble, Higgins and Giovanetti. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Motion carried.**

The following items were contained in the consent agenda:

1. Resolution 2021 - #157 - A Resolution Urging the New Jersey Legislature to Create Legislation that Would Establish Emergency Medical Services as Essential Government Services.
2. Resolution 2021 - #158 – Handicapped Parking Space Approval.
3. Resolution 2021 - #159 – Appointment of an Emergency Management Coordinator.
4. Resolution 2021 - #160 – A Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of Municipal Tax Sale Certificate for Block 3207, Lot 9.
5. Resolution 2021 - #161 – A Resolution Authorizing Change Order Proposal for the Administrative Office Vestibule Improvements.
6. Resolution 2021 - #162 – Authorizing Budget Appropriation Transfers During the Last Two Months of the Fiscal Year for the Township of Riverside, Burlington County, New Jersey.
7. Resolution 2021 - #163 – Authorizing Budget Appropriation Transfers During the Last Two Months of the Fiscal Year for the Township of Riverside, Burlington County, New Jersey.
8. Authorization to hire Zach DiFrancesco as a full-time Crossing Guard.
9. Authorization for the Township Administrator to sell vehicles and equipment.

**SHADE TREE COMMITTEE REQUEST**

None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Francis A. Coskey Esq., Attorney for Felipe Soares De Paula – Planning Board Notice.
2. Jeffrey E. Snow, Esq. – Letter of interest.

**REPORTS:****DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Chief Eliason reported the Police Activity for November 2021: Incidents – 628, Investigations – 69, Adult Arrests Total – 32, Motor Vehicle Summons – 66, Motor Vehicle Accidents – 11, Juvenile Charges – 20, Curfew Violations – 0, Protective Custody – 0, Stationhouse/Curbside Adjustments – 0, Summons for False Alarms – 0, False Alarm Calls – 12, False Alarm Warning Letters – 2. Firearms Applications submitted to the New Jersey State Police for the month – 10, Applications completed – 8, Previous pending – 6, Total pending – 2, Denied/Closed Applications – 5.

Riverside Township Resolution No. 2021-157

**Resolution Urging the New Jersey Legislature to Create Legislation that Would Establish  
Emergency Medical Services as Essential Government Services**

**WHEREAS**, the State designates police, fire, and sanitation as essential government services, affording residents and visitors the right to a timely response by law enforcement, who will address an issue relating to public safety and respond; as well as the right to receive fire prevention and suppression services; and the right to a clean community through sanitation services; and

**WHEREAS**, despite being an integral part of public health and safety, providing education, lifesaving skills, and transportation, when needed, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is not an essential government service in the State of New Jersey; and,

**WHEREAS**, due to this oversight, municipalities are not legally mandated to afford their citizens and visitors with a licensed ambulance with certified Emergency Medical Technicians when a medical emergency arises; and

**WHEREAS**, a review of call volume reports in major municipalities reveals that individuals who live, work and play in New Jersey are significantly more likely to need Emergency Medical Services than Fire Department services due to the rapidly increasing EMS call volumes that have exceeded pace with the fire service in recent years; and

**WHEREAS**, while fire and police agencies receive new fire trucks and patrol cars as well as up-to-date equipment, EMS agencies struggle with funding, dated equipment, and unmet demand for personal protective equipment for their employees; and

**WHEREAS**, these issues have been exacerbated by the escalating levels of infectious disease entering the country; as the State has seen with SARS, Ebola, and, most recently the Coronavirus pandemic, EMS agencies have been forced to adapt to changing circumstances despite being shorthanded; and

**WHEREAS**, when staffing has fallen short, many municipalities have been left scrambling to afford some level of emergency medical service for its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, a legislative finding that EMS is an essential government service, coupled with the same statutory scheme found for both fire departments under N.J.S.A. 40A:14-7 et. seq. and law enforcement agencies under N.J.S.A. 40A:14-106 et.seq., will correct the present inequities between public safety agencies and otherwise ensure that those who live, work, and play in New Jersey receive equal access to emergency medical care.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside urges Governor Murphy and the Legislature to seek to create legislation that would provide funding for, and establish Emergency Medical Services as Essential Government Services; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the members of the New Jersey General Assembly and the State Senate, the New Jersey Commissioner of Health, the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor of the State of New Jersey.

