

**MINUTES OF ORGANIZATION MEETING**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2008, 7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The January 2, 2008 Organization Meeting was called to order by the Township Clerk, Cathleen Amelio, at 7:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 2, 2008, in the Municipal Building, 50 Woodland Avenue, Morris Township, New Jersey.

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**PRESIDING OFFICER STATEMENT**

The Presiding Officer Statement, required by the Open Public Meetings Act concerning "Adequate Notice" of the meeting, was announced and placed on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

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**ATTENDANCES**

The following attendances were noted:

**ELECTED OFFICERS**

Mayor Robert E. Nace  
Township Committee Member Ronald M. Goldberg  
Township Committee Member Jeffrey R. Grayzel  
Township Committee Member H. Scott Rosenbush  
Township Committee Member Richard A. Watson

**APPOINTED OFFICERS**

Cathleen Amelio, Township Clerk  
John M. Mills, III, Township Attorney  
Fred J. Rossi, Township Administrator

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**INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Rabbi Donald Rossoff of Temple B'nai Or, Morristown

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**PRESENTATION OF COLORS**

The presentation of colors was made by Boy Scout Troop #34.

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fred J. Rossi, Township Administrator.

Students from Morristown High School: Moira Kelly, Nathaniel Rosoff, Alex Murray and Shelby Cashman, sang the Stars Spangled Banner.

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**STATEMENT OF DETERMINATION**

A certified copy of the Statement of Determination of the Board of County Canvassers, relative to the November 6, 2007 General Election, wherein Ronald M. Goldberg was elected to a three year term, i.e., January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2010 as a Member of the Township Committee, was duly filed.

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**ADMINISTRATION-OATHS OF OFFICE - TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER ELECT**

The Honorable John M. Mills, III, Esquire administered the Oath of Office and Oath of Allegiance to Township Committee Member Ronald M. Goldberg with wife Marjorie assisting.

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**ELECTION OF MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE**

With standard Mayoral selection procedures being observed, Robert E. Nace was elected, by the vote of 4-1 (Mr. Nace abstaining) as Mayor for the ensuing year, after which the Oath of Office was administered by John M. Mills, III, Township Attorney, with wife Judy assisting.

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**ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

With standard selection procedures being observed, Richard A. Watson was elected by the vote of 4-1 (Mr. Watson abstained) Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year, after which the Oath of Office was administered by John M. Mills, III, Township Attorney.

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**INTRODUCTIONS IN AUDIENCE**

Mayor Nace introduced the dignitaries in the audience:

Senator Anthony Bucco, former Township Committeeman/Mayor Peter J. O'Hagan, Mayor of Morris Plains Frank Druetzler, Anthony Bucco, Jr., Gordon McInnes, Edward Taratko, Jr., former Township Administrator, Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen, Freeholder and former Township Committeeman/Mayor John Murphy, John Sette, Chairman, Morris County Board of Elections, Thomas Markt, Assistant County Administrator, Christine Ramirez.

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**MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS - MAYOR ROBERT E. NACE**

Welcome to the Morris Township Reorganization Meeting of 2008:

Before I begin my address for 2008, I would like to ask that we pause for a moment of silence to honor those who are serving our country in the armed forces. We offer our hope and prayers to those who are separated from their families that they return home safely. I would like to recognize a number of dignitaries who are with us tonight.

I would like to recognize the following people who have agreed to sit on the Board of the newly formed Morris Township Parks and Recreation Foundation: I would like to offer a special thank you to Porzio Bromberg, and Newman for providing legal services necessary to establishment the foundations Articles of Incorporation and IRS 201-C-3 tax exempt status. The board is comprised of the following members: representing Porzio, Bromberg, and Newman is Doug Henshaw, also joining the Board is former State Senator Gordon MacInnes, representing Atlantic Health Systems is Dr. Grant Parr, two individuals that provided significant leadership in raising over 9 million dollars for the Joint Library expansion are Geoff Brooks and Dave McFadden. Representing Provident Bank is Branch President, Brian Giovinazzi, from the Morris YMCA is Executive Director Carol Armour, representing Lakeland Bank is Branch Manager Sue Bonnai. Our own and newly retired Kathleen Hyland representing Ginty Irish Gifts. The former President of Kessler Assisted Living and Morris Township entrepreneur Ken Aitchison and rounding out the board is our Recreation Director Bill Foelsch and Rick Watson.

At this time I would like all of the volunteers who sit on our various boards and commissions to rise. Without the sacrifice and service of these volunteers our town would be severely constrained. To all of you who serve us so selflessly, thank you.

I would also like to thank the employees of the township who serve the residents in an exemplary fashion. They are the face of the Township and we are proud of their tireless efforts to provide the best class of service found anywhere.

2007 was a very busy year which brought us many accomplishments:

1. The Township continues to operate one of the counties most successful Open Space programs. Over 25% of our Township's land area has been preserved. In November we received a Morris County Open Space grant of \$425,000.00 to assist in our acquisition of the Mt. Kemble Property adjacent to the Mt. Kemble Office Park. This grant is in addition to the award of \$1,100.00 received from the county in 2006. This acquisition will provide us with a much needed lighted, all weather recreations fields.
2. In 2007, our Open Space Committee initiated a new Trails Advisory Sub-Committee to assist in the creation of a Trails Plan for the Township. The plan is expected to identify potential hiking trails, biking pathways, and trail linkages throughout the township. Most significant to this plan will be recommendations for linkages to existing trails such as Loantaka Path, The Traction Line, and Patriots Path.

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3. This year the Township was fortunate to hire the NJ Parks and Recreation Director to lead our Recreation Department. Bill Foelsch's national reputation, leadership, and knowledge of recreation programs has paid significant benefits to our township. In particular his expertise in turf management has help us improve the playability of several of our severely grass depleted playing surfaces.
4. The Township continues to deliver the services our residents have become accustomed to with tax increases significantly below the rate of inflation. The 2007 Township budget resulted in minimal 1 cent tax rate increase. A major focus of our budgetary effort continues to be on the maintenance of our municipal infrastructure.
5. In 2007, State Mandates continued to burden our ability to reduce spending as more and more mandates go unfunded by Trenton. The state not only mandated new and expensive programs but they are eliminated funding for existing programs, shifting the cost of programs to the local level, all while mandating budget caps on local budgets. So much for their creative approach to tax relief.
6. On the technology side of our operations, the township implemented new Voice over IP Telephony technology to replace our old Verizon system which significantly enhanced our capabilities. This project resulted in a 30 % reduction in our communications budget.
7. One of the most memorable events of the year was the Township's hosting the Kickoff of the Police Unity Tour. The Police Unity tour was started by Pat Montuore of the Florham Park Police Department in 1997. Its success has grown to a national program that has resulted in contributions of more than 4 million dollars to the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington DC. The memorial is inscribed with the names of over 17,500 police officers who have been killed in the line of duty since 1792. This year over 1500 riders from all of the country, including several international riders, made the ride to the National Police Memorial in Washington DC. I am extremely proud of our participation and of our officers and support staff who represented us with the Police Unity Tour. Much of the credit for the success of this event goes to Captain Tim Quinn who has ridden in this event since it's inception.
8. The township has an extensive list of Engineering Projects that continues to stretch our capacity and resources. The Engineering Committee projects that this constraint will continue for a number of years as we continue to focus on infrastructure maintenance efforts. This year we completed over 32 significant infrastructure projects. A list of these projects was published in our Township news letter in November.
9. Under the leadership of Ted Largman, our Environmental Commission was very active. The commission worked on projects aimed at identifying ways to help reduce the impact of rising utility costs, encourage recycling, and reduce energy consumption. Their efforts resulted in the creation of a new electronic equipment recycling program. This new program makes it easier and free for our residents to properly recycle old computers.

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10. The Planning Board completed their review and update to our Master Plan after extensive public hearings.

**In 2008 the Township will be faced with a continuing array of new and difficult issues .**

1. The Township, like all municipalities in the eastern portion of Morris County, Morris Township is a fully built out community. The challenge for these communities is the lack of revenue growth, declining commercial property values, and the ever increasing mandates from Trenton. For the first time in NJ, municipalities to our west will now face the same issue as the Highland Council implements its Master Plan. Morris Township has become quite adept at eliminating and reducing costs through the use of new technology and improved business processes. We have significant partnerships with surrounding communities and work diligently with our neighbors to share services and costs. We have been active participants with Morris County's, Shared Services Program. In 2008 we must continue our effort to identify additional areas of share services with our neighbors that provide mutually beneficial results. We must also investigate out-sourcing as a means to reduce labor and program costs. I encourage our Standing Committees to aggressively evaluate the potential of reducing labor cost through third party means. Our goal must be focused on identifying ways to reduce operating costs and to reduce or maintain tax increases at or below the rate of inflation.
2. Through a regional Planning Group known as Seamless, seven bordering municipalities have joined forces with the County to conduct a traffic study of the proposed development of the Exxon property located in Florham Park. This is a significant milestone since these municipalities have different views on the development project but share joint concern determining the traffic impact that is sure to result.
3. Enhancement and maintenance of our existing commercial tax base is essential to minimize the shift in taxes on our residential property owners. It is critical that our Administrator and Building Department focus on strengthening our business relationships to demonstrate a business friendly atmosphere in the Township. Maintaining our commercial tax base is critical to reducing the impact of taxes on our residential property owners.
4. While rateables have declined over the past seven years, our costs have continued to escalate. These increases result primarily from rising utility costs and unfunded mandates or cost transfers by the State of NJ. This year promises to be no different as the state completes the final year in pension cost transfers for Public Employees and the fourth year of Police and Fire pension cost transfers.
5. In 2008, the Planning Board will initiate a review of the Highlands Master Plan and extensive public hearings will be held. This is particularly important as we debate the their planning area definitions against our existing infrastructure.

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The public is reminded that our Township Master Plan will continue to control development based on our existing zoning ordinances. The C Highlands seemingly arbitrary maps and conflicting planning area definitions will not impact local development decisions.

6. The Planning Board will also undertake the review the new 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) regulations that were released in December. As some may know, the Township is poised to introduce a Developer Fee Ordinance as part of our 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Program. This ordinance has been submitted to COAH for approval under these new regulations. The new 3<sup>rd</sup> round rules will be assessed to determine their impact on the Township.

Maintaining a clear vision that balances the needs of our diverse community is our greatest challenge:

The challenge for Morris Township in 2008 will be to find ways to balance our limited resources while enhancing and maintaining our programs and services. This year will require significant review of our business practices if we are to maintain our low tax and capital debt level. I am amazed that the State continues to force greater caps and restrictions on local governments while forcing us to meet new unfunded mandates and shifts in program spending. Since the state is late in releasing these new CAP Guidelines it is too early to predict their impact. Whatever the impact of these new restrictions, we will continue to focus on planning for the diverse needs of our residents and we will eliminate or modify programs to reflect the changing needs of the community.

1. This year we implemented new communications efforts by seeking public input by holding a series of community meetings. These meetings will continue to be held in 2008. I encourage our residents to participate in the communication process. The Township has attempted to increase our efforts in communicating with the taxpayers. We have produced countless Press Releases, Quarterly Municipal News Letters, Web Sites publications, personalized letters to local residents, and numerous community meetings that have resulted in limited feedback and few interested residents. For us to be effective the public must participate.
2. Morris Township offers a wide array of excellent recreational opportunities. Morris Township offers more programs for citizens of all ages than any other municipality. This year, we will continue our planning efforts to meet our long term recreational program needs. The planning process is critical to balance the needs of the entire community. We will also continue to actively work to help create and communicate a vision of our recreational plans. My vision of these needs are focused on five major project areas.
  - a. The development of the Mt. Kemble Recreation Complex to meet our long term needs for lighted, rectangular, multipurpose all weather fields.
  - b. The conversion of Cornine Field to an all weather turf field.
  - c. The creation of a continuous funding mechanism to enhance, upgrade, and maintain existing fields and surfaces as Best-In-Class facilities. Many of our facilities are sound facilities that simply require enhanced maintenance or additional equipment such as sprinklers to support playing volumes.

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- d. The identification and selection of a site for the development of a Community Center that meets the needs of our senior citizen and indoor recreational program needs.
  - e. The completion of the Trails Committee Report will be a major milestone. The Open Space Committee needs this input to help target it acquisition process. The report will also be instrumental for implementation by the Recreation department.
3. Morris Township will continue to meet with neighboring municipalities to improve communications and gain a more regional perspective on planning and development efforts. Morris Township has many successful shared service programs in place and will be actively considered where proven cost effective and mutually beneficial services result. If joint operations or mergers are to be seriously considered, the state must come up with incentives to pay off municipal debt obligations and change mandated funding formulas currently in existence. This is not an issue to be dismissed by merger advocates and our legislators.

In conclusion, I offer the following facts and observations to my fellow committeeman: Historically, Morris Township provides more services and a better class of service than any other community while maintaining a low tax rate and minimal debt. We are a government that operates by standing committee and are guided by professionals as well as a significant number of volunteers. Many of our volunteers have served for years and have extensive experience that helped make us the community we are today. These professionals and volunteers guide us to meet the ever changing social and economic needs of our society. All of these efforts are done with minimal legal cost to our residents. People move here because of our great services, low tax rates low debt service, and because of our reputation as being a well run municipality.

Our committee is now represented by both political parties and together we must remain mindful that we serve one community. I encourage everyone to meet the challenges of the upcoming year with an eye on our fiscal and moral responsibility to govern for all. By working together, we will maintain our well earned image of being a great community.

Tonight is also a time of mixed feelings as a long time friend, mentor, former mayor, and fellow committeeman Kathleen Hyland has stepped down from the Township Committee. Kathleen and her family has been guiding forces in our community for decades. Kathleen will continue to serve as a member of our Municipal Alliance, Head Teen Ride, and sit on the Board of the Morris Township Parks and Recreation Foundation. Kathleen please stand.

