

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 12, 2017 MINUTES**

The Tewksbury Township Committee met on the above date at the Municipal Building, Mountainville, NJ.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM, roll call held and a quorum established. Mayor Dana Desiderio presided.

Other officials in attendance were Township Committee members Louis DiMare, Peter Melick, Shaun Van Doren and William Voyce. Committeeman elect Robert Becker was in attendance.

John Eskilson, Interim Township Administrator, Roberta Brassard, Municipal Clerk, Michael Selvaggi, Township Attorney and Gene Buczynski, Township Engineer were in attendance.

There were approximately ten members of the public in attendance.

1. Open Public Meetings Statement

Mayor Desiderio opened the meeting by announcing that adequate notice of the meeting had been provided by posting a copy thereof on the Police/Administration Building bulletin board, transmitting a copy to the Hunterdon Review and the Hunterdon County Democrat, and filing with the Municipal Clerk, all on January 5, 2017.

2. Flag Salute

Those present stood and pledged allegiance to the American flag.

3. Public Participation

Nancy Held presented additional questions to the Committee regarding the action that occurred earlier in the year pertaining to the removal of personnel files from the PAB and other matters regarding former Administrator Mr. Landon.

Mayor Desiderio stated that she did not speak directly with any employees upon advice of counsel, adding that the municipal attorney advises the Committee on many matters.

Ms. Held expressed her displeasure with how many matters were handled including but not limited to the removal of files, the 1% increase for Mr. Landon and the fact that Mr. Landon was working for another municipality while employed as a full time Administrator for Tewksbury.

Mayor Desiderio stated that she would review Ms. Held's list of questions and comments and give her answers if possible.

Pat Ricciardi, Tewksbury Township Public Library President presented information regarding the Library's current budget, noting that the Township provides \$57,200.00 annually. He noted how the services provided by the Library have grown over the years and how there is a desire to grow further into the future. He stated that the building will require a new well, there is an interest in re-doing the first floor and a new circulation desk is needed. He outlined the many projects and the fundraising that has been done, adding that a capital campaign is being planned for the future.

George Cassa stated that he would like to comment on Resolution #129-2017 and requested it be removed from the Consent Agenda.

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Stan Prater, JCP&L Area Manager was present to report that Nelson Tree Service will be performing work in Tewksbury in January – a complete list of areas to be covered is on file in the PAB.

Discussion followed regarding what the Tewksbury Township Public Library would have to do to be listed as a warming center for the municipality.

Nick Corcodilos, resident and former Mayor of Clinton Township questioned the time table related to the resignation of Mr. Landon and the hiring of the Interim Administrator. He further questioned the afore mentioned removal of personnel records and the memo signed by Mr. Melick related to same.

In response to a question from Mr. Corcodilos, Mr. Van Doren stated that he would not answer any of his questions as he did not feel a public meeting was the appropriate venue for the discussion.

Further discussion followed regarding the salary increase as noted by Ms. Held.

Mr. Corcodilos stated that he had recently been contacted by an investigative reporter from a major newspaper regarding sexual harassment in County government, adding that both Clinton and Tewksbury Townships will be looked at and the Committee should “take off the blinders” regarding the matter.

4. Actions to be taken

➤ **Ordinance Public Hearing**

Mr. DiMare moved to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #07-2017, seconded by Dr. Voyce. The motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None.

Ms. Brassard provided proof of publication from the 10-26-17 Hunterdon County Democrat and a letter from the Land Use Administrator noting the Land Use Board’s review of the Ordinance and their finding that it is not inconsistent with the Master Plan.

There being no comments from the public Dr. Voyce moved to close the Public Hearing on Ordinance #07-2017, seconded by Mr. DiMare. The motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None.

Dr. Voyce moved adoption of Ordinance #07-2017, seconded by Mr. DiMare.

In response to a question from Mr. Van Doren, it was stated that this portion of the DRO is being amended as the entire portion related to the Rockaway Village Zone was previously deleted from the DRO.

A roll call vote was taken and the above noted motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None. Abstain: Melick.

**TOWNSHIP OF TEWSKBURY
ORDINANCE NO. 07 -2017**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEWSKBURY, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO ARTICLE VI SECTION 633, OF THE DEVELOPMENT**

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**REGULATIONS ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEWKSBURY ENTITLED
“ROCKAWAY VILLAGE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN STANDARDS”**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, in the County of Hunterdon, and State of New Jersey that Article VI Section 633 entitled “Rockaway Village Architectural Design Standards” of the Development Regulations Ordinance is hereby amended as follows:

- **Article VI, Section 633 Rockaway Village Architectural Design Standards is hereby deleted in its entirety.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other provisions of Article VI shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and adoption and publication according to law.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

➤ **Consent Agenda**

Dr. Voyce requested that Resolutions #128-2017, #129-2017 and #134-2017 be removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

Mr. Van Doren requested that Resolution #131-2017 and all minutes to be adopted be removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

Dr. Voyce moved adoption of the Consent Agenda as amended, seconded by Mr. DiMare. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION #130-2017

**A RESOLUTION SETTING THE 2017 SALARY AND WAGES FOR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF TEWKSBURY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the salary or wage to be paid to the employee of the Township of Tewksbury be, and the same are hereby determined and fixed, at the respective amount or rates for the calendar year 2017 and until same is amended.

NAME	TITLE	SALARY

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CONSTRUCTION CODE ENFORCEMENT		
Christopher Diacik	part time Electrical Subcode Official	40.00/hour Effective 12-05-17

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

**RESOLUTION #132-2017
REFUND OF TAX OVER PAYMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, the tax collector is authorized to refund a 2017 Tax Over Payment.

Block	Lot	Name	Year	Amount
27	71.1	Bank of America Tax Dept. 3001 Hackberry Road Irving, TX 75063-0156	2017	\$2,513.87
		Robert Iola 6 Hillview Drive		

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

RESOLUTION #133-2017

**BANKING OF ALLOCATED FUNDS FROM HUNTERDON COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017**

WHEREAS, the County of Hunterdon has established the Hunterdon County Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund and has made municipal grant funding available to each municipality; and

WHEREAS, the funds available to the Township of Tewksbury for Fiscal year 2017 are \$548,686.96.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury that the County of Hunterdon is requested to reserve and bank the allotment for Fiscal Year 2017.

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Dana Desiderio
Mayor

RESOLUTION #135-2017

**TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE VOORHEES
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE**

FORM 1B

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has applied for funding to the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Hunterdon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Committee does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Voorhees Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2019 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$	22,852.00	_____
Cash Match	\$	5,713.00	_____
In-Kind	\$	17,139.00	_____

2. The Township Committee acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

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**RESOLUTION #136-2017
RELEASE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act requires that municipalities keep minutes of Executive Sessions, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Tewksbury maintains such Executive Session minutes, and

WHEREAS, certain of those Executive Session minutes no longer need to be maintained as confidential pursuant to the Open Pubic Meeting Act; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Tewksbury has determined that the Executive Session minutes listed on the attached document should be released to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury in the County of Hunterdon and in the State of New Jersey hereby releases the listed Executive Session minutes or unredacted portions thereof.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

RESOLUTION #137-2017

**A RESOLUTION SETTING THE 2017/2018 SALARIES FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF TEWKSBURY**

WHEREAS, the Township of Tewksbury Department of Public Works may, depending on the frequency and severity of winter storms, be in need of part-time, on-call snow plow drivers to supplement the Department's existing work force; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the Township Administrator in consultation with the Public Works Superintendent is hereby authorized to hire up to three (3) part-time, on-call, snow plow drivers at the following rate of pay.

DEPATMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS		
TBE up to three	Part-time, on-call snow plow drivers	\$20.00/hour for weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. \$25.00/hour for all other times

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

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**COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #138-2017

**AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR A MULTI-YEAR PAYOUT OF ACCRUED LEAVE
TIME TO RETIRING CHIEF OF POLICE THOMAS HOLMES**

WHEREAS, Tewksbury Township Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual provides for the payment of unused vacation days upon separation from employment; and

WHEREAS, the Tewksbury Township Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual provides for the payment of up to sixty (60) accrued sick days for retiring employees hired prior to January 1, 1997 at their rate of pay at the time of retirement; and

WHEREAS, the agreement between the Township and PBA 386 provides for accumulation of four hundred eighty (480) hours of compensatory time and payment for same at the time of withdrawal; and

WHEREAS, Tewksbury Township Chief of Police Thomas Holmes will be retiring from services with the Township of Tewksbury on December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Chief Holmes is entitled to payment for accrued leave time at the time of his retirement in accordance with the references provided above; and

