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Township Committee March 17, 2008

Devinney, Hinkle, Templeton, Ouellette Fitzpatrick

Also Present: Steven Corcoran, Twp. Administrator, Mr, Kearns, Twp. Solicitor; Karen Zimmermann, Deputy Municipal Clerk; John Fenimore, Public Works ; Chief Parson, Delanco Police

****SPECIAL PRESENTATION** RESOLUTION 2008-40 RESOLUTION HONORING COBY FRIER OF SURF AND TURF POWER SPORTS in recognition of his donation of two ATV's to our police department.**

Passed unanimously

*******PRESENTATION***** EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT UPDATE Steven Lohr**

Lohr: Consulted with engineer re: Vine Street pocket park. Presented three proposals to Township Committee. Hardest part will be walkway. Brick pavers would be the most expensive. Wallace Paving can provide asphalt and provide support for \$1000. Crushed gravel is an option – troop support to put in. Benches will be the best that funds allow. Fence – 4-5 ft. high post and rail to allow police to see. Low maintenance shrubbery will be installed as will a few trees – possibly dogwood. Talking to nursery in Mt. Laurel regarding shrubs. Troop leaders have offered to volunteer their time.

Ouellette Steve's Eagle Scout project is the open lot at Vine and Burlington. He is building a passive park there.

Fitzpatrick: Rec had \$10,000 in capital bond account that we were going to contribute. Those funds were used. However, if you go to a Rec meeting, we would be able to afford some funds out of the capital improvement fund that we get from developers. Fence is just along the property line in the back. Nice job.

Hinkle: Let them know that you are open to donations.

Lohr: I am in the process of sending letters to local community businesses.

(Copies of proposals were passed among the public)

ORDINANCE 2008-1 C A L E N D A R Y E A R 2 0 0 8

MODEL ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

2ND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Resident of McCay: Last time we were here, the applicant for the mansion held a public meeting, and then there was an executive. Was there a public session tonight like there was for that group?

Ouellette: The Alley(not sure if this spelling is right) Group came in with financial information. We met in executive as we had done with the other group.

Resident: There wasn't anything that we could ask them as we did the other group.

Ouellette: I apologize for not retaining them and having them come into the public session.

Resident of McCay2: Explain ordinance

Corcoran: Law allows cap increase from 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 %

Resident: Can you explain what going over the cap amounts to?

Ouellette: If we go beyond the 3 1/2% we would have to go to the state for a cap waiver.

Going for a referendum and being turned down would have us go back to 2 1/2%

Resident: Still an option to vote?

Ouellette: No

Fitzpatrick: Not an option.

HEARING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Passed unanimously

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: RESOLUTION 2008-51 SUPPORTING THE CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION OF MAY 19 – JUNE 1, 2008

RESOLUTION 2008-52 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF EMPLOYMENT OF AGREEMENT – DELANCO POLICE ASSOCIATION

(Removed from consent agenda – no reflection on agreement. Not everyone had the opportunity to read the final agreement. Moved to next meeting.)

PAYMENT OF BILLS

GENERAL \$833,690.53

PAYROLL 226,748.95

TRUST 10,780.70

PUBLIC DEFENDER 150.00

RESOLUTION 2008-53 WHEREAS, there are certain 2007 budget appropriations of the Township of Delanco which are insufficient to meet the requirements of the Township affairs; and WHEREAS, there are certain other budget appropriations where there are unexpended balances which will not be used for such; and WHEREAS, N.J.S.40A:4-58 provides for the transfer from such accounts the unexpended balances to those accounts which are short. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following transfers be made among the following accounts:

FROM:

Administrative & Executive – Other Expenses \$4,671.80

TO:

Engineering – Other Expenses \$4,141.75

Solid Waste Collection – Other Expenses 530.05

TOTAL \$4,671.80

FROM:

