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**FEBRUARY 7, 2006**

The Regular Meeting of the Kingwood Township Committee was called to order at 8:00 P.M. with Mayor Zdepski presiding.

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Mayor Burke, Committeewoman Augustine, Township Engineer Lorentz, Township Attorney Joseph Novak, Tax Collector Laudenbach, Clerk MacConnell and Deputy Clerk Brown. Following the salute to the Flag, Mayor Zdepski read aloud the following:

**NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by publication of the notice in the Delaware Valley News and Express Times on January 5, 2006 and by telefaxing copies of the notice to the Courier News and Star Ledger on January 3, 2006. Copies of the notice were also posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building and Baptistown Post Office on January 3, 2006.

In order to ensure full public participation in this meeting, all members of this Committee or Board, and also members of the public are requested to speak only when recognized by the Chair so that there is no simultaneous discussion or over-talk, and further, all persons are requested to utilize the microphones which are provided for your use by the Township. Your cooperation is appreciated.

**PUBLIC SALE BY AUCTION – 313 Ridge Road – Block 1.02 Lot 4 and  
2392 Daniel Bray Highway (State Route 29) – Block 40 Lot 5 & Block 50 Lot 17**

Mayor Zdepski announces to the public there will be a public sale by auction for two pieces of property and explained the locations of each. Clerk MacConnell stated that there were three bids submitted and all the bids were sealed and identified as a bid with the block and lot on the front of the envelope. The Clerk opened all three bids that were submitted and read them aloud.

Bids opened for 313 Ridge Road – Block 1.02 Lot 4:

The first bid was from John and Ursula Accumanno  
Enclosed a 10% deposit in the amount of \$5,000. 00  
Cashier's Check

Bid amount: \$50,000

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The second bid was from Bruno Casuscelli  
Enclosed a 10% deposit in the amount of \$33,110.00  
Personal Check

Bid amount: \$331,100

The third bid was from Anthony DeSapio Jr.  
Enclosed a 10% deposit in the amount of \$29,000.00  
Cashier's Check

Bid amount: \$281.000

Clerk MacConnell stated that the last two bids also included signed contracts along with their bids.

Attorney Novak reviewed all the bids, recommending disqualifying the lowest bidder, Accumanno of \$50,000. Attorney Novak explained they did not meet the minimum bid amount. The highest bidder of \$331,100 Casuscelli, handed in a personal check. The Township Committee has the right to accept or reject or waive all and any bids.

Attorney Novak recommended waiver of requirement of Cashier's Check for Casuscelli and to be given a fixed period of time for bidder to replace personal check with a Cashier's Check. Township Committee feels amount of bid is worth accepting on certain conditions and for the second bidder to have a chance. Suggested by Mr. Burke and agreed by all others on the Committee, for Casuscelli to be given one day to deliver a Cashier's Check to the Township Attorney's office at 17 E. Main Street in Clinton, NJ, only until the close of business hours of 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 8, 2006.

If check not delivered by closing of hours of 5:00 P.M. Wednesday, February 8, 2006 the Township Committee could accept or reject Anthony DeSapio Jr's. bid of \$281,000.00. DeSapio's check to be returned to him the next day, only if Casuscelli delivers check to the attorney's office.

The following Resolution was introduced:

**RESOLUTION No. 2006-13**

**AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A SUCCESSFUL BID BY OPEN  
PUBLIC  
AUCTION FOR LANDS NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, by Ordinance No. 13-17-2006, authorized Block 1.02, Lot 4 to be offered for open public sale at auction; and

**WHEREAS**, proper advertisement of the notice of open public sale at auction was completed and an Affidavit of Publication thereof was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Township; and

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**WHEREAS**, a minimum bid amount of \$275,000.00 was established on the said property with all bids to be submitted by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 7, 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, two bids for the aforesaid property were received by the Clerk and the Township Committee; namely, in the amount of \$331,000.00 and in the amount of \$281,000.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006, that the bid of Bruno Casuscelli in the amount of \$331,000.00, together with a ten percent (10%) deposit in the amount of \$33,110.00 and an executed Contract of Purchase, is accepted; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Bruno Casuscelli is declared the successful and qualified bidder for the purchase of Block 1.02, Lot 4; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any and all defects and / or informalities in any bid are hereby waived.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**PUBLIC SALE BY AUCTION**

**2392 Daniel Bray Highway (State Route 29) – Block 40 Lot 5 & Block 50 Lot 17**

There were no bids submitted for this property. This property will be discussed further at end of the meeting.

**RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG UNION ROAD AT KINGWOOD PARK PROPERTY**

Engineer Lorentz explains that he attended a meeting requested by the consultant and the County concerning the bridge replacement on Union Road. They discussed that the replacement bridge is going to be located about 10 feet upstream of the present location in order to get adequate width and to get a walkway across the stream other than on the pavement, which will require addition roadway. They project a fall bidding and to go into construction maybe by the fall (September) of 2006 and anticipated to be completed by December of 2006. Also to be a two lane bridge and on the northern side will be a pedestrian walkway.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 13-19-2006 TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED  
“CHAPTER 124” SO AS TO DESIGNATE AND ACCEPT PUBLIC ROADS AND  
STREETS–Introduction and Adoption on First Reading

Mayor Zdepski read the Ordinance aloud by title. Attorney Novak reviewed the ordinance.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to adopt on first reading **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “CHAPTER 124” SO AS TO DESIGNATE AND ACCEPT PUBLIC ROADS AND STREETS.**

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>

**Consideration of final adoption at a public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at a meeting beginning at 8:00 P.M. at the municipal building.**

ORDINANCE NO. 13-20-2006 TO AMEND THE DEVELOPMENT  
REGULATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KINGWOOD, SPECIFICALLY  
“CHAPTER 115 – SUBDIVISION OF LAND” AND “CHAPTER 132 – ZONING”  
OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP-Introduction and  
Adoption on First Reading

Mayor Zdepski read the Ordinance aloud by title. Attorney Novak reviewed the proposed ordinance.

It was moved by Mrs. Augustine, seconded by Mr. Burke and carried to adopt on first reading **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KINGWOOD, SPECIFICALLY “CHAPTER 115 – SUBDIVISION OF LAND” AND “CHAPTER 132 – ZONING” OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP.**

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>

**Consideration of final adoption at a public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at a meeting beginning at 8:00 P.M. at the municipal building.**

Planning Board Secretary had several questions about some changes that may require an amendment of Ordinance 13-20-2006. It was discussed with the township committee along with the attorney what changes would be made.

It was moved by Mrs. Augustine, seconded by Mr. Burke and carried to amend several items discussed for Ordinance No. 13-20-2006.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>

**OAK GROVE ROAD PROJECT**

Engineer Lorentz discusses the grant and the amount to be \$80,000. Further discussion on whether amount would cover the project. Also states that we may need to cut back on the projected work to be done. Engineer Lorentz will confirm with the State on these issues.

**MILLTOWN ROAD PROJECT**

Mayor Zdepski reported he met the Road Supervisor along with the Township Engineer to discuss the amount of water coming off of County Route 519 onto Milltown Road. He stated that the County has now agreed to work with the Township to divert some of the water back onto Route 519. Engineer Lorentz reported all original pipes are still there under the Milltown intersection, and they just need to divert the water.

**THATCHER ROAD PROJECT**

Engineer Lorentz reviews the quotations that they have obtained for a guardrail installation. Explains he is waiting for the final paperwork from the State to continue.

**KINGWOOD SCHOOL AND PARK WALKWAY PROJECT**

Engineer Lorentz reports the walkway is mostly completed and that they need to clean up the dirt piles along the walk in the spring time.

**BRIDGES ON SPRING HILL/HORSESHOE BEND ROADS**

Engineer Lorentz states that he has contacted the County. Also states that the tentative approval by the County did not include bridges. This will depend on the improvement package.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Mayor Zdepski reviewed the correspondence received this month.

**Letter and Copy of Resolution from Borough of Califon and Request for Support of Resolution re: NIMS (National Incident Management System).**

Township Committee decided it would be best to refer this to the Kingwood Township Rescue Squad and Fire Company and ask for their opinion before taking action.