WHEREAS, the total amount owed to Chief Holmes for accrued leave time is calculated on the attached table which shall be part of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, Chief Holmes has advised the Township that he would like to consider payment for accrued leave time over a multi-year period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon that it hereby authorizes the payout of accrued leave time to Chief Thomas Holmes in two (2) equal installments due on January 1 of 2018 and 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the choice of a one year lump sum payout or payout over the period of time prescribed above shall be solely at the discretion of Chief Thomas Holmes.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

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RESOLUTION #139-2017

**AUTHORIZING TOWNSHIP ENGINEER VAN CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, LLC TO
UPDATE THE TAX MAPS OF TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, Tewksbury Township's tax maps are in need of updating to comply with current State of New Jersey standard for tax maps;

WHEREAS, Township Engineer Van Cleef Engineering Associates, LLC has submitted a proposal to update the Township's tax maps to an electronic digitized format and in accordance with all mapping standards of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Chief Financial Officer (CFO) has certified availability of funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon that it hereby authorizes Van Cleef Engineering Associates, LLC to proceed with the updating to the Township's tax maps in an electronic, digitized format for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

MISCELLANEOUS

- Claims as submitted by the CFO 11/21/17 and 12/12/17
- Correspondence List
- Authorization to have the Mayor sign **Amended** NJDOT Div of Local Aid and Econ Dev Recommendation of Award – State Aid Project – Improvements to Potterstown Road
- Authorization to have Mayor sign Strategic Plan for Funding Municipal Alliances- Grant Year 7/1/18 – 6/30/19

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

The following Resolution was read into the minutes by Mayor Desiderio. The retirement party held on 12-08-17 was noted as well deserved and attended.

Mr. Melick made a motion to adopt Resolution #128-2017, seconded by Dr. Voyce. The motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION #128-2017

TO RECOGNIZE CHIEF THOMAS HOLMES

WHEREAS, Thomas Holmes has served the Police Department of the Township of Tewksbury

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for thirty-five years; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Holmes has a record of exemplary service to the community as a Police Officer and volunteer; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Holmes has worked countless hours to serve the citizens of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey by keeping the community safe for residents, businesses and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Holmes started with the Township as a Patrolman, was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1991 and subsequently promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 1998 based on his demonstrated leadership ability; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Holmes was promoted to the position of Chief of Police of the Tewksbury Police Department in 2009 which is a position of leadership and professionalism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes Chief Thomas Holmes for his dedicated and superior service to the Township.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee would like to publicly thank Thomas Holmes for his years of service and wish him the best of luck, good health and good fortune upon his retirement.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

The following Resolution was read into the minutes by Mayor Desiderio.

Mr. Melick made a motion to adopt Resolution #134-2017, seconded by Dr. Voyce. The motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Voyce. Nays: None. Abstain: Van Doren.

RESOLUTION #134-2017

TO RECOGNIZE SHAUN VAN DOREN

WHEREAS, Shaun Van Doren started his service to the Township of Tewksbury by serving on the Recycling Commission from 1987-1988, as the Affordable Housing Board Secretary from 1994-1995 and as a member of the Development Regulations Ordinance Committee from 1998-2002; and

WHEREAS, Shaun Van Doren continued his service to the Township of Tewksbury by serving on the Planning Board from 1999-2004, chairing the 2005 Committee from 2001-2005 and serving as a member of the Historic Preservation Commission from 2005-2006 and as vice chair in 2006; and

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WHEREAS, Shaun Van Doren served on the Land Use Board in 2007 and from 2010-2016, on the Township Committee from 1997-2017 and as Mayor of the Township of Tewksbury in 2001, 2007 and 2014.

WHEREAS, Shaun Van Doren has a record of exemplary service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Shaun Van Doren's outstanding and caring work with the citizens of the Township of Tewksbury will be greatly missed and long remembered; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes Shaun Van Doren for his dedicated and superior service to the Township.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

Mr. Melick and Mr. Van Doren were recused from the following discussion.

Dr. Voyce made a motion to adopt Resolution #129-2017, seconded by Mr. DiMare.

Mr. Cassa stated that he would like to pursue having a portion of the quarry that has frontage on the Rockaway Creek be deeded or transferred to a public entity in order to preserve as a greenway downstream to the Whittemore Preserve. He added that a similar request was presented to a quarry representative and there was an interest.

The above motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Voyce. Nays: None. Recused: Melick, Van Doren.