Administrative – Other Expenses \$1,000.00

Tax Assessor – Other Expenses 1,200.00

Legal Services 1,000.00

Economic Development Agency 1,000.00

Joint Land Use Board – Salaries & Wages 1,677.43

Joint Land Use Board – Other Expenses 3,000.00

Streets & Roads – Other Expenses 1,000.00

Pub Bldgs & Grounds – Other Expenses 3,000.00
Animal Control – Other Expenses 1,000.00
Registrar Of Vital Statistics – Other Expenses 950.00
Recreation – Salaries & Wages 293.50
Utilities – Telephone 1,760.91
Utilities – Water 1,208.69
Utilities – Telecommunications 1,681.66
Utilities – Gasoline & Diesel 5,129.55
Solid Waste Disposal – Landfill 1,709.74
Contingent 2,500.00
Social Security 1,013.50
Municipal Court – Salaries & Wages 10,695.37
TOTAL \$40,820.35
TO:
Accumulated Leave Compensation \$40,820.35

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1/14/08, 1/28/08, 2/11/08, 2/16/08, 2/23/08, 3/1/08

(Removed since all didn't have the opportunity to fully read the minutes)

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

ORDINANCE 2005-20 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISTON OF REAL PROPERTY -

Ouellette: authorizing the Township Administrator to direct the Bond Counsel to start the process. Not a new ordinance, acting on one that had been passed. Putting in place in case we need to go to bonding for the mansion.

Fitzpatrick: Or a short-term note

Kearns: It's tied into your budget process.

Passed unanimously

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR to appoint Committeeman Ed Devinney as Deputy Mayor from March 21, 2008 to March 30, 2008.

Passed unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. American Legion – Riverside Memorial Day Parade – Monday, May 26.
2. NJ State DOT – no Centers of Place Grant for Delanco this year
3. Recreation Commission – Sun May 25 at Larchmont and Burlington- assemble at 1:00 to march at 1:30. Ceremony to follow at Gateway.
4. Letter regarding annual school election – April 15th.

Fitzpatrick: Public hearing March 19th for school budget at 7:30 at Pearson School.

Open to public:

Resident of Walters: Affected by March 8 storm. Township trees came down ruining a couple of cars. Another of the same type of tree came down recently – 3 in a total of 3

years within 150 ft. (Showed photos). They were rotten. Can the Township inspect them? We had no insurance on the car; we were out of power and phone. It's more important that no one got hurt. Concerned about what could happen in the future.

Fitzpatrick: One and a half trees came down on Rancocas.

Resident: Neighbor has lost two cars at their house in three years.

Fitzpatrick: Problems with some of the pear trees.

Hinkle: Hard to tell if it's rotten inside.

Fenimore: You can take a fine drill bit and drill into the tree to check. If it's white, it's good. There are two more trees down there. Sidewalk has been replaced. Trees are swamp maples and they don't last that long. They should come down. I would recommend taking them down. Stump was hollow inside.

Resident: Fortunate that no one got hurt. Neighbor was on her way to our house when the tree snapped wires and utility pole as she was coming over to our house. Three trees in a 150 ft. radius.

Hinkle: I will bring it up at Shade Tree.

Resident: Should I also go to Shade Tree?

Hinkle: Applications are available.

Resident: I will follow up with a letter to Mr. Corcoran. Am I allowed to put it in writing if it's not on my property?

(I missed the answer to this.)

Resident of Pennington: Update on Pulte's old bonds and new bond for basin?

Corcoran: No change. Still waiting on Pulte

Resident: Any pressure that can be put on Pulte for bond on basin?

Fitzpatrick: Release of the bonds should be pressure enough. We can have Doug follow up with a letter.

Corcoran: Spoke with them. This is typical Pulte.

Fitzpatrick: They did cut the basin, didn't they? They did cut the mound.

Resident: Fences and weedkiller were to put placed and mow line established. We're not responsible for basin, but have obligation to imaginary mow line.

Fitzpatrick: I was part of that meeting. I will follow up with Scott.

Resident: I heard there was a dispute regarding the amount.

Corcoran: True

Fitzpatrick: Mow line was determined the day we walked. Pulte had a representative and Scott was there. It was my understanding that the mow line would be extended.

Resident: First step was to put up silt fence to establish an aesthetically pleasing line.

We'll be in the same position we were in last year.

Fitzpatrick: We need to get Scott and Doug on this.

Ouellette: It is Pulte's responsibility to place this fence.

Fitzpatrick: Yes

Resident of McCay: Can Committee send Pulte a letter requesting a spring clean-up for basin? Trash build up goes to the Rancocas.

Fitzpatrick: Should be addressed when Doug and Scott deal with Pulte. Couldn't put weedkiller down until something was growing.

Resident: Clean out should be done prior due to spring rains. I've called numerous times in previous years.

Templeton: Have you called code enforcement? Mr. Goffredo can cite them. If they had to come before a judge and be fined, they might...

Ouellette: Is there a correction that homeowners' association can do?

Fenimore: It was really bad when they cut it when it was too high. One problem was that they had to drop the openings. When Pulte puts out recycling it comes right out the drain. We'll have to work on getting some covers out there.

Resident of Walters 2: Public thanks to public works for fast clean-up of our street and for contacting public utilities. Is there a form for each tree? Do we label them? What about the one on Hawk Island?

Hinkle: Just tell us the location.

Devinney: Also like to thank John for all the work he and his crew did last weekend.

Fenimore: We got no coverage from *Burlington County Times* – we had 70-80 trees down. Firehouse had 10-12 back at their place.

Resident of Maple: Accumulated leave compensation of \$40,000 – one time or ongoing?

Templeton: We are funding an account that was unfunded for some time

Resident: How much more needs to be added? What about consolidating local municipalities and staying proactive?

Hinkle: We have many shared services. That's Mr. Corzine's idea.

Resident: He is targeting municipalities under 5000.

Devinney: I went to meeting of League of Municipalities with Ouellette and Templeton. It seems to make sense to consolidate, but it seems that when you look at actual costs per capita, the small communities do a better job. As you become bigger, you become less efficient.

Templeton: 1/3 of our employees are part time and are working for other municipalities. They are shared.

Resident: How much more needs to be paid for accumulated leave?

Devinney: Most of our budget is salaries and wages. It isn't a big number compared to what we are paying. We have to keep that fund up.

Ouellette: We came under budget last year. There were dollars that were not spent. This fund has been low. When people retire, they need those dollars.

Resident: Workers usually get leave or compensation, not both.

Ouellette: It goes to employees who have put in time over the years and haven't been paid. We owe those dollars to those employees.

Resident: Any control on that?

Ouellette: Yes, but you run into emergencies.

Kearns: Various types of leave. Sick leave established by statute and contract. It's carried over. If they get to the point of retiring, they get a portion of that. If you have a number of long-time employees who haven't been sick, you need to have the money to pay for it.

Resident: 100%?

Corcoran: It varies.

Kearns: Typically for \$100,000 of leave time – they would get \$75,000. I'm giving you exaggerated numbers. It's been used in compensatory time. To avoid the build up, you should pay the year they earn it. You are better off paying that out early on.

Resident: I suggest you look at that going forward.

Kearns: Also gets into labor contracts.

Templeton: Audit from 2006 – compensated time was valued at \$271,000, but the account didn't have any money in it.

Fitzpatrick: Large amount was due to the administrator. He waived that in lieu of benefits after retirement. Anything he has accrued up to 2007, he will not be taking. He will be taking insurance instead, saving the township money.

Resident: Who does oversight on this?

All: Township Committee

Resident of Union: Steve Lohr had to leave. He would like a decision on the proposal.

Much of his donated labor will be busy when the weather gets nice.

Fitzpatrick: I like 3 without tar paths.

Resident: I'll tell him number 3 without tar surfaces.

Resident: Budget - \$1450 increase. Where did the excess money go if you need so much money this year?

Ouellette: Added dollars go into surplus. First year I was on committee, we deferred 9 cents. Last year we had that in addition to last year's increase. We are starting this year at 10 cents. As of last Saturday, we are below 15 cents. I'm not sure if Mr. Corcoran was able to run the numbers from Saturday. We have increases in insurance and utilities and gas... costs have escalated here. For a number of years, there was no tax increase, but we kept spending money. If we had gone 3 or 4 cents then, the pain would be less now.

Fitzpatrick: We were talking 17 cents Fern's first year. We cut it to 9 cents and deferred 9 cents. The state added a cent. We started at 10 cents. Last year I voted the budget down. There was only one year at 0. There shouldn't be years like that – there should be something. Our surplus is down. We are staying under cap. We need to live within our means. I missed Saturday – ill. I recommended that every department receive a memo to cut 15%. That would bring us down to 10 cents.

Ouellette: Departments came in with lower budgets. Some of those cuts were made.

State took away almost \$300,000.

Fitzpatrick: Before last Saturday, we had cut \$515,000 and needed to cut \$222,000 to be within cap guideline. We have to cut more.

Resident: It would be nice to see you cut more. A lot of the seniors don't know what is going on.

Fitzpatrick: I get it to them.

Resident: Not every one of them. The vote would be great. Let everyone know what is going on.

Devinney: They have to do that. That is the citizens' responsibility. We can't take the place of the citizen.

Resident: I don't think anyone has the fair say to vote for the 3 ½ %. Not everyone has the money in their back pocket.

Devinney: You're right. It's a terrible thing. We lived off the surplus. We can't raid it. We won't replace vacancies in public works and police.

Resident: If people can't afford it, they can't afford to keep their properties up or stay in them.

Devinney: We don't collect enough at the higher tax brackets. I've written my legislators and suggest you do. This is a regressive tax.

Fitzpatrick: In 2002, I brought in a presentation of the Smart Tax. They need to reform taxes, not mandate paid leave and a new purchasing agent. They've taken half of our funds away. They think small towns should merge. Like Ed said, we are cheaper. I suggested that we prepare a petition and we all need to sign it. Mr. Kearns has prepared it. Maybe we should recall Corzine. We need your help too. You need to call the governor. Who has the right to say that we don't get money back to run our town when we have paid it? They have been talking about a constitutional convention for years. I would gladly lead a group

Resident: While we are waiting for the state, keep in mind the (missed this)

Resident of Burlington Ave: When can the public look at this proposed budget?

Ouellette: Auditor has instructed us not to introduce the budget. At the beginning of April, we can put out what we have, knowing that we are still working on it.

Resident: Regarding accumulative leave, not everyone gets paid at the end of the contract for work they didn't do. We should look at the contracts.

Templeton: Current budget and the original could be on the website so people can see where we started and where we are now.

Devinney: If we publish it, we are introducing, which cuts our time to work on it.

Ouellette: Last year, when we got the cap level approval we were locked out last year.

Templeton: We weren't told that last year by the folks who had done it before.

Ouellette: Mr. Stewart has strongly advised that we don't introduce at this time due to things happening in April.

Resident of McCay: When is the next session?

Ouellette: We've worked the last five in a row. We won't be meeting the next 2.

Fitzpatrick: Monday, the 24th is out.

Ouellette: It's out. When we do set another date, we will make it known.

Devinney: Budget meetings are public. Haven't been well attended. Public can't participate; we don't formally take questions. We're putting a lot of time into it. It's your time.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. MANSION UPDATE

Ouellette: Negotiations with a couple of folks – subcommittee met with one group last week. Discussions ongoing.

Devinney: Fitzpatrick and I met with Zurbrugg Partnership. Can't say more due to negotiations.

Corcoran: Mold remediation – found there was a water leak at one time in the stairwell. FEMA will fund.

Templeton: Does accepting FEMA money restrict township in terms of future use of building or property?

Corcoran: Not to my knowledge

Templeton: I received an email exchange from Ryan saying Township Committee is considering reassigning COAH to mansion. Who is speaking on behalf of the committee?

Corcoran: No idea. Told Ryan to stop calling me; I'm not in the loop. My email is probably one I sent to Kevin asking him to put a stop to it.

Templeton: Seems someone has a conflict of interest. Perhaps not acting in the best interest of the township.

Corcoran: Baffling. That's why I contacted Kevin.

Ouellette: Oil tanks?

Corcoran: Between \$5-10,000 – filed a claim with EJIF to determine if we have coverage. At the moment, there is no environmental issue.

Fitzpatrick: Seller should have disclosed. I wouldn't say it's going to cost us x amount of dollars. If there is a remediation, seller is responsible.

Corcoran: Yes.

2. PROPOSED ORDINANCE – PARKING PENNSYLVANIA AVE. (Chief)

Asking people parking on right side of Pennsylvania Ave to park on grass so they don't block neighbors driveways and all of the side streets. NJ Transit will need to address the need for more parking in the lot. We would like to amend the ordinance so that people can park on the grass. It can be adjusted again later.

Fitzpatrick: Did you get a copy of the complaint from a resident on Pennsylvania Ave?

Chief: Not a safety issue.

Fitzpatrick: Sometimes they aren't parked all the way on the grass.

Chief: Not a safety issue. What would happen on the other streets would be worse.

Fitzpatrick: People from the train are still parking on the side streets. Some of those houses don't have driveways. Best is for light rail to open up that grassy area. They need more than 50 spots.

Templeton: Grassy area when you first come in?

Chief: Yes

Corcoran: We are working on a proposal..

Templeton: I talked with Mr. North at NJ Transit. He said several years ago the township and NJ Transit were close to an agreement to use that lot to provide for temporary lot, said contact stopped. He said we could get an agreement in the next two weeks. He said that they could possibly get materials.

Corcoran: NJ Transit is ready to sign off.

Chief: In the interim, I would like to amend that. I don't want people to think we aren't doing our job.

Fenimore: They could rib out the shrubs and provide thirty extra spots and dress it up a little bit and be done with it. The trash down there is unbelievable. I put a trash can down there.

Templeton: I told Mr. North that people were driving to Delanco because they didn't feel safe at some of the other stops.

Ordinance 2008-2 1st reading April 21st.

Fitzpatrick: It looks unsightly. I would hope it would be resolved soon.

Corcoran: I believe we could get a lot of material donated.

Fitzpatrick: It shouldn't cost us a cent.

Corcoran: Except it was Delanco that asked them to downsize it.

Fitzpatrick: This is a new committee.

Corcoran: Let's wait and see what is involved. The reason it didn't go forward is that there was no funding.

Passed unanimously

3. GARBAGE COLLECTION (Township Administrator)

Ouellette: We can save dollars by collecting garbage once a week.

Corcoran: Can save by reducing two collections to one collection. Not sure how far I can go since we are discussing a contract. It's a significant savings.

Templeton: What is the savings?

Kearns: Can't discuss

Fitzpatrick: So we are only authorizing you to negotiate

Corcoran: I would go ahead if the savings are in line with what I showed you on Saturday.

Ouellette: Do we have any say in the day? Not Mondays.

Fitzpatrick: They pick up on holidays.

Resident: Not in the 2nd district.

4. TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE

May 3rd, May 17th Wait until Fall (Municipal Clerk's Dept.)

Fitzpatrick: Objects to both dates. May 3 is library tea and the 17th is a benefit for Jack Towell.

Ouellette: EMS is going to handle the banner.

Ouellette: Might bring more people to the tea if the yard sale was that day.

Zimmerman: EMS preferred May 17th.

Fitzpatrick: Let's go with that since the benefit will be at night.

5. BUDGET UPDATE

Ouellette: Trash to once a week. *Beverly Bee* will not be delivered to homes – savings of over \$3000 in postage..

Fitzpatrick: Beverly would like to speak to the Township Committee

Ouellette: I met with her. She will drop off the papers. \$327/month. There is an administrative fee. The postage will be the savings.

Devinney: Go for it.

Templeton: Agreed

Hinkle: Yes

Ouellette: Effective April 1 – *Beverly Bee* can be picked up John Browne's, Newton's Landing, or Municipal Building. We will ask other businesses if they are willing to have them on their counters.

6. NEED FOR TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING ON MARCH 31ST (Township Admin) – budget and mansion – deadlines or financing.

By Resolution – Passed unanimously

COMMENTS – PROFESSIONALS

COMMENTS – TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR

Corcoran: Creek Rd. Bypass - \$1 million – final drawings being completed. Offer has been made for property. Construction to start the latter part of this year.

COMMENTS - DEPARTMENT HEADS

1. Police

-Cops and Lobsters – RT. 130 Delran benefit for Special Olympics

-Combining forces – 20 years ago did a study of 5 towns– 10 years ago state did a study on 4 towns. We've been trying to get help from the state for 20 years. We were talking about road departments combining years ago – detailed study was done and nothing ever happened.

-Pension – state decided not to have us pay a dime into the pension. They were paying politics. It was coming to bite you later on. The overtime and comp time is due to civil service rules and regulations – it's carried over. When you retire, instead of getting time and a half, you only get half. It's contractual and capped as well.

2. Public Works

-Cleaned out 47 drains, trimmed 70 trees, readied fields.

-Can't build the other field – will approach Recreation

- Shared services – department has done for years. Gas pump shared with several towns; compost site shared with Edgewater and Beverly –earns \$9000 a year. We help Beverly Cemetery, share salt barn with Delran $\frac{1}{2}$ the cost. Delran grinds our wood chips; we sell for \$6/yd. Share stump grinder and bucket truck. County takes our leaves and make topsoil and sell it. I couldn't get rid of those leaves. I don't want to hear about shared services.

Templeton: Can I have a copy to send to Governor Corzine?

Ouellette: Certificate that came in certifying John's completion of OSHA training.

Fenimore: This means I'm in charge of the air ducts in here.

Ouellette: I had the opportunity to help these guys out on Sunday after the storm. John's guys were very conscious of safety issues. Great communication among the team.

Fenimore: Fire department helped out. They lit the entire block.

Ouellette: When we get into emergency situations, people just come together and pull through. It's people taking care of people.

Cherkis:(This is a representative of the group which proposed consolidation of the COAH obligations at RiversEdge and Creekside in the Zurbrugg mansion. Please see last week's report by David Suter. I had no internet access due to the storm, so he kindly sent out notes for me. I'm not sure why Mr. Cherkis was at the microphone at this point in the meeting. He wasn't on the agenda and it wasn't open to the public.) Hoping for more

clarification. We agreed that there was an urgent deadline. Closure for June 30. Redevelopment agreement. Waterfront lots weren't resolved. Meeting was held on Friday with subcommittee to get consensus on those issues. Nothing was signed, but there was an agreement. Because of that we've had our professionals work over the weekend. We've had Ryan and our professionals meet to discuss how the COAH transfer would work. I was taken back on how little discussion there was on this tonight. Ouellette: It's going to be a busy week. Now these folks on committee need to digest and discuss. Things are going to happen, but they aren't going to happen tonight. Cherkis: I thought there would be more discussion in public. How would this happen by March 31?

Fitzpatrick: I thought we were going to have a special meeting.

Ouellette: We're scheduled for April 1 with Joint Land Use. We need to meet and consult with our attorney.

Cherkis: That's encouraging to hear.

Devinney: I didn't want to give away any details that you would not want to give away.

Cherkis: I wanted to come up here at the right time.

Resident: Reconsider the *Bee* for one month for Boy Scouts mulch sale.

Fitzpatrick: I don't think one month is going to save us a whole lot of money.

Township Committee agreed to keep home delivery of the *Bee* for one more month.

COMMENTS - TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Hinkle:

-Trees to be replanted on Pennington Ct.

-Was looking into solar panels – working with Mr. Denton. Need to drop for now since we don't have start up funds.

Templeton:

-Asked Keith to talk about the birdhouses.

Leitzio: Scouts were approached to build houses for migratory bluebird houses. We have 15 to install.

Templeton: Environmental Advisory Board is site-surveying locations.

Leitzio: They want posts 3 ft. deep.

Templeton: We will work something out.

Hinkle: Would be a good fundraiser – building birdhouses

Leitzio: (missed) Cedar Products donated wood.

Templeton:

-Comment from storm – streetlight pulled out of its mounts in front of 7Eleven. Doesn't look like it was installed right from the way it fell. We should ask PSE&G to inspect all the light poles on Burlington Ave.

Fenimore: They need to check those poles.

Corcoran: I've already passed it on

Fitzpatrick:

-Senior meeting – home and identity protection

- School board meeting re budget – will be presented March 19. Vote April 15
- DYSA – April 19th is opening day.
- met with Zurbrugg Partnership – need to talk with other members of committee. We will be able to put the building in someone's hands soon.
- St. Patrick's Day – "When Irish eyes are smiling, you know someone else is buying the drinks." (There were two others similar to the above.)

Devinney:

- Attended library meeting regarding budget – a 15% cut puts them under water. None of these cuts are good.
- Spent a lot of time on budget trying to hack down numbers

Ouelette:

- School Board Meeting – Gifted and Talented brochures on Delanco in area markets.
- Discussion of irrigation of sports fields behind the schools.
- EMS meeting – yard sale support – community day will be last week of September or first week of October.

*Submitted by Maureen Barrett
Meeting ended at about 10:20pm*