

The regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Answering present to the roll call was: Township Committee members: Pari Stave, David Stout, Wayne Wittman and Mayor Thomas F. Panconi. Mr. Stannard was absent. Also present was: Trishka Waterbury, Esquire, Attorney, Thomas C. Witt, Administrator and Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk. Mayor Panconi led in the salute to the flag and Ms. Cunningham gave the following Open Public Meetings Act statement:

In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, it is hereby announced and shall be entered into the minutes of this meeting that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided:

- (1) Posted on December 7, 2005 on the Bulletin Board of the Municipal Office at 23-A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey and remains posted at that location.
- (2) Communicated to the Cranbury Press, Home News Tribune and Trenton Times on December 7, 2005.
- (3) Was filed on December 7, 2005 with a Deputy Municipal Clerk at the Cranbury Municipal Office, 23-A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey and remains on file for public inspection, and
- (4) Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

Committee Minutes of March 13, 2006

On motion by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Wittman and unanimously carried, the minutes of March 13, 2006 were adopted.

#### Reports and Communications

--Mayor

Mayor Panconi reported on the 14<sup>th</sup>, the Personnel subcommittee had met to discuss an item for the Salary Ordinance. Mr. Panconi indicated when the Chief Financial Officer, Denise Marabello, had taken the position she had an agreement with the prior Administrator, Mr. Carr, to work three days a week with no benefits and after one year the subcommittee would review her performance and bring her up to an hourly rate of her predecessor. Mayor Panconi stated the Personnel subcommittee had made recommendation to the Township Committee to increase Ms. Marabello's hourly rate.

Mayor Panconi reported on the 18<sup>th</sup>, the pumper truck subcommittee had met and a report would be given later during the Work Session.

Mayor Panconi reported he had held Mayor's hours on Saturday, March 25, 2006. Ms. Judy Dossin, Parks Commission Chairperson had attended, Ms. Anna Drago and Ms. Beth Veghte, Recreation Commissioner, came in to request Mr. Edward Sekelsky be appointed to take Keith Lindberg's spot on the Board of Recreation Commissioners, as Mr. Lindberg had resigned.

--Members of Committee

Mr. Stout reported he had attended The Cranbury School play over the weekend and commended the students for a job well done.

Mr. Stout also reported he had represented the Township at the opening day of the Plainsboro/Cranbury Little League.

--Members of Committee (Continued)

Mr. Stout (cont'd)

Mr. Stout recognized Mr. Peter Sibley, Chairman of the Environmental Commission, and announced Mr. Sibley would be leaving the Township. Mr. Stout thanked him for all his years' of service to the Township and a job well done.

Mr. Wittman reported he had attended a meeting of the barn subcommittee and there would be a full report during the Work Session.

--Subcommittees

Agenda Additions/Changes

Ms. Cunningham, Clerk, indicated under the Consent Agenda Resolutions, Resolution # R 03-06-039 would be deleted to be considered later on, after a discussion. Also, Resolution # R 03-06-041 would be deleted from the Consent Agenda and would be considered at a later date. Under the Work Session, Item # a. after the discussion there may be a Resolution, and if so, the number would be R 03-06-046. Item # c. would follow item number a., becoming item number a.1. Mr. Stout indicated he had asked that Resolution # R 03-06-041 be removed. Mr. Stout indicated the Resolution pertained to public improvements by Sharbell Developers and he had checked his file and had determined Sharbell was to do final plantings at the detention basin and wanted to check with the Township Engineer on that issue. Ms. Waterbury requested she have an item added to the Closed Session; Update on the Danser vs. Township of Cranbury litigation.

Ordinances

First Reading

Cranbury Township Ordinance # 03-06-07

An Ordinance entitled, "Cranbury Township Ordinance # 03-06-07, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY AMENDING "AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES, WAGES AND BENEFITS FOR VARIOUS OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER OF PAYMENT THEREOF, AND RATIFYING SALARIES AND PAYMENTS TO EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS PREVIOUSLY PAID", was introduced for first reading. On motion by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Stout, the Ordinance was passed on first reading by vote:

Ayes: (Panconi  
(Stave  
(Stave  
(Stout  
(Wittman

Abstain: (None  
Absent: (Stannard

Nays: (None

Public Hearing: April 17, 2006

SECTION 1. The following salaries, wages and fees shall be paid to the various Township Officials and employees of the Township of Cranbury as hereinafter specified, effective, January 1, 2006 unless otherwise noted:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY OR HOURLY RATE</u>
Mayor	up to \$ 7,437.00 per year
Township Committee	up to \$ 5,950.00 per year