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HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #129 - 2017

**RESOLUTION GRANTING QUARRY LICENSE FOR THE YEAR 2018
SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2000, the Township of Tewksbury ("Township") adopted an ordinance ("Ordinance") regulating quarrying and requiring a license to conduct that activity which Ordinance was amended in 2007 and again in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Stavola Quarries, LLC, 175 Drift Road, Tinton Falls, New Jersey ("Stavola") is the owner of a quarry known as the Oldwick Materials Quarry, Oldwick, New Jersey ("Quarry"); and

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WHEREAS, Stavola has submitted a Quarry License Application for the year 2017 which has been reviewed by the Township Engineer who has found it to be generally consistent with the requirements of the Ordinance, subject to Stavola addressing certain conditions set forth in the Township Engineer's letter dated November 10, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Quarry License Application includes, but is not limited to, all documents filed with the Township by Stavola as part of its 2018 Quarry License Application, the documents reviewed and/or referenced by the Township Engineer as identified in a letter dated November 10, 2017, and any correspondence on file with the Township from the Township Engineer commenting on the 2018 Quarry License Application (all such documents hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Quarry License Application"); and

WHEREAS, Stavola must fully comply with all requirements of the Township Engineer in accordance with any deadlines established, or the Township shall revoke Stavola's Plenary License as set forth in this Resolution because of concerns by the Township that failure to comply will endanger the health and welfare of the residents of the Township and others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tewksbury, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, that a Quarry License is hereby granted to Stavola Quarries, LLC, for the year 2018, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. All operations of the Quarry shall be conducted, and permitted only in accordance with the Ordinance, the Quarry License Application and the terms and conditions set forth in a letter from Robert C. Bogart, P.E. to Jesse Landon, Township Administrator, dated June 7, 2001 ("Bogart Letter"), and the terms of this License. The Quarry License Application, prior Quarry License applications, the Bogart Letter and the documents listed therein are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Stavola may use up to three portable crushers on site in order to carry out the processing of the already shot rock. The type of crusher(s) to be used shall be approved in writing in advance by the Township Engineer. Stavola agrees to use portable crushers that incorporate the best available technology to reduce dust and noise from their operations. The crushers may only be used in such locations as are approved by the Township Engineer in accordance with the Bogart Letter.

3. Except for local deliveries within one mile of this exit, Stavola shall prohibit all dump trucks and vehicles having a gross weight in excess of four tons from making a right-hand turn onto Rockaway Road when exiting the Quarry. Stavola will post adequate signage at the exit of the Quarry to notify truck drivers of this restriction.

4. The submission of a quarterly report from the Township Engineer finding that (1) the operation of the Quarry has been in conformance with the Quarry's NJPDES permit; (2) the operation of the Quarry has not measurably impacted, in any aspect, the Rockaway Creek; (3) storm water runoff emanating from Block 44, Lot 24, and Block 46, Lot 18 on the Tax Maps of the Township of Tewksbury ("Property") has been adequately handled before discharge to Rockaway Creek such that no measurable impact, in any aspect to the Creek, has occurred as a result of such discharge; (4) ground water levels have not been adversely impacted by the operation of the Quarry and (5) Stavola has complied with all environmental

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reports and correspondence prior to the date hereof. The Quarry shall timely submit to the Township Engineer such reports and information from reputable professionals, in the form established by the Township Engineer, as reasonably necessary for him to prepare the reports to the Township required by this paragraph. In the event that the Township Engineer's report does not provide an affirmative finding for any of the above, the Quarry will take reasonable and prompt steps to rectify the conditions responsible for the lack of such affirmative finding(s). In the event that the Quarry is unsuccessful in doing so, the Township reserves the right, upon five (5) days notice to the Quarry, to revoke the license granted herein. The Quarry may challenge any such action in accordance with the law.

5. Stavola shall continue to submit any required water quantity and quality monitoring reports from a local ground and surface water testing agency identified by Stavola and agreed to by the Township, which reports shall be consistent with the requirements of the Township Engineer's letter dated November 10, 2017. Stavola shall pay directly the costs and fees charged by the water testing agency.

6. The granting of this Quarry License does not eliminate or replace the need for Stavola to comply with all requirements of all other applicable ordinances of the Township.

7. In the event that the Township Engineer determines that there is a discernable impact upon a resident's person or property from blasting, Stavola shall take steps to respond to the resident's concern, including, but not limited to, considering whether the sequence, timing, size or location of future blasts can be altered to diminish the impact upon the resident. In the event that Stavola either refuses to or cannot come up with a viable solution to the resident's problem, then the municipality, at its option and upon recommendation of its Township Engineer, may hire a blasting expert, to be paid pursuant to the escrow agreement, to determine what additional steps may be available to deal with this situation and to make such recommendations as the expert sees fit. In the event that Stavola is not willing to carry out the recommendations of the municipal blasting expert, then the Township may pursue such options as are available to it at law.

8. Stavola shall continue to comply with the comments of the Tewksbury Township Planning Board, dated February 21, 2002, attached to prior Licenses.

9. If not already provided, this Quarry License shall not become effective until Stavola submits, in a form and amount acceptable to the Township Engineer, a Performance Bond as required by the Ordinance.

10. If not already provided, Stavola shall comply with and supply to the Township within ten (10) days of the date hereof, copies of all county, state and federal approvals necessary or incidental to quarrying operations at the Quarry for the year 2018. Throughout the term of this license, Stavola shall provide Township with a copy of all correspondence to and from any regulatory agencies which regulate quarry activities in the Township.

11. The granting of this license does not endorse the design, lot or road layout, drainage or any other matter contained in the Reclamation Plan Narrative, Reclamation Alternatives or Mining Plan, and prior to commencing reclamation activities at the Quarry, Stavola shall obtain any necessary development approvals from the appropriate Township

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board or agency.

12. The granting of this license applies only to quarrying activities as defined by the Ordinance and does not approve any other operations on site.

13. The granting of this license is without prejudice and does not grant to Stavola any "grandfather rights" to operate or carry on any quarry operations of any type for any years subsequent to the year 2018.

14. Stavola shall, if it has not already done so, pay any outstanding taxes due on the Property.

15. Stavola will maintain sufficient balance in its escrow account to reimburse all Township professionals for their services in connection with review of quarry operations, licensing and applications. If Stavola wishes to challenge the escrow billing of any professional engaged by the Township, it may do so in accordance with the procedure established pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53.1*.

16. The grant of the license of the year 2018 is without prejudice to any claims made by the Township that Stavola is in violation of any ordinances of the Township or any state or federal regulations or other law.

17. The grant of the license of the year 2018 is without prejudice to any claims made by the Township that Stavola is in violation of any wetland lands regulations of the State of New Jersey.

18. The Mayor and Committee specifically reserve the right to revoke this Plenary License at any time on five (5) days written notice to the Quarry if it fails to fulfill the requirements of Paragraphs 4 and 5 of this Resolution or any other term of this Plenary License if that violation presents an immediate threat to health and safety of the residents of the Township or others.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

Discussion followed regarding proposed Resolution #131-2017 entitled AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF CARPENTING AT THE TEWKSBURY MUNICIPAL BUILDING BY COMMERCIAL INTERIORS DIRECT INC. UNDER EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY CONTRACT #65.

Mr. Van Doren stated that this was not discussed at any finance subcommittee meetings and he did not feel it was necessary to replace the 20 year old carpet in the Police Administration Building, adding that it has been presented in prior years and was pushed off. He added that it should not be brought up at year's end, but rather as a capital project in the new year.

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Mr. Eskilson apologized for not bringing this up at a finance subcommittee meeting, adding that the carpet is becoming a trip hazard and is duct taped down on many seams. He noted that two other quotes were solicited and this vendor is part of the Educational Services Commission State contract.

Further discussion followed regarding possible other materials that could be used in the PAB.

Mr. Melick noted that he would have liked to have discussed this at a subcommittee meeting and would be interested in looking at other options.

Mr. Eskilson noted that 2017 funds cannot be used for the project in 2018.

Resolution #131-2017 was tabled.

Dr. Voyce made a motion to adopt the regular and executive session minutes of 11/1/17, 11/6/17 and 12/5/17, seconded by Mr. Melick. The above motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Voyce. Nays: None. Abstain: Van Doren.

- Regular and E/S minutes of 11-01-17, 11-06-17 & 12-05-17

5. Reports

- **Township Engineer**

Mr. Buczynski presented information regarding the 2016-2020 road plan. Mr. Buczynski noted that there are 13 roads scheduled to be paved in 2018 with some drainage and milling work. In response to Mr. Melick's comment regarding going out to bid for asphalt, Mr. Buczynski stated that the co-op is the best rate for asphalt currently at \$63.00/ton.