**Letter and Sample Proclamation from NJEA and NJLM re: Read Across America**

Attorney Novak explains resolution. Mayor Zdepski feels that this would be a good idea. The Township Committee agrees to support the Read Across America.

The following Resolution was introduced:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2006-19  
READ ACROSS AMERICA**

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Kingwood Township stand firmly committed to promoting reading as the catalyst for our students' future academic success, their preparation for America's jobs of the future, and their ability to compete in a global economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Kingwood Township has provided significant leadership in the area of community involvement in the education of our youth, grounded in the principle that educational investment is key to the community's well-being and long-term quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, NEA'S Read Across America, a national celebration of reading, will be conducted on March 2, 2006, which would have been the 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday of Theodor Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss; and

**WHEREAS**, Read Across America – NJ is being conducted statewide by the New Jersey Education Association, in partnership with the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Library Association, Saturn-UAW, and their local affiliates across the state to promote reading and adult involvement in the education of our community's students;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Kingwood Township Committee calls on the citizens of Kingwood Township to assure that every child is in a safe place reading together with a caring adult on March 2, 2006;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey enthusiastically endorses *NEA'S Read Across America* and *Read Across America – NJ*, and recommits our community to engage in programs and activities to make America's children the best Readers in the world.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

**Roll Call Vote:**

<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepksi</b>
<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**RESOLUTION**

The following Resolution was introduced:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2006 – 17**

**2005 RESERVE BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to make the following transfers within the 2005 Reserve Budget Appropriations:

From:

Administrative & Executive – Salary & Wages	\$1,500.00
Streets & Roads – Other Expense	\$9,800.00
Streets & Roads – Vehicle Maintenance	\$1,200.00

To:

Administrative & Executive – Other Expense	\$ 485.00
Revenue Administration – Other Expense	\$ 275.00
Legal – Other Expense	\$2,250.00
Engineer – Other Expense	\$ 895.00
Planning Board – Other Expense	\$3,150.00
Board of Adjustment – Other Expense	\$1,905.00
Board of Health – Other Expense	\$ 110.00
Utility & Bulk Expenses – Fuel Oil	\$ 630.00
Streets & Roads – Salary & Wages	\$2,800.00

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It was moved by Mrs. Augustine, seconded by Mr. Burke and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

**Roll Call Vote:**            **AYE**            - **Augustine, Burke, Zdepski**  
                                 **NAY**            - **None**  
                                 **ABSTAIN**   - **None**  
                                 **ABSENT**   - **None**

**BILLS AND CLAIMS**

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to approve all bills and claims that are in order and attached as **Bill List** for **January 2006**.

**Roll Call Vote:**            **AYE**            - **Augustine, Burke, Zdepski**  
                                 **NAY**            - **None**  
                                 **ABSENT**   - **None**  
                                 **ABSTAIN**   - **None**

**PUBLIC COMMENT – PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Jill Dodds, Tumble Falls Road Addressed the Township Committee with a statement which she and her husband prepared in reference to their feelings with the garbage build up on the Michalenko property on Tumble Falls Road. Mrs. Dodds read aloud the statement. They expressed they are very unhappy with the status of the Township’s responsibility enforcing the cleanup of this property. Also asking the Township to do everything they could to please clean up this property as soon as possible. Mayor Zdepski explained that the Zoning Officer has been very busy enforcing and doing what he can to get things moving on the situation and they are working as best as possible to clean up the property.

Lisa Senus, Tumble Falls Road Commented by giving her background information in environmental services. Also stating her concern about the Michalenko property being contaminated and the concern about the soil and the water in the ground. Attorney Novak and Mayor Zdepski discussed what they will do to look into this problem further.

**REPORTS**

Mayor Zdepski noted the following have been received and are available for review:

- Tax Collector’s Report of December 2005
- Municipal Court Report of December 2005
- Construction Department Report of December 2005
- Construction Department Report of January 2006
- Zoning Permits Report of January 2006

**FUTURE MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES**

Mayor Zdepski reviewed as per the Agenda.

**ORDINANCES**

**ORDINANCE NO. 13-16-2006 FIXING THE SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE VARIOUS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP – VOL. 13, PG. 13-16 - Public Hearing and Final Adoption**

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to open the hearing to the public. **All voted Aye on Roll Call Vote.**

Caroline Beidelman, Fairview Road Commented on the webmaster’s job and the salary, also asked if Township would be interested in using a volunteer for the job. Mayor Zdepski explained and informed Mrs. Beidelman of all the job duties the webmaster is responsible for and stated the person that is employed for the job now does many other tasks other than webmaster.

Beth Pandy, Spring Hill Road Questioned about the Housing Officer’s position, also wanted to know what this person’s job is about.

Caroline Beidelman, Fairview Road Questioned about the Housing Officer’s position also asking if the position is permanent. Attorney Novak responded.

It was moved by Mrs. Augustine, seconded by Mr. Burke and carried to close the public comment portion of the hearing. **All voted Aye on Roll Call Vote.**

It was moved by Mrs. Augustine, seconded by Mr. Burke and carried to adopt on final reading **AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE VARIOUS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KINGWOOD IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.**

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>None</b>

**RESOLUTIONS**

The following Resolution were introduced:

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2006 - 14**

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SALARIES FOR 2006**

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 13-16-2006 contains the Salary Range for the Public Works Employees for the year 2006;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that the following salaries are established for the year 2006:

Jack Search	\$ 36.01
Mark Petro	\$ 27.57
J. Barry Ewing	\$ 25.99
Charles Kocsis	\$ 24.52
David Zyck	\$ 24.52

It was moved by Mrs. Augustine, seconded by Mr. Burke and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution for Kingwood Township.

**Roll Call Vote:**

<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepki</b>
<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

The following Resolution was introduced:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2006 – 15**

**RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT FEES**

**WHEREAS**, Kingwood Township intends to utilize the receipts of the Retail Food Establishment Fees to reimburse the County for their inspection fees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey, that the Treasurer be authorized to charge the County inspection fee against the receivable Board of Health Fees/Retail Food Establishment Fee.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

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<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Length of Service Award Program: Members Eligible for 2005 Cost of Living Increase**

Mayor Zdepski reviews and reads list of members for both the Fire Co. and Rescue Squad. A Resolution to be adopted at the March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting at 4.5% interest for the maximum amount.

**Cross Acceptance Committee**

Mayor Zdepski reviewed the members and would like to keep all the members that are currently on the committee from last year. Also stated he would be replacing Stephen Rawlyk on the Committee for this year. Mayor will contact Michael DeSapio to see if he will be attending the County meetings.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Construction Department – Electric, Fire, Plumbing Inspections**  
**Review Electrical Resumes:**

Township Committee indicated they will review in closed session and discuss again after returning to regular session.

**PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE #1016-33-004-004 PERSON TO PERSON TRANSFER APPLICATION.**

No action taken at this time.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – RESOLUTION NO. 2006-16**

Following a brief recess, and at approximately 9:30 P.M. the following Resolution was introduced to enter into closed session:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2006 – 16**

**WHEREAS**, Section 7 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975(R.S.10:4-13) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting or a portion of meeting of this public body in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from the meeting or a portion of a meeting at which this public body discusses the hereinafter specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:  
  
Litigation  
Personnel
3. The time when the circumstances under which the discussions conducted in closed session of this public body can be disclosed to the public is as follows:  
  
The minutes of the closed session will be made public upon conclusion, dismissal or settlement of litigation; or final resolution of agreements or personnel matters; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and -13.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
5. The Township Committee may take additional action upon returning to regular session.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution. **All** voted **Aye** on **Roll Call Vote**.

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to return to regular session at 11:00 P.M. **All** voted **Aye** on **Roll Call Vote**.

**LANDLORD REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS**

Housing Officer, Joseph Abel discussed Landlord Registration Applications to the Township Committee and how important it is for all apartment owners to register with the State. It is for the protection of the landlord and the renter. It was discussed that Attorney Novak and Housing Officer Abel will together write a letter to be sent out to the residents in a mailing informing them of the Landlord Registration Applications.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to send all residents of the Township of Kingwood a letter from Joseph Abel, Housing Officer notifying any Landlords to file with the State a Landlord Registration Application.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**HEALTH BENEFITS**

There was a discussion for the Township to pick up AARP Health Insurance for Committeewoman, Marge Augustine.

It was moved by Mr. Burke to approve to pay for health benefits through AARP to replace the N.J. State Health Benefits the Township would be obtaining for Committeewoman Marge Augustine, being effective on January 1, 2006. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine</b>

**CONTRUCTION OFFICIAL'S HOURS**

There was a discussion on the Construction Official's hours. It was decided by the Township Committee that Wayne Degan, Construction Official have hours every Wednesday evening, preferably hours from 6 P.M. till 8 P.M. They did say that Mr. Degan could pick any hours as long as he is here for the two hours in the evening. Clerk MacConnell to speak with Mr. Degan and decide the times he will be here on Wednesdays.

**MUNICIPAL COURT SECURITY OFFICER**

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to hire Harry Hults as Court Security Officer for the Kingwood Township Municipal Court, effective Thursday, February 16, 2005 with a salary of \$27.50 per hour.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepksi</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**RESOLUTION**

The following Resolution was introduced:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2006 – 18**

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR APPOINTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Kingwood is currently in need of an Emergency Management Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, Steven A. Zdepksi is qualified for this position;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey to appoint Steven A. Zdepksi to the position of Emergency Management Coordinator for a three year term beginning January 1, 2006 and ending December 31, 2008.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepksi</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT – ELECTRICAL, FIRE, PLUMBING INSPECTIONS**

Deputy Mayor Burke suggested that it would be a good idea to speak to the Township’s Construction Official Wayne Degan. They would like to get his opinion and recommendations.

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Also, it was discussed the Township may need to extend the time for the use of EIC Inspection Services until they have decided whether to hire their own plumbing, fire, and electrical inspectors.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to extend the contract with EIC Inspection Services to do inspections for the Township until April 7, 2006.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**MINUTES**

It was moved by Mr. Burke to adopt the Minutes of the January 7, 2005 Special Meeting and place on file. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine</b>

It was moved by Mr. Burke to adopt the minutes of the January 7, 2005 Executive Session and place on file. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine</b>

It was moved by Mr. Burke to adopt the minutes of the December 6, 2005 Regular Meeting and place on file. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine</b>

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It was moved by Mr. Burke to adopt the minutes of the December 6, 2005 Executive Session and place on file. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine</b>

It was moved by Mr. Burke to adopt the minutes of the December 12, 2005 Special Meeting and place on file. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>Nay</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine</b>

It was moved by Mr. Burke to adopt the minutes of the December 12, 2005 Executive Session and place on file. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine</b>

It was moved by Mr. Burke to adopt the minutes of the December, 13, 2005 Special Meeting and place on file. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine</b>

It was moved by Mr. Burke to adopt the minutes of the December 30, 2005 Special Meeting and place on file. Mayor Zdepski stepped down from the chair, seconded and carried the motion.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Burke</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- Augustine, Zdepski</b>

It was moved by Mrs. Augustine, seconded by Mr. Burke and carried to adopt the Minutes of the January 1, 2006 Reorganization Meeting and place on file.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ASTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**PROPERTY ON ROUTE 29 BLOCK 40 LOT 5 AND BLOCK 50 LOT 17**

Attorney Novak explains that there is a letter from the State Green Acres offering to purchase the property. Mayor Zdepski addresses Clerk MacConnell to send a letter to the State Green Acres accepting their offer to purchase.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to accept the prior written offer of the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection - Green Acres Program, dated January 12, 2006, in the amount of \$185,000.00, and to be used as an addition to the New Jersey Department of Parks and Forestry's Delaware River Bluffs Project for passive public recreation and conservation purposes.

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>- Augustine, Burke, Zdepski</b>
	<b>NAY</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>- None</b>
	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>- None</b>

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Augustine and carried to adjourn The meeting at 11:23 P.M. **All voted Aye on Roll Call Vote.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Cynthia L. Brown, RMC  
Deputy Clerk**