

Shamong, NJ 08088

November 24, 2015

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

Mayor Long called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 p.m.

The Clerk stated please be advised that proper notice of this meeting has been given in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act in the following manner. Written notice has been sent to the Burlington County Times and sent to the Central Record and posted as required by the Open Public Meeting Act.

The Pledge of Allegiance

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| Roll Call and) | Mr. Michael DiCroce | P |
| Absentees)     | Mr. Timothy Gimbel  | P |
| Noted)         | Mr. Sean Gray       | A |
|                | Mr. Kenneth Long    | P |
|                | Mr. Martin Mozitis  | p |

Mayor Long opened the meeting to the public for comments at which time Mr. Orecchio of 14 Concord Drive stated they were at the meeting to make sure the Committee concurs with the residents that Concord Ridge be paved and included in the 2016 Pavement Program. Mr. Zampella of 12 Concord Drive asked if there was a document that shows what the ratings are since Mr. Guzzi said the NJDOT uses an assessment form. The Administrator said Mr. Guzzi would have that information. Joe Dutka of 33 Princeton Circle asked if they could have comments when the meeting is opened to the public for the second time after the Road Sub-Committee gives their report. Mayor Long explained it is open to the public at the beginning of the meeting and the end and anyone can speak both times. Mr. Scott of 25 Concord Drive asked that Concord Drive be on the 2016 Pavement Program. Mayor Long asked that they let the Committee get through their evaluations and revisit this conversation later. There being no further comments from the public the public portion of the meeting as closed.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE OFFICIAL ACTION:**

**On motion of Committeeman Gimbel, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve the minutes of October 27, 2015 regular and executive session. A roll call vote showed Committeemen Gimbel, Long, and Mozitis voting yes, Committeeman DiCroce abstaining and Committeeman Gray absent.**

The Administrator reported the RFP/RFQ sub-committee received and reviewed the responses received from the professionals that will be earning more than \$17,500. She said we received one for solicitor from Raymond Coleman Heinold and Norman of which Mr. Heinold has been our solicitor for many years and has done a fine job. They received responses for the engineer's position from Guzzi Engineering Associates and CME Associates. Mr. Guzzi has been township engineer since 2013 and engineer for Land Use Board since 2006. He also has not changed his fee schedule since 2013 and will continue

to provide a 10% discount. The two companies are about the same as far as their fees but they feel Guzzi Engineering has more experience in dealing with the Pinelands Commission. Inverso and Stewart responded for the auditor's position and they have served us since 2011. Their proposal did include a 2% increase which equates to a \$400 increase for the year. They have done a fine job in the past. Their recommendation is to stay with the professionals we have. They also recommended any engineering jobs that are over \$25,000 will go out to bid.

Mayor Long explained next year will be a busy year and Guzzi Engineering is a small firm so it is better to have options to get the projects done in a timely manner. The appointments will take place in January.

The Administrator reported the December 15<sup>th</sup> meeting is scheduled for 6:30 but she wanted the Committee to check their schedule to see if they could possibly meet at 6:00 in case the agenda is longer than usual. She should know by the December 1<sup>st</sup> meeting if it needs to be changed.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Gimbel, it was moved to approve an extension to Nick Greco to cut/remove dead or fallen trees on certain Township properties to the end of the year. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

The Administrator reported the Road Sub-committee met to review all the material they had on the road project and they do have budget estimates but they cannot be shared with the public because they have to go out to bid first. The roads being looked at for 2016 are the Pine Ridge Development (Candle Court, Lamplighter Lane, Cobblestone Lane), Silver Lake Drive, Concord Ridge Development (Concord Drive from Tuckerton to Flyatt and Princeton Drive from Flyatt to McKendimen). Since they don't know how the figures will come out there are alternate roads to be considered which are in the Barton's Lake Development (Quebec Court and Montreal Court), and Princeton Circle and Yorktown Drive in Concord Ridge. The Township will be looking at NJDOT grants in the next years to see if any Township roads qualify.

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

**On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Gimbel, it was moved to approve Resolution 2015R-80 authorizing certain budget transfers as follows:**

**From Streets and Roads OE to Engineering OE \$10,000, Streets and Road S&W \$3,500, Buildings & Grounds OE \$1,000 and War Memorial OE \$600. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

**On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Resolution 2015R-82 refund of overpayment of 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2015 taxes on block 19.01 lot 19 for Charles Divincenzo of 155 Tuckerton Road for \$1,990.86. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

**On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committee Gimbel, it was moved to approve Resolution 2015R-83 authorizing refund and cancellation of property**

taxes of a 100% totally disabled veteran located at block 5.11 lot 8 for Vincent messina of 30 Millstone Drive for reimbursement of \$3,541.45 and cancellation of taxes totaling \$3541.45 from date of eligibility for the remainder of 2015 and \$4,269.41 for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarters of 2016. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

**REPORTS:**

The Administrator reported on the following issues; Atlantic City electric has notified the Township that they will be trimming distribution lines on the following road ways. Residents will be notified prior to beginning any work. Work is scheduled to begin in December as weather permits. a. Atsion Road from Medford Township line to Oakview Drive b. Tuckerton Road between Stokes and Route 206 c. Flyatt Road d. McKendimen Road from Tuckerton Road to Medford Township line. The Committee also received copies of reports from the Construction, CFO, Court, and Tax offices.

Mayor Long opened the meeting to the public at which time the Concord Ridge Residents-Repaving Committee thanked the Township Committee for the approval of roads. They also asked if the funding was coming from a bond or if the Township was funding the project themselves? The Administrator explained it would be a bond and the Township would fund it themselves at no interest. It would be an ordinance on next year's agenda. Michelle Smith of 6 Concord Drive asked if the list of roads being repaved in 2016 were in priority and the answer was no. She than asked if there was anything financially that would prohibit their road from being paved and Committeeman Gimbel said he did not think so with what they were presenting today. Committeeman DiCroce explained if there was a public outcry that said they did not want a \$1,000,000 bond or if oil prices went back to \$100 a barrel by the time this is ready to be done it could make a difference. Mayor Long explained once the bond is in place a bid will be put out for all the roads to get the best price. Then the whole job should be done in a month or two. Michelle Smith thanked the Committee for being so conscious on how they are spending money to do the road project. There being no further comments Mayor Long closed the meeting to the public.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Gimbel, it was moved to approve Resolution 2015R-84 to go into executive session. All members were in favor. The Administrator stated no official action would take place in the Executive Session. The Administrator reported she was directed to obtain additional information from the Indian Mills Volunteer Fire Company in reference to purchasing an ambulance and the cost. No official action was taken.

There being no further business, on a motion of Committeeman Gimbel, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:



Susan D. Onorato  
Municipal Clerk