Specific comments were made regarding Black River Road as Mr. Van Doren noted that it was done in the past ten years and he did not feel it needed paving.

Also noted was Van Pelt Road that is on the list for 2018 as the work could not be completed in 2017.

Chris Kennedy of 50 Homestead Road noted that Homestead Road used to be topped every 2-3 years and the way it is being surfaced now is much better. He noted a specific section of the road from CR 517 to the corner (of Homestead) that needs some attention. It was agreed that this road be looked at closely for upcoming work.

Further discussion followed regarding the dirt roads in the Township, specifically Meadow Lane. Mr. Eskilson stated that dirt roads take a great amount of staff time and it may be prudent to try a heavy layer as a base on the dirt road(s). It was agreed that the cost of road work on Meadow Lane be reviewed for next year.

Mr. Buczynski will meet with Mr. Pyatt to further review road plans.

- **Township Committee Sub Committees & Township Committee Comments**

Dr. Voyce noted the use of medical alarms that are working well, although there are some false alarms.

He congratulated and thanked Mr. Van Doren, adding that he was first approached by Mr. Van Doren when he became a Township Committee member.

He noted the recent tree lighting in Oldwick on December and Chief Holmes' retirement party on December 8.

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He thanked Mayor Desiderio for serving as Mayor in 2017.

He wished all present a Merry Christmas, happy Chanukah and Happy New Year.

Mr. DiMare extended congratulations and thanks to Mr. Van Doren and Mayor Desiderio.

Mr. Melick stated that a meeting needs to be scheduled to discuss Public Works issues. Congratulations and thanks were extended to Mr. Van Doren and Mayor Desiderio and Merry Christmas wished to all present.

Mr. Van Doren noted the following items.

- He commended the staff on keeping spending low
- The fund balance is low and serious decisions need to be made moving forward.
- A recent discussion with the Tax Assessor regarding her wish to have a re-val done in the Township. He stated that one was done in 2001. He opined that this is not necessary as there is no County or State order to do so.
- Changes in State and federal government policies
- Additional staffing for the Tax Assessor
- The need to make a decision regarding a fire truck for the Oldwick Fire Company.

He stated that he has enjoyed his 21 years on the Committee and thanked the staff, adding that he will remain available to help.

Mayor Desiderio noted that Chief Holmes' retirement party and the tree lighting were wonderful events, adding that the tree lighting attracted many different people from the Township. She thanked Mr. Van Doren for his years of service, adding that he was the second person she met when she came to the Township.

She noted that Hunterdon County is discussing having a four year college in the future. She welcomed Mr. Becker to the Township Committee.

- **Township Attorney**

Mr. Selvaggi stated that he has items to discuss in Executive Session.

He wished Mr. Van Doren well in his position on the County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

- **Township Administrator**

Mr. Eskilson also wished Mr. Van Doren well in his position on the County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

He noted that he has three items for Executive Session.

He presented the following items that need to be discussed/finalized as soon as possible.

- RFP's were solicited for Attorney, Auditor, Bond Counsel, Waste Water Engineer, Planner and Risk Manager. These proposals need to be discussed prior to the 1-2-18 re-organization meeting.
- Further discussion needs to take place with regard to the Oldwick Fire Company's request for new fire trucks.
- Information related to a Community Energy Aggregation was distributed earlier. He requested that the Committee contact him if anyone wishes to have a presentation at an upcoming meeting.

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- 2018 Budget discussion have commenced. He noted that further discussion regarding existing surplus and proposed spending need to be carefully considered.
- Cost and installation for monitors and other video equipment for the meeting hall as requested by Mayor Desiderio are being further looked into.

6. Executive Session

At 9:00 PM Mr. Van Doren moved adoption of the following Resolution, seconded by Mr. DiMare. The motion was approved. Ayes: Desiderio, DiMare, Melick, Van Doren, Voyce. Nays: None.

**RESOLUTION #140-2017
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE TEWKSBURY
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BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 and 10:4-12 that the Tewksbury Township Committee hold a closed session to discuss Personnel, Litigation and Collective Bargaining.

It is expected that the discussion undertaken in closed session can be made public at the time official action is taken.

Dana Desiderio
Mayor

7. Reconvened

The meeting reconvened at 10:10 PM.

It was agreed that action be taken as discussed in executive session.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 PM.

Roberta A. Brassard
Municipal Clerk