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Township Clerk	up to	\$ 70,529.00 per year
Township Administrator	up to	\$ 27,966.00 per year
Tax Assessor	up to	\$ 46,795.00 per year
Tax Collector	up to	\$ 54,600.00 per year
Police Chief	up to	\$114,059.00 per year
Zoning Officer	up to	\$ 8,486.00 per year
Construction/Building Sub-Code Official	up to	\$ 13,218.00 per year
Building Inspector (p/t)	up to	\$ 30,261.00 per year
Building Inspector (f/t)	up to	\$ 52,317.00 per year
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	up to	\$ 28,014.00 per year
Electrical Sub-Code Official	up to	\$ 34,346.00 per year
Fire Sub-Code Official	up to	\$ 6,023.00 per year
Fire Official	up to	\$ 21,603.00 per year
Ass't Fire Inspector	up to	\$ 3,462.00 per year
Superintendent of Public Works	up to	\$ 51,054.00 per year
Sewer Superintendent	up to	\$ 26,772.00 per year
Recycling Coordinator	up to	\$ 8,925.00 per year
Animal Control Officer	up to	\$ 7,020.00 per year
Open Space/Conservation/Recreation Officer	up to	\$ 50,000.00 per year
Director of Recreation	up to	\$ 11,844.00 per year
Summer Recreation Supervisors*	up to	\$ 4,000.00 per year
Summer Programs Directors*	up to	\$ 6,500.00 per year
Chief Financial Officer	up to	\$ 46.23 per hour
Accounts Payable/Purchasing Clerk	up to	\$ 21.33 per hour
Deputy Treasurer/Sewer Collector	up to	\$ 20.28 per hour
Assessing Clerk /Payroll Clerk	up to	\$ 21.63 per hour
Police Secretary	up to	\$ 18.72 per hour
School Crossing Guards	up to	\$ 16.00 per hour
Planning Administrative Officer/Zoning Board Secretary	up to	\$ 25.31 per hour
Public Works Assistant/HPAC Secretary	up to	\$ 20.55 per hour
Building Inspector II	up to	\$ 25.75 per hour
Technical Assistant/Alternate Deputy Registrar	up to	\$ 21.09 per hour
Deputy Registrar/Office Assistant	up to	\$ 20.28 per hour

Fire Inspector up to \$ 2.57 per hour  
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<u>POSITION</u>		<u>SALARY OR HOURLY RATE</u>
Public Works Foreman	up to	\$ 24.64 per hour
Heavy Equip Operator/Public Works	up to	\$ 21.35 per hour
Sewer Assistant	up to	\$ 20.65 per hour
Public Works Mechanic	up to	\$ 20.31 per hour
Public Works Employees**	up to	\$ 19.31 per hour
Small Animal Control Officer	up to	\$ .89 per hour
Part-time Clerical Help*		\$ 12.00 to \$ 15.00 per hour
Other Part-time Board Secretaries*		\$ 12.00 to \$ 17.68 per hour
Summer Program Employees*	up to	\$ 3.00 to \$ 20.00 per hour
Emergency Services Incentive- First Aid Responder	up to	\$ 1.00 per hour
Emergency Services Incentive- Fire Responder	up to	\$ 1.00 per hour
Municipal Alliance Director	up to	\$ 25.00 per hour
LOSAP	not to exceed 4% Retroactive to year End 2005	\$1395/member

\*Set by memo of the Administrator

\*\*Set by memo of the Department Head w/approval of the Administrator

#### **A. PAID HOLIDAYS**

All full-time employees (except members of the bargaining unit whose salaries, benefits and working conditions are governed by a separate agreement), shall be entitled to eleven (11) paid holidays annually as follows:

1. New Years Day
2. Martin Luther King Day
3. President's Day
4. Good Friday
5. Memorial Day
6. Independence Day
7. Labor Day
8. Veteran's Day
9. Thanksgiving Day
10. Friday after Thanksgiving Day
11. Christmas

#### **B. PERSONAL DAYS**

All full-time employees shall be entitled to three (3) personal days per year (they cannot be carried over) and must be approved by the Department Head. Any personal time of less than one hour shall be charged as one hour.

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All part-time employees receive personal days on a pro-rata basis where such part-time personnel normally work at least 15 regularly scheduled hours per week (or based on employment agreement with the Township Administrator).

**C. SICK PAY**

All full-time employees shall be entitled to sick days in accordance with the following standards:

During the first calendar year of employment, Township employees shall be entitled to 1.75 sick days for each calendar quarter or portion thereof that they have actually worked for the Township. Thereafter, Township employees shall be entitled to seven (7) sick days per calendar year that they have actually worked. **Said sick days may be accumulated to a maximum of 120 days. There would be a one – time buyout of 50% of accumulated sick leave upon retirement, with one year written notice, not to exceed \$15,000.00.** The purpose hereof is to ensure that employees will be compensated within the framework hereof for days during which they shall become ill and unable to work. It is not intended that sick days will be considered days off as a matter of right and unrelated to illness.

In the event any employee is required to be absent because of sickness in excess of three (3) consecutive days, a doctor's certificate evidencing said illness will be required to be furnished to the Township at the time said employee returns to work. In the event that any such day or portion thereof is taken on the day prior to, or the day immediately after a vacation or holiday, said employees will likewise furnish a doctor's certificate evidencing said illness to the Township at the time of returning to work. Sick time is to be taken in no less than one hour increments. Any sick time of less than one hour shall be charged as one hour.

All part-time employees receive sick days on a pro-rata basis where such part-time personnel normally work at least 15 regularly scheduled hours per week (or based on employment agreement with the Township Administrator).

**D. VACATION PAY**

All full-time employees of the Township of Cranbury shall be entitled to annual vacation days in accordance with the following formula:

1. Any full-time employee commencing employment after July 1<sup>st</sup> of a given year shall not be entitled to receive a vacation during the first calendar year of employment. Any employee commencing employment before July 1<sup>st</sup> of a given year shall be entitled to receive one-half (1/2) day vacation for each full month of employment during said first calendar year,
2. During the second through the fifth years of employment, all employees shall be entitled to receive a vacation totaling ten (10) working days per year.
3. During the sixth through the fifteenth years of employment, all employees shall be entitled to receive a vacation totaling fifteen (15) working days per year.
4. From the sixteenth year and thereafter, all employees shall be entitled to receive a vacation totaling twenty (20) working days per year.
5. All vacation days must taken during the particular year, except that not exceeding five (5) vacation days may be taken within the first six months or, by July 1<sup>st</sup>, of the following year.
6. No employee shall be entitled to receive additional compensation for vacation days not taken in accordance with the above.
7. Other leave negotiated as part of an offer of employment shall be approved by the Township Committee and set by letter of the Administrator.

