A Workshop Meeting of the Township Committee of Middletown Township was held in the Main Meeting Room at Town Hall, One Kings Highway, Middletown, New Jersey and virtually through WebEx at 7:00 p.m. on December 2, 2024.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena called the meeting to order and read the following notice:

The Notice Requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by transmission to The Asbury Park Press, The Middletown Sun and Two River Times and by posting at the Middletown Township Municipal Building and filing with the Township Clerk all on January 11, 2024.

Roll Call Vote: Present: Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry

Absent: Clarke

Also present were Township Administrator Anthony Mercantante, Township Attorney Brian Nelson, Township Engineer Ted Maloney and Deputy Clerk Kaaren Sena.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Perry invited the Girl Scouts in attendance to come to the front of the room and lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena requested a moment of silence to honor the troops serving worldwide defending our freedoms and way of life.

#### PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

### <u>Presentation Recognizing November 29, 2024, as Native American Heritage Day in the Township of Middletown</u>

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena invited Sand Hill Indian Historical Director Claire Garland to join Mayor Perry at the front of the room. Mayor Perry spoke about Claire's dedication and all her research ensuring the legacy of the Lenape tribe lives on. Mayor Perry presented Claire with a copy of a plaque that is going to be displayed at the train station because of her advocacy. Claire thanked the Township Committee for the presentation.

#### Presentation Recognizing Middletown Girl Scouts for Earning Silver Awards

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena invited the Girl Scout Silver Award Recipients to join Mayor Perry at the front of the room. Mayor Perry congratulated the girls on their achievement in creating a Butterfly Garden at the Middletown Arts Center. Mayor Perry stated that we are so proud of all of you. On behalf of the community Mayor Perry read the proclamation being presented to them.

# <u>Presentation Recognizing MSC Spirit Red 2013 Girls Team for Winning 2024 New Jersey President's Cup Championship</u>

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena invited the coaches and team to join Mayor Perry at the front of the room. Mayor Perry spoke about the prestigious award and that this is the first Middletown team to win the award in 10 years. Mayor Perry stated that we have hosted quite a few Middletown teams this year. He thanked the coaches and the parents and read the proclamation that is being presented to the team.

### <u>Proclamation Recognizing December 7, 2024, as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in the Township of Middletown</u>

- **WHEREAS:** December 7, 2024, marks the 83<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the attack on the United States at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; and
- **WHEREAS:** In the early morning of December 7, 1941, a surprise attack by the Japanese Imperial Navy resulted in the death of 2,403 American military personnel and civilians while 1,178 were wounded; and
- **WHEREAS**: The horrific events of that day a day that lives in infamy forever changed the course of history for this nation and the world; and
- **WHEREAS:** Each of us owe a debt of gratitude to those killed or seriously injured during the attack and to the millions more who would go on to fight for our nation in the Second World War; and
- **WHEREAS:** December 7<sup>th</sup> of each year is designated by Congress as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day; and
- **WHEREAS:** Middletown VFW Post and Auxiliary 2179 will hold its annual Pearl Harbor Day Service on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM to remember the day and honor those who lost their lives or were injured at Pearl Harbor. Now,
- **THERFORE:** I, Mayor Tony Perry and the Middletown Township Committee, do hereby proclaim December 7, 2024 as **Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day** in Middletown Township in recognition of this fitting national observance. We join VFW Post and Auxiliary 2179 in honoring those who were killed and those who survived the attack. We urge all citizens to participate in appropriate activities that honor those who sacrificed their lives in the name of liberty and democracy.

#### PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2024-3441 - Bond Ordinance Amending and Restating Ordinance 2024-3434 By Providing an Appropriation Of \$2,100,000 For Acquisition of Property by And for The Township of Middletown in The County of Monmouth, New Jersey And Authorizing the Issuance Of

# \$1,995,000 In Bonds or Notes of The Township for Financing Part of The Appropriation

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

Hearing no comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry

Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: Clarke

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated the motion carried to pass this ordinance.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2024-3442 - Ordinance Authorizing Acceptance of Declaration of Restrictive and Protective Covenants for Stormwater Maintenance and Various Related Deed of Easements Over Portions of Block 720, Lots 4.01, 4.02, 4.03, 4.04 And 4.05 (Atlantic Avenue)

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

Don Watson, 1 Collinson Drive, questioned where on Atlantic Avenue is this. Township Administrator Anthony Mercantante clarified the location.

Hearing no further comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry

Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: Clarke

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated the motion carried to pass this ordinance.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2024-3443 - Ordinance Amending the Code of The Township Of Middletown Governing Smoke And Vape Shops And The Sale Of Vaping And Smoking Products And Paraphernalia In Business Establishments

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

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Melanie Elmiger, Green Tree Terrace, questioned section 1 of the ordinance doesn't define a cigar bar or lounge. Mayor Perry explained it to her and the purpose of the ordinance.

