

**MINUTES OF WORK/BUDGET MEETING**  
**January 14, 2015**

The work/budget meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 and was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Christopher Kuhn.

**SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT:**

Under the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by posting notice on the Township bulletin board and by e mailing notice to the New Jersey Herald and the Express-Times.

**ROLL CALL:**

Those present were: Mayor Christopher Kuhn, Deputy Mayor Christopher Stracco, Committeeman Frank Desiderio, Committeeman Alan DeCarolis, Committeeman David Boynton, CFO Danette Dyer and Clerk Brenda Kleber.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The critical areas map that was approved by the Land Use Board meeting was discussed. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Desiderio authorizing Mr. Stracco to contact the attorney to draft an ordinance to replace the map. All were in favor.

The capital expenses were discussed. Motion was made by Mr. Desiderio, seconded by Mr. Boynton to authorize \$265,000.00 in total capital. \$40,000 will come from the truck budget. \$30,000.00 will be for road maintenance and software; \$12,000.00 for engineering on State Park Road, \$15,000.00 for engineering on Kerr Road. \$174,000.00 for overlay 2 miles and \$34,000.00 for tar & chip two miles. All were in favor. The total road department capital and expenses will be \$225,000.00.

An update on the Municipal Farm was given by Mr. Desiderio. Mr. Desiderio advised that the redesigned maps were received and were approved by him. We are preserving less than 30 acres which is okay with the county. The Mayor wants to use the money from this sale to pay down Kids Camp debt. Motion was made by Mr. Desiderio, seconded by Mr. DeCarolis to accept the revised map as per Sandy Urgo's recommendation. All were in favor.

An e mail from the municipal engineer Paul Sterbenz providing a fee for evaluating Mill Road was read. The cost to perform the field evaluation and prepare a preliminary cost estimate shall be \$800.00. Motion to approve the cost was made by Mr. DeCarolis, seconded by Mr. Boynton. Roll call vote to approve: Mr. DeCarolis-yes, Mr. Boynton-yes, Mr. Desiderio-no, Mr. Stracco-yes, Mr. Kuhn-yes.

Road Director, Alan DeCarolis reported that calcium is needed for the tractor tires. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. DeCarolis approving the amount of \$250.00 for this purchase. All was in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The 2015 agreement for The Land Conservancy of New Jersey was approved on motion made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Desiderio. All were in favor.

A subcontractor's agreement for snow removal will be prepared by the township attorney. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. DeCarolis authorizing the attorney to prepare the document. All were in favor.

A draft ordinance which will change the inconsistent language of the present ordinance and change the duties of the Recreation Committee was discussed.

The Mayor received information from the NJ State League of Municipalities on a scholarship competition for high school juniors and seniors for future municipal leaders. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Stracco to start the process. All were in favor.

**BUDGET PREPARATIONS:**

Richard O'Connor, Building Department Official presented his budget for the building department for Frelinghuysen and Green. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. DeCarolis to accept the budget as presented. All were in favor.

The 2015 salaries were discussed. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. DeCarolis to approve the changes made to the salaries. All were in favor.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**-none**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda J. Kleber, RMC