

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Tabled: September 21, 2009

Introduced: September 28, 2009

Adopted:

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

MAYOR

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP CLERK, RMC

Mr. Cardis stated that this does not obligate us to go up to the 3.5 cap.

Mr. Mercado made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Lovett. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Motion carried 7-0.

R-09:09-262 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER MAKING APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.46

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the township of Gloucester in the County of Camden desires to make application to the Local Finance Board for its approval of a proposed levy cap waiver pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.46 and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council believes that:

- (A) it is in the public interest to accomplish such purpose; and
- (B) the appropriation cap waiver is for the health, wealth, convenience or betterment of the inhabitants of the Township of Gloucester; and
- (C) the proposal is an efficient and feasible means of providing services for the needs of the inhabitants of the Township of Gloucester and will not create an undue financial burden to be placed upon the Township of Gloucester;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester as follows:

Section 1. The application to the Local Finance Board if hereby approved, and the Chief Financial Officer, along with other representatives of the Township of Gloucester are hereby authorized to prepare such application and to represent the Township of Gloucester in matters pertaining thereto.

Section 2. The Municipal Clerk of the Township of Gloucester is hereby directed to file a copy of the proposed appropriation cap waiver with the Local Finance Board as part of such application.

Section 3. The Local Finance Board is hereby respectfully requested to consider such application and to record its findings, recommendations and/or approvals as provided by the applicable New Jersey Statute.

Record Vote

Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Lovett			
Mrs. Evans			
Mr. Garbowski			
Mr. Hutchison			
Mr. Mercado			
Mr. Schmidt			
Mr. Bianchini			

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Mr. Cardis explained this resolution.

Mr. Mercado made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Lovett. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Hutchison questioned how the state will view our request for extra-ordinary aid. He stated that we will ask the state for \$4,171,396.00.

R-09:09-263 RESOLUTION INTRODUCING THE 2009/2010 FISCAL YEAR MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Mrs. Lovett made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mrs. Evans.

Roll call vote:

Mrs. Lovett asked why no one wanted to make the motion for this resolution. She stated that the introduction is the beginning of the process. She stated that no one wanted to take the initiative to introduce. She stated that this budget suffers from revenue and she stated that she looks forward to working with the Mayor. She therefore voted yes.

Mrs. Evans stated she is looking forward to the introduction of the budget so that Council could look at the budget and see what they could cut. She therefore voted yes.

Mr. Garbowski voted yes.

Mr. Hutchison spoke about the fines and penalties that were levied against the township. He asked what account these fines came out of and was it appropriate to take the fines out of these accounts. He asked if the Mayor was aware where the money came from to pay these penalties and fines. He wanted to know why this was buried in the Bank Fee Account. Mr. Cardis stated that this was never put in this account to be evasive. Mr. Hutchison asked if a lay person would think that someone is hiding these penalties when looking at this budget. Mr. Hutchison stated that he would like to see an account just for penalties to make it more transparent to the residents. Mr. Hutchison asked why the money was not paid on time. Mr. Cardis reiterated the explanation given to the council by the CFO. Mrs. Evans asked if anyone had contacted our Legislators. Mr. Cardis stated that this was done when the omission was discovered. Mr. Bianchini asked from an accounting standpoint, was it normal to put the penalties in an established account or to make a new account. Mr. Cardis stated it would depend on the circumstances. He stated that he tries to stay away from too many miscellaneous accounts. He stated that it is too much to review. There was more discussion concerning these accounts. Mrs. Evans asked if we have exhausted every avenue to have the pension and IRS penalties waived. Mr. Hutchison asked what was done so that no further late payments occur. Mayor Rau-Hatton stated that she has had meetings, they have discussed an action plan and have taken corrective action. Mayor Rau-Hatton reiterated why the problem occurred. She stated that it was an innocent mistake.

Mr. Hutchison voted no.

Mr. Schmidt voted no.

Mr. Mercado voted yes.

Mr. Bianchini voted yes

Motion carried. 5-2.

Mr. Mercado made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Garbowski. Roll call vote: All in favor. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

President of Council

Rosemary DiJosie
Township Clerk, RMC