Hearing no further comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote: Aves: Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry

Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: Clarke

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated the motion carried to pass this ordinance.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

# Ordinance 2024-3445 - Ordinance Amending § 240-23 Of the Code of The Township of Middletown Establishing Fee for Carfax Accident Reports

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

Melanie Elmiger, Green Tree Terrace, stated her concern of charging \$5.00 for accident reports. The Lincroft Village Green request accident reports to determine reasons for accidents in Lincroft and this fee won't allow them to continue since they can't afford the fees.

Don Watson, 1 Collinson Drive, inquired where does Carfax get their reports from, and is it just a tool for the police department.

Hearing no further comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry

Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: Clarke

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated the motion carried to pass this ordinance.

#### INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2024-3446 – Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 423 Of the Code of The Township of Middletown Governing Stormwater Regulations to Include Article VI Tree Removal and Replacement Requirements as Mandated by the NJDEP

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry

Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: Clarke

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on December 16, 2024.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena requested a motion to adopt a consent agenda including Resolutions 24-308 through 24-320.

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adopt the consent agenda:

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry

Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: Clarke

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated the motion carried to adopt the consent agenda.

### <u>Resolution 24-308</u> - Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 For East Road Roadway Improvements, Phase 1

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee contracted with Lucas Brothers Inc., for East Road Phase I in the amount of \$333,333.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the contractor and Township have encountered unforeseen circumstances requiring the change order as proposed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township requires additional estimated quantities as listed on Change Order No. 1 increasing the contract by \$64,578.35, making the total amount of the contract to date \$397,911.35 and;

**WHEREAS,** the amount of the change orders requested is a net increase of \$64,578.35, which represents in total less than the aggregate maximum increase of 20% allowed by N.J.A.C 5:34-11-3(a)(9); and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$64,578.35 is available for this purpose in account/line-item number(s) C-04-55-923-383-001. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that Change Order No. 1, with an increase in the amount of \$64,578.35, be authorized and executed by the appropriate officials.

### <u>Resolution 24-309</u> - Authorizing The Purchase Of Fiber Optic Network Advanced Applications Through The Union County Cooperative Pricing System

**WHEREAS**, the Township may without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies or equipment entered into on behalf of the Union County Cooperative Pricing System (Co-Op #UCCP 8-2022IT) pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11: and

**WHEREAS,** Johnston Communications, 36 Commerce St., Springfield, NJ 07081, has been awarded the UCCP Contract No. 8-2022IT (expiration 3/28/25) for Telephone/Associated Services Systems - Equipment, Installation, Maintenance Services; and

**WHEREAS,** under Contract 8-2022IT, Johnston Communications, can provide Fiber Optic Network Advanced Application Services, and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$652,895.46 are available for this purpose in account/line-item number C-04-55-924-429-001. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Township of Middletown enter into an agreement with Johnston Communications for the delivery, installation, and maintenance of Fiber Optic Network Advanced Applications as noted above in the amount of \$652,895.46.

# <u>Resolution 24-310</u> - Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Vendor with A State Contract for The Purchase of Radios and Related Equipment

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

**WHEREAS,** AR Communications, Inc., 91 Main St., Eatontown, NJ 07724, an authorized dealer for E.F. Johnson, has been awarded New Jersey State Contract number 83911; and

**WHEREAS**, under Contract 83911, AR Communications Inc., can provide mobile radios, portable radios, and related equipment for the Office of Emergency Management; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$89,546.00 is available for this purpose in account/line-item number(s) C-04-55-924-421-001. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Township of Middletown enter into an agreement with AR Communications Inc. for the delivery of mobile radios, portable radios, and related equipment in the amount of \$89,546.00.

#### <u>Resolution 24-311</u>- Resolution Approving Additional Funds for Previously Approved Contract

**WHEREAS,** the Township Committee regularly approves entry into various contracts, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS,** in order to ensure fiscal responsibility, the various approving resolutions include amounts not to exceed (the "<u>NTE Amount</u>") for the corresponding contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has determined that the NTE Amounts must be increased for certain contracts in order to address increased needs for the remainder of the contract period; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township seeks to increase the NTE Amount on the following contracts by the amounts specified as "Additional Funds" as provided herein:

Resolution No.	Entity	Service	NTE Amount	Additional Funds
24-56	Delta Dental Plan	Dental Claims	\$30,000.00	\$1,000.00
	of NJ, Inc.	Administrative &		
		Dental Network		
		Services		

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that it hereby approves modifications to the NTE Amount on the foregoing contract previously approved by the Township Committee, upon the terms set forth in this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the above-referenced resolutions are hereby repealed only to the extent of their inconsistency with the terms of this Resolution.

# <u>Resolution 24-312</u> - Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Vendor with A State Contract for The Purchase of Radios and Related Equipment

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

**WHEREAS,** PMC Associates, 8 Crown Plaza, Hazlet, NJ 07730 has been awarded New Jersey State Contract number 83900; and

**WHEREAS**, under Contract 83900, PMC Associates, can provide portable radios, and related equipment for the Police Auxiliary; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$77,817.80 is available for this purpose in account/line-item number(s) C-04-55-924-421-001. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Township of Middletown enter into an agreement with PMC Associates for the delivery of portable radios, and related equipment in the amount of \$77,817.80.

#### **Resolution 24-313** - Cancellation Of Community Development Mortgages

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the mortgages of the Township securing the Community Development and Neighborhood Preservation Program loan/grants in connection with the following properties be and hereby are authorized to be canceled because these mortgages have been repaid, expired or otherwise satisfied.

Block Lot	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
840.04 4	Regina Nolan	172 Monmouth Ave	9,800

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and other authorized appropriate and responsible officials including the Township Administrator, the Director of Planning, the Community Development Director, or Township Attorney be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the Township of Middletown such certifications and other documentation as may be required by the Monmouth County Clerk.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to the following:

A. Community Development

#### <u>Resolution 24-314</u> - Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Electronic Plan Review Tables

WHEREAS, the Township advertised for and received bids for contract #2024-Bid-27 – Electronic Plan Review Tables in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, three proposals were received and publicly opened on November 26, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, the Township MIS Department has recommended that the award of contract #2024-Bid-27 be awarded to iProjectSolutions, LLC, 1603 Capitol Ave Suite 310 A118, Cheyenne, WY 82001 with their price of \$53,483.34; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$53,483.34 are available for this purpose in account/line-item number(s) 4-01-44-902-200-820. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the award for contract #2024-Bid-27 –Electronic Plan Review Tables be awarded to iProjectSolutions, LLC, pursuant to the terms of their bid at the above prices, and that the appropriate officials are hereby authorized to execute the contract with the contractor

Resolution 24-315 - Resolution Authorizing the Township of Middletown to Accept A Subgrant Award Of The Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Of Emergency Management Performance Grant And Emergency Management Agency Assistance

WHEREAS, the Township Of Middletown Office of Emergency Management has been awarded State Homeland Security Grant Program Sub-grant AFN #97.042, Subgrant Award #FY24-EMPG-EMAA-1332 from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General. The subgrant, consisting of \$10,000.00 Federal Award is for the purpose of enhancing the City's ability to prevent, protect against, respond to and recover from acts of terrorism, natural disasters and other catastrophic events and emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Of Middletown will use these funds to enhance your Emergency Management Program and that the funds will be used for Emergency Management purposes; and

WHEAREAS, the award period is from July 1, 2024 to June 30 2025; and

WHEREAS, the subgrant award incorporates all conditions and representations contained or made in application and notice of award; and

WHEREAS, the Middletown Township Office Emergency Management, designated by the New Jersey State Police, Office of Emergency Management has submitted an Application for Subgrant Award that has been required by the said New Jersey State Office of Emergency Management.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey:

That the Council accepts the award of the FFY24 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program (EMPG), Emergency Management Agency Assistance Subgrant (EMAA) in the amount of up to \$10,000.00 Federal Funds from the New Jersey State Police, Office of Emergency Management.

That the Chief Financial Officer and Director of Emergency Management are authorized to sign the appropriate subgrant award documents.

That copies of this resolutions shall be forwarded to the New jersey State Police, Office of Emergency Management, the City Business Administrator, the Chief Financial Officer and the County Division of Emergency Management and Office of Treasury.

### <u>Resolution 24-316</u> - Resolution Authorizing And Setting Rates For Off Duty Holiday Foot Patrols For Middletown Police

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown (the "Township")'s Police Department receives requests annually for off duty police officers to provide holiday foot patrols to assist shopping centers to help deter shoplifting and associated property crimes that are prevalent this time of year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township is required to authorize any supplemental compensation paid to Township employees and no rate is currently set for off duty work associated with holiday foot patrols.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee in the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that:

1. The rate for off duty holiday foot patrol work assigned through the Township's Police Department shall be \$75 per hour.

2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

### <u>Resolution 24-317</u> - Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Appropriations in The Local Budget of The Township of Middletown for The Year 2024

**WHEREAS**, Section 40A:4-58 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey authorizes the transfer of appropriations, during the last two (2) months of the calendar year, to said budget where adopted heretofore by the governing body by two-thirds vote thereof.

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

1. That the excess in the appropriations listed in the column designed "FROM" be transferred to the appropriations listed in the column designated "TO" as follows:

	CURRENT FUND	FROM	ТО
Account Number	Account Name	Amount	Amount
4-01-25-266-100-200	Volunteer Management O/E	\$10,000.00	
4-01-36-472-200-200	Statutory - Social Security		\$10,000.00
4-01-25-445-100-273	Fire Hydrant Services	\$35,000.00	
4-01-31-435-200-271	Utilities - Street Lights		\$35,000.00
4-01-25-240-100-101	Police S&W - Patrol	\$168,000.00	
4-01-25-240-100-201	Police - Materials & Supplies		\$40,000.00
4-01-25-240-100-202	Police - Equipment & Supplies Other		\$85,000.00
4-01-25-240-100-216	Police - College Courses		\$5,000.00
4-01-25-240-100-235	Police - New Hires		\$38,000.00
	TOTAL	\$213,000.00	\$213,000.00

- 2. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to transmit to the Chief Financial Officer and Township Auditor, a certified copy of this resolution.
  - 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
- 4. A copy of this resolution shall be filed forthwith with the Director of New Jersey, Division of Local Government Services.

#### Resolution 24-318 – Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills for December 2, 2024

The Township Committee hereby approves a resolution authorizing the payment of bills for December 2, 2024, in the amount of \$5,793,909.99.

# <u>Resolution 24-319</u> - Resolution Authorizing Execution of The Monmouth County Office on Aging 2025 Grant Agreement 13-014 For Senior Services

**WHEREAS**, the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders has authorized Grants in the amount of \$33,500.00 during the year 2025 for the funding of certain programs at the Middletown Senior Center as detailed in a Letter of Intent; and

**WHEREAS**, the receipt of the grant requires a resolution accepting this funding and authorizing the execution of the 2025 Grant Agreement with the County of Monmouth providing for the use of the funds in accordance with the terms of the grant; and

**WHEREAS**, this authorization will provide funding for certain health, fitness, education and transportation programs providing benefits to senior citizens utilizing the Senior Center and is appropriate for execution.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the Township of Middletown accepts the Grants in the amount of \$33,500.00 for the purpose as set forth in the Letter of Intent from the Monmouth County Office on Aging and the Mayor, Chief Financial Officer, and Township Clerk are authorized to execute the 2025 Grant Agreement with the County required for such funding and grants.

# <u>Resolution 24-320</u> - Resolution Approving the Submission of An Award Extension Request For "LA-2023 SST Middletown Township Kings Highway Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project" - 2023-SST-00015

**WHEREAS**, the Township received a Safe Streets to Transit grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) in December of 2022 for the above stated project; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township encountered unforeseen circumstances related to lack of available right-of-way which impacted the timeline of the design and award of the project; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township is now seeking a six (6) month extension of time from the NJDOT to award the above stated project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Middletown Township Committee approves and supports the request for a six (6) month award extension for the above stated project.

**BE IT FURTER RESOLVED** that the Township Engineer or Township Clerk, or those authorized on their behalf, are to submit a formal request for a six (6) month award extension for the above referenced project to the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to sign the six (6) month award extension request on behalf of the Township of Middletown and their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to the following:

- a. Township Engineer
- b. T&M Associates

#### **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS:**

Committeeman Settembrino, congratulated the Girl Scout award recipients a fine group of youngsters.

Committeewoman Kratz, congratulations to award recipients. She commended Recreation and Public Works for the wonderful tree lighting event. It is fun to see families enjoying themselves.

Deputy Mayor Hibell, congratulated the Spirit Red team. Commended Ted Maloney and Janet Dellett for the great job with the tree lighting ceremony.

Mayor Perry, thanked Ted Maloney and Janet Dellett for the tree lighting ceremony and thanked Deputy Mayor Hibell for the hot chocolate. He asked for a moment of silence to pay respect to a great resident Bob Bucco who lost his battle with pancreatic cancer. He stated that Bob was a true professional dedicated to Middletown as well as his family and he will be greatly missed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**:

Don Watson, 1 Collinson Drive, inquired when you will be able to search by block and lot in the new GIS system.

Melanie Elmiger, Green Tree Terrace, questioned the work related to the pedestrian bridge on Sunnyside Road only responding to the concrete berm, she said the whole area floods and is messy the sidewalk needs to be raised.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Anthony S. Perry, Mayor

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to move to Executive session and adjourn at 7:50 pm.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry Nays: None

Abstention: None Absent: Clarke

Absent: Clarke				
Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated motion carried to adjourn.				
	Respectfully submitted,			
Approved:	Heidi R Pieluc Township Clerk			