To my fellow committee members, I thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me tonight to represent the township as your mayor. I promise that I will continue to work diligently to justify your confidence and to earn the continued support of the residents of Morris Township.

I would also like to thank my many friends and our special guests who have joined us here tonight. Most of all I would like to thank my biggest supporter, a person who brings balance to my life, and graciously supports my efforts to serve my community. My wife and best friend, Judy Doyle

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**RESOLUTIONS**

In the next matter of business the following resolutions were duly offered, seconded and adopted by the vote as indicated at the end of the text of the resolutions:

**RESOLUTIONS - STANDING COMMITTEES**

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be empowered to appoint fourteen (14) Standing Committees as follows:

1. Buildings & Grounds, Street Lights;
2. Communications; \_\_\_\_\_
3. Engineering & Code Enforcement;
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Finance, Insurance and Tax Assessor;
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Fire;
6. Information Technology;
7. Legislation and Township Clerk;
8. Municipal Court;
9. Parking Lot;
10. Personnel;
11. Police;
12. Recreation;
13. Roads and Sanitation;
14. Sanitary Sewers.

Roll Call:	Mr. Goldberg	YES	Mr. Rosenbush	YES
	Mr. Grayzel	YES	Mr. Watson	YES
			Mayor Nace	YES

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**APPOINTMENT – 2008 STANDING COMMITTEES**

Mayor Nace appointed the following Standing Committees for the year 2008 (\*first named is Chairman):

Buildings & Grounds, Street Lights	*Robert E. Nace, Jeffrey R. Grayzel
Communications	*Robert E. Nace, Richard A. Watson
Engineering and Code Enforcement	*Robert E. Nace, Ronald M. Goldberg
Finance, Insurance and Tax Assessor	*Richard A. Watson, H. Scott Rosenbush
Fire	*H. Scott Rosenbush, Jeffrey R. Grayzel
Information Technology	*Robert E. Nace, H. Scott Rosenbush
Legislation and Township Clerk	*H. Scott Rosenbush, Jeffrey R. Grayzel
Municipal Court	*Ronald M. Goldberg, Richard A. Watson
Parking Lot	*Richard A. Watson, Ronald M. Goldberg
Personnel	*Richard A. Watson, Robert E. Nace
Police	*Robert E. Nace, Jeffrey R. Grayzel
Recreation	*Richard A. Watson, Robert E. Nace
Roads and Sanitation	*H. Scott Rosenbush, Ronald M. Goldberg
Sanitary Sewers	*H. Scott Rosenbush, Ronald M. Goldberg

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**RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)**

**RESOLUTIONS - APPOINTMENTS - POSITIONS CREATED BY STATUTE AND/OR ORDINANCE**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BOARD</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRING</u>
Norma Larkin	Board of Adjustment	2011
Rick Haan	" "	2011
Donnell Williams Alt. #1	" "	2009
Franz Vintschger	Environmental Commission	2010
John F. Storey	" "	2010
Theodore Largman	" "	2010
Lee Wallace	" "	2010
Dominick La Rosa , Alt. #2	" "	2009
Matthew W. Byrnes, Alt. #1	" "	2008
Robert E. Nace, Mayor	Planning Board	2008
H. Scott Rosenbush, Mayor's Alt.	" "	2008
Jeffrey R. Grayzel	" "	2008
Craig R. Goss	" "	2011
Anthony Romano	" "	2011
Leigh Tucker Doxsee	" "	2011
Linda Murphy, Alt. #1	" "	2009
Kevin McNally, Alt. #2	" "	2008
Lawrence C. Vitale	Open Space Committee	2008
Robert E. Nace	" " "	2008
Richard A. Watson	" " "	2008
Rick A. Haan	" " "	2008
Daniel Caffrey	" " "	2008
Patrick Minter	" " "	2009
Ronald M. Goldberg	Board of Health	2010
Vacancy, Alt. #2	" " "	2009
Robert E. Nace	Recreation Advisory Committee	2008
Rick A. Watson	" " "	2008
William Foelsch	" " "	2008
Thomas Murphy	" " "	2010
Samual Pagano	" " "	2010
James Kinney	" " "	2010
Samuel Champi, Jr.	" " "	2010
Vacancy	" " "	2010
Vacancy	" " "	2010
Robert E. Nace, Mayor	Joint Free Public Library	2008
Geoffrey Brooks, Alt.	" " " "	2008
Carol Barkin	Historic Preservation Comm.	2011
Ronald M. Goldberg	Sanitary Sewer Advisory Comm.	2008
H. Scott Rosenbush	" " " "	2008
Robert E. Nace, Mayor	Housing Advisory Council	2008
Kathleen G. Hyland	" " "	2008
Ronald M. Goldberg	" " "	2010
Nancy Shay	" " "	2010

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**RESOLUTIONS - APPOINTMENTS - POSITIONS CREATED BY STATUTE AND/OR ORDINANCE (CONTINUED)**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BOARD</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRING</u>
Barbara Gardner	Americans With Disabilities	2008
Nancy Delaney	Act Compliance Committee	2008
Dawn Parkot	" " "	2008
Fred J. Rossi	" " "	2008
William E. Smith	" " "	2008
VACANCY	" " "	2008

**RESOLUTIONS - APPOINTMENTS - AD HOC COMMITTEES AND ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS/SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS**

James R. Slate	Ten Towns Great Swamp Watershed	2008
Robert E. Nace	Management Committee	2008
Jan Wotowicz	" "	2008
Robert E. Nace	Whippany River Watershed Action Committee	2008
Theodore Largman	" " "	2008
Louise Jensen	" " "	2008
Thomas Kenny	" " "	2008
Fred J. Rossi	Community Development Revenue	2008
Barbara Gardner	Sharing Committee	2008
Thomas Kenny, Alt.	" " "	2008
Richard A. Watson	Morris Township/Morristown Joint	2008
Robert E. Nace	Municipal Alliance	2008
Kathleen G. Hyland	" " "	2008
Michael Loughman	" " "	2008
Carol Egan	" " "	2008
Roger Egan	" " "	2008
David H. Timmer	Lackawanna Coalition (Township Representative)	2008
Craig R. Goss	Supplemental Fire Services Program Coordinator	2008
Michael Loughman	Supplemental Safe Neighborhood Program Coordinator	2008
Edward A. Taratko, Jr.	Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority	2/1/2012

**THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEERS DO NOT HAVE SPECIFIC TERMS BUT SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE MAYOR**

**BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

Jeff Grayzel	James Stoia
Ronald M. Goldberg	Sophia Bacas
Jeff Miller, Chair	Nancy Moseson
Clint E. Costanzo	Jean Bohn
Lori Flitcroft	

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**RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)**

**THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEERS DO NOT HAVE SPECIFIC TERMS BUT SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE MAYOR (CONTINUED)**

**SWIM POOL ADVISORY**

Kerry Begley	Jean Marie Mainente
Sharon Bertram	Gabrielle Meyer
Donna Boles	Colleen Moran
Maura Braun	Nancy Moss
Karen Carman	Robert Nace
Karen Dembia	Sharon Panko
Kathy Endres	Mary Potter
Paul Ferdenzi	Ninette Sparano
Jenn Honig	Jean Viotto
James Koons	Richard Watson

**TRAILS COMMITTEE**

Jeffrey Grayzel  
William Foelsch  
David Helmer, Chair  
John Storey  
Jeff Miller  
Rick Haan

**MORRIS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Gladys Howarth  
Theodore Largman  
John Storey

Roll Call:	Mr. Goldberg	YES	Mr. Rosenbush	YES
	Mr. Grayzel	YES	Mr. Watson	YES
	Mayor Nace	YES		

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**RESOLUTIONS - POLICE GENERAL**

RESOLVED, that the Police Committee be authorized to hire Special Police Officers at such time or times as the Police Committee may deem necessary.

Roll Call:	Mr. Goldberg	YES	Mr. Rosenbush	YES
	Mr. Grayzel	YES	Mr. Watson	YES
	Mayor Nace	YES		

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**RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)**

**RESOLUTIONS - POLICE GENERAL (CONTINUED)**

RESOLVED, that all Special Police Officers, now under authority, be reappointed for a period of one (1) year, i.e., to December 31, 2008, provided that they qualify within Thirty (30) days, as follows:

ROBERT CASE (CLASS II)

Roll Call:	Mr. Goldberg	YES	Mr. Rosenbush	YES
	Mr. Grayzel	YES	Mr. Watson	YES
	Mayor Nace	YES		

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RESOLVED, that the following be appointed as Matrons for a period of one (1) year, i.e., to December 31, 2008:

COLLEEN LOUGHMAN  
JACQUELINE DRAYTON  
PATTI ROMANO  
ALISSA SCHILLER

Roll Call:	Mr. Goldberg	YES	Mr. Rosenbush	YES
	Mr. Grayzel	YES	Mr. Watson	YES
	Mayor Nace	YES		

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RESOLVED, that the following be appointed as School Guards for a period of one (1) year, i.e., to December 31, 2008:

MINDY MARTIN

Roll Call:	Mr. Goldberg	YES	Mr. Rosenbush	YES
	Mr. Grayzel	YES	Mr. Watson	YES
	Mayor Nace	YES		

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**RESOLUTIONS - FIRE DEPARTMENT**

RESOLVED, that the following appointments of Officers to the Fire Department be made to the positions indicated and for the term of one (1) year, i.e., to December 31, 2008:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>APPOINTEE</u>
Senior Battalion Chief	Jason Merrick
Junior Battalion Chief	Daniel Nunn

Roll Call:	Mr. Goldberg	YES	Mr. Rosenbush	YES
	Mr. Grayzel	YES	Mr. Watson	YES
	Mayor Nace	YES		

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**RESOLUTION - OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)**

Deputy Coordinator - Rescue	Donald Morong, Jr.
Radio Officer	Jeff Kashinsky
Deputy Coordinator-Logistics	Mark Sellin
Roll Call:	Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES
	Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES
	Mayor Nace YES

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**RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZATION TO RETAIN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES VIS-A-VIS  
LOCAL CONTRACTS LAW - RESOLUTION OF FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, etc., known as the Local Public Contracts Law, requires that all contracts or agreements for the performance of any work, shall not be made or awarded unless public advertising for bids and bidding therefore is solicited; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 provides that any contract or agreement may be made, negotiated or awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, if the subject matter thereof consists of professional services, are rendered or performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession or otherwise is for an extraordinary unspecifiable service; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Morris has need to acquire certain of said services by non-fair and open contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Morris has need for such services, which said services will be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, or otherwise, in the case of an extraordinary unspecifiable service, by persons having the necessary training, expertise and reputation.

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

1. That, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, and N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq. as and where applicable, this Township Committee is hereby authorized to proceed with the awarding of contracts for the following enumerated services, without the advertising for and the receipt of bids for such work, inasmuch as same are "professional services" or "extraordinary unspecifiable services" as set forth in said Statute:
  - a. Municipal Auditor
  - b. Municipal Attorney
  - c. Special Engineering Services
  - d. Physicians
  - e. Court Reporters
  - f. Special Legal Services
  - g. Animal Warden Services
  - h. Ordinance Codification and Printing
  - i. Special Insurance Consultant
  - j. Towing and Storage
  - k. Municipal Bond Attorney
  - l. Information Technology Consulting
  - m. Real Estate Appraisal Services

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LOCAL CONTRACTS LAW - RESOLUTION OF FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION  
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2. The award of each such contract is specifically conditioned upon receipt of a Business Entity Disclosure Certification in proper form, as required.
3. That the Clerk of the Township is hereby authorized and directed to forthwith publish the individual notice of award in the official newspaper of the Township of Morris.

Roll Call:      Mr. Goldberg    YES    Mr. Rosenbush    YES  
                    Mr. Grayzel     YES    Mr. Watson       YES  
                                 Mayor Nace    YES

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RESOLVED, that Morristown Memorial Hospital Atlantic Health System be designated to provide physician services (Corporate Health Services) to the Township of Morris for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call:      Mr. Goldberg    YES    Mr. Rosenbush    YES  
                    Mr. Grayzel     YES    Mr. Watson       YES  
                                 Mayor Nace    YES

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RESOLVED, that John M. Mills, III, Esquire, of the firm of Mills & Mills, Esquires, be appointed as Township Attorney for the Township of Morris for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call:      Mr. Goldberg    YES    Mr. Rosenbush    YES  
                    Mr. Grayzel     YES    Mr. Watson       YES  
                                 Mayor Nace    YES

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RESOLVED, that Fred J. Rossi be appointed as Township Administrator for the Township of Morris for a three (3) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2010.

Roll Call:      Mr. Goldberg    YES    Mr. Rosenbush    YES  
                    Mr. Grayzel     YES    Mr. Watson       YES  
                                 Mayor Nace    YES

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RESOLVED, that Craig O'Connor, Esquire, be appointed as Municipal Prosecutor for the Township of Morris for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call:      Mr. Goldberg    YES    Mr. Rosenbush    YES  
                    Mr. Grayzel     YES    Mr. Watson       YES  
                                 Mayor Nace    YES

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RESOLVED, that Timothy Brunnock, Esquire, be appointed as Public Defender for the Township of Morris for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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RESOLVED, that James J. Lavin be appointed as Municipal Court Administrator of the Township of Morris for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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RESOLVED, that Jack L. Kraft, Esq. be appointed as Municipal Bond Attorney of the Township of Morris for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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RESOLVED, that, for Open Public Meetings Act Notice purposes, the Morris County Daily Record be designated as an official newspaper for the Township of Morris, and that the Star Ledger and Morris News Bee be designated as an additional newspaper for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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RESOLVED, that the Morris County Daily Record and Morris News Bee be designated as official newspapers for legal notice purposes for the Township of Morris for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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RESOLVED, that the Treasurer establish an account to be known as "Township of Morris, Payroll Account", and deposit from time to time warrants for the amount due the Payroll Account in accordance with "An Ordinance Provided for the Establishment of a Payroll Account, etc.", adopted January 24, 1942, and as amended.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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**RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)**  
**RESOLUTIONS - GENERAL (CONTINUED)**

RESOLVED, that the required surety bonds from the Western Surety Company and the New Jersey Intergovernmental Insurance Fund for certain personnel be accepted and approved.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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RESOLVED, that the Collector of Taxes and Sewer Fees be authorized to cancel to surplus tax overpayments under \$10.00.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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RESOLVED, that St. Hubert's Giralda be appointed to provide Animal Warden Services to the Township of Morris for a one (1) year period, i.e., to December 31, 2008.

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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RESOLVED, that meetings of the Township Committee for the years 2008 (8 PM) and 2009 (7 PM), prevailing time, at the Township of Morris Municipal Building, 50 Woodland Avenue, Morris Township, New Jersey, on the following dates, and this listing supersedes all previous listings:

JANUARY	16TH
FEBRUARY	6TH AND 20TH
MARCH	5TH AND 19TH
APRIL	16TH
MAY	21ST
JUNE	18TH
JULY	16TH
AUGUST	20TH
SEPTEMBER	17TH
OCTOBER	15TH
NOVEMBER	12TH
DECEMBER	17TH
JANUARY	7TH, 2009 (7:00 PM)

Roll Call: Mr. Goldberg YES Mr. Rosenbush YES  
Mr. Grayzel YES Mr. Watson YES  
Mayor Nace YES

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**RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)**  
**DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES**

**AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICIALS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO CARRY ON BANKING MATTERS ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, it is necessary, pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 40:5-1 et seq., to designate and authorize certain public officials of the Township of Morris to carry on banking matters on behalf of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Morris, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, being the Governing Body of said Township, as follows:

1. The Township of Morris is a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey (herein called "Corporation").

2. Deposits: That funds of this Corporation be deposited in one or more accounts in

PNC BANK, NA  
COMMERCE BANK  
THE PROVIDENT BANK  
BANK OF AMERICA  
WACHOVIA BANK

MERRILL LYNCH, WORKING CAPITAL MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT

(herein called "Bank") subject to the rules and regulations of said Bank; items for deposit may be received from any person and may be endorsed in the name of the Corporation by stamp or otherwise, and said bank may supply all missing endorsements.

3. Checks and other withdrawals: That any two (2) of the following officers of this Corporation:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE</u>
Robert E Nace, Mayor		_____
Richard A. Watson, Deputy Mayor		_____
Julia A. Hasbrouck, CFO/Director of Finance		_____
Joann D. Chesnut, Accounts Payable Bookkeeper		_____

may, in the name of the Corporation, execute checks and other instruments for the withdrawal of said funds, and all checks and other instruments so executed may be paid to or received from any holder and for any purpose by the Bank, without inquiry, whether payable to the order of one or more of the signers, or otherwise.

4. The CFO/Director of Finance is authorized to execute all documents or instruments necessary to make wire transfers without counter signature or co-signature and the Bank is authorized to honor such wire transfer request.

5. Authorization to Certify: That the Clerk of the Township of Morris furnish to the Bank a certified copy of this resolution setting forth the names and titles of the above described corporate officers, together with specimens of their signature and confirming that the Bank is authorized to rely on this resolution and such certificate until written notice of revocation or change thereof shall be delivered to the Bank.

Roll Call:      Mr. Goldberg    YES    Mr. Rosenbush    YES  
                  Mr. Grayzel     YES    Mr. Watson       YES  
                                 Mayor Nace     YES

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**RESOLUTIONS – FINANCE (CONTINUED)**  
**ESTABLISHING INTEREST RATE - DELINQUENT TAXES AND SEWER FEES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Morris that the rate of interest to be charged on delinquent taxes and/or delinquent sewer fees shall be as follows:

On all delinquent taxes and/or delinquent sewer fees to and including December 31, 2007 at the rate of rates heretofore governing.

On all delinquent taxes and/or delinquent sewer fees on and after January 1, 2008 at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency, and eighteen percent (18%) per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a ten (10) day grace period be allowed on tax and sewer payments for the respective due dates and that if the tenth (10th) day falls on a weekend or holiday, the grace period shall be extended to the close of business on the next business day, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the taxes and/or sewer fees are not paid within the ten (10) day grace period, the interest thereon shall be computed from the initial due date, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Collector of Taxes and the Collector of Sewer Fees be and is hereby directed to collect interest on taxes and sewer fees in accordance with the terms of this resolutions.

