

Commission Chamber, City Hall  
Millville, New Jersey  
September 1, 2009 6:00 p.m.

The Board of Commissioners met in an agenda session with Mayor Shannon presiding. Members present: Quinn, Shannon, Finch, Derella and Vanaman. Absent: None.

Mayor Shannon made the statement required by the Open Public Meeting Act of 1975.

"This meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975", was advertised, posted and made available to the public as required by Statute. The Municipal Clerk is directed to include a statement in the minutes of this meeting.

The City Clerk/Administrator noted that for Items 3 and 4 under Resolutions for the salt and sand delivery awards of contract no Certification of Funds was done due to the fact they are in accordance with Shared Services Agreements and the Budget Appropriations as needed as well as a reserve account.

Commissioner Finch made the following statement:

*"Just that, there's two Resolutions tonight that we are collecting fees for, for doing board ups and grass cuttings and so forth. We are now charging, as we've had on the books for quite some time, an administrative fee. So, for every violation that we go out and do the work for, there's a fifty dollar administration on top of that. There's some revenue for us. And, hopefully, further enhancements to encourage people to take care of their own. That's all I have."*

There being no further business Mayor Shannon declared the Open Public Portion open regarding agenda items only and asked if any person present wished to be heard.

There being no response Mayor Shannon declared the Open Public Portion hearing closed and asked for Commissioner's reports.

Commissioner Finch announced the landlord tenant training to be held September 12, 2009 being sponsored by the Weed and Seed program, explaining that in the training session they would be going through all of the Ordinances and Code Enforcement issues with the landlords to hopefully better inform them.

Commissioner Finch also announced that at the regular Commission meeting, there will be a discussion regarding the 49/55 interchange project in place with Senator Van Drew and Freeholder Director Magazzu and representatives from the NJ DOT.

Commissioner Derella stated that he would be submitting the Accounting Report for the month of June/July 2009, the Annual Tax Collector's Report as well as a report from the Purchasing Agent regarding RFPs submitted for Banking Services on August 4, 2009.

Commissioner Derella also stated that he would be making a motion based on the recommendations from the Purchasing Agent in regards to awarding the RFP to Sun Bank.

Mayor Shannon announced the events coming up within the City including the Remembrance and Candlelight Vigil on Friday, September 11, the End of the Summer Block Party Saturday, September 12 after the landlord tenant training and the start of Holly City Striders on Monday, September 14.

Mayor Shannon also stated that he would be awarding six Shining Star awards in the regular session.

Commissioner Finch asked that after the Senator, Freeholder and DOT presentations, if there could be a recess so that attendees for those presentations can go to the Third Floor Conference Room to ask further questions.

There being no further business the agenda session was adjourned subject to the call of the chair, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

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The Board of Commissioners met in a regular session with Mayor Shannon presiding. Members present: Quinn, Shannon, Finch, Derella and Vanaman. Absent: None.

Reverend Kenyon delivered the invocation followed by the salute to the flag.

Mayor Shannon made the statement required by the Open Public Meeting Act of 1975.

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The following bills were ordered paid, when properly certified, by the following vote. Yeas: Shannon, Finch, Vanaman, Derella and Quinn.

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Correspondence from David W. Vanaman, Director of Public Safety, appointing the following to the position of Police Officer in the Department of Public Safety in accordance with certification from the New Jersey Civil Service Commission effective August 25, 2009

- a) Daniel J. Ayars
- b) Jonathan W. Gomez
- c) John S. Bojaciuk, Jr.
- D) Matthew R. Radcliffe
- e) Michael T. Calchi

f) Colt R. Gibson

A motion was passed to receive, file and approve the correspondence, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Vanaman made the following comments:

*"It's been a long time, we've been waiting for several months for the next academy to open up, so we're glad to be able to put these six replacement officers in the academy. They started yesterday."*

Mayor Shannon: *"And the total number, Commissioner Vanaman, your force will be up to?"*

Commissioner Vanaman: *"81. We had 8 potential applicants, but we had to back off of two of them. So, we're still short two."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Okay, thank you."*

Mayor Shannon announced Friday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m. Millville will remember the victims of the attack of September 11, 2001 with a musical remembrance and candlelight vigil and encouraged the public to attend.

Mayor Shannon also stated that at the event Millville will honor all of our everyday responders in the Millville Police, Fire and Rescue Squad Departments.

Mayor Shannon also announced Saturday, September 12 is the End of Summer Block Party from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. at the Riverfront Park.

Mayor Shannon also included in his announcement that on Monday, September 14 the Holly City Striders Walking Club starts, and they meet every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evening at Lakeside Middle School from 6:30 to 7:30 for everyone over age 18.

Commissioner Finch announced that Saturday, September 12, there will be a landlord tenant training seminar at the Millville Rescue Squad from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to discuss Code Enforcement and Code Compliance, various rehab programs available and leases to better inform the landlords in the City.

Commissioner Finch also stated that the Bureau of Permits and Inspections is continuing to canvas the City in efforts to clean up the City by issuing multiple violations to unsightly properties.

Commissioner Finch also urged the public that anyone who sees a Code violation to call the Bureau of Permits and Inspections to make the employees aware of the situation.

Commissioner Finch reported on a meeting he attended in Trenton with the City Engineer, John Knoop, Senator Van Drew and Freeholder Director Magazzu and the Department of Transportation regarding the Route 55 and Route 49 project.

Commissioner Finch indicated that Senator Van Drew has agreed to speak at the meeting to give the citizens an update on

said project as well as members from the NJ DOT along with Freeholder Director Magazzu.

Commissioner Finch also announced that after the presentations given by the parties that there will be a brief recess for citizens with questions regarding the project to go to the Third Floor in the Municipal Building.

Commissioner Finch then introduced Senator Van Drew.

Senator Van Drew approached the podium and made the following comments:

*"Good evening everyone. It is good to see all of you, I know that folks are here for a whole bunch of different reasons, but the reason I'm here tonight is I know that there were numerous people that had expressed concerns about the project at Route 49 and Route 55. And, of course, as we do, in fact, I would like to introduce my two colleagues who work with me all the time. Assemblyman Matthew Milam is here and Assemblyman Nelson Albano is just a few minutes away, he will be here as well. I'll probably be here for about 45 minutes today, and, unfortunately, I have another meeting as well. I did want you to know that we listened, and that I believe we have what is, essentially, some good news. Let me just start from the beginning, and I'm going to give a very brief overview, and then the Department of Transportation is here, who is obviously going to be more thorough and more involved in what they present. There was discussion that this was a 20 or 25 million or 28 million dollar project. What we didn't know is that the project has been modified. It has been out to bid, the bid has been awarded. It's a ten million dollar project. Ten million. Some changes, some significant changes have been made. I think number one, for the taxpayers, that's good news. Secondly, when having the discussions with the Commissioner, I know there has been a great deal of thought and concern that we should be focused or more focused towards Route 47 and Route 55, and that intersection because of all of the changes that have occurred in this town due to so much good work over the years by these Commissioners and by others who've really made a difference in Millville. The amount of traffic and the changes in the traffic patterns really warrant that more would be done there. The Commissioner has absolutely committed to working with this City to get this done. And that's important news as well. He does realize how important it is, and he is committed to working with the Mayor and the Commissioners to get that job done. Thirdly, we've asked the Mayor, and he's graciously agreed to, since there were so many concerns that went through our office and everywhere to establish an advisory committee that will deal with Route 49 and 55 made up of neighbors and people who live in the community so that whatever does happen and when it does happen there that folks are working together hand in glove. That there isn't just a rumor, there's not a discussion that the big guys from Trenton are doing something that we didn't know about, we don't know what the timetable is. We don't want that to happen. This is, obviously, very important to a lot of folks. The Mayor is going to be the one with the Commissioners, I guess, setting up that advisory committee. They are folks, again, who will be from the community who can interact and make sure they know what's going on. Their job is going to be, obviously, to let the community know what's happening as well as we go along. The DOT is here today, they are going to be back again. As the project takes more form, and the project is a*

little bit more finalized, they're going to be here to present it and to get input again from all the folks that are so concerned about the project and from the City Commissioners. Finally, the last piece is, I know this was supposed to be just a presentation today. In other words, they talk to you, you listen, you go home. We all thought it should be a little bit more than that, and I know that Commissioner Finch has said that there is actually going to be a recess after they make their presentation. They are going to go into the Conference Room, these fine folks are going to show everybody who's interested where the Conference Room is. Now, not everybody is going to be able to fit in there. But, people can go in there a few at a time to express their concerns, their issues or their viewpoint on whatever it is with the project so that folks still do have some input. The reason, I think, and the Commissioner's going to explain that better, there's people here for, I know, the school today, there's people with environmental concerns, probably with other concerns, I don't even know what they are. And, honestly, I have enough on my plate, I'm not sure I want to even know what all of them are, but I know there are other concerns as well, and rather than this be just a presentation where you don't have input, you're really going to have that opportunity. And I want to thank the Department of Transportation who's taken a very long ride here today not only to make the presentation, not only to make the changes they've made, not only for the commitment to Route 47 and 55, which was so important, but for being willing to be here after they make their presentation and really listening to the community. With that, I know that, I believe, I think I saw Freeholder Director Magazzu who is here as well, and I know that he wanted to share a few words, and then I'm going to introduce the Department of Transportation. So, I'm going to stand right over here, Commissioner."

Freeholder Director Magazzu: "Thank you, Senator, good evening. There has been a lot of dialogue. But, let me go back to, maybe, the beginning, just for a minute. The Senator has really done a good job of reciting where we are. About several months ago, when we found out about that the County, Cumberland County was not eligible for any stimulus money because of its population size, a number of us said to the State, 'it's really unfortunate, because we have so much to be done by way of infrastructure', and actually put a list of our own together. This project was not on that list. But put a list of working with the municipalities of maybe 100 million dollars worth of projects throughout the County for various reasons. Principally because they were not, what is called, shovel ready, and they were not on the State's agenda. None of those were chosen and the Feds elected not to take any of ours because of the size of the County. You had to be a County of 200,000 people to get infrastructure money. But, Governor Corzine then said, working with the DOT Commission, we're here as a project that has been discussed for about ten years or longer, had had hearings as recently, I think as a year ago. And, let's present that project as an opportunity. Governor came down, and there was discussion about that project. And then, over time, some concerns were developed from residents. And there were two meetings. There was one here, actually two here. One was, I think, part of a regular City Commission meeting, and then another were letters that were sent out by the City to some folks who were affected, and there was discussion, particularly at the second meeting, about modifications. Lights, taking sidewalks away, putting sidewalks near the school, and a number

of other things. As a result of that meeting, a commitment was made that there would be a follow-up meeting with myself, the Senator, representatives of the City, with the State to try to get something that would be more in line with what the residents wanted. The other part of the equation all along was there was a belief by everybody up here that Route 55 and 47 at the Cumberland Mall was much more important as a project and should be given a priority. Unfortunately, that project had not moved along quickly enough in the past so as to be shovel-ready. But, because of great work by the City Engineer, as well as some folks who were interested in the area, that has been accelerated somewhat. And, I think that one of the consequences of all of this is that 55 and 47 at the mall is going to be moving much quicker, which is something that we want and need. The final point that the Senator mentioned is that the project has been curtailed fairly dramatically both as to its scope and, more importantly, because of the economy. Numbers came in much more reasonable. So, that's where we are. Certainly, you notice, I brought a blank pad, which was the purpose to take notes and listen to what people have to say. I'm glad that the folks are here from the State because I think that it's important that they listen. I want to thank the Mayor and Senator Van Drew, Assemblyman Milam, Assemblyman Albano and Mr. Knoop of the Engineering Department and Commissioner Finch who was actually up at the Trenton meeting, Commissioner Derella, everyone has been working with us to try to find, develop a consensus, which is what this is all about at the end of the day. I believe that as a result of this process, not only will improvements that have been discussed for ten years happen at 49 and 55, in a way that is acceptable to the community, but I think, more importantly, or equally important, very soon, there'll be an announcement about Route 47 and 55, which is extraordinarily important, because of all the accidents that happen over there. One of the things that we found out in this process, and we all knew this intuitively, but they have, I don't know if you have the map with you today, they have literally all the dots at that light where there are accidents. And they're over and over and over. So, thank you, Mayor for allowing us to be here and be part of this City Commission meeting and, I'm just going to sit down and take notes. Thank you, Senator."

Senator Van Drew: "Thank you, Director. So, again, as a brief review, and they're going to go through this in detail, the project is about ten million dollars now, it is different in scope. Again, the Commissioner has committed to working with this City and absolutely getting something done on Route 47 and 55. The Mayor is going to have an advisory committee with the City Commission that's going to work with the local folks. The DOT is going to be coming back. This is not the final meeting, the DOT is going to be coming back for another meeting as well to discuss this when they have more of a final project. And, finally, after this is over today, and actually, Commissioner Finch is going to announce that, there's going to be just a temporary suspension of the meeting, and any folks that do want to talk directly, one-on-one, with the DOT are going to have that opportunity. With that, I'd like to introduce Brian Bauerle from the Department of Transportation who is going to introduce the rest of his team, and, Brian, once again, we thank you for being here. You all know us, we're local, but let's give these guys a round of applause, they did show up."

Brian Bauerle: "Senator, Assemblymen, Freeholder, thank you, Mayor, Commissioners, thank you for having us. I'm glad to

be back here for the second time in two months. I was down here, Dave and I, were down in June to talk to the community about the 49/55 project previously. We're glad to be back here to go over the 49/55 project, where we are today, where the project started, and where we're at now in reference to our project."

Brian Bauerle: "So, thank you for having us, we're glad to be here. We will walk through the 49/55 project with Dave Lambert. He'll go through where we were originally with the project, where we are now. And what the project looks like now and some of the things that we had changed based upon the community's input and concerns and adjustments we have made. We want to be a good partner with the project, with the community, and we're here to listen, as the Senator has already laid out, we will come back and do another opportunity for the community to come back and listen to the contractor as we go forward with the start of the construction and help lay out where we are and answer any additional questions you may have in the future. So, it doesn't end tonight, we'll be back again with the project and give you some more details and you can ask some more questions."

David Lambert: "As Brian said, my name is Dave Lambert. I'm the Program Manager for South Jersey. What I'm going to do is, I'm going to go over the original design, the way it was a couple years ago. I'm going to go over the changes that were made and I'm also going to re-hash that meeting, because I was down here at the end of June, there were a number of concerns that were raised by the citizens. We've taken a look at that, and we've incorporated that into the design, so I'm going to go over that. And then, after we're done with our presentation, anybody that has any detailed questions, we'll be downstairs and we'll answer them to the best of our ability. The original design that we had for this job, the basic scope was to get the cars off of 55 mainly, and the original design had the ramp up here by 49 being widened out. We had double left-hand turn lanes up here, and for about a third of a mile, we were going to be widening out Route 49. When that was presented to the community, that wasn't well received. So, the Department went back, we did coordinate with Senator Van Drew's Office and we changed that design. What we did is, we eliminated the widening on Route 49, and we just extended the decel ramp on 55. That's the design that we presented at the June 29 meeting. How many people in attendance were at that meeting? Show of hands? The basic job goes for about a mile on Route 49. It goes from 14<sup>th</sup> Street, it goes through the Wade Boulevard interchange. Wade Boulevard is going to be widened. We're going to add left-turn lanes so the trucks can get through easier. We're going to adjust the timing at the light so that the movements are more free-flowing. This ramp here, like I said, was redesigned. It's only one lane. There is a separate lane that goes to 49 Westbound. But the double lefts have been eliminated. All these ramps are just being resurfaced. The configuration is staying the same. There were concerns raised by the citizens about the sidewalks that were proposed on the south side of Route 49. We went back and for those that live on the south side, those sidewalks are being eliminated. We are not going to be installing those sidewalks. There is existing sidewalk, some of it's asphalt on the north side. Those sidewalks are going to be replaced, that's still in the job. There were concerns that were raised that perhaps we should extend the sidewalk from Chancery Street down on the north side all the way down to the school. I'd like to report that the Department is able to do

that in the project. If we get a resolution from the town, we're prepared to add that into the job. There were concerns raised by the citizens, or the citizen that lives adjacent to the ramp here, going to 55. She was concerned that the Route 55 sign was in the middle of her yard. I'd like to report that we're going to move that sign. We're going to move it to the edge of her property where she wanted to have it placed. So, that we incorporated. There were concerns about people blowing through the stop sign here at the ramp. We're going to add an additional warning sign and double stop signs at the end of the ramp to hopefully alert people that there's a stop sign there. We've read in the newspaper recently about a tree at the Wawa. There was a lot of press on that. I'd like to report that the Department has taken steps to protect that tree. We understand, you know, it's 220 years old and things like that have to be preserved. So, as part of the project, we had our landscape guys go out and they've done a report on the tree. The tree appears to be in pretty good health right now. The tree is well outside the limits of construction, which means the construction's going to be 25-30 feet away from the tree, but, nevertheless, as part of the job, we're going to put up some temporary fencing to protect the tree during construction, and we're hiring a tree expert who will be on-site to monitor the construction activities as they occur adjacent to the tree. There were some issues raised about the traffic signal with Court Boulevard at the meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup>. We tried, we did not get a consensus at that meeting for a light to be installed, but I realize that perhaps there was a misrepresentation in the crowd, so..."

Brian Bauerle: "We're willing to, if the City is willing to move forward with Resolution, if there is a community consensus for us to go back and take a look at that location for a traffic signal, we will do so. Right now, our project does not include it, but if there is overwhelming consensus from the community, we will reconsider and take a look at it and see if it's something that can be done. So, again, as I said, we want to be good partners. If there is enough interest for us to go back and look at it, we will. And, we'll do that, and we'll see if it's feasible. So, again, I just wanted to point that out. Thanks, Dave, for bringing that up."

Dave Lambert: "I just want to add that this job has been awarded to the Mount Construction Company. Ten million dollars, it was a tremendous, tremendous bid. We got very good prices on this job. I want to add that in two to three weeks, several weeks, there's going to be a pre-construction meeting, and the Department is going to be coming down here with the contractor and the citizens, you guys, will be invited to that meeting. And you can talk with the DOT and the contractor and they'll go into more detail on how the job is going to progress, and the durations and stuff like that. So, with that, I just want to reiterate that the final design that is going to construction, does not add any lanes to Route 49. Route 49 is not being widened in any way. I just wanted to reinforce that. Thank you."

Brian Bauerle: "So, that's the 49/55 summary. Where we are, where we started, where we're at today. What I wanted to do was turn it over to Dave, I'm sorry, Tom Sailor as well so we can kind of go over 47/55 just for a few minutes just to kind of show you what's there today and what we're looking at. The one thing I will add, in the past I've heard from many, many of the

residents in the community, their concerns about the project on 49/55 and the impact they will have on the right of way. The offer we made in June, at the end of June, is that if there's any concerns, we'll have a contractor come out, we'll stake your property, if you live along 49/55 so you can see exactly, with a couple little stakes, where we're going with the project so you have a visual. I know there's a few people in the room that are interested in that, we're willing to do that again. We're committed to doing that. And, we can do that as part of the next round of meetings when we meet with the contractor. So, we're willing to do that, if you have interests, please let the Department know, and we want to do that as well, so everybody understands what the impacts will be. Having said that, we'll switch now to 47/55. The first map you'll see is the map of 47/55 that you're all familiar with today, what it looks like. As both the Senator and the Freeholder had indicated, the City came to us a few months back with some conceptual ideas of what they thought 47/55 interchange could look like. What we're doing, is we're taking that conceptual plan, which is very rough, in the very beginning stages. We're looking at that, the feasibility of what it means to our highway on 47, what can potentially be done, and what the impacts will be. And, we'll complete that in the coming month. By the end of the month we'll have some feedback, where we are, and we can continue with dialogue with the City and our folks internally on if a project, and what type of project could come out of that and how we could advance it. So, having said that, I'll turn it to Tom Sailor from our Planning Department to kind of just quickly walk through where we are today and what we're looking at in our study."

Tom Sailor: "Thanks, Brian. My name is Tom Sailor, I'm in the Division of Project Development. I represent the South, Southern New Jersey. This is the existing Route 55 over here. And this is Delsea Drive, 47 here and Bluebird Lane, and some of the problems that we had experienced is some accidents in this area. We don't have the dots, but this is where the dots occur. And, also there's some traffic back up here on Union Lake Boulevard and Bluebird Lane. And, we've met with the Township, or with Millville City a couple of months ago and we're two months into our three month effort where we're just going to determine some of the impacts that this may have. And, we kept, they had a plan that they had looked at, and we kept most of that, trying to see how that would work. And, it's a cooperative effort, as you see, the Developer would be in the purple color. There's some development in this area. He proposed coming to here and connecting to Union Lake and also extending all the way over to Sharp Boulevard. And, that network connection is crucial to making the rest of this work. The proposal is to move the ramp exits right here. To move it all the way back here to create a frontage road. And, the colors are just different mile design speeds. It starts at 45, goes down to forty and thirty, thirty-five and thirty. So, you're coming off the freeway, and you slow down as you proceed. There would be two lanes, two fifteen foot lanes going through that would be an access to the developer road. There would also be access to Bluebird Lane, and it would come down to this location where the accidents were, there was a ramp kind of free-flowing. We proposed to pull that back into the intersection, and have it regulated with a traffic signal. We also propose a double left out of there. So, that would free some of the traffic here, would have the opportunity to go connect here and turn left at that location. So, it should

improve the safety of 47 and the area and also improve some of the congestion. We had a traffic analysis that was given to us as well. It showed the existing and it showed 20 years into the future. And, we're going to look at, compare the difference between build and no build 20 years in the future and see how this works. But, we think, as long as this connection is made, this whole area should function better. That's the general consensus, and be safer as well. Our screening report will identify any environmental issues here, the early look is that there shouldn't be a problem. We'll also look at the drainage and right-of-way issues, and also, that should be manageable too. This is either Township or DOT property here, so it should be a minimal right-of-way, if any. There's utility poles along there we have to look at, and the big things are access impacts and the jurisdictional impacts. And there's, you know, the church is right here and there's a farm here. And, the access would need to come off of the developer road. So, we're looking, I think the Developer has already spoke to those properties. So, he is in the works with that. But, the jurisdictional issues for this road has to be worked out, and that would be the final thing. And, we'll have a lot of those issues resolved by the end of the month, and we're looking forward to coming back with our final report."

Brian Bauerle: "So, in summary, we are, we will be back in a month. We'll see what we can do with 47/55. We will work on the project going forward as the Freeholder and the Senator have indicated. We are committed to working with the community in advancing something that makes sense at 47/55 to help relieve the traffic on our highway and also help the community. So, we're here, we want to be a partner. We will be moving forward with something. I don't know what that is today, but we'll be moving forward with something as we continue with the next phases of the planning. So, having said that, that's our presentation, we'll be glad as, I guess, the Commissioner, will indicate."

Commissioner Finch: "That's important, the update on 55/49 and 55/47. I want to thank DOT for coming, thank the Senator and the Freeholder Director for coming and speaking, and, at this point we're going to have a brief recess."

Mayor Shannon: "Before we recess, I would like to make a comment, because a lot of times you hear that the government doesn't listen. And, I think, this may be government at it's best from the top down. And I want to take this opportunity to not only thank the Senator, the Freeholder Director, the New Jersey Department of Transportation and Commissioner Finch and John Knoop for the work that you've put in on this. I appreciate you taking the time, oh I'm sorry, Assemblyman, I didn't see you behind the chair there, I'm sorry, the Assemblyman there, Matt Milam and Mr. Albano. You know, working together with these gentlemen, I'll tell you, it's been a pleasure on this, because I think the State has listened and given the residents an opportunity. And I just wanted to take this opportunity that you guys know how much we appreciate the work that you've put in on this to make this happen. So, we do appreciate, and thank you very much, New Jersey Department of Transportation."

Commissioner Finch: "Just one last thing, Mayor, the Commissioner of Transportation was extremely, extremely congenial and he was really concerned about the issues here, and

*I want to thank him. Take it back to your boss, we really appreciate his concern for our problems here."*

There being no further presentations or comments, the regular session was adjourned for a brief recess so that citizens with questions along with the presenters could move freely to the Third Floor Conference Room subject to the call of the chair.

The meeting was reconvened into regular session after all citizens and presenters successfully transitioned their meeting to the Third Floor Conference Room subject to the call of the chair.

Mayor Shannon made the following comments:

*"Again, Commissioner Finch, I'd like to thank you for your participation in that process. Commissioner Derella and the rest of the Commissioners, Dale I do appreciate you going to Trenton for me last week, that was a very important meeting, and you came away with a lot of good information."*

Commissioner Finch: *"As you can see, it was very productive, again, I want to thank the Commissioner for his concerns, the Senator and the Freeholder Director. And it worked out well, I think, we've got input, and we'll have input through the whole process, and that's, you said it, that's good government. With that, progress."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Thank you very much, and if I could, I'm going to, I checked with former-Mayor Quinn and I asked him if I could go back to..."*

Commissioner Quinn: *"You're the supreme ruler, you can do anything you want."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Supreme ruler now, okay, well, former-Mayor Quinn said I'm allowed to do whatever I want, so I'm going to go back to the Parks Department report. We had some Shining Stars that we wanted to give away, and, unfortunately the ladies weren't here when I first started, so we're going to bring that back up."*

Mayor Shannon introduced Samantha White, who is his assistant and secretary to the Mayor as well as an employee working part-time with the Recreation Department.

Samantha White approached the podium and made the following comments:

*"Well, I was told that I wasn't supposed to call you the Moose Ladies, but I'm going to call you that anyway. Moose Ladies, because that's what I know you as, right? As we all know, the Parks and Recreation Department, we've cut a lot of money out of our budget. A lot, I'm not always that great with numbers, but, with that, we've cut out a lot of our summer help and it was very, very important that we still have the events that we have for our public and for the citizens to still have fun. And so, with that, there's a lot of things that go behind setting up events like the pet show, the baby show. A lot of balloon blowing-up and popcorn-popping and all that, and where there used to be three girls there was me and Liz, so we brought some ladies on, and they know me as Sam, the crazy girl who's*

*running around. But, they're my Moose Ladies and I couldn't have done it without them this summer. They've done everything for me. They've served pizza to little kids and I really do appreciate them very, very much and with that we wanted to give you Shining Star awards, and that's just pretty much to let you know how much we really do appreciate you down in the Millville Recreation Department. So, I'm going to let Tim call the names, because he's better with names than I am."*

Shining Star awards were presented to the following:

Joan Fauver  
Deona Weiss  
Mary Pat McCann  
Sue Heitz  
Penny Connelly  
Mary Meyers  
Judy King

Mayor Shannon: *"Again, we'd like to thank the ladies of the Moose not the Moose Women, the ladies of the Moose, ladies of the Moose, and, again, you don't know how much we do appreciate that because in talking to Liz, and unfortunately, Liz's brother was taken ill tonight, that's why she wasn't here, but it was important for her to be here also with Sam. But Liz wanted me to send on her appreciation of everything you've done and I know she talked about working in the heat, under the sun, blowing up balloons, chasing kids, baby shows, pet shows, so you were there for it all. And we do appreciate it, because without volunteers like yourself, a lot of those programs would not happen. So, sincerely, we thank you very much from the City of Millville. Thank you."*

Commissioner Vanaman reported starting yesterday six recruits were placed in Police Academy which will help to strengthen the Police force in the wake of retirements and illnesses.

Commissioner Derella submitted the following reports:

- a) Accounting Report for the months of June and July 2009
- b) Annual Tax Collectors Report FY-2009

which were ordered received and filed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Derella also submitted correspondence from Maureen Mitchell, CFO regarding RFPs received for City of Millville Banking Services August 4, 2009.

A motion was passed to receive, file and approve the recommendation of the CFO for Sun National Bank to serve the City of Millville as the official financial institution for banking services as per the Request for Proposal and to authorize the required transfer of accounts and execution and required signature cards and documents for implementation on or about September 25, 2009, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Derella: *"Quick comment, one of the things this will do, and we've looked at this for the last two years, is to consolidate about thirty different accounts that are spread over several banks. We gave every bank an opportunity*

through the RFP process, which five responded. Their responses were evaluated and we can consolidate all those accounts into one location, which, just time consuming as well as man power will be saved from the City's standpoint. We will also save on service charges for some of the accounts as well as credit card accounts and we will also have a better interest rate on our investment funds. So, all in all, for the next three years, this is a definite plus and will help our budget over time. So, again, it took us a while to get it there because of the detail of the package, and I hope we get the support from all of us today."

The following proposed ordinance was read on second and final reading:

Ordinance No.30-2009

Ordinance authorizing the Acquisition of Real Property from owners Laurie A. Chambers and Stacy Shaw, for Block 410, Lot 3, located at 204-206 Buck Street approximate size of lot 37 x 110 in the amount of \$124,500.00 to complete the municipality's redevelopment efforts along the Riverfront to be funded by RAD

Director Quinn moved for the adoption of the proposed ordinance on second and final reading.

Director Finch seconded the motion.

Mayor Shannon declared a public hearing open and asked if any person present wished to be heard.

There being no response Mayor Shannon declared the public hearing closed and asked for a roll call on the motion.

Commissioner Vanaman: "Just a question, well, actually not a question, a suggestion, because I'm sure as the economy the way it is, it can be a considerable amount of time before anything really happens over there, and I'm kind of curious as to after we purchase this, is the intent to immediately demolish or to have it sit there for a while?"

Mayor Shannon: "Well, if you're looking for my recommendation, Commissioner, I'm going to recommend that we look at demolition ASAP, possibly use that for additional parking in the area. I don't know of any other uses that the City would have for that."

Commissioner Vanaman: "Well, the only other use that I could think of, I'm not advocating necessarily that we get into the landlord business, but if the building is in fairly good shape, one way to re-coup some of our money would be to rent it out."

Commissioner Derella: "If I may comment, Commissioner Vanaman's thought was also considered at Revenue and Finance in regards to what do we do with this property with the economy and the state of things. We're still looking at that. Some of our concerns were, number 1, you know, as far as code, to rent a property, you've got to meet different requirements that you would have to do if it's a private residence. So, any outlay that may occur there, we don't know yet, but we will as we go through the process, number one. Number two, maintaining that property. Grass, any things that go wrong if there's a tenant

there, those kind of things. You know, monitoring all those things would be a challenge as well. Does it need paint? Does it need carpet? They're all things we have to look at if we can move forward with this acquisition as well. So, again, we've got to weigh all those options once we get there. My original thought was the same as Mayor Quinn, excuse me, Mayor Shannon, I apologize, was to look at, sorry, was to, demolition right away, look for parking. Because we, obviously, for the events that are put on through the Recreation Department, definitely parking would be needed as well as Third Friday. But again, it's still under consideration, we just have to look at it. The other issue would be, from a legal standpoint, you put somebody in there, and all of the sudden, eight months, we've got a hot opportunity for development, and they've got a year lease. Do we go to evict? Do we have to go at it? There's a lot of other things that we have to look at. So, we are looking at both, we do have some time to go through once the acquisition occurs, but, again, right now, kneejerk reaction would be to demo and get ready to use it for parking."

Commissioner Vanaman: "Okay, whatever. That's what I was just offering as a suggestion..."

Mayor Shannon: "Here's the thing, Commissioner Vanaman, I would not be opposed to hearing that other side. It sounds as though Commissioner Derella is already looking into some of the cost aspect of getting into that. So, why don't we wait. Obviously, we're not going to pull the trigger on that and get the demo ball in there within the next week, so why don't we give Commissioner Derella an opportunity to put some numbers together to see what it would technically entail to bring that up to code, to see what it would be, and then we can make a decision from there."

Commissioner Vanaman: "That's all I'm asking."

Commissioner Finch: "You know, I could probably have Milt Truxton work with that and do a walk-through inspection and make up a list working with Commissioner Derella to make sure, you know, what the conditions are."

Mayor Shannon: "Okay, let's look at both sides here. Good suggestion, we'll go from there. I just wanted to offer you what..."

Commissioner Vanaman: "Oh yeah."

Mayor Shannon: "...you know, my recommendation was going to be, but I have no problem looking at that and I'll..."

Commissioner Vanaman: "If it's too expensive, tear it down."

Mayor Shannon: "Okay, I'll entertain, I'm looking forward to that report, and we'll make a decision from there. Thank you for those comments."

The motion was passed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

The following proposed ordinance was read on second and final reading:

## Ordinance No. 31-2009

Ordinance amending the Municipal Code of the City of Millville, Chapter 17, Fire Department, Article IX Rescue Fees Established

Director Vanaman moved for the adoption of the proposed ordinance on second and final reading.

Director Derella seconded the motion.

Mayor Shannon declared a public hearing open and asked if any person present wished to be heard.

There being no response Mayor Shannon declared the public hearing closed and asked for comments from the Commissioners.

Commissioner Vanaman: *"I was just going to have Chief, Fire Chief Hess comment on it briefly."*

Chief Hess: *"Thank you Director. Good evening, I'll keep this brief. The reason we discussed this with the Director and we went this way was to recoup some of the money for the added costs that we now do for extrication and throughout the City. We looked at Vineland and Bridgeton, and they already had theirs in place and was quite successful with it, so we figured we would do it, and the way it would work is we have different tiers set up for different extrication evolutions from minor things to heavy rescue and it would be billed to the person's insurance company not the person themselves. So that's how we have that set up and we could use the building for training before we tear it down, on Buck Street. Just another thought."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Could you take some wood off the doors and put the wood back when you're finished?"*

Chief Hess: *"Don't get me started on that one or we'll be here a while."*

Commissioner Finch: *"Just don't cut holes in the roof, you know?"*

Chief Hess: *"If you cut holes in the roof, people won't squat in it. Thank you."*

Commissioner Vanaman: *"Thanks, Chief."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Thanks, Chief."*

There being no further comments, Mayor Shannon asked for a roll call on the motion.

The motion was passed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

The following proposed ordinance was read on second and final reading:

## Ordinance No. 32-2009

Ordinance amending the Municipal Code of the City of Millville, Chapter 60, Stormwater Management and Pollution Control, Article II - General Provisions Pollution Control;

Article III - Dumpsters and Refuse Containers and Article VIII - Private Storm Drain Inlet Retrofitting

Director Finch moved for the adoption of the proposed ordinance on second and final reading.

Director Quinn seconded the motion.

Mayor Shannon declared a public hearing open and asked if any person present wished to be heard.

There being no response Mayor Shannon declared the public hearing closed and asked for a roll call on the motion.

The motion was passed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6606 Authorizing cancellation of outstanding checks from the City Clerks Account Records was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6607 Authorizing Special Assessment and Municipal Liens to be collected for Clean Up of Property/Board & Secure/Demolition and Administrative Fees in the amount of \$50.00 for the following properties in accordance with Chapter 11, Article VI of the Municipal Code:

Board & Secure

- a) Block 364, Lot 22, 419 Buck Street, \$30.00
- b) Block 364, Lot 12, 20 E. Vine Street, \$300.00
- c) Block 297, Lot 8, 5 W. McNeal Street, \$450.00
- d) Block 471, Lot 11, 417 Garrison Avenue, \$360.00

Cut & Clean

- e) Block 450, Lot 1, 611 E. Main Street, \$60.00
- f) Block 73, Lot 6, 12 S. Laurel Street, \$160.00
- g) Block 364, Lot 12, 20 E. Vine Street, \$775.00
- h) Block 371, Lot 12, 528 N. 5th Street, \$105.00
- i) Block 430, Lot 18, 325 Sassafras Street, \$45.00
- j) Block 422, Lot 1, 328-330 Pine Street, \$40.00
- k) Block 277, Lot 16, 1106 Dock Street, \$60.00
- l) Block 450, Lot 1, 611 E. Main Street, \$40.00 was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Finch: *"This is just part of the efforts from the Code Enforcement people, the Permits and Inspections Bureau. Well, there was twelve lots here that were cleaned up as part of our program to get the City in better shape. And also, I mentioned in the agenda session, we are now charging a \$50.00 administration fee on top of that. So, with the twelve lots here, there's another \$600.00 to help clean up our City, and this sends a message again that we're playing hardball with people that won't maintain their properties. We urge people to clean their properties, take care of their properties and if they don't, if you see properties in disrepair, call us and let us know."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Any other comments? I will make one, Commissioner Finch, you talk the talk and you're definitely walking the walk. Keep up the good work there. I'm impressed and you've lit a fire under somebody over there because it really is making a difference, people are taking notice and with the continued vigilance, we're going to get there."*

Commissioner Finch: *"We're in it for the long haul."*

Mayor Shannon: *"I appreciate the energy. Appreciate the energy."*

Resolution No. A-6608 Resolution approving award of contract through the Cumberland County Cooperative Pricing System to Whibco of New Jersey, Inc., 87 E. Commerce Street Bridgeton, NJ 08302, to supply and deliver ice control sand for the period covering August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010 to the City of Millville at their low responsive and responsible bid price of \$10.75 per ton was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Lewis Thompson: *"The Certificate of Funds is in accordance with the pricing agreement and the reserve account for the snow removal and the budget items."*

Commissioner Derella: *"Also, if I may, this is, the County has stepped up and done this for several years, you have sixteen different municipal members here. Twelve municipalities and four school boards were taking advantage of good pricing which is led by the County Board of Freeholders to make sure we get a good price along this Resolution as well as the next and another thing that happened several years ago, the State allows us, as all municipalities, to carry over any reserve monies that you had budgeted for bad weather. Snow removal, all those kinds of things. So, they did something smart, they allowed you to carry that thing over instead of having to keep replenishing it so, if we have a really mild winter you still have some funds that are in that account and you don't have to put as much away in your current budget. So, again, we have enough money there, which we think we can carry and the certification would be accordingly."*

Resolution No. A-6609 Resolution approving award of contract through the Cumberland County Cooperative Pricing System to Mid Atlantic Salt, LLC, PO Box 353, Lyndora, PA 16045-0353 to supply and deliver rock salt for the period covering August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010 to the City of Millville at their low responsive and responsible bid price of \$67.20 per ton was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6610 Authorizing Richard H. Daniels, Esq. to proceed to foreclose the following Tax Sale Certificates submitted and certified by the Tax Collector that the lands and Tax Sale Certificates are subject to foreclosure IN REM

- a) Block 22, Lot 3, 217 Morias Avenue
- b) Block 205, Lot 18, David Road
- c) Block 157, Lot 842, 33 Ivy Road N.
- d) Block 274, Lot 9, 1010 Archer Street
- e) Block 379, Lot 22, 516 Mulberry Street
- f) Block 526, Lot 14, 524 Hoover Avenue
- g) Block 344, Lot 30, Pineview Terrace
- h) Block 574, Lot 22.01, 402 Orange Street
- i) Block 178, Lot 3331, 35 Acacia Road was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6611 Authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel Certificate of Sale #09-00301 in the amount of \$3,566.56 issued to Garden State Investment for delinquent Utility charges

assessed on Block 581, Lot 20, 2201 S. 2nd Street assessed to property owner RAJ Hospitality Inc. at a tax sale held on July 29, 2009 and to refund Garden State Investment in the amount of \$3,566.56 with legal interest due to Garden State Investment paid in full on July 17, 2009 was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6612 Authorizing Professional Service Contract with Bruce D. Turner, to provide architectural services in connection with the proposed Millville Senior Center to be located on south Second Street, Block 546, Lot 29, S. 2nd Street in an amount not to exceed \$29,500.00 with the source of funding from Bond Ordinance No. 12-2009/small Cities CDBG (Cumberland County) was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Mayor Shannon: *"I would like to make a comment that this is a continuation and finishing of the plans for the new Senior Center on South Second Street. Susan Robostello would be able to explain much better how the State has changed the rules and Mr. Turner actually had to re-file paperwork because it's been so long between contracts. We are moving forward with this. I told the Seniors we would get this done. This is to get the final plans in place, and then a little bit later you'll see that we're going to be moving on with that. So, exciting point and we also have another Resolution a couple pages later that I think is going to excite you even more."*

Director Quinn submitted the appropriate certification as to the availability of funds.

Resolution No. A-6613 Authorizing professional Service contract with Triad Associates, Inc. to perform professional services in connection with the Municipality's request for a UEZ boundary modification in the amount of \$7,500.00 with the source of funding for this Contract from UDAG. was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Director Quinn submitted the appropriate certification as to the availability of funds.

Resolution No. A-6614 Authorizing adjustments to the City of Millville Tax and Utility Records was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6615 Authorizing temporary emergency appropriation amending the FY2010 Temporary budget due to the need to increase the SFY2010 Temporary appropriations regarding

- a) Water Utility
- b) Sewer Utility
- c) Current
- d) RAD was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6616 Authorizing the execution of sale and necessary transfer of title for a 1998 Sreco-Flexible 37HP Bucket Machine Puller and Dumper no longer needed for public use to the Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority for the consideration of \$25,000.00 was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Derella: "I want to congratulate Commissioner Finch in regards to this, as well as Maureen Mitchell. We had advertised this, I believe, through the internet in regards to an auction and the prices came extremely low, under \$10,000.00. We met, they elected to pull that off and shop it on their own, and low and behold we got \$25,000.00. We were asking for 30. So, that's a nice turn around, and it's nice to be able to make a few extra dollars to put back into the City budget."

Commissioner Finch: "It's a good sale for us. By persevering we were able to get much more than we had thought originally."

Resolution No. A-6617 Authorizing the submission of an amendment to the New Jersey Urban Enterprise Zone Authority regarding an economic development grant for the Levoy Theatre Redevelopment Grant to increase the project funding by \$375,000.00 previously approved in the amount of \$2,950,000.00 from the Enterprise Zone Assistance Fund for a new total amount of \$3,325,000.00 was read by the City Clerk.

Mayor Shannon declared a public hearing open and asked if any person present wished to be heard

There being no response Mayor Shannon declared the public hearing closed and asked for comments from the Commissioners.

Commissioner Vanaman: "Yeah, I'd just like to make a couple comments before we take the vote. Several months ago, back in January, when they came to us for almost three million dollars, I'm rounding off. After doing some heavy thinking about it, I supported that at the time because I got the impression from the group that's trying to pull this off that they felt pretty secure that this three million dollars was what it was going to take to leverage the balance of the money. And now they're coming back to us because they weren't able to leverage the rest of the money. And I understand in a meeting with someone the other day that it could be another 375 coming down the road that they could be approaching us for. I think the three million that we already gave them is a fair enough amount."

Mayor Shannon: "Any other comments?"

Commissioner Quinn: "Well, I understand where Dave's coming from, but I know how important this project is to our downtown and, unfortunately, certainly I don't think they wanted to come back to us. These people are volunteering their time, working very, very hard on this project, and I think it's important that we be supportive. And the good thing about it is it is not local taxpayer dollars, it is Urban Enterprise Zone money, and the next time they come back, if they do come back, that will be, again, from another source, which is, again, not by our local taxpayer dollars. It is a shame that it didn't work out the way they had hoped it would work out, but I know that the effort has been put forth and I know there's some good news coming with the EDA and with one of the local banks and things like that that's there. And, you know, it's hard to put a dollar value on what the Levoy Theatre would do for our downtown. And I know, Dave, you and I are downtown business people, we have businesses downtown. And what it will do to hopefully, and I know it will, it will revive and continue to help the restaurants and the boutiques and the businesses that

are there. So, I understand your concern, but I'm 100% supportive of whatever it takes to get this project off the ground, and especially being it's not local taxpayer dollars."

Commissioner Derella: "I'll echo Commissioner Quinn's comments. One of the things that did not come through was a \$750,000.00 grant that they had applied for through one of the State opportunities with the Historical Society..."

Mayor Shannon: "The trust."

Commissioner Derella: "...yeah, the trust, and that did not come through. And that was one of the things that caused a problem. Any time we're dealing with a project like this, and I know Commissioner Vanaman has been involved in previous Commissions, these projects continue to evolve all the way through. Especially today, with the economics the way they are. I know that the VanEmbden's have taken the lead on this. They have worked extremely, extremely hard to pull this thing together. I know we all recognize the importance of the Theatre downtown. It's the missing component of Glasstown Arts, the Performing Arts. And we've all heard the statistics, you can go back to the minutes from December 16 when the presentation was done in regards to the amount of people that would hit our downtown and the estimated cost based on other Theatres in communities similar to Millville and what could be spent through an entire season. There's a lot of work that's been done so far. There has been discussion to find other sources. Any other things that would come from the City based on the discussions that Revenue and Finance has had with Economic Development, would most likely be in some form of a loan if it is needed. So, again, we've come this far, we recognize how important this is for our downtown, just as Commissioner Parent had said back on the 16<sup>th</sup>, the Commission prior to that in the late 80s, mid 80s recognized the importance of developing the infrastructure downtown. Parking, pavers and redoing all of the lights and everything else, and they had the foresight to do that and those targets continue to change as the project evolved. This is doing the same. I do respect Commissioner Vanaman's concerns. He makes a valid point. Where do these funds continue to come from? I know that Don Ayres, our Economic Director, pays very close attention to where our balance is and what direction that we are going in regards to these funds. And, again, it's a bold step for this Commission to do that. I respect everyone's opinion. But, I also agree with Commissioner Quinn. This is something we need to continue and we need to continue to support."

Commissioner Finch: "This is also funding that was committed, at one time, by the Cumberland County Improvement Authority. And at the last minute they kind of pulled the rug out from the project and left them with this \$750,000.00 hole to be made up. So, this is very important for downtown Millville. I'm down there every chance I get. You can just see that it's the hub to the whole wheel. We need to get this thing moving forward, get past these delays and make this project happen. It's unfortunate that the Improvement Authority couldn't come forward with the funding, but we're trying to make it up through here and let's see what we can do."

Commissioner Derella: "Commissioner Finch makes a good point. The Improvement Authority, we had done a presentation. I was part of that to look for a direct loan from them. Because

of the timing and the way it could be paid back and, you know, the way economic times, they elected to rather go through the bonding process which would slow the project down and also the City could have done that, went out on a bond. So, we looked for another direction to go. We think we've found that. The Improvement Authority is still looking at another loan that we had had with them to possibly switch over to help this project continue. So, we've made an application for that. So, again, unfortunately, the timing for them didn't seem to be right, as is with the City of Vineland's application as well. So we just need to move forward and continue to be dedicated to this project."

Commissioner Vanaman: "Yeah, two comments on that, because we keep talking about the hard economic times. Those hard economic times are also having an impact on the flow of UEZ dollars that's coming in to us. We are getting fewer UEZ dollars and we're getting more and more requests to go against those dollars. So that's something that I also have to keep in my mind. And, actually, the way I interpret it, was CCIA, the Improvement Authority, did not necessarily pull the plug on their funding. There was a rather good quote in the newspaper last week from the Director that he was having difficulty shopping the loan around because they were dealing with a relatively unknown entity. That has a lot of bearing on whether or not you can pull off a quick loan if you don't have a proven track record."

Commissioner Derella: "You know, you're right. And that is why our request, originally, several months ago was for a direct loan from them rather than go through the bonding process."

Commissioner Vanaman: "Right."

Commissioner Derella: "So that's where they got hung up when they, you know, unfortunately decided that that was the mechanism they wanted to utilize."

Mayor Shannon: "I hear all the comments. I would be remiss if I didn't make a comment. I'm seeing the work that has gone in for years. Obviously the VanEmbden's have given this project a great push, but I think we need to go all the way back and let's not forget the vision of Joey Pierce and those original members of the Levoy Preservation Society and what their goal was in getting this open. And, I think everyone here, even with the reservations that Commissioner Vanaman has, I think he would even admit the importance of the project. You're consideration, Commissioner Vanaman, is the extension of funding is what I really think I'm hearing."

Commissioner Vanaman: "Mmmhmm."

Mayor Shannon: "Okay? And so I don't think you're going to get an argument from anybody up here about the importance of the project and I can understand Commissioner Vanaman's concern that the extension of funding from the City utilizing the UEZ funds. I know I've had discussions with Don Ayres. I feel comfortable after talking to Don with the UEZ funding, the additional UEZ funding, having looked over the projections for the Levoy Theatre in the first couple years. When I look at those I felt that they did not inflate numbers to make numbers look greater than they possibly would be. I think they were

realistic numbers where I've seen some financial projections sort of high in the sky and I think that they've kept their projections at a reasonable projection. I don't think they're looking at outrageous numbers. They've done a lot of research, you know, on that proforma itself. So, I still sit here tonight and I continue to pledge my support to the Levoy Theatre Project and I'm going to continue supporting that and do whatever I possibly can as long as I'm sitting here to make that become a reality. I think that is the missing piece and I think it should be said that I think there are a lot of businesses right now because of this economic time that are just hanging on for dear life that are waiting for the opening of that Levoy Theatre to make a true run of it because we talk about feet on the street, you know, that's going to create feet on the street. And the wide-ranging projection of programmings that will take place there, you know, from children's matinees to Senior Citizen events to just a wide-ranging venue of entertainment being held there. I still firmly believe in the project. I still believe that it's going to work and I think it's going to be the true heartbeat of the downtown and I think it's going to be that missing piece. So, I'm hoping with our vote tonight that we would consider continuing that funding. Any other discussion?"

There being no further comments Resolution No. A-6617 was adopted by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella and Shannon. Nays: Vanaman.

Resolution No. A-6618 Authorizing Special Assessment and Municipal Liens to be collected for Clean Up of Property/Board & Secure and Administrative Fees in the amount of \$50.00 for the following properties in accordance with Chapter 11, Article VI of the Municipal Code:

Cut & Clean

- a) Block 559, Lot 5, 1121 S. 2nd Street, \$162.50
- b) Block 269, Lot 20.13, 2052 Easy Street, \$35.00
- c) Block 97, Lot 34, 128 Brandriff Avenue, \$256.75
- d) Block 387, Lot 11, 310 N. 7th Street, \$292.50
- e) Block 393, Lot 7, 814 E. Vine Street, \$292.00
- f) Block 562, Lot 6, 905 Louis Drive, \$487.50
- g) Block 401, Lot 18, 1701 Coventry Way, \$40.25
- h) Block 101, Lot 4, 15 Brandriff Avenue, \$50.75 was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Finch: "As I said earlier, this is the second Resolution where we're recouping some funds from, we're cleaning up properties. These are all over town. So, again, the inspectors are throughout the City and we're moving forward."

Resolution No. A-6619 Authorizing request for Performance Guarantee Reduction and Inspection Escrow Account Reduction in compliance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53 (Municipal Land Use Law) regarding Four Seasons at Millville, Phase 1, located on Buckshutem and Hogbin Roads with KHovnanian at Millville II, LLC as principal of the performance surety bond with the proposed bond to be reduced to \$1,123,090.72 and as escrow account holder with the proposed escrow account balance to be reduced to \$30,629.75 was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Derella: "Yes, Mr. Mayor, the Engineering Department as it's done in the last several years went through

*in detail factoring in the percentage of the amount of money that needs to be kept in escrow based on the balance for the project that is left. We have to remember that Hovnanian has to scale back this project. There's a complete backup in support of the mathematics that went through that to establish the \$30,629.75 escrow account that needs to be maintained for any further inspections by the Engineering Department."*

Resolution No. A-6620 Authorizing cancellation of mortgage in the name of Marie K. Heer in the amount of \$22,000.00 pertaining to 905 West Main Street, paid in full was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6621 Authorizing cancellation of mortgage in the name of Mark Citsay and Patricia Citsay in the amount of \$26,000.00 pertaining to 406 North High Street, paid in full was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6622 Authorizing submission of Affidavit for Professional Services Form LP-11 to the NJ Department of Environmental Protection in connection with Professional Services entered into with AECOM for Federal Stimulus Money regarding project entitled "Upgrade to the Millville Wastewater Treatment Plant - Phase IA" was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Finch: *"This is for the Stimulus Project for the Sewer Utilities upgrade we're applying, or to, we requested nearly 8 million dollars to fully upgrade the plant. We may be receiving somewhat less than that, but this is for the Engineering work, for the permit support, the environmental evaluation, construction services and inspections. So it's a very, very expensive contract."*

Resolution No. A-6623 Authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel Certificate of Sale #09-0111 for delinquent taxes assessed on Block 287, Lot 26, 10 E. McNeal Street-Rear assessed to Heritage Tile at a tax sale held on July 29, 2009 in the amount of \$60.55 due to being paid in full on May 18, 2009 by Brightman Agency on behalf of Heritage Tile was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6624 Authorizing request for Surety Release for Forest Walk Major Subdivision located in south Millville at Brian Avenue, Richard Drive, Shar-Lane Boulevard, Menantico Avenue and Leanord Drive, with Forest Walk Associates, LLC as Principal of Surety and request for Substitute Bond Acceptance for Forest Walk Major Subdivision, with Landmark Development No. 4, LLC as Principal of Surety pursuant to N.J.S.A.40:55D-53 (Municipal Land Use Law) was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6625 Authorizing Memorandum of Amendment to the Ground Lease dated November 2007 between the Delaware River and Bay Authority and the City of Millville which served to amend, modify and restate the original Ground Lease dated October 20, 1999 in connection with the Millville Airport, executed so it can be recorded in the Cumberland County Clerk's Office in order to give notice as to the existence of the Ground

Lease was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6626 Authorizing the amendment of Memorandum of Understanding dated July 19, 2005 between the Delaware River and Bay Authority and the City of Millville which set forth terms and conditions of a modification to the Millville Airport Acquisition Agreement dated August 1, 1999 in order to release certain lands from the Millville Airport for use by the New Jersey Motorsports Park which now may require the relocation of the airports static test area run-up pad which responsibility was assumed by the Municipality and the DRBA has applied and received a grant from the New Jersey Division of Aeronautics Airport Aid for a portion of the funds necessary in the amount of \$475,000.00 (95%) state share and the City's share in the amount of \$25,000.00 (5%) was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Resolution No. A-6627 Authorizing a Subgrant Agreement between the County of Cumberland and the City of Millville for the renovation of the Cumberland County Regional Senior Citizen Center regarding the award of Grant to the City of Millville in an amount not to exceed \$315,000.00 from the County of Cumberland through the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Division of Housing and Community Resources as part of the Small Cities CDBG 2009 Grant was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Quinn: *"I certainly want to thank the County of Cumberland for all the work that they've done to help us to make you people happy. You told me today on the TV show, on your TV show."*

Mayor Shannon: *"I told you, I said 'they might even let out a cheer', but you're talking about Freeholder Director Magazzu and I also want to put out that Doug Rainear is here with us and he was on the Freeholder Board when this started and I know that the two of those gentlemen not only helped secure this grant, but they were in on this on the ground floor. Because I know that Freeholder Director Magazzu and I and Doug at the time, I think, was the Freeholder Director at the time, Doug, if I'm not mistaken, correct? But these guys actually came to Millville and walked different facilities with us and tried to make this project happen. So, they've been with us on this Senior Center project since the very beginning and they really pushed for this. As a matter of fact, I got a call from Sylvia, she said that she ran into the Freeholder Director and he said he had all kinds of money for her. And I said, 'well, I wonder why the Freeholder Director didn't call me and tell me he had a whole fistload of money for me.' But, they got that ball started and I know the Seniors are anxious. We appreciate your patience and I can tell you, and this isn't a knock against the Seniors, but you've been around a little bit longer than I have and you know that government doesn't work as efficiently as we'd like it to, but it does work. But we have to have extreme patience. And, again, this shows a partnership between the County and the municipality does make things happen and I, at this time, just want to thank both of these gentlemen for the work that they, again, put in on this project. It just, again, shows you that, you know, County, local governments can work together and come out with a positive result. You saw where we introduced the Professional Service Contract for Mr. Turner earlier. That's to finalize those plans we had actually drawn*

up, Freeholder Director at the time, two sets of plans, basically, one if we didn't get the grant, one if we got the grant and with the grant, the Seniors wishlists have been included in this project. It'll give the project a boost of about 400 thousand, is the grant of 315. Fifteen goes to the grant writer, obviously, and the City has set aside 100 thousand for this project. So, we have 400 thousand dollars moved forward with this project. We're looking forward to it. I promise you, I promise you, I will put my foot on the exhilarator. We will try to get this out to bid ASAP. Obviously, you know, they're, it doesn't matter, but we are going to keep moving them forward as quickly as I can push it, as quickly as I can push it. But, again, I do want to thank the Freeholder Board, Mr. Rainear and Freeholder Director Magazzu. Again, you've been in since the bottom floor and I just wanted to make that comment. Again, government working together to make things happen."

Commissioner Quinn: "Well, I'd like the slowness of it, because now I'm a Senior Citizen so I'll be eligible to go. When we started I wasn't a Senior, you know?"

Mayor Shannon: "Well, hopefully, hopefully I'm not going to be a Senior when this is completed."

Report from Purchasing Agent recommending award of bid received on August 18, 2009 for project known as "FY2010 HVAC Maintenance & Service Contract" to Marlee Contractors, LLC, 364 S. Egg Harbor Road, Hammonton, NJ 08037

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August 24, 2009

TO: Board of Commissioner

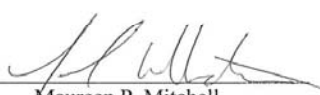
FROM: Maureen Mitchell, CFO/PA,

The Purchasing Board received bids on August 18, 2009 for the FY2010 HVAC Maintenance and Service Contract for Sewer Utility, Water Utility, and Public Properties.

Five (5) bids were received as follows:

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| 1. Core Mechanical          | Hourly rates from \$82.00-164.00; 15% Markup |
| 2. Falasca Mechanical, Inc. | Hourly rates from \$108-204.00; 15% Markup   |
| 3. Marlee Contractors, LLC  | Hourly rates from \$71.94-107.94; 15% Markup |
| 4. Peterson Service Co.     | Hourly rates from \$88.75-177.50; 15% Markup |
| 5. Bernal Mechanical        | Hourly rates from \$85.00-170.00; 21% Markup |

I have reviewed the bids received and I recommend that the City award a contract to Marlee Contractors, LLC at the hourly rates stated in their bid.

  
 Maureen P. Mitchell



The motion to receive and file the report was passed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Commissioner Vanaman: "Yeah, just one comment, Mr. Mayor, can we hope that the low bidder is also the best bidder?"

Mayor Shannon: "Well, we've had that discussion, Commissioner, I agree with you. This is, I'm in charge of Public Buildings. And I've already, in the Admin meeting this afternoon, I explained to them when we switch over from air-conditioning to heating, I want all the employees to make sure they bring in their sweatshirts and long pants. And when we go from winter to springtime, I want them to make sure they wear short shorts and tank tops and flip flops because the air-conditioner's not going to work come summer time, the heater's not going to work come this winter time, and we will get what we pay for. Love them low bids, we will work on it, and we'll work through this. So, let's keep our fingers crossed."

Resolution No. A-6628 authorizing award of bid received on August 18, 2009 for project known as "FY2010 HVAC Maintenance & Service Contract" to Marlee Contractors, LLC, 364 S. Egg Harbor Road, Hammonton, NJ 08037 was adopted, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Director Finch submitted the appropriate certification as to the availability of funds.

Report from Engineering regarding bids received on August 27, 2009 for project known as "Millville Gardens Demolition and Site Restoration"

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September 1, 2009

Mayor and Commissioners:

On Thursday, August 27, 2009 at 10:00 A.M. the Millville Purchasing Board received bids for "Millville Gardens Demolition & Site Restoration". There was a total of twenty (20) bids received ranging from a high bid of \$987,000.00 to a low bid of \$259,821.50. The apparent low bid for this project was submitted by Dean Enterprises, Inc. of Tabernacle, New Jersey. The Engineer's Estimate for this work was \$588,378.00. A complete tabulation of the bids received is detailed in a Summary of Bids on file in the City Clerk's Office.