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOTION	2 <sup>nd</sup>	YES	ABSTAIN	NO	ABSENT
Frey			X			
Kimble	1 <sup>st</sup>		X			
Weaver		2 <sup>nd</sup>	X			
Higgins			X			
Giovanetti			X			

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Susan Dydek, RMC, Riverside Township Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Riverside Township Committee at its Regular Business Meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021.

*Susan M Dydek*  
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 Susan Dydek, RMC  
 Riverside Township Clerk



**RESOLUTION 2021 - #158**

**HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE APPROVAL**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Riverside Township Code, Chapter 243-47, et seq., the Riverside Township Committee has reviewed requests for handicapped parking spots; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Police Department has reviewed the requests and determined that there is sufficient on-street parking to honor this request; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has the authority to honor these requests by Resolution pursuant to Chapter 243-49.1B.

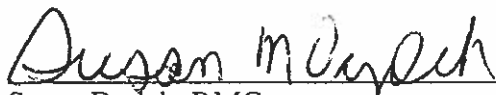
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside that resident handicapped on-street parking spots are authorized at:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Street Number</u>	<u>Name of Requestor</u>
Kossuth Street	505	Bradford, Barbara PD approved

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOTION	2 <sup>nd</sup>	YES	ABSTAIN	NO	ABSENT
Frey			X			
Kimble	1 <sup>ST</sup>		X			
Weaver		2 <sup>ND</sup>	X			
Higgins			X			
Giovanetti			X			

**CERTIFICATION**

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 Susan Dydek, RMC  
 Riverside Township Clerk

RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION 2021 - #159

APPOINTMENT OF AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside desires to appoint an Emergency Management Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Coordinator must have successfully completed the approved courses as required; and

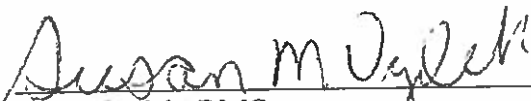
WHEREAS, George Conard Jr. is qualified to serve as the Emergency Management Coordinator.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that George Conard Jr. is hereby appointed as the Emergency Management Coordinator retroactive from July 28, 2021 to January 3, 2022.

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOTION	2 <sup>nd</sup>	YES	ABSTAIN	NO	ABSENT
Frey			X			
Kimble	1ST		X			
Weaver		2ND	X			
Higgins			X			
Giovanetti			Y			

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 Susan Dydek, RMC  
 Riverside Township Clerk

**RESOLUTION 2021-#160  
TOWNSHIP OF RIVERSIDE**


*A Resolution Authorizing Cancellation Of  
Municipal Tax Sale Certificate For Block 3207, Lot 9*

**WHEREAS**, Certificate of Sale No. 20-00045 was issued on October 21, 2020 to the Township of Riverside on Block 3207, Lot 9; and

**WHEREAS**, redemption of said certificate took place on December 13, 2021 by the property owner;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Riverside Township Committee hereby authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to endorse Certificate No. 20-00045 for cancellation at the meeting held on December 20, 2021

  
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Jason Frey – Mayor

  
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Susan M. Dydek – Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION 2021 - #161**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER PROPOSAL**  
**FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE VESTIBULE IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Township of Riverside awarded a contract to JH Williams Enterprises, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, this Change Order is needed to install two (2) temporary interior doors, install interior wall cap in the Construction Office and to upgrade doors to have keyless entry locksets two (2) interior doors and one (1) exterior door.

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, Pennoni has recommended this Change Order in the amount of \$5891.52 increasing the total contract amount to \$63,891.52; and

WHEREAS, the Riverside Township Committee does wish to approve the changes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Riverside that this Change Order in the amount of \$5891.52 increasing the total contract amount to \$63,891.52 is hereby approved and the Township Committee authorizes the aforementioned Change Order be executed on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.


Adopted the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021 at the Regular Meeting of the Township of Riverside.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Township Chief Financial Officer.

	FREY	KIMBLE	WEAVER	HIGGINS	GIOVANETTI
YES	X	X	X	X	X
ABSTAIN					
NO					
ABSENT					
MOTION		1ST	2ND		

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Susan M. Dydek, RMC, Riverside Township Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Riverside Township Committee at its Regular Meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021.

  
 Susan M. Dydek, RMC  
 Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF RIVERSIDE

RESOLUTION 2021-162

AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS DURING THE LAST TWO MONTHS OF THE FISCAL YEAR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVERSIDE, BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, permit the transfer of appropriations during the last two months of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, from time to time it becomes necessary to transfer funds for various reasons in order to operate the Township on a sound financial basis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Governing Body agrees to said transfer of budget appropriations below:

Account Number	Account Title	Transfer To	Transfer From	Budget As Modified
1-01-20-100-100	Administrative/Executive S/W	1,840.80		106,882.80
1-01-20-125-100	Vital Statistics S&W	82.44		10,282.44
1-01-25-240-100	Police S/W	8,546.59		2,190,399.59
1-01-26-290-100	Streets & Roads S/W	6,018.68		270,268.68
1-01-36-472-200	Social Security	2,112.07		104,612.07
1-01-20-110-101	Mayor & Council S/W		1,133.17	10,166.83
1-01-20-120-101	Municipal Clerk S/W		2,757.41	67,000.59
1-01-25-241-101	School Police Crossing Guards S/W		14,710.00	55,290.00
	<b>TRANSFER TOTAL</b>	<b>18,600.58</b>	<b>18,600.58</b>	

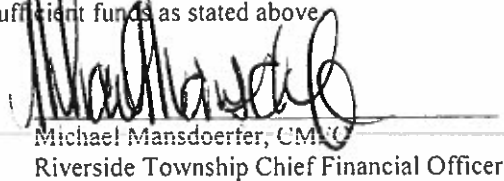
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COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOTION	2 <sup>ND</sup>	YES	ABSTAIN	NO	ABSENT
Frey			X			
Kimble	1st		X			
Weaver		2nd	X			
Higgins			X			
Giovanetti			X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Susan Dydek, RMC, Riverside Township Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Riverside Township Committee at its Regular Business Meeting held on the 20th day of December, 2021. In addition, Michael Mansdoerfer Riverside Township, CFO also certifies the availability of sufficient funds as stated above.

  
 Susan Dydek, RMC  
 Riverside Township Clerk

  
 Michael Mansdoerfer, CMFO  
 Riverside Township Chief Financial Officer

TOWNSHIP OF RIVERSIDE

RESOLUTION 2021-163

AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS DURING THE LAST TWO MONTHS OF THE FISCAL YEAR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVERSIDE, BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, permit the transfer of appropriations during the last two months of the fiscal year; and

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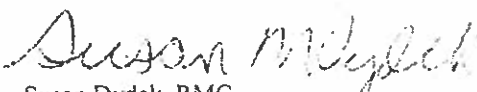
Account Number	Account Title	Transfer To	Transfer From	Budget As Modified
1-01-20-120-220	Municipal Clerk O/E	1,000.00		47,000.00
1-01-20-165-200	Engineer Professional Service	3,000.00		38,000.00
1-01-23-210-200	Liability Insurance	9,301.50		84,631.50
1-01-23-220-203	Group Dental	650.00		33,650.00
1-01-25-275-299	Prosecutor OE	299.96		16,299.96
1-01-26-305-201	Trash O/E	5,000.00		312,000.00
1-01-26-310-220	Bldgs & Grounds OE	6,000.00		135,000.00
1-01-26-315-200	Vehicle Maintenance OE	5,000.00		45,000.00
1-01-31-460-200	Gasoline & Diesel	6,000.00		66,000.00
1-01-22-195-299	Construct OE	14,000.0		42,500.00
1-01-32-455-200	Landfill Costs	1,000.00		301,000.00
1-01-43-49-220	Municipal Court OE	2,500.00		23,000.00
1-01-23-220-202	Group Health		25,715.30	517,784.7
1-01-26-315-300	Vehicle Leases		9,127.12	50,872.83
1-01-20-110-299	Mayor & Council OE		4,368.30	1,131.70
1-01-20-135-200	Audit Services		3,000.00	32,000.00
1-01-43-490-101	Municipal Court SW		9,084.73	109,883.27
1-01-31-435-200	Street Lighting		2,456.01	101,543.99
	<b>TRANSFER TOTAL</b>	<b>\$53,751.46</b>	<b>\$53,751.46</b>	

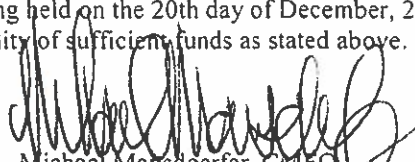
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Kimble	1ST		X			
Weaver		2ND	X			
Higgins			X			
Giovanetti			X			

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 Susan Dydek, RMC  
 Riverside Township Clerk

  
 Michael Mansdoerfer, CMFO  
 Riverside Township Chief Financial Officer

No questions or concerns were presented.

The report is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:**

Mr. Higgins reported the December 2021. The Department continued fall leaf collection. Preparations for Christmas were done. The activities for January 2022 are as follows: road maintenance as needed, storm clean-up if needed, complete fall leaf connection, begin Christmas Tree and branch collection, and miscellaneous maintenance.

Mrs. Weaver thanked the Public Works Department for their assistance with Christmas in Riverside.

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

The Tax Collector's Monthly Report of Receipts for November 2021: Total Collected for the month of November - \$1,918,562.02, Total Collected Year to Date - \$16,867,865.38. General: Current Year - \$19,001.20, Total Collected Year to Date - \$611,170.38.

**DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION:**

Mr. Kimble reported he will be in communication with his associates for the 5k to be held in October of 2022. In late September of 2022, Mr. Kimble is planning to hold a kayak race.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EVENTS:**

Mrs. Weaver reported that Christmas in Riverside was held on December 4, 2021. There were many volunteers, vehicle parades, vendors and clubs. Santa was in the courtroom this year. The Polar Express Train ride was also at the event. It was a successful event.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Solicitor Fiore had no report.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

The Engineer's Report has been submitted and a copy of the report is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Administrator Jack stated that her report is on file with the Township Clerk. Administrator Jack reported that the 2022 Temporary Budget will be adopted at the Reorganization Meeting. The 2022 Final Budget is awaiting State and Surplus information.

**Motion made by Mr. Higgins and Mrs. Weaver to approve all reports carried.**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

**Motion made Mr. Giovanetti, seconded by Mr. Kimble to approve all bills and expenditures. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes – Mrs. Weaver, Messrs. Kimble, Higgins, Giovanetti and Frey. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

Mayor Frey opened Public Portion.

- 1) Christy Veasy – 206 New Jersey Avenue – Ms. Veasy questioned when Delaware Avenue and New Jersey Avenue will be finished? Ms. Veasy stated that the manholes are high and the curbing is extremely high. Administrator Jack will contact the Engineer regarding the concerns presented.
- 2) Mr. Peditto – 607 Bem Street - Mr. Peditto questioned why the minutes are not current on the website? Administrator Jack stated that she will contact the web servicer to see why the minutes are not updated.
- 3) John Holmes – 62 Bridgeboro Street – Stated that his wife witnessed a fight at the school while walking and questioned how the Committee works with the School Board regarding the students? Mr. Holmes questioned how the School Board is handling this? Mr. Holmes questioned if any of the Committee Members attend the School Board Meetings? Mayor Frey stated that he attends the School Board Meetings but the Township Committee and the School Board are separate entities and have no jurisdiction over each other. Mr. Holmes stated that multiple teachers are being hurt at the school because of students fighting. Mr. Kimble stated that he will be attending the School Board Meetings next year as long as his schedule allows.

In hearing no additional members of the public wishing to speak, **Motion made by Mr. Higgins and Mr. Giovanetti that Public Portion be closed carried.**

**RESOLUTION:**

**Mrs. Kimble made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-#164 entitled, “A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12” seconded by Mr. Higgins. Upon roll call, the vote was as followed: Ayes – Messrs. Kimble, Higgins, Giovanetti, Frey and Mrs. Weaver. Nays – None. Motion carried.**

**Motion to reopen the meeting made by Mrs. Weaver and Mr. Giovanetti carried.**

**Mr. Higgins made a motion authorizing to approve the Employment Contract with the Chief of Police for the calendar years 2022 – 2024, seconded by Mr. Kimble carried.**



**RESOLUTION 2021 - #164**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVERSIDE PROVIDING FOR A**  
**MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE**  
**PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-**

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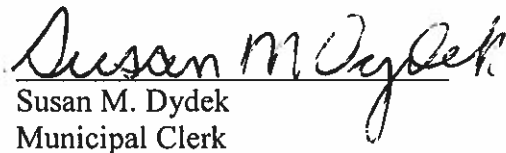
**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution; and


**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating Personnel.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside, assembled in a Regular Meeting on December 20, 2021 and that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held during the Regular Meeting of the Township Committee on December 20, 2021 for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above. It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Township Committee that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Riverside, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, at a Regular Meeting held on December 20, 2021.

  
Susan M. Dydek  
Municipal Clerk

**There being no further business to attend to, motion made by Mr. Kimble and Mr. Giovanetti that the meeting be adjourned carried.**

  
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Susan M. Dydek, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

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