

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 8, 2017

The regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 and was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mayor, Frank Desiderio.

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 Frank Desiderio, Deputy Mayor Chris Stracco, Committeeman Charlie Marra, Committeeman Christopher Kuhn, Committeeman David Boynton, Attorney Edward Wacks, and Municipal Clerk Donna Zilberfarb.

MINUTES:

1. October 18, 2017 regular session meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Kuhn, seconded by Mr. Stracco. All were in favor. Mr. Boynton abstained.
2. October 18, 2017 executive session meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Marra, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor. Mr. Boynton abstained.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2017-70 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR THE DATE OF NOVEMBER 8, 2017 WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen have reviewed the bills submitted by the Municipal Clerk to the Frelinghuysen Township Committee for the date of NOVEMBER 8, 2017; and WHEREAS, the Finance Committee find these bills to be in order and recommend to the Township Committee that they be paid by the Chief Finance Officer. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Frelinghuysen Township Committee that all bills submitted for the above named month are reasonable and proper and are to be paid from their appropriate account. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Marra. All were in favor.

#2017-71 SETTING EXECUTIVE SESSION WHEREAS, it is necessary to discuss items dealing with the discussion of possible litigation and personnel matters and; WHEREAS, under the Open Public Meetings Act (number 8 of the permitted exceptions to the requirements that a public body hold its meetings in public) it is permissible that such matters be discussed in executive or private session. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on November 8 , 2017 that the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen will adjourn to private or executive session to discuss the above mentioned and results or portions of that discussion will be made known in reasonable length of time. Motion was made by Mr. Kuhn, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Verizon enhancing network – There is no update
- Service Electric Cable – nothing new to report.
- Pedestrian walkway – waiting to hear from the county
- Shared services for animal control – Mayor Desiderio is still working on.
- Pond Maintenance FFP – Hold to December
- Rec Center AC quotes - No update at this time

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Wacks discussed the genealogy report on foreclosed properties and asked to move forward with this report. After discussion, it was decided to table until December to make sure funding is available, which will be approximately \$2,500.00

Mr. Desiderio discussed lightening at the FFP and Rec Center. He stated it would cost \$17.00 per light per month. Mr. Boynton made a motion to do this lighting at the FFP and Rec Center for 2 lights at \$34.00 with funding from the open space fund, seconded by Mr. Kuhn. All were in favor.

Mr. Desiderio discussed that cable or directv should be brought to the Rec Center. After discussion, Mr. Desiderio will get pricing and Mr. Kuhn and Mr. Desiderio will look at the League for any information.

Mr. Boynton discussed the stop sign on State Park Road and how he has seen 6 to 7 cars going through it. He suggested talking to Forest Manor and its employees. Mr. Desiderio explained that he already spoke to them prior to the stop signs being put up, but he will speak to Forest Manor again.

Ms. Natyzak inquired how we identify the roads in the area for ambulances, deliveries, etc., and possibly changing some names of roads. After discussion, it was decided that Mr. Desiderio will put addresses for different roadways within the township that are questionable into his gps and will report back at the next meeting how those roads came up.

Mr. Desiderio explained that there have been bills recently for cats going to the vet. He explained that we don't license cats and now we are paying for these cats. He suggested looking into speaking to the pound and asking for a flat fee per year. Mr. Wacks told of some ladies in Allamuchy that take care of this kind of stuff and the town pays per year. Mr. Kuhn will look into and report back to the committee.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Motion was made by Mr. Kuhn, seconded by Mr. Boynton to open meeting to the public. All were in favor. Spoke were:

Ms. Natyzak inquired when the electric happened for the town and if there was a lawsuit with that group. She was told it started in October/November and Mr. Stracco and Mr. Desiderio explained about the lawsuit. Mr. Marra also shared an article on electric company for consortium - not the coop we are using - and asked everyone to read it to remind everyone to protect themselves.

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Stracco to close to the public. All were in favor.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Motion made by Mr. Stracco for consent agenda items 1-10 seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

DPW – Report is in the book. Ms. Zilberfarb let the Committee know that Tilcon would be starting paving on Stone Bridge Road on November 15th.

Land Manager – Nothing to report at this time.

Legal Report – Was discussed throughout the meeting.

Recreation Committee – Mr. Desiderio explained that Halloween was a smashing success with the help of Municipal Alliance. Special thanks to Dan Harman, Rich Dericks, Dan Carson and Loren Greco for all their help.

Mr. Desiderio also discussed that there is an interest for an outdoor wedding at the rec center for a complete day/weekend this summer.

Environmental Commission – No meeting

Farmland Preservation and Open Space Advisory Committee – Mr. Kuhn explained a couple of major farms that are going into preservation and the township would be responsible for 50% of due diligence only. The open space/rec trust fund was reviewed again. He explained that Corey Tierney was at the meeting discussing marketing the area and forming an agriculture coop.

Historic Committee – No meeting before this township meeting.

Mayor report – Nothing to report

Deputy Mayor report – Mr. Stracco discussed that The Nature Conservancy (signs), Albanese (home office), and Kulicke (interpretation of rental home), that all came before the land use board.

Committeeman Boynton – Inquired if the boat house is historic and if it is there should be money for refurbishing it. He has acontact at the WC Charitable Trust that is willing to work with us. Mr. Kuhn will get in touch with Mr. Boynton after the Historic Committee meets this month.

Committeeman Kuhn – Nothing to report

Committeeman Marra – Attended the WC governing officials meeting and got nothing out of it.

Clerk report – Ms. Zilberfarb reminded the Mayor and Committeemen about the tree lighting at the school on November 28, 2017.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Wacks explained to the public that the executive session would be for possible litigation and personnel reasons and that no further business would be conducted after executive session.

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Kuhn to enter into executive session.

No action was taken

Motion was made by Mr. Stracco, seconded by Mr. Kuhn to exit executive session.

ENTER BACK INTO REGULAR MEETING:

CORRESPONDENCE:

New Jersey State Senate – Regarding Senate bills 1045 and 1046.

New Jersey State Senate – Regarding Assembly 4532 and Senate bill 3049

State of New Jersey DEP – Radon Action Month information

State of New Jersey DEP – Suspected Hazardous substance discharge notification NJ DEP Case number: 17-11-02-1008-42

BEM Systems (NJDEP) – NJDOT Yellow Frame Maintenance Facility

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NJ Transit – Public Hearing Notice

The New Jersey Herald – Rate for official legal advertising.

Township of Mount Olive – copy of resolution sent for opposition of Senate Bills Nos. 1045 and 1046.

Blairstown Hose Company #1 – July, August and September Monthly report

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Desideiro, seconded by Mr. Kuhn to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, Municipal Clerk