Roll Call:        Mr. Goldberg    YES    Mr. Rosenbush    YES  
                      Mr. Grayzel     YES    Mr. Watson        YES  
                                 Mayor Nace     YES

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**TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR OPERATING PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, 40A:4-19 Local Budget Act provides that (where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2008 budget) temporary appropriations be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided;

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of 2008, and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2007 Budget, less appropriations made for capital improvement fund, debt service and relief of the poor (public assistance) are as follows:

General	\$ 29,293,271.97
Sewer Utility	\$ 4,968,236.24
Swimming Pool Enterprise	\$ 630,555.00
Parking Enterprise	\$ 210,848.00

WHEREAS, 26.25 percent of the total appropriations in the 2007 Budget less appropriations for capital improvement fund, debt service and relief of the poor (public assistance) in the said 2007 Budget is as follows:

General	\$ 7,689,483.89
Sewer Utility	\$ 1,304,162.01
Swimming Pool Enterprise	\$ 165,520.69
Parking Enterprise	\$ 55,347.60



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**RESOLUTIONS – FINANCE (CONTINUED)**

**AUTHORIZING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN AS SUBMITTED BY THE MUNICIPAL FINANCE (CONTINUED)**

3. Designation of Security Broker/Dealers
  1. The following are approved security broker/dealers.
  2. No designated firms at this time.
  
4. Cash Management
  1. All funds shall be deposited within 48 hours of receipt in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.
  2. The Chief Financial Officer shall minimize the possibility of idle cash accumulating in accounts by assuring that the amounts in excess of negotiated compensating balances are kept in interest bearing accounts or promptly swept into the investment portfolio.
  3. The method of calculating banking fees and compensating balances shall be reviewed on a monthly basis.
  4. Investment decisions shall be guided by the cash flow projections prepared by the Chief Financial Officer.
  
5. Permissible Investments
  1. Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America.
  2. Government money market mutual funds.
  3. Any federal agency or instrumentality obligation authorized by Congress that matures within 397 days from the date of purchase, and has a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or external factors.
  4. Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or school districts of which the local unit is a part.
  5. Any other obligations with maturities not exceeding 397 days, as permitted by the Division of Investments.
  6. Local government investment pools.
  7. New Jersey State Cash Management Fund.
  8. Repurchase agreements of fully collateralized securities
  
6. Authority for Investment Management
  1. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to make investments on behalf of the Township. All investment decisions shall be consistent with this plan and all appropriate regulatory constraints.
  
7. Safekeeping
  1. Securities purchased on behalf of the Township shall be delivered electronically or physically to the Township's custodial bank, which shall maintain custodial and/or safekeeping accounts for such securities on behalf of the Township.

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**RESOLUTIONS – FINANCE (CONTINUED)**

AUTHORIZING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN AS SUBMITTED BY THE MUNICIPAL FINANCE (CONTINUED)

8. Reporting

1. The Chief Financial Officer shall report to the Township Committee all purchases of investments in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.2.

9. Audit

1. The Cash Management Plan shall be subject to annual audit conducted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14.

10. Disposition of Abandoned Property

1. The Chief Financial Officer shall escheat to the State of New Jersey checks which remain outstanding for twelve or more months after the date of issuance.

Roll Call:      Mr. Goldberg    YES    Mr. Rosenbush    YES  
                     Mr. Grayzel     YES    Mr. Watson       YES  
                                 Mayor Nace      YES

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**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

At this time Mayor Nace called upon the Members of the Township Committee for comments which are summarized as follows:

**MR. GOLDBERG**

1. Wished Kathleen Hyland fair well; encouraged individuals to volunteer; budget is upon the Committee.

**MR. GRAYZEL**

1. Welcomed Ron Goldberg, looks forward to working with him; wants open government; recreation fields; push for quality of life.

**MR. ROSENBUSH**

1. Welcomed Ron Goldberg to the Committee; Committee now has political balance; many volunteers are thanked; has many expectations; residents should get involved; will serve the public; thanked his wife Cindy. Happy and Healthy New Year.

**MR. WATSON**

1. Thanked Kathleen Hyland for her friendship; congratulations to Ron Goldberg, looks forward to working with him. Mayor Nace thinks outside the box; his ideas are ambitious; traffic cameras; trail plan; tax free foundation; Mt. Kemble project; Happy New Year.

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**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS/QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)**

**MAYORAL COMMENTARY - MAYOR ROBERT E. NACE**

1. Congratulations to Ron Goldberg; thanked the public; Happy New Year.

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The Benediction was given by Msgr. Martin Rauscher, Assumption Church.

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**CALL TO ORDER AND ADJOURNMENT**

The January 2, 2008 Organization Meeting was called to order and with no further business to be considered, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously (5-0) adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 P.M., next to convene at the 8:00 P.M., January 16, 2008, Regular Meeting, in the Municipal Building, 50 Woodland Avenue, Township of Morris.

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CATHLEEN AMELIO  
TOWNSHIP CLERK

DATED: JANUARY 28, 2008