This project has been approved to receive \$640,000 in federal recovery funds through a Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Neighborhood Stability Grant which is being administered by the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA). At this time, formal execution of the Grant Agreement between the City and HUD/DCA is in progress, and must be completed prior to a formal contract award. Based on our expected timeframe to complete the Grant Agreement, I would anticipate a recommendation for award of contract to be forthcoming at the September 15<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



Richard S. Jones, PE, CME  
Assistant Municipal Engineer

RSJ:rj/rj1014



The motion to receive and file the report was passed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Report from Engineering regarding bids received on September 1, 2009 for project known as "Proposal for City of Millville Wayfinding Signage - Phase 1B"

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September 1, 2009

Mayor and Commissioners:

On Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at 10:00 A.M. the Millville Purchasing Board received bids for "City of Millville Wayfinding Signage - Phase IB". There were two (2) bids received in the amounts of \$66,400 from Allied Environmental Signage of Eatontown, PA and \$66,540 from L&H Signs of Reading, PA. The Engineer's Estimate for this work was \$64,280. A complete tabulation of the bids received is detailed in a Summary of Bids on file in the City Clerk's Office. Funds for Phase IB of this project are available in the approximate amount of \$70,000 through the remaining balance of a \$300,000 grant received from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Aid for Centers of Place Program FY 2008.

At this time, the Engineering Department is in the process of reviewing the bids and the qualifications and references of the apparent low bidder. Thus, I would anticipate a recommendation for award of contract to be forthcoming at the September 15<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



Richard S. Jones, PE, CME  
Assistant Municipal Engineer

RSJ:rj/rj1015



The motion to receive and file the report was passed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Motion to approve Bingo License #215 on behalf of St. John Bosco Church to be held on Tuesday, October 13, November 10 and December 8, 2009, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm

The motion was passed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Motion to authorize Social Affair Permit on behalf of BPOE #580 Millville Elks for Beef & Beer to be held on September 25, 2009, 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

The motion was passed, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Derella, Vanaman and Shannon.

Mayor Shannon stated we have now reached the public comment portion of our meeting. Anyone who would like to address the

Commission, please go to the podium, state your name, and address your concerns. Please limit your comments to approximately 5 minutes.

Sylvia Stites: *"Hello, my name is Sylvia Stites, 909 Louis Drive, Millville, NJ."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Thank you."*

Sylvia Stites: *"I, personally, would like to thank Mr. Magazzu and Mr. Rainear and Senator Van Drew. They have all been involved in helping obtain the grants, along with you people that have made it possible for us to get going on this project. Also, we need to thank the Millville Housing Authority for letting us use their van for the past five years and then giving it to the City for the Seniors to continue to use because they didn't feel that they wanted to be in the van business. Again, we would like to thank you all very much for this. Now, we're ready to move in tomorrow. Okay?"*

Mayor Shannon: *"I told you, they're going to accelerate it."*

Sylvia Stites: *"Thank you."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Thank you."*

Jane Christy: *"Good evening. Jane Christy, 633 Dove Drive, and I just want to report and I want to go on record saying that I want to show my appreciation to all of you and the DOT for their action, especially on saving the tree, the Wawa tree, the significant, historic, Wawa tree. And, I personally asked the Commissioner that the tree expert that he intends to hire that he be a certified tree expert, and he assured me that he would. And, if it's necessary, do you think it's necessary that I write a report and submit it to the Millville Shade Tree Commission of what took place here tonight concerning the tree? I'd be happy to do that if you'd like me to do it."*

Mayor Shannon: *"If you'd feel more comfortable, Jane, absolutely."*

Jane Christy: *"Okay."*

Mayor Shannon: *"You know, so it's on record..."*

Jane Christy: *"Okay. I think they'd be really happy. Liz Nicke and Barbara Blumenthal, President of Shade Tree Commission, also, I just wanted to say that I, too, am proud to say that I was a member of the Cumberland County Freeholder Board when we discussed the Senior Citizen plans, and I'm old enough to enjoy that right now, too. Thank you."*

Mayor Shannon: *"Well thank you for your work, too, Jane. I apologize, I wasn't even looking that way, I was just over here. The Seniors had to be concerned, so thank you."*

Jane Christy: *"Sometimes I feel as though I'm transparent."*

Diane McCarthy: *"Good evening, my name is Diane McCarthy, I live at 106 Cottage Street in the Four Seasons development, and I have some questions if you don't mind on Resolution 6619."*

I realize you're reducing the bond and Mr. Derella said that in recognition of the amount of work being done, and I noticed that it references Phase I. So I was wondering just what was involved in this reduction. Is it the number of homes that are being built? Which shouldn't be, because Phase I is the 104, is it the amount of work that they have completed? What is it that is responsible for this resolution?"

Commissioner Derella: "It is the amount of work that has been done based on what has been submitted and the estimated cost. There still is, and I'll quote from our Engineering Department, 'site inspections were conducted and indicated that the following site improvements remain to be completed and represent the new performance bond balance. They are as follows: streets, storm basins, soil erosion control, landscaping, lighting, sanitary sewer pump station (on and off site construction) and water (on site and off site construction).' All those items are still open and that is part of what is kept on record as far as bond performance."

Diane McCarthy: "Thank you. I have another concern as well. I think all of you are aware that the citizens who reside at Four Seasons are very concerned about the proposed site of the new high school being right next to our community, and from recent newspaper articles we've realized that it isn't just the State who is involved here, that the City Officials in Millville will have some input into this decision, at least preliminarily. We've written two letters to the School's Development Authority so far. I have not copied the Commission, I've copied Kim Ayres so far, but I will definitely make that letter available to this group as well. Basically, we're detailing our objections to such a construction. We have the obvious concerns about the noise and traffic from the airport having an impact on the students and the construction of the high school having an impact on our lifestyle and our community. There is a place, Egg Harbor Township, where the community, an Active Adult Community was built next to an existing high school, and the problems are unbelievably numerous. So, that particular Township is constructing a major addition to that school and the construction is making for even more problems, Police are inundated with complaints about vandalism and loitering and littering and that sort of thing, and I would hate to see that happen in our area. I saw in the paper yesterday, I believe, that there is a new site which we believe is way more suitable for the construction of a new high school. I've spoken to many parents who are concerned about having to travel to the far reaches of the City to pick their children up from school activities and so forth. So, I ask that, please, keep these things in mind when you do input your thoughts into the location of that new high school. Thank you."

Mayor Shannon: "Thank you very much."

Freeholder Director Magazzu: "Mayor, good evening. Lou Magazzu, Freeholder Director, Vineland, NJ. I, based on what happened with Route 49 and 55, I wanted to come and report to you, because I went downstairs, tried to shuttle back and forth. But, before I do that, I want to thank you, Mayor, for your involvement. Your guidance has been extraordinarily helpful. Former-Mayor Quinn, Commissioner Finch, Commissioner Derella, I've sought out all of your input. And, certainly Senator Van Drew, Assemblyman Milam, Assemblyman Albano, but, the other person I want to thank, I don't know that his name was

mentioned, was City Engineer John Knoop who did just a terrific job. You know, we're all laymen when it comes to that. He's the only real expert plus the DOT experts. Having him in the meetings was extraordinarily helpful because, unlike the DOT folks, who are very good people, he knows the roads because he's here. He knows them in a way that we won't because he's an Engineer. We have common sense evaluations. So, I wanted to particularly note his efforts, and thank you. As a result of the meetings that happened downstairs, and just so you know, it was really fascinating. The DOT people lined up around the maps and literally met with every neighbor individually as to any concerns and did not leave until everyone had an opportunity to give input. So, it was really terrific. I am confident, well, I am going to ask our Freeholder Board on Wednesday when we meet, to pass a Resolution supporting a light at Court, because a lot of folks, virtually everybody talked about it. And also, a no passing on 49 from 55 to Court. Because there's a lot of folks that said that that's another issue. But, I think the appropriate jurisdiction will be you all, but we're going to do that just to give support. Finally, I want to thank the Seniors who are here, I want to thank former Freeholder Director Rainear, I want to thank Senator Van Drew, Assemblyman Milam and Assemblyman Albano. Again, on the Senior Center, that was total package. We all worked together on that, and it was great to see government work. I am hopeful that all of us will not be Seniors by the time it happens, and I'm sure that cooperating together, it will move forward. But, Mayor, I know it is an important project to you, and thank you for the opportunity to work with you on it. Appreciate it."

Mayor Shannon: "Thank you, Freeholder Director."

Bob Tesoroni: "Good evening, Mr. Mayor, Commissioners. Bob Tesoroni, 212 Howard Street. Millville First will be hosting a candidate's night on Wednesday, next Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the American Legion in the upstairs banquet room. The Assembly Republican candidates from the first and third district have acknowledged that they will be in attendance. The Assembly Democrat candidates from the first and third districts have notified us that there is a conflict in their schedules and they will be unable to attend. Based on that, Millville First has extended an invitation that they can send a representative. We are still waiting acknowledgement of that. We would like to thank former-Mayor and current Commissioner Jim Quinn for his gracious offer to televise the candidate's night. Also, we'd like to invite the public, it's an opportunity for you to meet the candidates. They'll be mingling after they do a small presentation as we did with the candidates for City Commission, which, I felt, was very successful. Again, Wednesday, September 9, 2009 7 p.m., American Legion upstairs banquet room. I hope to see all you gentlemen present also. Thank you."

Mayor Shannon: "Thank you, Bob. Larry, you remember the deal?"

Larry O'Donnell: "Yes."

Mayor Shannon: "You get one shot."

Larry O'Donnell: "Yes. One shot."

Mayor Shannon: "Okay."

Larry O'Donnell: "Five minutes. Larry O'Donnell, 45 Bethel Road, Millville. I'm here as a part of the Smith Road Neighbors Group. We've organized to oppose the sight selection of West Main Street for the high school just west of Smith Road. I have a, I promised a statement last week, and, it's a three part statement, and I'll begin. Smith Road Neighbors oppose the Smith Road site selection for the high school and seek to have it removed from consideration. Lacking both water and sewer infrastructure, excessive busing travel, traffic impact on Route 49 and resulting affect on inter-City traffic deem this site unacceptable. Two. Smith Road Neighbors oppose all sites selected on the West Side of Millville. It is our contention the optimum site location is as near Route 55 as possible. Three. Smith Road Neighbors applaud the concept of community committee participation in selecting potential sites for the new high school. However, we have concerns with the design of the Millville High School site rating matrix. The matrix is very subjective and an inappropriate method of rating site suitability for a project of this magnitude. Nothing less than objective matters based on data, facts and studies is acceptable. Now, I'd like to read you an excerpt of a letter that we sent to John Hamilton last week regarding the rating matrix. It reads as follows: 'Millville BOE selected twenty-nine people to serve as a community committee. Each individual on the committee was provided the subject matrix and asked to visit and score per the questions on the matrix each of the original eight sites. They did so and provided those scores to the Millville BOE. BOE evaluated the scores on the eight sites, eliminated from consideration the four lowest-ranking sites and submitted the four highest-ranking sites to the SDA for consideration. Our concern is the design of the matrix is such that it is very subjective and therefore not an acceptable means of measure. It's evident when viewing the significant variation in scores a major indicator, the matrix lacks objectivity. For example, one of the questions on the matrix is as follows: 'Does the site have an impact on busing?' How could anyone possibly score this intelligently without first having been provided data from a professionally completed busing impact study? They can't. So, being uninformed, he or she scores based on gut feelings or bias. John, this is a very dangerous and irresponsible basis for site selection. Our group is having difficulty believing the State would release such a rating matrix for use. We believe rating matrix should be based on scientific data and studies and, when used accurately, represents site suitability. We also understand this method of site selection has been in use by the SDA for less than one year. As with all new efforts, things need to be refined and continuously improved over time. What we do not have, in this case, is time. We ask that you review our concerns with your colleagues and get back to us with your response.' We've met with you gentlemen, all but Commissioner Quinn, at various times and appreciate the dialogue that we've had and appreciate future dialogue. We hope this relationship continues."

Gaylene O'Donnell: "Good evening, Gaylene O'Donnell, 45 Bethel Road. I am also part of the Smith Road Neighbors Group. At the last Commission Meeting, both Commissioners Finch and Vanaman seemed overly concerned that the cost to the City will be approximately three million dollars to run water and sewer to the west of the Smith Road location. Since the SDA does not pay for infrastructure, will this then be the burden of the taxpayers? And our further understanding is that the cost to

tie into the sewer will be approximately ten thousand dollars per household. Would each household then be required to pay that cost and thereafter pay a quarterly sewer bill? Thank you."

