

Shamong, NJ 08088

December 6, 2016

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

Mayor Gimbel 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 and published in the Burlington County Times and sent to the Central Record and posted as required by the Open Public Meeting Act.

Roll Call and)	Mr. Michael Cooney	P
Absentees)	Mr. Michael DiCroce	P
Noted)	Mr. Timothy Gimbel	P
	Mr. Sean Gray	A
	Mr. Martin Mozitis	A

PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Gimbel opened the meeting to the public. There being no comments, Mayor Gimbel closed the meeting to the public.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE OFFICIAL ACTION:

On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, the November 1, 2016 regular and executive session minutes were approved. A roll call vote showed all Committeemen voting yes with Committeemen Gray and Mozitis absent.

Mr. Brian Stahr introduced himself along with Mr. David Taylor and Bill Gall stating they were from Crossroads Church on Oak Shade Road. He explained they were approached by a company named Valore to place a cell tower on their property. Mr. Stahr explained they understand the township and schools would come first and wanted to know if the township had any plans on putting a cell tower up in the near future. Mayor Gimbel reported the Township has been exploring this for some time but it seems like the Pinelands Commission is a problem and he has had discussion with Mr. Schroeder on this situation. Mayor Gimbel said the Township may try again in the future but right now he wished them luck and hoped it would work out for the township residents and them.

The Administrator reported approximately 70 inlets were repaired but there are about 10 to 15 more that are sinking and need to be repaired so Mr. Guzzi's office is putting together an estimate of cost to do this work. There is approximately \$10,000 left from the current contract balance and there are additional funds left in the 2016 road program bond to fund this work. She will report to the Committee when she has more information.

The Administrator reported the RFP/RFQ sub-committee met and reviewed the Professional Contracts that were submitted for 2017 and their recommendations are as follows: Township Solicitor, Mr. Heinold, with Raymond, Coleman, Heinold, Norman, LLP firm; Township Auditor, Inverso and Stewart; and Township Engineer, Dante Guzzi Engineering Associates LLC.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve the re-organization meeting for Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:00 pm, the regular meeting Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:30 pm, the Board of Health meeting Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:30 pm and the workshop meeting Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 7:30 pm. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

The Administrator reported she reached out to Burlington County asking for a traffic study to be done at the intersection of Stokes Road (541) and Willow Grove Road. The County informed her they would do the study after the first of the year. She also asked if additional signage would be warranted at the intersection of Stokes and Grassy Lake Roads but they did not respond to that request.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve Guzzi Engineering to make application for the NJDOT FY 2017 State Aid Program Grant due February 3, 2017 for Oak Shade Road at a cost of \$1,000. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to give Mr. Greco permission to remove dead and or fallen trees from township land block 23.01, lot 26 and block 8.01, lot 12.62. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

The administrator explained FEMA has revised their flood maps and submitted the proposed plans for review and approval. Mr. Guzzi explained there are significant changes in the flood maps but not in Shamong. He does not feel Shamong has to take any action.

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-103 revised authorizing the assignment of certificates of tax sale for certain real property, identified as block 28.01, lot 2 on the official tax map of the Township of Shamong. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

Resolution 2016R-104 was tabled.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-106 authorizing a two year extension of shared services agreement with the Township of Burlington for Tax Assessor services with option of a two year extension at end of agreement. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016-107 authorizing a four year extension of the shared service agreement with Tabernacle Township for Tax Assessor. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

Resolution 2016R-108 Budget Transfers was tabled.

Our engineer, Mr. Guzzi, explained he reviewed the revised Septic System application package prepared by Environmental and Technical Services, LLC for the replacement of four septic systems within the Fawn Lake Village community and found several inconsistencies with current NJDEP regulations. Based on his review, he recommends that the Township execute the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protections WQM006a Form provided and that will go back to DEP for their review to make a final determination as to the requested deviations. Approvals could take 3 to 4 months which would take start time to April or May. **On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-109 granting 2016 license for operation of Fawn Lake Village for remainder of 2016 and continue until February 7, 2017, in order to allow the Rent Control Board to meet on January 18, 2017, and report back to the Committee with regard to progress at the park. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

Mr. Heinold, our solicitor, explained we don't often have a tax appeal that goes to the State; however, we do this year. He explained it is probably the largest house in Shamong block 10, lot 25 and Jay Renwick, our Tax Assessor, tries to be reasonable and settle cases where they are able to be settled but this was not able to be settled out of court. The Township needs to hire an outside appraiser and Jay has used this firm before and was satisfied. **On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-110 authorizing appointment of Robert M. Sapio, Jr. appraiser for tax appeal litigation. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Administrator explained the County Recycling Office would like the township to support Senate Bill S-981 amending the New Jersey "Electronic Waste Management Act". This would enable the continuation of government sponsored collection programs, free of charge to consumers and taxpayers, for such items as computers, televisions, monitors, etc. **On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-111 supporting Senate Bill S-981. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-112 authorizing treatment works approval (TWA) application from Fawn Lake Village. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

BILL LIST APPROVAL:

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

REPORTS:

Mr. Guzzi reported there are still a few things on the punch list for Forked Neck Road and the 2016 Road Program which should be done this week.

Mr. Heinold reviewed his report on the Cowperthwaite property with the Committee, stating he sent a letter to Mrs. Bowers keeping her informed of the status. Mayor Gimbel suggested the Administrator reach out to Mrs. Bowers next week.

The Administrator reported additional signage and stripping was placed on the road where the new 4 way stop was installed at the intersection of Tuckerton and Old Indian Mills Road.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Gimbel opened the meeting to the public at which time there were no comments so he closed the meeting to the public.

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

Attest:

**Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk**