## **MINUTES OF MEETING OF APRIL 16, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Route 661, Johnsonburg, New Jersey and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Dale Durling, Sr.

## **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 Star Gazette and New Jersey Herald on January 3, 2008.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Those present were: Deputy Mayor Dale Durling, Sr., Committeeman Debra Natyzak-Osadca, Committeeman Alan DeCarolis, Committeeman Frank Desiderio, Chief Finance Officer Gene Marie McCartney, Attorney Edward Wacks and Clerk Brenda Kleber. Mayor Thomas Charles was absent.

## **ORDINANCES:**

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-04) TO REPLACE SECTION 2-41 OF CHPATER II, ARTICLE VII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN was opened to the public on motion made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to close the public session. All in favor. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to adopt said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-05) AMENDING SECTION 900, ET SEQ. OF THE FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP CODE, ENTITLED "FEES, GUARANTEES, INSPECTIONS, OFF-TRACT IMPROVEMENTS AND RESERVATION OF PUBLIC AREAS was opened to the public on motion made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to adopt said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-06) PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2008 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$111,634 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$106,052 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title and advised that a public hearing will be held on May 21, 2008. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to introduce said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-07) APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF A COPIER, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY was opened to the public on motion made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to close the public session. All in favor. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to adopt said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-08) AMENDING CHAPTER IV OF THE FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP CODE, ENTITLED "GENERAL LICENSING," TO SET HOURS FOR CONCERTS AND OTHER OUTDOOR EVENTS. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title and advised that a public hearing will be held on May 21, 2008. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to introduce said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

A BOND ORDINANCE (#2008-09) PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A RECREATION COMPLEX WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, IN THE

COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP") APPROPRIATING \$350,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$350,000 BONDS AND NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title and advised that a public hearing will be held on May 21, 2008. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to introduce said Ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

A BOND ORDINANCE (#2008-10) PROVIDING FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF STATE PARK ROAD (PHASE II) WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$320,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$171,425 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title and advised that a public hearing will be held on May 21, 2008. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to introduce said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

ORDINANCE (#2008-11) TAKING OVER JURISDICTION AND OWNERSHIP OF A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE 661 (MAIN STREET) FROM MILE POST 0.00 TO MILE POST 1.33, AND A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE 612( ALLAMUCHY-JOHNSONBURG ROAD) FROM MILE POST 4.92 TO MILE POST 5.12 IN FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title and advised that a public hearing will be held on May 21, 2008. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to introduce said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

#### #2008-33:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to discuss items dealing with: Tax Reassessment, Sale of Property of Township and Acquisition of property in private or executive session; and WHEREAS, under the Open Public Meetings Act (number 5 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 16th day of April, 2008 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 Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolis to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

# #2008-34:

WHEREAS, the Township of Frelinghuysen, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey (the "Township") desires to make application to the Local Finance Board (the "Local Finance Board") in the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, for the approval of a waiver of the down payment requirement, pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:2-11© and N.J.S.A.40A:2-7(d), with respect to the development of a recreation complex consisting of seven (7) acres to be undertaken by and in the Township (the "Project"), which Project is included in a bond ordinance to be adopted by the Township Committee and which Project is anticipated to be financed through a \$250,000 Green Acres Loan from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and \$100,000 in bonds or notes of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township believes: (a) it is in the public interest to accomplish such Project; (b) said Project is for the health, welfare, convenience or betterment of the inhabitants of the Township; (c) the amounts to be expended for said Project are not unreasonable or exorbitant and (d) the Project is an efficient and feasible means of providing services for the needs of the inhabitants of the Township and will not create an undue financial burden to be placed upon the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVLED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSNE, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

Section 1. The preparation of the application to the Local Finance Board (the "Application") is hereby approved along with such changes and alterations which are advised by the Township's Bond Counsel, Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. (the "Bond

Counsel") and other officials, officers and professionals of the Township, including but not limited to, the Township Chief Finance Officer, the Township Engineer, the Township General Counsel and the Township Auditor, and each are hereby authorized and directed to submit such Application and to represent the Township in matters pertaining thereto. The submission of the Application to the Local Finance Board is hereby directed and approved.

Section 2. The Local Finance Board is hereby respectfully requested to consider such Application and to record its findings, recommendations and/or approvals as provided by the applicable New Jersey Statutes.

Section 3. The Township Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of the resolution with the Local Finance Board and to forward a certified copy of this resolution to Bond Counsel to supplement the Application therewith.

Section 4. The Township Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of the proposed bond ordinance showing information concerning its introduction with the Local Finance Board and to forward a certified copy of the proposed bond ordinance to Bond Counsel to supplement the Application therewith.

Section 5. The preparation and submission of the Application by Bond Counsel in consultation with the Township's Chief Financial Officer, the Township Engineer, General Counsel and the Township Auditor and its submission to the Local Finance Board are hereby approved.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion was made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by Desiderio. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

#### #2008-35:

The governing body of Frelinghuysen Township desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of approximately \$3,000 to fund the following project: Community Forestry Management Plan.

Therefore, the governing body resolves that Thomas K. Charles or the successor to the office of Mayor is authorized (a) to make application for such a grant, b) if awarded, to execute a grant agreement with the State for a grant in amount not less than \$3,000 and not more than \$3,000, and c) to execute any amendments thereto which do not increase the Grantee's obligations. The Frelinghuysen Township Committee authorizes and hereby agrees to match 33.3% of the Total Project Amount, in compliance with the match requirements of the agreement. The availability of the match for such purposes, whether cash, services, or property, is hereby certified. 100% of the match will be made up in-kind services (if allowed by grant program requirements and the agreement). The Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable federal, State, and municipal laws, rules and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

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

## #2008-36

WHEREAS, the gypsy moth *Lymantria dispar*, has been found heavily defoliating tree and plant growth in the Township of Frelinghuysen; and

WHEREAS, continued destruction of foliage may result in loss of valuable forest lands and trees; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen has determined that a gypsy moth control program should be instituted with the State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture and that application for any Federal or State funds available be authorized.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen that he gypsy moth is declared to be a public nuisance and the protection of vegetation or plant life therefrom is deemed to be a subject matter of public welfare, and that all measures deemed necessary, in compliance with the State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture recommendations, is hereby authorized to suppress this forest and shade tree pests.

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

## #2008-37:

WHEREAS, Improvement authorization monies were unspent in the Reconstruction of State Park Road project in the amount of \$60,592.63 and Acquisition of property in the amount of \$213,251.00; and

WHEREAS, these projects are completed and there is no longer a need for said projects.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen that these remaining improvement authorization balances be canceled to the capital improvement fund.

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

## #2008-38:

WHEREAS, the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, desires to amend the 2007 temporary Capital Budget of said municipality by inserting thereon or correcting the items therein as shown in such budget for the following reason: Development of Recreation Complex

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen of the County of Warren, as follows:

Section 1. the 2008 Temporary Capital Budget of the Township of Frelinghuysen is hereby amended by adding thereto a Schedule to read as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 1
CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN
Projects Schedules for 2008
Method of Financing

# PROJECT ESTIMATED BUDGET CAPITAL RESERVE GENERAL COST APPROP. IMP. FUND FUNDS NOTES & BONDS

As listed above \$ 350,000. NONE NONE NONE \$350,000 Section 2. The Clerk be and is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, within three days after the adoption of these projects for 2008 Capital Budget, to be included in the 2008 Capital Budget as adopted.

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

## #2008-39:

WHEREAS, the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, desires to amend the 2007 temporary Capital Budget of said municipality by inserting thereon or correcting the items therein as shown in such budget for the following reason: Reconstruction of State Park Road

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen of the County of Warren, as follows:

Section 1. the 2008 Temporary Capital Budget of the Township of Frelinghuysen is hereby amended by adding thereto a Schedule to read as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 2
CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN
Projects Schedules for 2008
Method of Financing

# PROJECT ESTIMATED BUDGET CAPITAL RESERVE GENERAL COST APPROP. IMP. FUND FUNDS NOTES & BONDS

As listed above \$ 320,000 \$140,000 \$8,575. NONE \$171,425 Section 2. The Clerk be and is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, within three days after the adoption of these projects for 2008 Capital Budget, to be included in the 2008 Capital Budget as adopted.

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

## #2008-40:

WHEREAS, over 17 million visitors use New Jersey State Parks and forests each year for camping, swimming, hiking, boating, and other recreational activities; and

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WHEREAS, the New Jersey State park system, represents a vital resource in the State of New Jersey; and

WHERAS, there are numerous business enterprises in Northwest New Jersey that rely heavily, or exclusively, on the commerce generated by tourists who visit New Jersey State Parks each year; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen consider it to be travesty that any State Park, would be closed because of the decades long inability of New Jersey State Government to operate within the same spending caps and fiscal responsibility that they impose on local governments; and

WHEREAS, State Parks represent a successful and popular venue of tourism and economic stimulus generating \$3.9 billion for New Jersey's local and state economies, and

WHEREAS, the closure of any New Jersey State Parks would lead to extensive and widespread business failures in Northwest New Jersey, serving to further exacerbate the Economic Recession currently in effect, as well as increasing the loss of tax revenue by increased tax appeals created by loss of property valuation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen does hereby oppose the closure of any New Jersey State Park: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen respectfully points out to Governor Jon Corzine, NJDEP Commissioner Lisa Jackson, and the entire State Legislature that the solution to the fiscal problems of Trenton must not be sought by pursing budget cuts that will cause the economic collapse of Northwest New Jersey.

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

#### #2008-41:

WHEREAS, the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey is an agriculture community which enjoys the quality of life and economic benefits from farms and farming; and

WHEREAS, Frelinghuysen Township is an active participant in farmland preservation dedicating \$180,000. over the last seven (7) years to preserve 3 farms; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey is nationally recognized as the Garden State and the New Jersey Department of Agriculture supports the farming profession with essential services for plant inspection and trade, animal health and transport, inspection and promotion of "Jersey Fresh" produce and organic certification; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Agriculture develops the school nutrition guidelines and operates the federal school meal programs as well as emergency food purchase and distribution linking New Jersey farmers with nutrition programs; and

WHEREAS, Governor Jon Corzine has initiated an effort to abolish the New Jersey Department of Agriculture as a cost cutting measure, that would result in no substantial savings to the taxpayers of the state while resulting in a reduction of services to the farms, farmers and citizens of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen adamantly opposes any effort to abolish the New Jersey Department of Agriculture as a cabinet level department, and strongly supports the funding of the Department of Agriculture's essential programs.

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

## #2008-42-Not adopted

#### #2008-43:

WHEREAS, the Frelinghuysen Township Booster Club has applied for a license to conduct an Off Premises 50/50 raffle license on June 7, 2008 consisting of application #2008-01; and

WHEREAS, the Findings and Determination by the Municipal Clerk have determined that the organization is qualified to conduct such raffle.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Frelinghuysen Township Booster Club raffle application #2008-01 is hereby approved.

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

#### #2008-44:

WHEREAS, the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, desires to amend the 2007 temporary Capital Budget of said municipality by inserting thereon or correcting the items therein as shown in such budget for the following reason: Reconstruction of Various Roads, Basins, Pipes, DPW Mower, Municipal Building HVAC system and Security System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen of the County of Warren, as follows:

Section 1. the 2008 Temporary Capital Budget of the Township of Frelinghuysen is hereby amended by adding thereto a Schedule to read as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 3
CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN
Projects Schedules for 2008
Method of Financing

PROJECT ESTIMATED CAPITAL GENERAL COST . IMP. FUND NOTES & BONDS

As listed above \$111,634 55,582 \$106,052

Section 2. The Clerk be and is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, within three days after the adoption of these projects for 2008 Capital Budget, to be included in the 2008 Capital Budget as adopted.

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

#### #2008-45:

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk has submitted a list of bills in the agenda for the Township Committee's review; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee members have reviewed the list.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all vouchers and purchase orders as submitted and reviewed by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen are reasonable and proper claims against the Township and are to be paid from its appropriate fund accounts.

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

# #2008-45:

WHEREAS, Warren County has agreed to assume jurisdiction and ownership of Ackerson Road between County Route 519 (Hope-Johnsonburg Road) and County Route 608 (Silver Lake Road) for a distance of 1.42 miles within Frelinghuysen Township, as shown on the attached map, and to incorporate it as part of the Warren County road system as County Route 681, and it is in the best interest of the Township to relinquish jurisdiction and ownership responsibility for this road; and

WHEREAS, Frelinghuysen Township is agreeing to assume jurisdiction and ownership responsibility for County Route 661 (Main Street) from the southerly intersection of County Route 519, Mile Post 0.00 to the northerly intersection of County Route 519, Mile Post 1.33 and that portion of County Route 612 (Allamuchy-Johnsonburg Road) from the intersection of County Route 519, Mile Post 4.92, to the intersection County Route 661 (Main Street), Mile Post 5.12; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2008, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders adopted the resolutions necessary to accomplish each of the said transfers.

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

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A.27:16-5, the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen does hereby discontinue as a Township road and transfer jurisdiction and ownership to Warren County for the construction, reconstruction, repair, and/or maintenance of Ackerson Road between County Route 159 (Hope-Johnsonburg Road) and County Route 608 (Silver Lake Road) for a distance of 1.42 miles within Frelinghuysen Township, as shown on the attached map.

- 2. This transfer of jurisdiction and ownership shall become effective on June 1, 2008, subject to the adoption of an Ordinance by the Mayor and Committee approving the transfer to Warren County of jurisdiction and ownership responsibility for County Route 661 (Main Street), Mile Post 5.12, and the recording of this Resolution, the said Township Ordinance, and the Resolution of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders.
- 3. This Resolution shall take effect as provided by law.

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

## **PROCLAMATIONS:**

Deputy Mayor Durling proclaimed June 2008 as Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month in New Jersey.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

John Buriazzi, Director of Matheny School appeared before the Committee with regard to the violation on false alarms at the school. As of December 31, 2007 there were 24 false alarms and the ordinance allows 8 a year. Mr. Buriazzi agreed that there were many false alarms and advised that he replaced the company handling his smoke detectors. Mr. Buriazzi asked to negotiate a lower fee which amounted to \$10,400.00. The township attorney felt that it would be a mistake to abate the fine but stated that the ordinance does not give a time frame for repayment. Mr. Wacks suggested that we extend the time for repayment, however, Mr. Buriazzi asked if the lower number of calls are recorded could the fee be lower. Mr. Wacks advised that this would be up to Green Township fire chief. Time was given to next month's meeting for Mr. Buriazzi to reach out to the chief.

A letter received from Maser Consulting in response to a request from the Committee to review a request filed by Peter Nicholson of Congress Building Corp., who is associated with the expansion of Forest Manor. Based upon Mr. Sterbenz review he feels the developer has satisfactorily completed the site improvement work and recommends the Committee approve a reduction in the performance guarantee as requested. There were some conditions made subject to approval. The Committee approved the conditions as stated in the letter of April 15, 2008 upon recommendation by Mr. Wacks on motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by Desiderio. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

Changing of the hours for the Committee's work meeting was discussed. It was decided to hold the meetings at 4:00 on motion made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

A donation in the amount of \$500.00 was approved on motion made by Desiderio, seconded by Natyzak-Osadca to the North Warren Fourth of July Committee for the fireworks display. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-no, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

A letter regarding Predisaster Mitigation Planning Grant will be forwarded to the Emergency Management Coordinator, James Drylie for his response.

A letter received from Eric Snyder & Assoc was read requesting the township to commit funding further repairs on a home under the Township's Housing Rehabilitation Fund. The estimated fund for repairs to the bathroom and other plumbing needs would be \$6,000. to \$10,000.00 along with a fee for their service in the amount of \$2,000 for administration fees plus regular rate of \$100 per hour. The Committee asked the Clerk to get clarification about whether the township would be the payee on this project.

The Open Space Advisory Committee requested funds in the amount of \$50.00 to purchase Native/Invasive Plant resource materials for public education purposes. The Environmental commission will contribute a matching amount. Approval was given.

#### MINUTES:

The work meeting minutes of April 10<sup>,</sup> 2008 were approved on motion made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor. The minutes of the regular meeting and executive session of April 16, 2008 are on hold.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Department reports received from the Tax Collector, Tax Assessor, and Building Dept. were approved on a consent agenda motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by DeCarolis. All in favor.

# Deputy Mayor Dale Durling's report:

Deputy Mayor Durling thanked Jean Smolha for taking the position on the Warren County Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee.

# Committeeman Frank Desiderio's report:

Committeeman Desiderio advised that the hiring of the 3<sup>rd</sup> road department work does not need to be advertise, however, the personnel committee consisting of Alan DeCarolis and Dale Durling will interview the applicant and instructed the Clerk to obtain his driving record.

## Committeeman Alan DeCarolis report:

Committeeman DeCarolis would like the audience participation to be placed on the agenda after roll call along with at the end of the meeting. This was approved on motion made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes.

## Committeeman Natyzak-Osadca's report:

Committeeman Natyzak-Osadca reported that the Clean Communities grant would be in the amount of \$5,113.00

Committeeman Natyzak-Osadca reported that she read an article in the New Jersey Herald regarding the gypsy moth aerial spraying which will begin approx. May 7<sup>th</sup>.

## **BILLS:**

See schedule attached to minutes

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Morris Land Conservancy Re: Copy of letter on Frelinghuysen Township Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan-2008

Sierra Club Re: Invitation to participate in "Sunset at High Point Press Conference"

NJ General Assembly Re: Thank you for copy of resolution

State of New Jersey Re: Meeting schedule for NJ Highlands Council

Office of the County Engineer Re: Resolution for road swap Warren County Planning Board Re: NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Tilcon New York Re: 2008 Trucking rates

United States Dept. of Commerce Re: 2010 census Freshwater Wetlands Application for Block 501, Lot 9

Oxford Township Re: Copy of resolution on Grace's Law

New Jersey General Assembly Re: Congratulations on Clean Comm. Grant monies Office of the County Engineer Re: Acceptation of SHPO resolution & conditions

New Jersey Senate Re: Thank you for resolution letter

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Joseph Golden Re: Green Township Land Use amendment

Warren County Health Dept. Re: CDC Public Health Emergency response

North Warren Regional School District Re: Flyer regarding the approved boiler replacement project

Warren County Dept. of Public Safety Re: Copy of letter to Lou Caruso

New Jersey General Assembly Re: Governor's budget

Warren County Planning Dept. Re: Draft Warren County Open Space Plan

Warren County League of Municipalities Re: Revaluations

NJ COAH Re: Thank you letter regarding COAH

NJDEP Re: Clean Communities entitlement

NJDOT Re: Municipal aid, bikeway, center of place, historic bridge & safe street program

NJ Dept. of Education Re: Allocation of Equalized Valuation" printout

Warren County Dept. of Human Services Re: Outstanding senior citizen nomination

Morris Canal Committee Re: Morris Canal bus tour

Hope Township Re: Rationale for increase for the Municipal Court

Warren County Health Dept. Re: Food service at Ridge & Valley Charter School

Frelinghuysen Township Tax Assessor Re: Inspection program

Jersey Professional Management Re: Shared Services

Dorsey & Semrau Re: New claims adjustor

Wacks & Hartmann Re: copy of letter on development easements

Wacks & Hartmann Re: Copy of letter to auditor Maser Consulting Re: Forest Manor escrow

Environmental Alert Re: NJDEP Stormwater general permits approaching deadline Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer Re: Bond counsel for No. Warren School on 2<sup>nd</sup> question

Green Township Re: Ordinance #08-07 (Affordable housing)

New Jersey State League of Municipalities Re:

- 1. League Seminars:
  - a. Human Resources in the Municipal Environment
  - b. Program update & ethics
- 2. State budget cuts restoration update
- 3. Important new information from LGS
- 4. COAH 3<sup>rd</sup> round regulations
- 5. 2009 Pension obligations
- 6. Affordable housing legislation/Regional Contribution agreements
- 7. DEP proposes amendments to NJPDES rules & NJ Register of Historic Places rules
- 8. Important new information from the Div. of Local Government Services
- 9. Senate voting session of April 7, 2008
- 10. Flood Prevention Resources
- 11. Property Tax Relief Funding Cut Updates
- 12. Human Resources in the Municipal Environment
- 13. League Partners with NJCTA to highlight mortgage foreclosure crisis
- 14. Legislative bulletin No. 2

- 15. Notice on seminar notices
  16. Importation publications
  17. Update-League and NJCTA show on mortgage foreclosures crisis
  18. S-1455-County assumption referendum mandate
- 19. League Seminars:
  - a. Pay-to-Play and Ethics regulations
  - b. Implementing Chapter 92 of 2007 and the affect of Chapter 103

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolis to enter into Executive Session. All in favor. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to return to public session. All in favor. The attorney reported that no action was taken in executive session on the issue of possible litigation and acquisition of property.

# **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

Gabe DeCarolis asked about the status of feral cats. He was advised that no action is being taken at this time as the State law states that if a resident is feeding the cats they are technically theirs.