Mayor Shannon: "I can probably answer the first question. The infrastructure, if we need to run that infrastructure, it is my understanding that that cost will be borne to the taxpayers of the City. And that's one of the reasons that I think Commissioner Vanaman and Commissioner Finch spoke to that issue when that originally came up. I think they let their feelings be known that, and I think even Commissioner Derella had mentioned about the infrastructure cost and, you know, taking these into areas where we didn't have them, you know, the cost that would incur. So, we are very aware of that fact."

Gaylene O'Donnell: "Thank you."

Beth Oliver: "Hi, good evening, Beth Oliver, 115 Morias Avenue. Commissioner Derella, at the August 6 meeting, you met with several neighborhood representatives, you and Mayor Shannon, and I am told you indicated that there were traffic studies, air flight pattern studies, buffer studies and topographic maps prepared. However, we requested copies of these studies by OPRA Request to the Board, and they advised there are no such documents. Which is it? We're not quite sure what's going on there, so we have a few questions there. We have asked Sergeant Rabbai, he has indicated that he is not aware of any traffic studies being done. In addition, two of the criteria on the matrix prepared by the board and issued to the site selection committee asked for a rating of these two items. 'Does the configuration and topography of the site have an impact on the construction of the new high school? Does the site have an impact on busing?' If there are no studies, how can the selection committee, or any committee, give an accurate rating of these two questions? Alright, I have a couple more things. At the July 20 Board of Education meeting, we were told that the SDA has the final say on site location and that the City only suggests to the SDA what site should be chosen. I'll tell you one thing, it would really be nice if the SDA met with us and came down and saw the sites just like the DOT because that was a beautiful job. So, it would be nice to get together with them, too, and have that kind of input. The SDA provided us copies of their guidelines. We have provided Mayor Shannon with a copy. The appropriate section of the guideline states that the Board of Education and the City shall together provide a written analysis to the Development Authority of the best site selection. Our questions are: What is being done between the District and the City to abide by those guidelines? And also, we have this one little issue, is when those recommendations are made to the SDA, are the citizens that are affected by this site, how will we be notified? Because, we weren't notified in the most pleasant manner the last time. You know, we found out in the newspaper. So, would we get first hand information when that site is selected? Thank you so much."

Mayor Shannon: "Any comments there?"

Commissioner Derella: "Well, first the August 6<sup>th</sup> meeting was with the neighbors of the neighborhood of which Mayor Shannon and I both live in. I did say that there are flight pattern studies that are already in place because the airport, over the years, has maintained all those. As far as traffic, we

all agreed that there would be a traffic issue because of the roads and the infrastructure that's already there. I don't recall saying that there was an actual traffic study. I do remember saying that one would have to be done by the State of New Jersey, and that's part of the process. So, again, some of those questions will hopefully, I hope, since this is the Board of Education's lead on this project and the City has input as the process goes forward, that all of these concerns have been brought forth to them. Again, because they hold most of the cards, we're brought in on the back side and we do have input of which all of the neighbors that met with us are very well aware of. If anyone checked the minutes from the previous meeting, all of us agree that there should not be a cost of infrastructure to the City of Millville. It's not what we want. As far as objective information, the twenty-seven or twenty-eight people that were involved with the process, yes, there needs to be improvement, I agree. It could have been a lot better. But, again, they put something in place. Twenty-seven or twenty...I think it was twenty-seven people were selected. There was a lot of dialogue that went in that meeting. I do not know how they kept minutes. But, a lot of objective thoughts were brought out by people in that room. Whether it be John Knoop, Dr. Ayres, other people that are well informed. Jane Galletto on environmental issues, people, you know, there was a lot of things that were shared amongst all of the people that were active. Some of the objective stuff, obviously, was the infrastructure. John Knoop was able to share great detail on what the cost would be per foot and everything else that was involved. I, personally, put a zero down as far as a point value. So, I could have been one of the people that skewed some of those results, I don't know. But, again, I was adamantly against that as being part of the process because of the cost. Traffic, there was some objective stuff put out there by John Knoop on old things that had occurred as well as neighbors that are involved with the process just knowing how those traffic patterns work out there and the direction of Smith Road, and everything that we're familiar with living in a town that they don't. There was also some objective stuff in regards to the growth and development of the City of Millville. The greatest growth is slated for the West Side of town. So, obviously the closer the growth of the City is, the busing impact, although there's not a permanent study, just based on miles that were discussed, could have an impact in regards to a decreased cost. That was there. There was also the argument that schools coming to the City of Millville would have to travel further and everything else. So, there was a lot of dialogue. As far as actual objective stuff, there was also mileage discussed in regards to the distance for rescue, fire, police, safety wise. All those things, I think, was an objective measure. Those things weren't actually on there, but were heavily discussed through that whole process. I, personally, thought the process was pretty well handled within that committee. As far as the advertisement, I don't want to point fingers at the Board of Education, but that's where they came in. Because, again, it is their project and we, fortunately, have input. And we have, the Mayor especially, has taken a lot of time to try to read every document, every letter that's been sent by this group as well as others from the Four Seasons trying to provide maps. We've had several people come in that weren't satisfied with the maps. We made color-coding for them to try to understand it so they'd have the truth in their hands and what is going on. I would encourage people to continue to be involved. There will be a meeting this week again with the site selection committee

because an alternative site has been found. The City was accused of secretly finding that particular site. Mayor Shannon cleared that up when we had our meeting with the State of New Jersey as well as the Board of Education representatives who is actually one of the members, Mr. Hamilton, who's heading this up was sitting in a Wawa parking lot, having a coffee, clearing his head and going through what he went through in the day and happened to see a large parcel of land that nobody, frankly, even thought of. And in a closed part in our industrial park. Great site. Completely overlooked. The committee's reconvening, they're going to look at all of the data. Hopefully, and I can't guarantee this because I haven't been given any information yet, they'll have some of the documents that were provided by the groups that are concerned. I will raise that question there if everybody had an opportunity to see that, and we need to move forward. Obviously, it's a difficult situation. I'm well aware of the Egg Harbor Township situation. I have a sister who lives down there and her kids are involved, going to that school and playing sports and everything else that's involved. Again, there are pluses and minuses to that. But, again, we need to move forward and, again, I would hope that everybody is sharing this with the Board of Education as well. Because, again, they're the lead agency on this and, obviously, we've already made our points and our feelings in regards to this thing on where we stand in regards to what we think would be in the best interest of the taxpayer as well as the students of the City of Millville."

Mayor Shannon: "And I appreciate your comments, Commissioner Derella, but I must say that I probably haven't done a good enough job bridging that gap between the City Commission and the Board of Education. So, I'm working on that. We've had a couple good meetings. Mr. Herman and I have sat down and had some discussions pertaining to that. And, again, I will take full blame that the communication hasn't been better between, you know, ourselves and the School Board. But, I can tell you, moving forward, we will stay, you know, have that communication, lines of communication, opened up. I've had some very good discussions with President Bill Herman, and I feel very confident moving forward that these concerns will be heard and, obviously, you know, he understands that I have an obligation as I've met with the Smith Road residents before. You know, any group that wants to meet with me, you know, I pretty much have an open door policy. I mean, if, you know, if I'm available, I'm going to sit down with the residents, I don't care what the situation is, and I will pass on those concerns. I figure I'd be remiss in my duties as Mayor if I'm not going to open that door to the residents. I feel that I work for the residents, and this impacts us, the entire City of Millville, all the residents, whether it be, you know, a School Board issue or a City issue, I think this is truly a City issue. And I feel very confident after having talks with Bill Herman that, you know, those communications are going to be better served. And, again, I take the blame there. I'm the one that didn't reach out originally, you know, until we, you know, started hearing the problems. So, I will take the blame, I'll be the one that did not do his job there. But I am going to do a better job of that and, you know, as we move forward, we're going to make sure that the resident's concerns are passed on, and we are going to, as Larry knows, when we've had our meeting, and he was so gracious in providing me with more reading with rules and regulations and things about this thing. We do know that we do have an obligation as a City and we will, at some point, be

required by the State to submit a letter of support supporting the selection, you know, of that school site. So, that's something that the City and the School Board will have to come together on to fire off that Resolution and letter of support of that site. So, before that can actually take place, there's a lot of steps that have to come first before we get to that. And, again, with the fifth site that Commissioner Derella talked about, you know, that we're sort of back to square one again, and I'm sure some discussion about the matrix will be raised and they'll go from there, because I can tell you that those folks want this process to work. Okay, it's not that they're trying to do anything, you know, behind closed doors or anything. It's brand new. And you know how that is when you have something new that you're working with, it's very difficult. So, I think, you know, when they re-evaluate I think we may see some different results, but we'll wait and see. We're not going to, you know, we're going to let them go through the process. Because I think that it's important that we follow that process, something that they've done, we're going to allow them the time, obviously, to come up with that and we'll see what the recommendation is from there, and then we'll take those concerns back and we'll have that discussion."

Commissioner Finch: "I think early on we were misled in terms of what our responsibilities were in regards to the site selection. I know that I was advised that it's the committee, it goes to the School Board and then it goes to the State, and the State has the final say. Well, we were kind of like over here. And now the process is that we have to sign off on the site and support the site. So, we need to get involved as a group, as a Commission, to have our input. So, that's where we are right now. I think that the Mayor has learned that, and he's trying to get everything together for us, and we can be intelligent and make intelligent decisions on where this site should be. So, early on we were kind of left out and now we have to get back involved, or get involved to do our due diligence and do our part in the selection."

Beth Oliver: "Thank you so much. Thank you."

Sandy Gripple: "I'm Sandy Gripple, and I live at 847 Shewschenko Avenue. And, Commissioner Derella pretty much took my statement about John Hamilton and the Wawa, so he's saving me some time. And we'd like to reiterate our thanks, I think, to Mayor Shannon and the Commission for having that open door policy, so that's helping us. Also, I'd like to say that Jeanette Pace received a call at home last Monday from Fred Setzer, who is a member of the Millville School Board, who also indicated that the fifth site is behind the Wawa. At the time of that call, and again, he called last evening during a neighborhood meeting and expressed that he felt that that site is 'the best site'. Because of it's location and the fact that there is already water and sewer. He made mention of the fact that this location was close in proximity to Route 55 for busing purposes. And, prior to looking at any location on the west side of town, we just ask, again, that you look more into the long-term planning. Because of the costs with gas for the buses, maintenance and everything else that we've talked about. In addition to the new location, it's in proximity to the other schools that are already there so that maybe they can share some services, you know, the sports fields or anything else that's there available already. We wonder why any location on the west side of town is even being considered when access to Route 55 as

well as long-term preparation is best served by the new location at the industrial park. And I think that was expressed tonight also with the presentation earlier by the DOT and Freeholder Magazzu and everybody involved in that. There's already preparations being done in that area for the traffic. There's traffic lights being installed, there's sidewalks being installed, the roads are being widened to allow for the traffic. And I think that, because of that, it makes the site and even better possibility because those things are being put into place already. That's it."

Mayor Shannon: "Thank you."

Scott Pace: "Scott Pace, 2230 West Main Street. At the end of the July 20<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, when the final four sites were selected, prior to the fifth being named, Mr. Setzer of the Board of Education indicated to us after the meeting that the Smith Road site was actually the fourth on the list in consideration. The newspaper claims it is the number one site. Mr. Mayor and each Commissioner, we would like to ask your opinion and ratings of the sites, including the fifth one, and what is your basis for that rating? And if you can not or will not give us an answer, how do we find out where each of the City Commissioner stands? Each of you City Commissioners stand? That was a short one, huh?"

Mayor Shannon: "Well, yeah, a short one, and I can be very short."

Commissioner Derella: "He can't poll us."

Mayor Shannon: "You really can't poll us. Okay? We can't do that. Rich, do you want to?"

Richard McCarthy: "Well, there's several problems with that. There's several Commissioners that weren't even involved in the process, so they don't even have all of the input that the members on that committee had. You're asking them to evaluate sites based on information that they may not even have available. Secondly, we don't poll Commissioners, that's procedurally incorrect. They've already indicated, I think Mayor Shannon and several of the other Commissioners have already indicated that they're going to keep an open door policy with all of the citizens that are affected by the various sites. They are going to communicate the citizen's responses to the Board of Education to make sure the Board of Education has a full measure of your feelings on this subject. And, eventually, as it's already been articulated, at some point in the process that's been, by the way, it's a State process. It's not a process that we set up or the Board of Education set up, but it's a State process. But, at some point in that process, the governing body will be asked to weigh in on a final selection site. But, at this stage, it's premature for anything along the lines that you're requesting."

Scott Pace: "Thank you."

Eileen Fawcett: "Eileen Fawcett, 24 North Bethel Road. We have a question about the Sunshine Law. We understand from several small meetings that the Commissioners are not allowed to talk about the high school between themselves because of something called the Sunshine Law. We understand that this means that they can only speak on the subject if there is a

public meeting, which has to be announced and published. Then the public can attend and everyone, including the Commission, can speak on the subject. We would like to request that public meeting. Is it possible?"

Mayor Shannon: "I'll tell you what, I'm a funeral director, not an attorney, so I'll put that over to the Solicitor, how's that?"

Richard McCarthy: "Let me just try to answer that question because there's several..."

Mayor Shannon: "Give it to the attorney."

Richard McCarthy: "There's several questions within that statement. First of all, any two Commissioners can attend meetings that are outside the scope of a public meeting like this, because that's less than the majority of the Board. So, consequently, there's opportunities all of the time either meeting with one Commissioner or two of the Commissioners to address issues between the citizens and those two Commissioners. At some point in time, it's already been indicated that there will be some involvement by the City in part of this process and towards the end game of this process on final selection. That would be before the governing body as a whole, it'll be we have a Commission meeting and it would have to be a Resolution adopted, and there will be plenty of time for input at that particular point in time. Up until that time, I think the Mayor's already indicated, that there's going to be plenty of opportunity for the citizens to communicate with individual Commissioners, which they can do. Do you have one Commissioner, or two Commissioners at a meeting? You just can't have any round robin thing with all of the Commissioners, because that would violate the Sunshine Law."

Eileen Fawcett: "Okay. Thank you."

Commissioner Derella: "If I could make a quick comment, I don't want people to think that we're not going to be involved with the process. What we can't do is make a decision here without the School Board going through the process that they need to do, which is another meeting with their committee and those people on there have put a lot of time and a lot of reading, and a lot of riding around in this process. So, to try to, it's almost like, and don't take this the wrong way, I appreciate everything you're doing, but, you're kind of asking us to narrow down the site before they even make that by some of these questions. That's my concern. I'd like to see the process continue, I think that the Mayor has absolutely been gracious in regards to opening his office up and meeting, taking phone calls, reading everything and, again, I am on the committee, I voiced my concerns, I've made those public, I will do the same when I go to the next meeting. Make the position at least from my perspective on what I think and it'll also be the Mayor's because we've been involved with the meetings with the neighbors. But, again, I don't want, I want the process to continue because the only way the process can improve for other communities is to have this thing follow it's way through and see some of the flaws which have already been identified by groups like yourselves."

Eileen Fawcett: "Thank you."

Mayor Shannon: "And, you know, that's a good point, because, you know, Larry, you and I have had this discussion. And, you know, here we are one of the first communities, you know, going through this. So, obviously, we're going to hit some speed bumps, and the good news is we have, you know, folks like yourself, folks at Four Seasons, that are looking at this. So, we're able to pass this on. So, you know, we may be taking our lumps in the beginning, but I think we allowed the School Board, and I think that Commissioner Derella even made the comment that Mike Beatty did an excellent job in keeping that committee in line and focused on what they needed to do. Now, whether there's mistakes made, we're not even going to talk about that. But, the bottom line is, he had a big task to hold together, you know, what it is, I have trouble holding these four guys together, let alone twenty-nine to keep them going in the right direction. So, you know, he had a monumental task, so, you know, I give him a lot of credit for going through that process. I'm sitting here tonight telling you that the fifth site, I want them to have the opportunity to be able to go through that rating system before we get into any of that. We want to see how that plays out, and you know, like I said, President Bill Herman and I will have that discussion and we will then have that input and we will have that round table with them. You know what I mean? And we will discuss those concerns. They have some concerns, we have some concerns. We'll bounce them off of each other, as Commissioner Finch said. You know, our involvement as we move forward will become greater and greater getting to that letter and resolution, you know, letter of support that's going to go to the State. So, basically, you know, I agree with the Commissioner. We need to let that process play out, we need them to rate that fifth system, you know, to go back in their planning stages and give them an opportunity to, you know, come up with their decision. So, I mean, I can tell you that even though we don't meet together these guys are reading the papers, they're getting the letters that are being sent, so, you know, they're able to follow this along even though that, you know, three or four of us are sitting down having these discussions. Okay? I was fortunate in the fact that Commissioner Derella served on that committee and he was able to keep me informed of that process as they moved on. But, we really didn't have discussions during that process. It was when that was over, he brought information to me, basically as you did. So, he was providing me the information, and I was getting it from you, so I would like to see that process continue and I think that's the best way for us to move forward at this point."

Jeanette Pace: "Mine's not as short as my husband. My name is Jeanette Pace, I'm at 2230 West Main Street. We are questioning the matrix, and for people that aren't aware of it, the Board provided the committee with the matrix criteria that they were supposed to fill out. Interestingly, there's twenty-nine names on the list of the committee members that we were provided. There's only twenty-five matrixes that have been provided, so we're still trying to figure out who the other four are. Regardless, there's no names on them, so we don't know who filled out what. Mr. Derella was saying he put certain numbers in. None of them have zeroes. So, I'm not sure which one would have been yours even though they don't have names. Although, one of them did have a name. And we specifically questioned him, and it happened to be John Knoop. I'll get to that. But, we did analyze the matrixes of the two most importances, the last two things on the matrix is the distance of water and sewer

to the Smith Road location, to every location. To all eight locations. In the bottom of the matrix, they have the distance to the site of how far it is from water and sewer locations. Over 50% of these matrixes in that section were not filled out by the committee people. So, when they tallied the top four sites, they couldn't tally accurately if those numbers were not placed in there. For instance, since our site as it incorrectly says that we have water and sewer both at our location, that should have been given a not favorable number which would have been a one. In this case, they're zeroes. So, had we been given a one, where somebody that does have water and sewer been given a nine, that automatically adds eighteen points to that site location times twenty-five. So, right there, the top four sites probably would have been totally thrown off the books. It might not have been the four sites that were picked in the first place, it might not have been us, might not have been Four Seasons. We don't know that because the matrixes are not accurate. Obviously, our main concern is the water and sewer distance, They're saying that the distance to the water is for one mile, is going to be approximately a million dollars. Up to our location, that's one million dollars for water. It's between two and three for sewer. Because we have no sewer. We do, in fact, have water out there. However, we're finding out that the main is located in the area of Rieck Avenue, and it's not big enough to support a new high school. Which basically means they're going to have to put a million dollars out for water which is going to cost you, and it's going to cost all of us, and anybody else watching. It's going to cost you. It's not just this little group of neighbors that it's affecting. It's affecting all of Millville. It's affecting us as taxpayers. People don't realize that. They think it's just us. So, those two items alone, they're going to skew this matrix. We're really concerned about that. Another one is environmental impact, at our location specifically. It's a farmland. We don't know how long it's been there, how much insecticide is involved. The committee people don't know that. So, that would be something we're interested in. We are meeting with a board member tomorrow night to give him our list of concerns. This, and among everything that everybody said. Prior, Mr. Setzer, in fact, is the one that we're meeting with, he's coming to my home with a couple of neighbors to give him this information so that he can present it to the committee on Thursday night, which is what Mr. Derella was talking about. They're having another committee meeting. We want to give him our information so that he can show, we can show him some of the stuff that we came up with. And, we're hoping that he will present that to the committee and that might make a difference. Mayor Shannon, you were indicating that you're taking the blame for the communications, no way. You have been the most honest and most open person with us, Mr. Derella included, Mr. Finch was in the last meeting we were in, and John Knoop, all of you have been very open. We haven't got as much cooperation from the Board, they're getting better. They are contacting me, Mr. Setzer has called me at home twice, he has given us a lot of information that I think is, basically, trying to keep us informed as to what's going on. The bottom line is one thing we want to say. Instead of us being addressed as 'NIMBYs', which I was told I was in a newspaper and proud to be one. Never heard that word before until I opened up The Press, NIMBY, Not In My Back Yard. I didn't know what that was, somebody had to tell me. We never heard of it. And, the only thing that we wanted to be known as is we are the citizens that care about the City and the taxpayers. I pay a lot of taxes. I don't want to pay more. I

can't afford it. I don't want a part time job. So, we just simply, we're not simply just saying we don't want the school in our backyard. We're well aware that the school is needed, we just want to make sure that it's, everybody has accurate facts, that the facts are changed on this matrix before the committee if they have to redo it, has to redo it and that the best place is, best viable place is made for the new high school. That's it. Thank you."

Mayor Shannon: "Thank you."

Doug Raine: "Good evening Mayor and Commissioners, Doug Raine, Upper Deerfield Township, former-Freeholder Director as the Mayor mentioned earlier. And I'm here, first of all, let me congratulate all of the citizens of the City of Millville for really taking part in government and also thank Commission and the Mayor for listening to the citizens of Millville. If all of our communities throughout the County had so much input as the City of Millville residents provide to Commission I think that government would work better for all of us. But, that having been said, Mayor, I want to, first of all, thank you and Commission once again for proceeding forward with the Senior Center. As you know, a few years ago when I was Freeholder Director, it was a project that was very near and dear to my heart and I want to thank Sylvia Stites who has continued to carry that ball for the Seniors and, Mayor, I want to apologize a little bit to you, not a great apology, but a small apology. Because, you had mentioned earlier about, I had called the Seniors before, I had a chance to call you at the time, you were known as the Commissioner of Fun. And, you were correct, and I did not call you because as Freeholder Director we had a pot of \$200,000.00 and I had read in the paper that the Seniors of Millville were looking to renovate an older facility and I thought if we could get this money to them, somehow we could either improve the renovations or maybe, perhaps, build a new facility. So, I immediately called Sylvia, who I had been working with, and I did not have the opportunity to call you. So, my apologies to you because I know that that particular day you didn't really have the opportunity to be the Commissioner of Fun because I knew some Seniors were really..."

Mayor Shannon: "I was running, man."

Doug Raine: "I know they were hard on you, so I'm glad that project's moving along. But what I also want to do is to thank Freeholder Director Magazzu who has continued to carry that ball along with Senator Van Drew. Because even though we started the project with two hundred thousand, as you saw tonight, that number has now increased to I think three hundred and fifteen thousand. So, my congratulations to the Freeholder Director and to Senator Van Drew. Citizens of Millville, keep up the good work, keep coming to your Commission meetings. Thank you, Mayor."

Mayor Shannon: "Thank you."

There being no further comments Mayor Shannon declared the public comment portion closed and asked if there were any comments from the Commissioners.

There being no further business the regular session was adjourned, subject to the call of the chair, by the following vote. Yeas: Finch, Quinn, Vanaman, Derella and Shannon.

Approved: September 15, 2009

James T. Shannon  
Mayor

Joseph J. Derella

James F. Quinn

David W. Vanaman

Dale L. Finch  
Commissioners

Attest:

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UNITED ELECTRIC SUPPLY, INC.	152.76
UNITED LAWN MAINTENANCE, INC.	60.00
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W. B. MASON COMPANY, INC.	287.82
WESTFIELD ARCHITECTS &	1,177.50
WHEATON ARTS & CULTURAL CENTER	30,065.00
WYBLE ADVERTISING, INC.	2,734.78
WILLIAM GOELZER	1,462.50
BRIGHTMAN AGENCY, INC.	697.14
BYH MILLVILLE LLC	1,880.16
GARDEN STATE INVESTMENT GROUP	3,664.69
LLOYDS & HANSON TITLE AGENCY	725.02
STEVEN MALUDA	757.72
BRIGITTE PAIZ	1,091.05
PRC TITLE AGENCY LLC	1,952.36
CHRISTIAN J. VARGA	619.04
TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR 09/01/09	862,943.30
CITY OF MILLVILLE SALARY ACCOUNT	460,335.14
CITY OF MILLVILLE SALARY ACCOUNT	105,342.74
TOTAL SALARY FOR 09/01/09	565,677.88
TOTAL VOUCHERS & SALARY 09/01/09	1,428,621.18