Any vacation time of less than one hour shall be charged as one hour.

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All part-time employees receive vacation days on a pro-rata basis where such part-time personnel normally work at least 15 regularly scheduled hours per week (or based on employment agreement with the Township Administrator).

**E. BEREAVEMENT LEAVE**

In the event of the death of a husband, wife, parent, sibling, son, daughter, grandparent, or individual who was primarily responsible for raising the employee, the employee will be granted up to a five (5) day leave. For the death of a mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, niece or nephew, the employee will be granted up to a four (4) day leave. This leave will be with pay. This bereavement leave, if scheduled during a time when other excused leave has been granted, will not be in addition to that leave. A one day leave of absence with pay may be granted by the Township Administrator, at his/her discretion, to an employee in case of death of other relative(s) or friends, as appropriate, in order to attend funeral or burial services. The Township Administrator may extend bereavement leave if such extension is in the best interest of the employee and the Township. Each case will be considered on a case-by-case basis and shall not establish a precedent.

**F. APPROVAL OF LEAVE**

Leave shall not be taken unless approved by the department head. The leave of a department head must be approved by the Administrator.

**G. POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Police Chief shall receive salary increases, longevity, perfect attendance payments, sick leave, holidays or holiday pay, physical exams and clothing allowances in accordance with the Police Salary Ordinance.

The Police Chief is an overtime exempt employee. The Police Secretary shall receive a clothing allowance of \$700.00 per year and the School Crossing guards shall receive a clothing allowance of \$275.00 per year. These expenses will be reimbursed by voucher and approved by the Chief of Police.

**H. HEALTH BENEFITS**

Full-time employees are eligible to enroll in the Township's health benefit programs. For purposes of determining eligibility, a full-time employee is defined as one who works a minimum of thirty hours a week.

**Full-time employees who are at least 62 years of age and who have 15 total years of service with Cranbury Township, or have 25 years of total years of service with Cranbury Township will upon retirement from Cranbury Township be entitled to full medical and dental coverage paid for by the Township. If the retiree is married, the coverage will cover the cost of "employee and spouse".**

**SECTION II.**

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase in the Ordinance is for any reason held or determined to be unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

### SECTION III.

All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

### SECTION IV.

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication according to law.

#### Resolutions Consent

On motion offered by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Wittman, the following Consent Agenda Resolutions were adopted by vote:

Ayes:	(Panconi	Abstain:	(None
	(Stannard	Absent:	(None
	(Stave		
	(Stout		
	(Wittman		

Nays: (None

#### Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-037

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of Cranbury that all bills and claims as audited and found to be correct be paid.

#### Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-038

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board of February 11, 1997; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 through 7.5, the Township of Cranbury has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services, and the Chief Financial officer has determined that the local government meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2006 budget year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Township of Cranbury that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a&7.6b and based upon the Chief Financial Officer's certification, the governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
  - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
  - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
  - c. Cash deficit of preceding year

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  - d. Reserve or uncollected taxes
  - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
  - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes.

2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2 and appropriations for exemptions to limits on appropriations found at N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3 et seq., are full met (complies with CAP law).
3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.
4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
  - a. All estimates of revenue are responsible, accurate and correctly stated,
  - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth
  - c. In itemization, form, arrangement and content, the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.
5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced and publicly advertised in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local
6. Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.
7. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services upon adoption.

Approved:

Vote recorded as follows:

Ayes: (Panconi  
(Stave  
(Stout  
(Wittman

Abstain: (None  
Absent: (Stannard

Nays: (None

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Kathleen R. Cunningham, clerk, hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution, adopted by the Township Committee on March 27, 2006.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-040

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has determined, there were erroneous paid taxes from various mortgage companies, which caused overpayments on some parcels for the 2006 property taxes,

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury that the following 2006 erroneously paid property taxes be refunded:

<b>Block</b>	<b>Lot</b>	<b>Amount</b>
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7	18	\$17,054.10
21	1.01	2,874.60
35	5	1,187.68
20.08	14	1,847.60

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Kathleen R. Cunningham, Township Clerk of the Township of Cranbury, hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution which was adopted at a regular meeting on March 27, 2006.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-042

#### RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, NJ

#### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REDUCTION OF A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR SHARBELL-PRIVATE IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, by letter dated February 13, 2006, Sharbell has requested the reduction of their performance guarantee previously posted with the Township in accordance with Planning Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has, in a letter dated January 6, 2006 (attached hereto as "Exhibit A") recommended that the performance guarantee be reduced and the amount that shall be **released** is as follows :

Performance Bond	\$ 3,494.34
Cash Deposit	\$ 388.26

WHEREAS, the amount that shall be **retained** until all bonded items are complete as follows:

Performance Bond	\$ 135,550.26
Cash Deposit	\$ 15,061.14

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury as follows:

1. It has reviewed, agrees with and hereby accepts all recommendations of the Township Engineer as set forth in "Exhibit A".
2. It hereby authorizes the reduction of performance guarantees set forth in the Township Engineer's letter referenced above.
3. The Township hereby accepts the public improvements, if any so designated pursuant to the Planning Board's approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution, certified by the Township Clerk to be a true copy and forwarded to each of the following:

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- (a) Township Engineer
- (b) Township Chief Financial Officer
- (c) Sharbell
- (d) Township Attorney

CERTIFICATION

I, Kathleen R. Cunningham do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution passed by the Township of Cranbury at a meeting duly held on March 27, 2006.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham Clerk

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-043

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY  
IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION AWARDING FARM SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE 2006 GROWING SEASON FOR  
THE FROSZTEGA PROPERTY

WHEREAS, since 2002, the Township of Cranbury, the State of New Jersey's Green Acres Program ("State"), and the Delaware and Raritan Greenway, Inc. ("D&R Greenway") have jointly owned certain real property designated on the Township's tax map as Block 25, part of Lot 60.01; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Management Plan entered into by the joint owners in 2002, the Township is responsible for either farming or mowing the fields located on the property during the initial five-year term of the Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Township seeks to procure services for the 2006 growing season that will enable the Township to maintain the farmed portions of this property as productive agricultural land; and

WHEREAS, Michael Protinick has successfully farmed the property in the past and wishes to continue farming it; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to retain Michael Protinick to provide farming services to the Township for the Frosztega property during the 2006 growing season; and

WHEREAS, the Township will compensate Michael Protinick for his services in kind by allowing him to retain any profit realized from the sale of his crops, the value of which will not exceed \$29,000.00; and

WHEREAS, because this contract amount does not exceed the bid threshold, this contract award is exempt from public bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a. and 40A:11-6.1a.; and

WHEREAS, the Township has not solicited other quotes for the provision of these services because it was not practicable to do so; and

WHEREAS, the Township is awarding this agreement without a "fair and open process" as defined by P.L. 2004, c. 19, the "Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law"; and

WHEREAS, Michael Protinick has completed and filed with the Township a Campaign Contributions Affidavit as required by N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.2 *et seq.* certifying that he has not

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made any prohibited contributions to a candidate committee or municipal committee representing the elected officials of the Township of Cranbury;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an Agreement with Michael Protinick for the provision of farming services to the Township at the Frosztega property, designated on the Cranbury Township tax map as Block 19, Lots 11 and 12, the form and substance of which shall have previously been approved by the Township Attorney.
2. The contract term shall terminate on December 31, 2006.
3. Protinick shall be paid for his services in kind, the value of which will not exceed \$29,000.00.
4. The Township Administrator, Clerk, Attorney and other appropriate staff and officials are hereby authorized and directed to undertake any and all other acts as may be proper and necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.
5. A copy of this Resolution, the Certification of Contract Value, the Campaign Contributions Affidavit, and the executed Agreement shall be placed on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Kathleen R. Cunningham, RMC, Clerk of the Township of Cranbury, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury at a regular meeting duly held on March 27, 2006.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-044

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **RESOLUTION AWARDED FARM SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE 2006 GROWING SEASON FOR BARCLAY NORTH AND SOUTH**

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranbury in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey presently owns properties designated on the Cranbury Township Tax Map as Block 25, Lot 19.01 ("Barclay North") and Block 23, Lot 12.01 ("Barclay South"), located on North Main Street and Plainsboro Road, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the Township seeks to procure services for the 2006 growing season that will enable the Township to maintain the farmed portions of these properties as productive agricultural land; and

WHEREAS, Danser & Bloom or its principals have successfully farmed the properties for several decades; and

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WHEREAS, the Township wishes to retain Danser & Bloom to provide farming services to the Township for these properties during the 2006 growing season; and

WHEREAS, the Township will compensate Danser & Bloom for its services in kind by allowing it to retain any profit realized from the sale of its crops, the value of which will not exceed \$29,000.00; and

WHEREAS, because this contract amount does not exceed the bid threshold, this contract award is exempt from public bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a. and 40A:11-6.1a.; and

WHEREAS, the Township has not solicited other quotes for the provision of these services because it was not practicable to do so; and

WHEREAS, the Township is awarding this agreement without a "fair and open process" as defined by P.L. 2004, c. 19, the "Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law"; and

WHEREAS, Danser & Bloom has completed and filed with the Township a Campaign Contributions Affidavit as required by N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.2 *et seq.* certifying that it has not made any prohibited contributions to a candidate committee or municipal committee representing the elected officials of the Township of Cranbury;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with Danser & Bloom for the provision of farming services to the Township at the Barclay North and Barclay South properties, designated on the Cranbury Township tax maps as Block 25, Lot 19.01 and Block 23, Lot. 12.01, respectively, the form and substance of which shall have previously been approved by the Township Attorney.
2. The contract term shall terminate on December 31, 2006 or upon the Township's sale of the subject properties, whichever is earlier, except that if the Township's sale of property is the earlier of the two events, then Danser & Bloom shall have the right to harvest any crop(s) then in the ground.
3. Danser & Bloom shall be paid for its services in kind, the value of which will not exceed \$29,000.00.
4. The Township Administrator, Clerk, Attorney and other appropriate staff and officials are hereby authorized and directed to undertake any and all other acts as may be proper and necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.
5. A copy of this Resolution, the Certification of Contract Value, the Campaign Contributions Affidavit, and the executed Agreement shall be placed on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Kathleen R. Cunningham, RMC, Clerk of the Township of Cranbury, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury at a regular meeting duly held on March 27, 2006.

Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk  
Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-045

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

#### RESOLUTION AWARDING FARM SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE 2006 GROWING SEASON FOR THE FISCHER PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranbury in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey presently owns a tract of open space designated on the Cranbury Township Tax Map as Block 19, Lots 11 and 12, located on Old Cranbury Road ("Fischer" or "Fischer property"); and

WHEREAS, a portion of the Fischer property has been farmed in the past; and

WHEREAS, the Township seeks to procure services for the 2006 growing season that will enable the Township to maintain the farmed portions of this property as productive agricultural land; and

WHEREAS, Michael Protinick has successfully farmed the property in the past and wishes to continue farming it; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to retain Michael Protinick to provide farming services to the Township for the Fischer property during the 2006 growing season; and

WHEREAS, the Township will compensate Michael Protinick for his services in kind by allowing him to retain any profit realized from the sale of his crops, the value of which will not exceed \$29,000.00; and

WHEREAS, because this contract amount does not exceed the bid threshold, this contract award is exempt from public bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a. and 40A:11-6.1a.; and

WHEREAS, the Township has not solicited other quotes for the provision of these services because it was not practicable to do so; and

WHEREAS, the Township is awarding this agreement without a "fair and open process" as defined by P.L. 2004, c. 19, the "Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law"; and

WHEREAS, Michael Protinick has completed and filed with the Township a Campaign Contributions Affidavit as required by N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.2 *et seq.* certifying that he has not made any prohibited contributions to a candidate committee or municipal committee representing the elected officials of the Township of Cranbury;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an Agreement with Michael Protinick for the provision of farming services to the Township at the Fischer property, designated on the Cranbury Township tax map as Block 19, Lots 11 and 12, the form and substance of which shall have previously been approved by the Township Attorney.
2. The contract term shall terminate on December 31, 2006.
3. Protinick shall be paid for his services in kind, the value of which will not exceed \$29,000.00.

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4. The Township Administrator, Clerk, Attorney and other appropriate staff and officials are hereby authorized and directed to undertake any and all other acts as may be proper and necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.
5. A copy of this Resolution, the Certification of Contract Value, the Campaign Contributions Affidavit, and the executed Agreement shall be placed on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

CERTIFICATION

I, Kathleen R. Cunningham, RMC, Clerk of the Township of Cranbury, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury at a regular meeting duly held on March 27, 2006.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk

**BUDGET RESOLUTION # R 02-06-022**

Ms. Stave reported at the Public Hearing on the Budget, which was held on March 13, 2006, Ms. Jennifer Kanawyer, Brainerd Drive, had brought to the Township Committee's attention, the idea it may be more cost effective to have an in-house Attorney and/or Engineer. Ms. Stave stated she had gathered some information from South Brunswick Township, as they employ an in-house attorney. The salary for the in-house Attorney in South Brunswick was \$153,000 (adding medical and dental to his/her salary). Ms. Stave stated that dollar amount excluded whatever pension payments South Brunswick would be making. In addition, the in-house Attorney had a legal assistant whose salary and health and dental totals approximately \$80,000, the two positions together would total \$ 232,000. In addition, South Brunswick seeks outside counsel for matters which would not necessarily fall under the expertise of the in-house. Ms. Stave reported the estimate for the year was \$181,000. The total that South Brunswick would pay for legal services would, therefore, be approximately \$413,000, compared to the \$150,000 estimated figure for the outside counsel for Cranbury. In addition, Ms. Stave pointed out, having an outside counsel was more beneficial, having the resources of a large firm which included a wide range of expertise that an in-house attorney would not have and secondly, satisfying and maintaining client relationships drives career advancement within a firm and there is also an incentive for the client to perform well. Ms. Stave also pointed out, if the client's work is unsatisfactory, the Township could terminate his/her services at the end of the year. An in-house attorney or any kind of government employee is very difficult to fire. In an emergency a large firm could assign another attorney without extra fees and if there were short-term spikes in work it would be easy to get short-term assistance from within the firm. Lastly, the Township pays no more than it receives, i.e. health benefits or employment or retirement benefits. In summary, Ms. Stave stated it made sense to have an outside attorney. On motion offered by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Wittman, the following resolution was adopted by vote:

Ayes: (Panconi  
(Stave  
(Stout  
(Wittman

Abstain: (None  
Absent: (Stannard

Nays: (None

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 02-06-022

**2006 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 02-06-022  
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of the Township of Cranbury, County of Middlesex for the fiscal year 2006.

**Revenue and Appropriation Summaries**

Summary of Revenues	Anticipated	
	2006	2005
1. Surplus	\$2,317,000.00	\$2,200,000.00
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	\$4,853,040.40	\$4,788,708.10
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	\$118,900.00	\$85,000.00
4. a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	\$5,264,726.60	\$4,501,367.02
b) Addition to Local District School Tax		
Tot Amt to be Raised by Taxes for Mun Budget	\$5,264,726.60	\$4,501,367.02
Total General Revenues	\$12,553,667.00	\$11,575,075.12
Summary of Appropriations	2006 Budget	2005 Budget

1. Operating Expenses: S&W	\$2,624,801.00	\$2,591,700.00
Other Expenses	\$4,391,116.86	\$4,082,071.56
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	\$322,381.00	\$233,003.56
3. Capital Improvements	\$0	\$275,000.00
4. Debt Service (include for School Purposes)	\$4,965,368.14	\$3,993,300.00
5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	\$250,000.00	\$400,000.00
Total General Appropriations	\$12,553,667.00	\$11,575,075.12
Total Number of Employees	70	73

#### Balance of Outstanding Debt

Interest	\$1,229,433.14
Principal	\$3,735,935.00
Outstanding Balance (12/31/05)	\$29,851,173.94

Notice is hereby given that the budget and tax resolution was approved by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, County of Middlesex on February 13, 2006.

