MINUTES OF MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24, 2011

The budget meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Thursday, February 24, 2011 and was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Deputy Mayor David Boynton.

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT:

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 Thomas Charles (arriving at 4:20) Deputy Mayor David Boynton, Committeeman Alan DeCarolis, Committeeman Frank Desiderio, Committeeman Dale Durling Chief Finance Officer Gene Marie McCartney and Clerk Brenda Kleber.

ORDINANCES:

AN ORDINANCE (#2011-03) FIXING THE SALARIES AND WAGES OF THE OFFICIALS, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2011 was offered for introduction on motion made by Boynton, seconded by Durling. Roll call vote: Durling-yes, Desiderio-yes, DeCarolis-abstain, Boynton-yes, Charles-yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Clerk brought to the attention of the Committee an e mail from Hope Township Mayor McDonough who asked for a designated person to be on a committee to work together with the DCA on shared services. Mayor Charles and Mr. DeCarolis will be the designated people.

BUDGET:

Paul McNamara of the Blairstown Ambulance Corp. presented the Committee with 5 year history of calls from Frelinghuysen. In 2010 there were 61 calls; 2 above the prior year. Since there were 18 calls to Forest Manor, Deputy Mayor Boynton suggested that a meeting be set up with Forest Manor, the ambulance squad and the Township to discuss the large number of calls. The budget has been reduced by 1.8% at \$137,500.00 annually. They are building a new building behind the Municipal Building, on Route 94 at a cost of approximately \$900,000.00. Mr. McNamara advised that they are happy with the figure the township is providing and appreciate their support.

Mr. Desiderio stated that if he purchases the GEO mix now he can get it at last year's price. Motion was made by Durling, seconded by Boynton authorizing Mr. Desiderio to purchase the GEO mixture. All in favor.

The Committee continued with the budget preparation. The CFO will contact the auditor to have a final meeting before it is introduced at the meeting of March 16th.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda J. Kleber, RMC