

The Shamong Township Committee held a workshop meeting on the above date at the Municipal Building;

Mayor Shevelew called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

The Clerk stated please be advised that proper notice of this meeting ahs been given in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act in the following manner. Written notice has been faxed to the Burlington County Times, published in the Central Record and posted on the official website and bulletin board of Shamong Township.

Roll Call and)	Mr. Sean Gray	P
Absentees)	Mr. Kenneth Long	P
Noted)	Mr. Martin Mozitis	P
	Mr. Christopher Norman	A
	Mr. Jonathon Shevelew	P

The Administrator reported on the 2009 budget results stating it was under spent by approximately \$937,000. She reported \$389,000 was cancelled and put into surplus immediately which leaves \$548,000 going towards next year’s surplus. Mayor Shevelew asked what the ending balance of the surplus was and the Administrator stated approximately 1.2 million. The Administrator reported in 2009 the court office reduced hours and staff, fees were increased in the building code office, hours were reduced for the technical assistant and salary expense of the construction code official was cut which will help reduce the loses in that department. She reported.01 cent of local purpose tax represents annual taxes of approximately \$19 per average home; the local purpose tax was reduced in 2009 by 3.1 cents because the gypsy moth treatment was not budgeted for in the 2009 tax rate. LOSAP contributions will be coming in under budget which has been the case every year. The Administrator reported on the 2010 budget assumptions stating the JIF Liability/Workmen’s Compensation Auto Coverage decreased \$667.00 from 2009, the health and dental insurance realized premium increase of 6.2%, increase fees in UCC office should increase revenue by approximately \$15,000 and fees for zoning permits will generate additional revenue, salaries and wages have been reduced due to reduced hours of the Technical Assistant, the Discovery Clerk position was eliminated, cutting staff hours in the municipal court, newsletter cost will be reduced by eliminating the mailing and reduce production cost with electronic version in 2010. Other operating expenses were also reviewed, such as, purchase of new PC for construction office, Office of Emergency Management, Streets and Roads Department, buildings and grounds, War Memorial, electricity, telephone, pension, and social security. The Administrator reported the budget does not need to be introduced until March 31st with final adoption scheduled for May 11th .

Mayor Shevelew opened the meeting to the public at which time Mr. Christensen requested the committee put \$25,000 in their budget in the event the school has some catastrophic event that the school budget couldn’t cover, such as, a boiler breaking.

Mr. Stanley Rowe explained they will be asking for the same contribution as in the past for the Fire Company and emergency squad and whatever the arrangements were for the new fire truck. Mr. Rowe reported he has also looked into solar but the fire company does not qualify for grants since they are a non-profit organization. Committeeman Long asked Mr. Rowe to meet with him after the meeting to discuss the solar project. There were no further comments from the public.

On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Long, it was moved to approve the attached bill list. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

There being no further business, on motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Long, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk