MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2009

The budget meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey 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 faxing notice to the Express-Times and New Jersey Herald.

ROLL CALL:

Those present were: Mayor Dale Durling, Deputy Mayor Frank Desiderio, Committeeman Debra Natyzak-Osadca, Committeeman Alan DeCarolis, Committeeman Dave Boynton, Chief Finance Officer Gene Marie McCartney, Auditor Anthony Ardito and Clerk Brenda Kleber.

BUDGET:

The 2009 budget was finalized and will be introduced at the April 15, 2009 meeting.

ORDINANCES:

AN ORDINANCE (#2009-07) "FIXING THE SALARIES AND WAGES OF THE OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2009 was opened to the public on motion made by Boynton, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor. Motion was made by Boynton, seconded by Desiderio to adopt said ordinance subject to clarification from the attorney with regard to two positions. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Boynton-yes, Durling-yes.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2009-28:

WHEREAS, Frelinghuysen Township applied to the Green Acres Program for funding for the Frelinghuysen Township Recreational Complex, which was assigned Project No. 2106-07-016; and

WHEREAS, this estimated loan amount of \$250,000.00was to be used to develop the 5 acre complex into recreational fields, tennis court and a walking trail; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee have determined that it is in the best interests of the Township and its residents to forego the said funding at this time.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Committee as follows:

1. Frelinghuysen Township shall not proceed with the funding from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program for Project No. 2106-07-016.

2. The Township Mayor, Clerk, Attorney, Engineer and any other appropriate officials and professionals are authorized to take any necessary steps to cancel the said application.

3. This resolution shall take effect according to law.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Requests for donations for Givens-Belet was approved in the amount of \$187.50, and Rotary Club in the amount of \$500.00 on motion made by Boynton, seconded by DeCarolis. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Boynton-yes, Durling-yes.

Request for donations to the Frelinghuysen Township Inaugural Ball Committee was approved in the amount of \$500.00 on motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by DeCarolis. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-no, Desiderio-no, Boynton-no, Durling-no. Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolis to donate the requested amount of \$765.47. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-no, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Boynton-yes, Durling-yes.

Discussion ensued with the acceptance of funding from the Green Acres Program on the 5 acres Recreational complex. The Committee's decision is to fund approximately \$100,000.00 and therefore, the loan would not be needed from the State. See above resolution.

Amy Hufnagel came the Committee with regard to the issue she had at the regular meeting where she had an issue with a line item in the budget that pays an elected official. She reviewed the Public Contracts Law and feels this does not apply to her issue. This will be researched and Ms. Hufnagel will return to the work meeting of April 9, 2009.

QUOTATIONS:

After reviewing the submitted quotes received from Balbi Enterprises, Gary Gray Trucking, and Sanico, Inc. for clean-up, motion was made by Boynton, seconded by Desiderio to accept the quote received from Balbi Enterprises. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-abstain, Desiderio-yes, Boynton-yes, Durling-yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Clerk advised of a Meet the Candidates Night at the school for residents who are running for the Board of Education on April 1, 2009 for which a number of committee members who will attend are needed. It was decided that all but Committeeman Natyzak-Osadca would attend.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Paul Huggins Re: Lincoln Laurel Road

ADJOURNMENT:

Due to the Mayor having to attend another meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 and the remaining agenda items will be held to the work meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda J. Kleber, RMC