A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held in the Committee Meeting Room, Town Hall, 23A North Main St, on March 13, 2006 at 7:00 o'clock PM at which time and place objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2006 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Copies of the budget are available in the office of the Township Clerk at the Municipal Building, 23A North Main St Cranbury, NJ, (609) 395-0544 during the hours of 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

#### Resolution

Mr. Wittman asked how much notice the Township would have to give the Court to not enter into the Agreement for the year. Ms. Waterbury indicated she did not have a copy of the Agreement and would provide Mr. Wittman with an answer by the next meeting. On motion offered by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Wittman, the following resolution was adopted by vote:

Ayes: (Panconi	Abstain: (None
(Stave	Absent: (Stannard
(Stout	
((Wittman	

Nays: (None

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-039

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND REAFFIRMING THE INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLAINSBORO AND TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY FOR SHARED  
MUNICIPAL COURT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, in Middlesex County, New Jersey ("Township"), that the Interlocal Services Agreement (Shared Municipal Court), entered into on January 14, 1999 between the Township of Plainsboro in Middlesex County, and the Township of Cranbury, to establish a shared municipal court, is hereby ratified and reaffirmed as originally entered into; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any and all actions taken pursuant to its terms to date are hereby also ratified and re-affirmed.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Kathleen R. Cunningham do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of a Resolution passed by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury at a meeting duly held on March 27, 2006.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk

#### **Raffle Application for The Cranbury Lions Club**

On motion by Mr. Wittman, seconded by Ms. Stave and unanimously carried, the Raffle application for The Cranbury Lions Club was approved:

Ayes: (Panconi	Abstain: (None
(Stave	Absent: (Stannard
(Stout	
(Wittman	

Nays: (None

#### **Reports from Township staff and professionals**

Mr. Witt reported The Star Ledger would be doing an article on March 28, 2006 on the Cranbury Township Clock Winding Committee.

#### **Reports from Township Boards and Commissions**

Mr. Peter Sibley, Environmental Commission thanked the Township Committee and reported the Environmental Commission had been working on the Environmental Resources

Reports from Township Boards and Commissions(Continued)

Mr. Peter Sibley, Environmental Commission (cont'd)

Inventory. Mr. Sibley indicated on April 6<sup>th</sup> they would be making a presentation to the Planning Board.

Ms. Beth Veghte, Recreation Commissioner, spoke concerning the mailboxes for the Township Committee. Ms. Veghte requested mailboxes still be available to drop off mail for the members when the Clerk's Office was locked. Mayor Panconi reported he had checked with the Clerk and it had been a problem having the mailboxes out in the open and individuals having access to them. Mayor Panconi requested if anyone had anything to drop off for any members it should either be left at the front window for the Clerk or slip it under the Clerk's Office door, should her Office door be locked.

#### **Work Session**

##### **a. Discussion of possible acquisition of a rescue/pumper truck**

The Township Committee discussed the possible acquisition of a rescue/pumper truck for the Cranbury Fire Company. Mr. Charles Smith, President of the Cranbury Fire Company, Chief Sam DiStasio and Bob Allen, Chairman, Truck Committee, gave a brief summary of the work involved in securing a new rescue/pumper truck. Mr. Allen stated the Fire Company had been working with the Township to meet standards required and had developed a 15 year plan to



replace equipment. The 15 year plan recommended replacing a piece of equipment every three (3) years. In 1999, the Township hired a consultant to make sure the Fire Company was on track. The Consultant recommended the Township go on a five-year plan instead of a fifteen year plan and the Fire Company opted to stay on the fifteen year plan. In 2000, a new pumper was purchased, in 2003 a 1963 ladder truck was replaced and presently the Fire Company was requesting replacing a 1976 pumper. Mr. Allen indicated the new pumper truck would also be used as a rescue pumper. Mr. Allen reported the Fire Company would be contributing (approximately \$250,000) towards the eventual purchase of the vehicle. Mayor Panconi stated if the purchase were made, the 15 year plan would be meeting its goals. Mayor Panconi reported there would be a future need for a "brush truck" in the future; the Fire Company indicated they would be paying for its purchase. Mayor Panconi also stated in the event of a fire, the 2000 pumper would be the first truck out, the 1982 vehicle would be the reserve vehicle and the 2006 vehicle would be the second vehicle out, replacing the 1981 vehicle and the rescue/ambulance vehicle. Mayor Panconi indicated it would have been very difficult to fund the new truck this year, however, Middlesex County Improvement Authority has an equipment leasing program. In working with the Authority, the cost would be \$650,000, of which, the Fire Company would pay \$150,000. The Township's debt limit would not be affected by the financing with the Authority and the first payment would not be due until 2007. Mr. Panconi explained the Township would be leasing the vehicle for 10 years, after which time it would purchase the vehicle for \$1.00. Mr. Wittman added the meeting held with the Fire Company had been very informative and based on increased needs to having the rescue vehicle go out, the purchase would replace two vehicles with one. Mr. Wittman stated the plan was an excellent way to leverage money from other sources and still acquire a vehicle that would be used for the next 25 years. Mr. Wittman recommended donating used equipment to one of the parishes down South who had been victims of Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Wittman also stated, effective January, 2007, there would be a change in the control systems on all new vehicles, requiring extensive pollution control systems adding to an increased cost of approximately \$30,000 per vehicle. Mr. Wittman indicated if the Township takes advantage of the purchase now it would not have to abide by those requirements. Mr. Stout urged the Township to go ahead with the funding.

#### Resolution

On motion offered by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Wittman, the following resolution was adopted by vote:

Ayes: (Panconi	Abstain: (None
(Stave	Absent: (Stannard
(Stout	
(Wittman	

Nays: (None

#### Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-046

#### RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY MAKING APPLICATION TO THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY desires to make application to the Middlesex County Improvement Authority's 2006 Capital Equipment Lease Program; and

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY is looking to finance a \$650,000 Rescue Pumper to be used by the Cranbury Fire Company;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY that it hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to make application to the MCIA for the Rescue Pumper; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be filed forthwith in the office of the Middlesex County Improvement Authority.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk, hereby certify this is a true copy of a Resolution which was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury on March 27, 2006.

Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk

#### Work Session (Continued)

b. Discussion and presentation by Stony Brook Millstone Watershed Association on a proposed stream corridor ordinance for Cranbury Township

Ms. Jennifer Coffey, Director of Watershed Management, Stony Brook Millstone Watershed Association, gave a presentation and discussed with the Township Committee, the Cranbury Brook characterization and assessment, open space walks with an Education Center, Water Resources Protection Report and Municipal Assessment as well as adopting a stream corridor ordinance for the Township. Mr. Stout indicated the Environmental Commission would be presenting the Environmental Resources Inventory to the Planning Board at its April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Stout recommended the Township then move forward on creating a stream corridor ordinance.

c. Discussion of the historic barns in Cranbury Township

The Township Committee discussed the proposed "Barn Park" and the repair of numerous historic barns in the Township as well as requirements for repair and/or restoration. Mr. Wittman led the discussion, reporting the subcommittee had met on March 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss ideas for restoration of the barns and a proposed "Barn Park". Also discussed at the meeting were various funds available and possible grant monies. Mr. Wittman also indicated Mr. William Bunting, Cranbury Historical Society, had stated the Historical Society was willing to assist in the project, acting as a depository for any monetary donations, and urged

#### Work Session (Continued)

c. Discussion of the historic barns in Cranbury Township(cont'd)

residents to make donations for the project. Ms. Stave stated Mike Kaiser had asked her to convey to the Township Committee the Lions Club members were very interested in helping out as well. Ms. Stave also stated the Township had committed \$5,000 towards the demolition of the potato barn and now that the barn was not going to be demolished, the \$5,000 could go towards the rehabilitation of that barn. Ms. Stave reported the Historical Society should be the lead agency in the project and had committed \$50,000 towards the project. Ms. Judy Dossin, Wynnewood Drive, asked why tarps had not been placed on the roofs to protect the barns and made a recommendation to do so. Mr. Wittman indicated he would work something out with Mr. Witt to place tarps on the roofs of the barns. Ms. Kate McConnell, member of the subcommittee, stated the emergency matching fund grant (\$1,000-\$10,000) could be applied for at any time and the Township would be notified within three months if it was awarded any funds. Ms. McConnell also stated the larger grant round applications would be coming out on April 3<sup>rd</sup> and there would be a few training sessions scheduled in early April and Mr. Wittman would be attending with her. The amount of that grant would be \$5,000-\$750,000 and the deadline for the grant is June 1, 2006. Mr. Thomas Ingegneri, Jr., asked if a barn subcommittee had been formed and requested he be a member. Ms. Stave responded and indicated Mr. Ingegneri would be on the Barn subcommittee. Mr. Ingegneri also raised his concern over the name of "Barn Park"; requesting naming the Park the "Updike Park, after the former owner of the parcel. Ms. Judy Dossin, Parks Chairperson, responded the Township had a policy in place of not naming any of its parks after an individual as so many individuals had contributed during the years to the Township. Mr. Stout commended the Historical Society for taking an active role in the project and urged everyone to move forward. Mayor Panconi thanked and commended everyone involved in the project. On motion by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Wittman and unanimously carried, the Township Committee directed the Township Attorney, Ms. Waterbury, to prepare a Resolution for the meeting of April 17<sup>th</sup>, to rescind the former Resolution for demolition of the potato barn and to re-appropriate \$5,000 towards its repair.

d. Discussion of use of various fields in Cranbury Township for sports teams

The Township Committee discussed the use of various fields in the Township by sports teams. Mr. Wittman explained the discussion was a continuation from the last Township Committee meeting regarding practice times and locations for the various teams. Mr. Wittman stated, due to the concerns of various residents who utilize Heritage Park and others, the Recreation Chairperson, Beth Veghte and he had taken another look at the issue and directed that the practices be held at Millstone Park and not at Heritage Park. Mr. Wittman recommended the Township remain silent on formally sanctioning use of Heritage Park for team practices. Ms. Beth Veghte, Recreation Chairperson, indicated after the last Township Committee meeting, everything had been rescheduled, placing the practice teams at Millstone Park. Mr. Wittman indicated he and Ms. Veghte would be meeting with the Cranbury School the following day to discuss recreational needs with them in order to finalize a recreation plan. Ms. Stave asked the Township Attorney, Ms. Waterbury, to clarify who had the ultimate decision as to use of fields within the Township. Ms. Waterbury indicated the Township Committee makes the ultimate decision and the Parks Commission acts only as advisory body. Ms. Waterbury also stated she had researched the Green Acres rules concerning a change in use for parks. Ms. Waterbury indicated there is now a public hearing process a municipality must go through before making any use change to any of its parks. Mr. John Ritter, Plainsboro Road, raised his concern over a comprehensive recreation plan having not been done and indicated he would be going to the Planning Board to request the use of its planner to assist in the preparation of a recreation plan. Mr. Ritter also requested passive recreational needs be addressed when the recreation plan is developed. Mr. Wittman responded stating he and Ms. Veghte were in the process of developing such a plan. Ms. Stave indicated Mr. Richard Preiss, Township Planner and members of his firm, had conducted interviews with several members of the Township Committee in preparation for revising the recreation master plan.

