# **MINUTES OF BUDGET MEETING OF JANUARY 28, 2010**

The budget meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Thursday, January 28, 2010 and was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Durling.

#### **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 Express Times and New Jersey Herald on January 21, 2010.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Those present were: Mayor Dale Durling, Deputy Mayor Thomas Charles, Committeeman Alan DeCarolis, Committeeman Frank Desiderio, Committeeman David Boynton, Chief Finance Officer Gene Marie McCartney and Clerk Brenda Kleber.

## **BUDGET PREPARATION:**

Appearing before the Committee with regard to Fire Services and First Aid Services were Lou Caruso on behalf of the Allamuchy-Green First Aid Squad who advised that there were 653 total call in 2009 of which 107 were in Frelinghuysen Township and their operating budget is presently \$86,807.16. On behalf of the Green Township Volunteer Fire Department was Nick Pachnos who presented a projected five year income statement. On behalf of Hope Township Fire Department was Chad Koontz who advised there were 58 calls to Frelinghuysen Township with 42 on Route 80 section of Frelinghuysen. Their projected expenses for 2010 will be \$56,670.00. Also in attendance was Bill Crone, Road foreman who went over the capital items he would like for the road department.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mayor Durling asked to appoint Robin Randolph to the Open Space Committee. The Committee members asked to hold this to the regular February meeting.

Mayor Durling asked to appoint Debra Natyzak to the Farmland Preservation Board. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Durling to appoint Ms. Natyzak. Roll call vote to appoint: DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-no, Boynton-no, Charles-no, Durling-yes.

Mayor Durling reported on a letter he received from Ms Natyzak stating that her appointment as Emergency Management Coordinator will not expire until the end of this year. Ms. Natyzak was appointed to a one year term which expired. The Clerk will check this out.

# **RESOLUTIONS:**

#2010-16:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to discuss items dealing with possible litigation in private or executive session; and

WHEREAS, under the Open Public Meetings Act (number 3 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 this 28th day of January, 2010 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 a reasonable length of time.

Motion was made by Boynton, seconded by DeCarolis to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Boynton-yes, Charles-yes, Durling-yes.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion was made by Boynton, seconded by DeCarolis to enter into Executive Session after a resolution (#2010-16) was adopted in the public portion of the meeting. All in favor. Upon returning, the Mayor advised that he informed the Committee members of a complaint filed by a resident to the Warren County Prosecutor's office.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, another budget meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda J. Kleber, RMC