

MINUTES OF MEETING OF NOVEMBER 21, 2016

The regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Wednesday, November 21, 2016 and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Deputy Mayor, Christopher Stracco.

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: Deputy Mayor Christopher Stracco, Committeeman David Boynton, Committeeman Frank Desiderio, Committeeman Alan DeCarolis, and Acting Clerk Donna Zilberfarb.

ORDINANCES:

#2016-112 ORDINANCE RELEASING, EXTINGUISHING AND VACATING THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC IN A STREET KNOWN AS CROSS ROAD IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND RESERVING ACCESS EASEMENTS. WHEREAS, a road known as Cross Road, in the Township of Frelinghuysen, as fully described in the Schedule attached hereto ("Cross Road"), is no longer needed for any public purpose; and WHEREAS, as such, Cross Road should be vacated, except to retain an easement for utility access and an access easement, as described in the attached Schedule. NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, Warren County, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Subject to the reservations and exceptions specified in this ordinance, the public rights and interests are hereby vacated with respect to a portion of Cross Road, which portion is more specifically set forth in the metes and bounds description which is attached as a Schedule hereto and made a part hereof.
2. All the rights of any and all public utilities, as defined at N.J.S.A. 48:2-13 and cable television companies, as defined at N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1, et seq., to provide future utilities or to maintain, repair and replace their existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the street, or any part thereof, to be vacated are hereby expressly reserved and excepted from this vacation in perpetuity.
3. All of the rights in a right of way as described in the Schedule attached hereto are to expressly reserved and excepted from this vacation in perpetuity.
4. This vacation is subject to the private rights of owners of lands whose curtilage contains the Cross Road right of way in order that said lands do not become landlocked.
5. Upon final adoption, a copy of this Ordinance shall be transmitted to the Warren County Clerk for recording as required by law.
6. This Ordinance shall take effect according to law.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN

DONNA ZILBERFARB, Acting Clerk

CHRISTOPHER KUHN, Mayor

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at the meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee held on November 21, 2016 and will be considered for final reading and adoption at the meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee to be held on December 21, 2016 at 7:30 pm at the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey at which time and place all interested parties may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Desiderio for introduction for first reading, seconded by Mr. Boynton. Roll call vote: Mr. DeCarolis-Yes; Mr. Boynton-Yes; Mr. Stracco-Yes; Mr. Desiderio-Yes. Second reading for adoption will be held on December 21, 2016 at 7:30 pm.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2016-112 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2016 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 month of NOVEMBER 2016; and WHEREAS, the Finance Committee find the 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. Desiderio as amended, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussion on the bill payment was had and 2 bills were held for more information. Ms. Zilberfarb will have answers on Monday, November 28, 2016.
- There will be a special meeting held on Monday, November 28, 2016 starting at 7:30 pm to discuss land acquisition. Ms. Zilberfarb will advertise for this meeting.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

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

Mr. Connor spoke regarding having Ms. Dyer complete paperwork from the trails grant to be reimbursed for the parking lot costs. Ms. Zilberfarb will discuss with Ms. Dyer.

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

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

Legal Report – Not in attendance

DPW Report – Nothing to report at this time

Land Managers – Nothing to report at this time.

Recreation Committee – Mr. Desiderio discussed the new jungle gym being installed and that the wood carpet was put down as well. He inquired where the funding would come from for the wood carpet. Ms. Zilberfarb will check with Ms. Dyer to confirm either open space or recreation and get back to Mr. Desiderio.

Environmental Commission– Nothing to report at this time

Farmland Preservation Committee – Nothing to report at this time

Open Space Advisory Committee – Nothing to report at this time.

Engineer Report - Mr. Sterbenz updated the committee on the different ongoing projects within the township. Bear Creek Road paving is complete and bills have been submitted by Tilcon for payment. He authorized payment of those invoices. He explained that he submitted to the DEP paperwork to rescind the sewer permit for the FFP property. Mr. Sterbenz is meeting with the historical committee tonight to discuss the salt shed and property at town hall. He also discussed that the local aid for 2017 is available and will keep the township posted on what can be gotten.

Mayor report – Not in attendance

Deputy Mayor report – Nothing to report at this time.

Committeeman Boynton report – Discussed the community center at the FFP and the auto door closures. He has gotten one set that he is going to try and see if they work for approximately \$35.00 per set, others were approximately \$80.00 per set. Mr. Boynton will let the committee know how this set works.

Committeeman DeCarolis – Nothing to report at this time.

Committeeman Desiderio – Nothing to report at this time.

Clerk report – Nothing to report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Desiderio, seconded by Mr. Boynton to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, Acting Township Clerk