Work Session (Continued)

d. Discussion of use of various fields in Cranbury Township for sports teams(cont'd)

and was a high priority for this year. Ms. Stave stated she, Mr. Preiss and Ms. Waterbury had crafted language which would be presented to the Township Committee within the next month redefining open space making better use of open space lands to be used for passive recreation. Ms. Cindy Girardet, 59 South Main Street, spoke in favor of not using Heritage Park for practices and asked if the Township had a policy on how many teams it could accommodate. Ms. Waterbury indicated the Township could limit use on its fields and if Green Acres monies were used, anyone from the State could use the land. If not, the use could be limited to non-residents. Ms. Judy Dossin, Parks Chairperson, stated the Township had three types of parks: passive (Cranbury Brook Preserve), active (Millstone and Village) and Heritage which had been designated as an alternative park (defined as non-organized team sports). Ms. Dossin reported Village and Millstone, numbered 31 acres and approximately a "quasi" 40 acres in the Cranbury/Millstone Preserve for passive recreation and 10 acres for alternative type recreation in Heritage. Ms. Dossin indicated the least represented in the Township's park system was the alternative. Ms. Dossin urged the Township in the future to line up the available number of fields with the number of teams and set a policy. Ms. Betty Wagner, North Main Street, spoke in favor of keeping Heritage Park for passive recreation only and indicated she had on numerous occasions witnessed one group of individuals using Heritage Park for games. Ms. Veghte, Recreation Commission, indicated there had been teams showing up for practice on the fields at Heritage Park, without permission from the Recreation Department. Ms. Veghte stated there had been a premium for practice space and at times the overflow seemed to go to Heritage Park. Mr. Vinnie Katowsky, resident and President, Cranbury Soccer Club, reported the Club has eleven teams and had never had a problem either at Millstone or at the School with the being able to use fields. Mr. Katowsky stated the crisis arose due to the constant, every day usage at Millstone by adult members of surrounding communities who destroyed the fields at Millstone. Mr. Katowsky indicated he had tried to speak to the individuals and urged them to stay off the fields. Mr. Katowsky stated he would direct the soccer coaches of the Club not to use Heritage Park for any practices. Mr. Wittman requested the Township Attorney advise the Township Recreation Department what restrictive measures it would be allowed to initiate. Mr.

Richard Grubb, Cranbury Soccer Club, stated he would be contacting various companies on the East side of Route 130 to see if they would be willing to let the Club use any of their fields to practice. Mr. Grubb indicated he would be reporting on his progress at the next Recreation Board meeting.

#### Public Comment

The Mayor opened the meeting to public questions and comments on those items not on the agenda. Ms. Betty Feineity, Evans Drive, asked the Township Committee to speak up into the microphones when speaking as it was very difficult to hear. There being no further comments, the Mayor closed the public part of the meeting.

#### Mayor's Notes

Mayor Panconi reported he had received a letter from the New Jersey League of Municipalities, to remind everyone the New Jersey helmet law had changed, requiring everyone under the age of 17 to wear an approved helmet when cycling, roller skating, in-line skating or skateboarding. Mayor Panconi also reported he had received a note from Beth Veghte, Recreation Board Chairperson, indicating Keith Lindberg had resigned from the Board and asking that Ed Sekelsky be appointed in his place. The Township Committee unanimously supported the appointment of Mr. Sekelsky to fill the unexpired term. Mayor Panconi reported he had received a letter from Mr. Peter Ginoux, to be considered as an Alternate on the Environmental Commission. Mr. Sibley, Chairman, indicated Mr. Ginoux would be attending the next Environmental Commission meeting. Mr. Panconi indicated the Clerk had received a letter from Mr. Betz, who expressed an interest in

#### Mayor's Notes (Continued)

serving on the Citizen's Cable Television Committee and he had received a letter from Mr. Jiten V. Joshi, requesting to serve on the same Committee. The Township Committee unanimously supported the two appointments. Mayor Panconi reported the Township had recently had several break-ins, bringing specific attention to an incident at his home the previous Friday during the early evening hours. Mayor Panconi explained, at 6:30 p.m., a gentleman had come to his home under the guise of someone in the house reporting an alarm problem. Mayor Panconi called the police and by the time they arrived the person had disappeared. Mayor Panconi urged individuals to call the police when anyone suspicious is around or anything looks out of the ordinary.

#### Resolution

On motion offered by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Wittman, the following resolution was adopted by vote:

Ayes: (Panconi	Abstain: (None
(Stave	Absent: (Stannard
(Stout	
(Wittman	

Nays: (None

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 03-06-036

TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY  
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

#### RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, Middlesex County, New Jersey as follows:

The general nature of the subject to be discussed in this session is as follows:

--- Review of Closed Session Minutes of March 13, 2006;

It is unknown at this time precisely when the matters discussed in this session will be disclosed to the public. Matters involving contract negotiations or the acquisition of land will be disclosed upon conclusion of the negotiations or upon approval of the acquisition. Matters involving personnel will be disclosed when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. Matters concerning litigation will be announced upon the conclusion of trial or settlement of that litigation of when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Date: March 27, 2006

On motion by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Wittman and unanimously carried, the meeting returned to Open Session:

Ayes: (Panconi	Abstain: (None
(Stave	Absent: (Stannard
(Stout	
(Wittman	

Nays: (None

Work Session(Continued)

1a. Discussion of Eagle Scout signage project (Keith Vincellette).

Mr. Wittman explained Keith Vincellette had been working on the bike trail in Village Park and Beth Veghte had been out to look at the site. Signs had been ordered. A discussion ensued concerning paying for the costs of the signs and Ms. Stave recommended from now on, the Eagle Scout needs to raise money to fund the costs of any projects. In addition, Mr. Witt added, maintenance costs for various projects needs to be addressed. Mr. Wittman explained Keith could not come back to appear before the Township Committee as he turns 18 on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April. Mr. Wittman asked that the Township Committee endorse Ms. Veghte giving Keith a letter. The Township Committee unanimously agreed and Ms. Veghte will be sending a letter.

On motion by Ms. Stave, seconded by Mr. Stout and unanimously carried, the Closed Session minutes of March 13, 2006 were adopted.

On motion by Mr. Wittman, seconded by Ms. Stave and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk