

Shamong, NJ 08088

February 2, 2010

The Shamong Township Committee held a regular meeting on the above date at the Municipal Building.

Mayor Shevelew called the meeting to order at approximately 7:31 p.m.

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 e-mailed to the Burlington County Times and published in the Central Record. Written notice has also been posted on the official bulletin board and website of the Township of Shamong.

The Pledge of Allegiance

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

Mayor Shevelew opened the meeting to the public for comment. There being none, Mayor Shevelew closed the meeting to the public.

**On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Long, it was moved to approve the minutes of January 5, 12, and 23, 2010 as submitted. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes to all except Committeeman Norman abstaining from 1/23/10 since he was absent.**

Mr. Ed Toussaint reported he had a meeting with each inspector in reference to their salaries and invited them all to attend the meeting which they chose not to. Mr. Toussaint explained they will be doing clean-up permits which will increase the volume of inspections, plus lowering the salaries and increasing the fee which will generate more revenue in the department this year. The Administrator reported the Electrical Inspector's salary will be \$12,000 per year, Plumbing Inspector's salary \$8,000 per year, and Fire Inspector's salary \$3,000 per year and his hours were also cut in half. The solicitor reported all the employees were notified of their right to closed session or open public session and they chose public. The Administrator explained all the departments have experienced salary and or staff reductions in the past year. **On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Norman, it was moved to approve Resolution 2010R-021 Fixing Annual Salaries to be paid to certain designated officer, appointees, and employees of said Township. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The solicitor, Mr. Heinold, addressed Ordinance 2010-01 explaining this ordinance would increase fees in the building department when obtaining a permit or requesting a

Certificate of Conformity. There will also be administrative fees for the Zoning Officer. There was discussion on expanding the inspection requirements for the Certificate of Conformity but no action was taken at this time. **On motion of Committeeman Norman, seconded by Committeeman Gray, it was moved to adopt Ordinance 2010-01 amending Chapters 71-2 and 71-4 of the Uniform Construction Code portion of the Township Code governing “Fees” and supplementing Chapter 110-19 of the Land Development Ordinance governing “Fees and Escrows” after first reading. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

**On motion of Committeeman Long, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, the Township Committee approved Resolution 2010R-23 Authorizing executive session and convened their regular meeting to discuss attorney-client privilege in closed session. Mayor Shevelew noted if any action is taken it will be when the regular meeting is reconvened.**

**The Committee reconvened their regular meeting and on motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Long, it was moved to authorize the engineer to up-date the tax map as per his proposal. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes. The solicitor will prepare an ordinance to spread out the cost over five (5) years and have at the next meeting.**

**On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Norman, it was moved to authorize the solicitor and tax assessor to approach the Burlington County Tax Board for an extension on doing a re-evaluation of the township and also if a reassessment could be done instead of a re-evaluation in order to save money. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

**On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Long, it was moved to approve Resolution 2010R-017 authorizing participation in the Burlington County Shared Services Forum. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

**On motion of Committeeman Norman, seconded by Committeeman Gray, it was moved to approve Resolution 2010R-019 authorizing refund of taxes on block 51, lot 8 in the amount of \$1,548.00 as a result in being classified as a “Totally Disabled Veteran”. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

**On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Norman, it was moved to approve Resolution 2010R-020 authorizing the budget to be read by title at the public hearing rather than line for line. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

**On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Gray, it was moved to approve Resolution 2010R-022 opposing legislation amending the time of decision rule which is bill S-82 and A-437. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes except for Committeeman Long who abstained.**

**On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Gray, it was moved to approve the attached Bill List. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The engineer reported on Indian Mills Lake Dam stating the report was sent to the State January 25<sup>th</sup> and one copy was submitted to the Township along with a CD containing the report and drawings. Mr. Arango reported all work is complete at Windemere. A maintenance bond has been posted in the amount of \$7,500.00 and will expire on March 1, 2010. They have performed an inspection of the site and find the area to be in generally good condition. They did find that the new trench across Colebrick requires the seams to be covered with AC-20 and they will notify the Developer in writing. Mr. Arango reported on the Valenzano Winery stating the applicant has requested he post a cash bond or letter of credit to cover the incomplete items for the original performance bond and the new bond should be in the amount of \$52,572.87. He has attached to his report the Cost Estimate showing the incomplete items. The current performance bond has a renewal date of March 27<sup>th</sup>, therefore, the applicant should post the new bond before the renewal date. At the completion of this project the applicant will have to post a maintenance bond for the original amount of \$33,215.56. Mr. Arango stated he has no objection to the applicant's request.

The solicitor had no further business for the regular meeting.

The Administrator reported on the following items; she received the LOSAP schedule from the Indian Mills Volunteer Fire Company stating 27 volunteers have qualified for a total of \$28,763, the Department of Agriculture has announced there will be no gypsy moth treatments this year, she attended the Burlington County Administrators Round Table last week and their seeking cooperation against septic monitoring issue, cooperative pricing, and shared services, we received information that the 2007 and 2008 Military Leave Benefit Reimbursement has finally been approved and we are expecting \$5,347.26 reimbursement this week, letters will be going out to land owners included in the Open Space and Recreation Plan to determine their desire to participate, township employees were very busy dealing with the outcome of Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> wind and rain storm. The Public Works Department was able to maintain our township roads in an efficient manner and Forked Neck and Atsion Roads were shut down for a portion of the day due to downed trees and or wires as they waited for the utility companies to secure the wires before trees could be removed.

Mayor Shevelew opened the meeting to the public at which time Mr. Christensen, Superintendent of Indian Mills Schools, gave the following report; it reference to budget will not know what State aid figures are until March 16<sup>th</sup>, the next Board Meeting is February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the IMMS Library, in reference to Bond Referendum Project bid specs went out and will be opened on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, teacher contracts will start negotiations the end of February for a June renewal, a fund raiser by Shamong Foundation for Educational Excellence will be held February 26<sup>th</sup> at Shannon's Country House in Atco, Career Day will be mid March and any volunteers to present their career

are welcome, ORFF Concert will be held February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in IMS cafeteria, schools will be closed February 12<sup>th</sup> for Teacher in-Service and February 15<sup>th</sup> for President's Day, and the Board of Education will vote on the 2010-11 Calendar options at their February 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. There being no further comments the public portion of the meeting was closed.

**On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Resolution 2010R-024 authorizing executive session to discuss acquisition of real property and attorney-client privilege. Mayor Shevelew explained if any action is taken it will be done when the regular meeting reconvenes.**

**The committee reconvened their regular meeting and Mayor Shevelew explained formal action is needed to authorize the solicitor to move forward with the land acquisition for H & M Machine property of 88 acres. Mr. Heinold explained he would forward a copy of both appraisals and the certified market value letter that was received from Green Acres with a formal offer letter reflecting certified market value to the property owner. If there is no response he will have an ordinance prepared for the next meeting to authorize possession. On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Long, it was moved to authorize Mr. Heinold to do this work. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes. Mayor Shevelew explained the second item for action is to authorize Mr. Heinold to contact the Pinelands Commission regarding their letter to the Mayor dated January 12<sup>th</sup> concerning the Dingtowntown lighting. On motion of Committeeman Long, seconded by Committeeman Gray, it was moved to authorize Mr. Heinold to contact the Pinelands Commission. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

**There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.**

**Attest:**

**Susan D. Onorato  
Municipal Clerk**