

Shamong, NJ 08088

January 27, 2009

The Shamong Township Committee held a workshop session on the above date at the Municipal Building.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:33 p.m. by Mayor Gray.

The Clerk stated please be advised that proper notice of this meeting has been given in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act in the following manner. Written notice has been mailed to the Burlington County Times and published in the Central Record on January 8, 2009. Written notice has been posted on the official bulletin board of the Township of Shamong.

The Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call and)	Mr. Sean Gray	P
Absentees)	Mr. Martin Mozitis	P
Noted)	Mr. Christopher Norman	P
	Mr. Jonathon Shevelew	P
	Mr. James Schroeder	P

Mayor Gray explained the vacancy on the Township Committee by Mrs. Reinhart and how, by Statute, that seat must be filled. Mayor Gray did express concerns of nepotism with the list of candidates that was submitted by the Democratic Chairperson to replace Mrs. Reinhart since her platform addressed this issue at the County level. Committeeman Norman also expressed his concerns on nepotism since two of the three names presented for Mrs. Reinhart's replacement were Joseph Reinhart, her husband, and Christopher Reinhart, her son. Committeeman Norman asked Mr. Reinhart if he viewed this as nepotism and Mr. Reinhart stated he does not see any connection between one member of a family serving on the County level and another member of the same family serving on the Township level. Mayor Gray opened the meeting to the public for comment, there being none, he closed the meeting to the public.

On motion of Committeeman Shevelew, seconded by Committeeman Norman, it was moved to go into executive session and Mayor Gray stated they will go into executive session and when they return they may or may not take official action on matters discussed.

The Committee returned to regular session and on motion of Committeeman Norman, seconded by Committeeman Shevelew, it was moved to appoint James Schroeder to the vacant seat on the Township Committee. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes except Committeeman Mozitis who voted no.

Mrs. King, a notary, administered the Oath of Office to James Schroeder.

On motion of Committeeman Shevelew, seconded by Committeeman Norman, it was moved to approve the December 16, 2008 minutes as submitted. A roll call vote showed Committeemen Shevelew, Norman and Gray voting yes, Committeemen Mozitis and Schroeder abstaining.

On motion of Committeeman Shevelew, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Resolution 2009R-018 authorizing execution of coordination of CDL drug testing program through Conner Strong Risk Control Services formerly known as Commerce Risk Control. A roll call vote showed all members voting yes, except Committeeman Schroeder who abstained.

Mayor Gray appointed Jay Renwick to the Pinelands Municipal Council as the Mayor's Designee for 2009.

The Administrator was asked to check with the Rent Control Board to see if there are any issues in reference to the Oakview Leisure Village on Atsion Road before renewing their mobile home license. It will be on the February 3rd meeting agenda.

After review and discussion, on motion of Committeeman Shevelew, seconded by Committeeman Norman, it was moved to dissolve the Lakes Advisory Committee and the Traffic Safety Committee and reformulate them on an adhoc basis if the Committee feels a need to do so. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

The Administrator reported the Committee has until February 6th for the 2009 Gypsy Moth Treatment Program sign up. There has been no information in addition to that previously reported which included estimated cost of \$60 per/acre for spraying which would represent a 50% increase over last years figures. The egg mass count totaled 2,281 acres to be treated which would cost the township \$136,860 if sprayed. The Administrator reported Joe Zoltowski of the State Agricultural Department stated at the January meeting that he feels the population is on the decline. The Committee will have to make their decision at the February 3rd meeting if they will or will not spray for gypsy moths.

The Administrator explained she is waiting for more quotes on treating the Indian Mills Lake for Algae and Wesickamen Pond for phramities.

The Administrator reminded the Committee she did receive a letter dated December 3rd from the Pinelands Commission stating they were going to be imposing new septic rules, wherein, the program would insure all septic systems be pumped periodically. The Committee recommended the solicitor look into this to see if it could be challenged under the unfunded mandate.

The Administrator explained if the township does a revaluation the tax maps will need to be updated. She and the tax assessor met with a representative of Remington and Vernick to discuss the update and maintenance of the tax and zoning map and is waiting for an estimate to do this work if needed.

The Administrator explained she wanted the Committee to review the revised application and escrow forms she put in with their meeting material that was submitted by the Joint Land Use Board which the solicitor will be preparing an ordinance to enforce. She will place this on the February 3rd meeting agenda.

On motion of Committeeman Norman, seconded by Committeeman Shevelew, it was moved to approve the attached Bill List. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes, except for Committeeman Schroeder who abstained.

The Administrator reported on the following issues; the Burlington County Engineers office conducted a traffic study on the intersection of Willow Grove Road and Stokes Road due to our request for a lighted 4-way stop but they do not feel this is necessary nor do they recommend a reduction in the speed limit, however, they will be installing larger stop signs with reflective striping and recommend increased enforcement of speed and controlled stops to increase the safety of this intersection, the Administrator reminded the Committee of the JIF Elected Officials Training Program that will be held on January 29th in Hammonton, in 2010 the township will be required to designate a Certified Recycling Coordinator and Tabernacle might be interested in a shared service agreement since Mr. Cramer will be taking the classes to become certified, the 2008 LOSAP results have been submitted by the Indian Mills Volunteer Fire Company, and the Municipal Stimulus Package Survey information was submitted by the Township Engineer on December 29, 2008 which included McKendimen Road from Flyatt to Burr Trail, Oak Shade Road, Cobblestone Drive, Old Indian Mills Road, Grassy Lake, Manitoba Trail, and the Municipal Building. Committeeman Shevelew asked if the ball fields were going to be added to the energy audit.

The Administrator reported Rich O'Neal requested to use the building for a meeting with the Oakview tenants. This was denied since he does not represent the official tenants association at this time.

Mayor Gray opened the meeting to the public at which time Mrs. King asked if the State was going to spray State land and the Administrator said it was her understanding they would be doing only park areas. There being no further comments from the public the meeting was closed to the public.

Mayor Gary explained they will go into executive session to discuss matters of land acquisition where they may or may not take official action and **on motion of Committeeman Shevelew, seconded by Committeeman Norman, it was moved to go into executive session.**

The Township Committee reconvened the regular meeting and Mayor Gray stated no action will be taken at this time.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk