

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
February 27, 2017

The Township Committee Meeting of the Township of Cranbury was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Answering present to the roll call were Township Committee members: Susan Goetz, Glenn Johnson, Dan Mulligan, Jay Taylor and Mayor Dave Cook. Also present were Denise Marabello, Township Administrator/Director of Finance; and Kathleen R. Cunningham, Municipal Clerk/Assistant Administrator. Mayor Cook 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 5, 2016 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 5, 2016.
- (3) Filed on December 5, 2016 at the Cranbury Municipal Office, 23-A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey, posted on the Township's web site and remains on file for public inspection.
- (4) Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

Township Committee Minutes of February 13, 2017

On motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Johnson and unanimously carried, the Township Committee Minutes of February 13, 2017 were adopted.

Reports and Communications

--Mayor

Mayor Cook reported he had a Proclamation which addressed March as "Youth Art Month" in Middlesex County. He explained youth art is a large part of working with children.

**Proclamation**

WHEREAS, art education contributes powerful educational benefits to all elementary, middle, and secondary students including the following:

- art education develops students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities;
- art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order, and other expressive qualities;
- art education gives students a deeper understanding of multi-cultural values and beliefs;
- art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and
- art education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism and aesthetics.

WHEREAS, our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including arts experiences in all students' education,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that support should be given to art teachers as they attempt to strengthen art education in their schools and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is proclaimed that March be observed as **YOUTH ART MONTH**.

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All citizens are urged to take interest in and give full support to quality school art programs for children and youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, I David Cook Mayor of the Township of Cranbury, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey do hereby proclaim March, 2017 as **YOUTH ART MONTH**.

Mayor Cook reported there has been an ongoing problem with traffic on the east side of Route 130, which is essentially a commercial zone with the largest tenants being warehouses. As a result, Mayor Cook stated there will be an even greater increase in in car and truck traffic on Route 130. Mayor Cook described some of the sites where additional warehouses are being constructed and reported the Township will be bringing on a group, McDonough and Rea Associates, Inc., to formally address the traffic options/solutions. Mayor Cook stated it will be wonderful to have the ratables; however, there will be traffic to deal with as a result.

Reports and Communications

--Members of Committee

--Mr. Taylor

Mr. Taylor reported he and Mr. Richard Preiss, Township Planner, took a drive around Cranbury to look at homes prior to working on a "McMansion" Ordinance. Mr. Taylor stated Mr. Preiss will come up with design guidelines on how tear-down homes should be rebuilt to minimize the impact on the surrounding homes. Mr. Taylor stated this process will be a challenge to do and cannot be done quickly.

--Mr. Mulligan

Mr. Mulligan reported he spoke with Mr. Weidner, Chair of the Parks Commission, who expressed his thanks to the Township Committee for appropriating funds in the budget for park maintenance and other issues. Mr. Mulligan stated he is working with Ms. Marabello, Township Administrator and the Recreation Department to get the fields ready for spring. Mr. Mulligan stated the Township has not allocated funds to Parks for few years. He stated Parks and Recreation both have needs; however, he stated the DPW has limited manpower to address all the issues.

--Ms. Goetz

Ms. Goetz reported she attended the Environmental Commission meeting, and it was decided going forward an EC member would be present at each Township Committee meeting. Ms. Goetz reported the "Smoking Ordinance" was discussed at length. She reported the Spring Cleanup will be April 22<sup>nd</sup> and stated volunteers from various organizations and businesses participate in the Cleanup. She stated it is always amazing how much trash is collected along the streams. Ms. Goetz stated plants will be replanted in the Butterfly Garden. She reported Cranbury School is working with the EC on a "Wellness Sustainability Council" to tie in green living and a healthy lifestyle in the school. She stated the School will have a salad bar to offer a healthy alternative for school lunches.

Ms. Goetz reported she attended a meeting with the Boy Scouts concerning a merit badge for civic involvements. She stated the Scouts will be studying local, county, state and federal governments. She reported it was an amazing group of young men who were discussing affordable housing, farmland preservation and then asked questions on how they can get more involved.

--Mr. Johnson

Mr. Johnson reported he attended a school Board Meeting and stated a presentation called "Screenagers" will be shown. He stated this presentation will show the effect the many screens will have on children's brains as they grow. Mr. Johnson stated he also attended the Planning Board Meeting and stated A & M Industrial purchased the old Carter Wallace Building and will remodel it to become their new headquarters.

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--Subcommittees

There were no reports from Subcommittees.

--Department Heads

There were no reports from Department Heads.

Follow-up Items

Mr. Taylor stated the television has been installed in the Meeting Room, and Ms. Goetz explained it will be used for presentations instead of an easel or overhead projectors.

Agenda Additions/Changes

Ms. Cunningham reported there were no Agenda additions or changes.

Public Comment (For Items on Agenda)

Mayor Cook opened the meeting to public comment for items on the Agenda. Hearing no comments or questions, Mayor Cook closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

Resolutions

Consent Agenda

Mayor Cook asked the Township Committee if there were any questions or comments on the Consent Agenda. Mr. Taylor requested the LOSAP Resolution be voted on separately as he cannot vote on that. Hearing no further questions or comments, Mayor Cook requested a motion to adopt Consent Resolutions a). and c). On a motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Mulligan and unanimously carried, the following Resolutions were adopted by vote:

Ayes: (Goetz  
(Johnson  
(Mulligan  
(Taylor  
(Cook

Abstain: (None  
Absent: (None

Nays: (None

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 02-17-037

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 02-17-039

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A-4532  
EXEMPTING PERSONAL INFORMATION FROM OPRA LAW

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Cranbury has concerns with how government can do a better job to protect the public's rights to privacy and to protect taxpayer dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Cranbury finds that a substantial number of OPRA requests are for commercial and solicitation purposes, which is not the intent of OPRA; and

**WHEREAS**, while the OPRA law states that governments have a responsibility to safeguard citizen's private information, the law is unclear as to when personal information should be dispersed, resulting in

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courts having to rely on subjective balancing tests to determine which personal information can or cannot be disclosed; and

**WHEREAS**, the disclosure of a person's name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address could potentially adversely affect the privacy of citizens with unwarranted solicitation and the possibility of harm to that person or to their property; and

**WHEREAS**, the original intent of OPRA was not for unwarranted solicitation and invasion of privacy; and

**WHEREAS**, the release of personal information could also adversely affect a citizen's willingness to provide their personal information to a government agency knowing that their personal information may not be protected from disclosure to anyone who files an OPRA request; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens should not have to worry that if they follow State and local laws that require names, addresses, e-mails and phone numbers, such as applying for a permit or license, that their personal information will be dispersed to anyone who wishes to see it under the OPRA law; and

**WHEREAS**, governments should do whatever is in their power to protect their citizens against harm, solicitation, nuisances, and theft; and

**WHEREAS**, Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo has proposed bill A-4532, which would exempt from disclosure any portion of a personal government record which discloses any personal identifying information, including the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of any person; and

**WHEREAS**, this bill also bars attorney's fees from being awarded in denial of access proceedings when the decision to deny was reasonable and made in good faith after due diligence; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury commends Assemblyman DeAngelo on his intent to protect the public's personal information and also protect taxpayers from unnecessary increases to their taxes due to OPRA lawsuits where the custodian of records did their due diligence and acted in good faith.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, hereby supports Assembly Bill A-4532, and calls upon the Legislature and Governor to enact A-4535 into law to protect the privacy rights of our residents and protect tax payer dollars.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury hereby urges Assembly Speaker Prieto to offer this bill for a full vote of the Assembly as soon as possible; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury hereby urges Senate President Sweeney to introduce a companion bill to this legislation in the Senate; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Legislators of the 14<sup>th</sup> Legislative District, Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto, Senate President Stephen Sweeney, and the Governor of the State of New Jersey.

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Resolution

**Mr. Taylor did not participate in the following vote.** On a motion by Ms. Goetz, seconded by Mr. Mulligan, the following Resolution was adopted by vote:

Ayes:	(Goetz Johnson Mulligan Cook	Abstain:	(Taylor
		Absent:	(None
Nays:	(None		

Cranbury Township Resolution # R 02-17-038

WHEREAS, in 1999 the Township of Cranbury established the annual Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) for the Cranbury Township Fire Company and First Aid Squad to enhance the municipality's ability to retain and recruit new members; and

WHEREAS, LOSAP shall provide for annual contributions for each eligible member,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, that the Township agrees to make an annual LOSAP contribution of \$1,635.00 per eligible Fire Company and First Aid Squad member and that the total LOSAP contribution will be funded by virtue of adoption of the annual municipal operating budget.

Work Session

a). Discussion of Proposed Board of Health Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking in Cranbury Township's Parks.

Mr. Johnson reported last fall the Board of Health began discussions to prohibit smoking in the Township's parks. Mr. Johnson the discussion was the result of feedback from the Municipal Alliance as well as input from other Township Boards. Mr. Johnson explained the Board of Health has the authority to adopt its own Ordinances and the Ordinance does not need to come before the Township Committee; however, they have provided the Committee with the wording they intend to act on. Mr. Johnson stated he has some misgivings which he has expressed to the Board of Health during the meetings. His concerns have not been addressed; for example, the Police Department has been named as one of the enforcement authorities for the Ordinance. He stated he believes it is not a good idea for a police officer to be pulled off patrol to address a smoking violation in the park. Mr. Johnson was also concerned with the wording about Public Works employees, stating if a municipal employee working in the park wanted to smoke while he was working, it might be preferable to having to walk a great distance to a smoking area in park. He stated he thought banning smoking on land the Township leases to farmers may also be a problem. Mayor Cook confirmed Mr. Johnson had issues with a few parts of the Ordinance and not the Ordinance as a whole. Mr. Johnson stated he is not a fan of smoking; however, he believed some parts need rewording.

Ms. Goetz stated the Environmental Commission had a lengthy conversation about the Smoking Ordinance and gave a brief summary of the Ordinance to the public, stating the areas banning smoking is very comprehensive. She reported enforcement of the Ordinance would be by the Health Officer, Board of Health, members of the Township Health

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Department, Recreation Department, Public Works Department, Police Department and Township Administrator. Ms. Goetz stated the ban would include e-cigarettes. She stated a concern of the EC would be the addition of more signs in the parks. The Parks Commission would agree to wording being added to existing signs; however, they would be opposed to the addition of more signs in the parks.

Mr. Mulligan stated he does not want to see smoking in the parks; however, he stated he believes the Ordinance needs to be tweaked. He suggested a "phased-in" approach starting with some signs and enforcement by the Health Officer, with an evaluation of the Ordinance in a year. Mr. Mulligan suggested specifically naming the Parks in the Ordinance as a start and not including the lands leased by the Township. He stated is the Ordinance is not addressing the problem, it could be amended in the future. Mr. Mulligan pointed out the Township Committee does not really have purview over the Ordinance as it is a Board of Health Ordinance.

Ms. Goetz read the penalty amounts and stated there was an additional clause for Township employees, which she felt was a little much.

Mr. Taylor stated his thoughts were already discussed; however, he reiterated the Township Committee's input really has no jurisdiction over this Ordinance. Ms. Marabello stated the Health Officer is the primary enforcer of the Ordinance. Ms. Goetz stated she believes the Ordinance is more of an educational tool.

Mayor Cook agreed with Mr. Mulligan that a phase-in approach would be best. He stated it would be better in the future to add to the Ordinance rather than take away. Mr. Johnson suggested forwarding the Committee's comments to the Board of Health. Mr. Mulligan summarized the Committee is anti-smoking in the Parks and would like to see the Ordinance start out smaller. Ms. Goetz asked for an opinion on e-cigarettes being banned, stating there is no litter with e-cigarettes which was a concern of the EC. Mayor Cook suggested that also be phased in.

Mayor Cook opened the floor to Public Comment on the Ordinance. Ms. Beth Veghte, member of the Recreation Board of Commissioners, stated she is not a smoker; however she feels the Ordinance is a much bigger issue than she has ever seen in the Parks. She stated she sees many more people smoking outside the restaurants than in the Parks. She also reported, from a Recreation perspective, that they definitely do not want to enforce the Ordinance. She stated Recreation issues the permits for Parks' usage and suggested putting "No Smoking in the Parks" on the forms. Ms. Veghte stated she felt it was important for the Board of Health to receive feedback from various Township Boards and Commissions.

Mr. Dee Wahlers, Hagerty Lane, inquired if the purpose of the Ordinance is to protect the public or the smokers. He stated he thought the Township was overstepping its responsibility. Mayor Cook stated the Township Committee does not have jurisdiction; however, smoking in the parks could impact fire, litter and health issues. Mr. Wahlers did not feel it was the Township's business to prohibit people from smoking.

Ms. Connie Bauder, Petty Road, stated she felt this topic was brought up at a Township Committee meeting because of the involvement of the Police Department to enforce the Ordinance. Ms. Bauder stated the organization, GASP (Group Against Smoke and Pollution), was proactive about banning smoking long before smoking was banned in restaurants and public places, and has been instrumental in encouraging the passing of

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ordinances to protect people from second-hand smoke. She stated GASP testified in Princeton when Princeton was passing a similar Ordinance in 2012. Ms. Bauder stated the wording in Cranbury's Ordinance is word for word the same as that passed in Princeton. Ms. Goetz confirmed the wording was a template, and Ms. Bauder stated many municipalities have passed a similar Ordinance. She stated she is in favor of the Ordinance and feels it is necessary to have the Police enforce it. She stated e-cigarettes should also be banned. She stated smoking should also be banned from the streets near the restaurants and on the trails in the Township and smoking should not be allowed in Township vehicles. Mayor Cook stated other items can be incorporated into the Ordinance at phases once the parks' smoking ban is enacted.

Mr. Taylor reported every year there are two (2) or three (3) fires due to cigarettes. Mr. Taylor reported the Municipal Alliance is in support of the Ordinance.

Mr. Richard Kallan, Wynnewood Drive, stated he has lost family members from smoking and is not in favor of smoking. He does not agree with the Ordinance; however, he does agree with Mr. Mulligan's suggestion of phasing the Ordinance.

Mayor Cook stated additional comments concerning the Ordinance could be addressed in the Public portion of the meeting.

Reports from Township Staff and Professionals

--Administrator's Report

Ms. Marabello stated she had nothing to report.

--Assistant Administrator

Ms. Cunningham stated she had nothing to report.

Reports from Township Boards and Commissions

Audrey Smith, Vice President, of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society, stated Jo D Andrews, President, was ill and was not able to attend this evening. Ms. Smith stated 2017 is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Historical Society, and they will be hosting a celebration at the Cranbury Inn on June 10<sup>th</sup>. She stated the celebration will also be a fundraiser for the Society's Preservation Fund. She explained this is a new fund which would allow monies to be available in the event the need to preserve something should arise. She stated the Wagon House and Corn Crib at Barn Park need immediate preservation. Ms. Smith stated she will add the "no smoking" wording on the contract for the Barn Park. She stated the buildings at Barn Park are fragile. Ms. Smith stated, with the Township Committee's permission, she would like to have the two (2) buildings evaluated by the New Jersey Barn Company in April. She reported Barn Park is beautiful and people enjoy attending events there. Ms. Smith stated the Society is hoping to hold several fundraisers during their 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration Year. Ms. Smith reported this year the House Tour will be held tentative on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. She stated Ms. Bobbie Marlowe is working on getting the homes for the Tour.

Ms. Smith stated there is a road sign for Old Cranbury and Old Hightstown where the High Point Development is being constructed and hoped the sign could be displayed at the Museum. Ms. Marabello stated the sign has been taken down and will be delivered to the Museum.

Ms. Norma Swale, Ryan Road, stated Cranbury residents as well as out-of-towners remark about the beautiful crocus flowers. Ms. Swale stated the Rocky Brook Garden and private residents donated to the purchase of the crocus bulbs and many volunteers have planted the bulbs. Ms. Swale stated the grass cannot be cut too early and stated she and Mr. Thorne, Public Works Manager had an agreement that the crocus area would not be cut before Memorial Day. Ms. Swale stated the grass should not be cut before the

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(Ms. Swale continued)

crocus leaves have turned yellow. Ms. Swale stated Public Works now has new machinery that can be raised so the grass can be cut without damaging the crocus leaves. Mr. Taylor stated last year there were complaints because the grass got very tall. He stated now the mowers can be raised to allow the grass to remain taller. Mr. Taylor stated the grass is not typically cut until mid-April. There was additional discussion about the length of cuts and when to cut. Ms. Swale suggested Mr. Thorne determine when the grass should be cut.

Mr. Richard Moody, North Main Street and a member of CHPS, stated he has conducted the historic walks around the Village for the past six (6) years and he has received, and agrees with, many negative comments about the neon signs in the Town. Mr. Moody stated there are six (6) establishments in the historic district that have neon signs. He stated a painted sign or neon sign will not impact the success of a business. Mr. Moody reported Cranbury was put on New Jersey's List of Historic Districts in 1979 and the National Historic List in 1980 and stated Cranbury has the most wonderful collection of architecture dating back to the mid 1700's. He stated it is imperative the neon signs in the Village be controlled. Mr. Moody stated there are no neon signs in Princeton. He stated he was recently in historic Lexington, Virginia and there were no neon sign there either. Mr. Moody stated he researched Cranbury Ordinances, and Ordinance 150-37 is very clear that there should be no neon or florescent signs. Mr. Moody read several sections of the Ordinance which prohibit or discourage neon signs. He stated if Cranbury is proudly boasting of being the oldest-founded village in New Jersey (1697), then having neon signs is totally inappropriate. Mr. Moody stated it is very clear that neon signs should not be permitted and asked how they were allowed to begin with. He stated those types of lights are not suited for a historic village. Mayor Cook stated Mr. Graydon, Zoning Officer, will have to be involved. Mr. Johnson stated the sign ordinance should be reconsidered and stated the Enforcement Officer will have to be consulted. Mr. Moody stated he does not believe the removal of neon signs will affect the businesses in any way. He inquired why the Township would have the Ordinances if they are not followed and enforced.

Mr. Mulligan stated the business district is struggling. He stated the businesses feel they need the signs for their business to succeed and stated the Committee may need to find other ways to help the businesses to succeed. Ms. Goetz agreed with Mr. Mulligan that the Township needs to assist businesses to succeed, and there is a difference of opinion on whether neon signs help or not. Mr. Taylor stated the Township does not want to spend a lot of money in legal fees concerning fees. Mayor Cook stated he would go into Public Comment so others could offer their opinions.

Public Comment

Mayor Cook opened the meeting to public comment. Ms. Lisa Beach, Jefferson Road, stated years ago "Harold's" store had a light on the sign. She suggested an option would be to have lighted wooden sign. She stated too many neon signs make the Town look "tacky." She stated she has been in many historic towns and they do not allow neon signs. Mr. Moody agreed nicely-done signs with lights on them would be appropriate. There was additional discussion about the 2013 Sign Ordinance.

Christine Ondocin, North Main Street and owner of Gil & Bert's Ice Cream, stated they recently downsized to an apartment, and in order to make their business more appealing, they filed with the Zoning Board under hardship based on the businesses that are not selling in the Village. She stated it cost them approximately \$10,000 and they did not get everything they wanted. She stated it is financially extreme to put out that kind of money to make her property profitable and appealing to a buyer. She stated in about three (3) years they will retire and put the property up for sale. She stated they have been in business for ten (10) years and Cranbury is a tough town to have a business in and be successful. She stated it costs very little to have an illuminated "open" sign. She stated she understands Mr. Moody's viewpoint; however, Cranbury must acknowledge that having businesses adds to the Village, and stated the businesses are getting hit every time they turn around. She stated she loves owning Gil & Bert's; however, she does not



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(Ms. Ondocin cont'd.)

like the way things are playing out in Town. She asked the Township Committee what they want from the businesses and are they willing to give back. She stated new requirements enforced by the Township come off her bottom line.

Mr. George Nikitiades, owner of Teddy's stated his parents opened the business 44 years ago. He stated he brought his attorney to the meeting with him because he is tired of hearing about the signs. He agreed with Ms. Ondocin's comments and asked how many more restrictions the Township can enforce on a business. He reported when the Bagel Barn closed, he saw the Lottery as an opportunity to increase his business. He stated he gets a lot of business from the Lottery and stated he needs that sign so people can see he sells the Lottery. Mr. Nikitiades stated he, like Gil & Bert's, supports whatever the Town needs, including fundraisers for the Library and other organizations. Mr. Nikitiades stated he wants people driving by to see the sign and stop in to Teddy's. The sign would not work facing in. He stated Cranbury cannot be compared to Princeton as Cranbury just does not have the same amount of foot traffic. Mr. Nikitiades stated he must support his family and is not happy with the restrictions placed on businesses by the Township.

Ms. Beth Veghte, Bunker Hill, and President of the Professional Association, stated she has a home-based business and not a brick and mortar business. She stated she moved to Cranbury because it was historic and was a walking community. She stated the Township must roll with the times and realize the businesses are hurting. She stated she walks through Town every day and does not notice the signs; however, someone driving through town will see where lottery tickets are sold or what businesses are open. She stated it will penalize businesses to remove their signs. She stated the current signs are small and relatively conservative, and they bring some attention to the businesses. She stated the businesses, especially with all the vacant buildings, need all the help they can get.

Mr. Bill Persons, Cranbury Neck Road, stated he operates a business on North Main Street. He stated he does not have a walk-in business and an "open" sign would not help him. He stated if his business was closer in the Village, he would want a lighted sign to bring attention to his business. He stated in earlier times, businesses would close early and now the Town has evolved from that. He stated healthy businesses can change the vibrancy of the Town and changes the nature of living. He encouraged the Township Committee to do what it can to support the businesses and not put obstacles in their way. Mr. Persons stated this is a living Town and since times have changed, the Town needs to allow businesses to do what works for them.

Mr. Frank Marlowe, North Main Street, stated the Town has two (2) distinct factions: historical preservation and promoting businesses, both of which are important. Mr. Marlowe stated the two parts are actually in conflict and stated it is essential not to underestimate the importance of either. To be true to the historical aspect of buildings, there would be no electric signs; however, the signs are necessary to promote the businesses. Mr. Marlowe stated the Township wants to support its businesses and they donate and support the community. It is important to support businesses now to attract future replacement businesses. Mr. Marlowe stated it is not the right time to further restrict businesses. Mr. Taylor stated if Cranbury wants a vibrant town, it must work with the business owners. Mayor Cook agreed that there must be a balance and the vibrancy of the Village comes from the businesses.

Mr. Mulligan thanked Mr. Moody for bringing up the topic for a healthy discussion and suggested the Sign Ordinance be looked at further. Mr. Goetz agreed that the Sign Ordinance be revisited. She stated the Ordinance is lending itself to interpretation that was not what was intended. Ms. Goetz stated the Township Committee wants the businesses to prosper. Hearing no additional comments, Mayor Cook closed the public portion of the meeting.

Mayor's Notes

Mayor Cook stated he had nothing further to report.

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Township Committee Members' Notes

There were no additional Township Committee Members' Notes.

Mayor Cook requested a motion to adjourn. On motion by Mr. Mulligan, seconded by Mr. Taylor and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham  
Municipal Clerk