

Shamong, NJ 08088

March 22, 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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Gimbel opened the meeting to the public for comments at which time Barry Cesanek stated his neighbor at 471 Stokes Road still has not cleaned up his yard. He doesn't understand why he is not being fined when it has been two months since the township notified him of the violations. Mayor Gimbel explained the Zoning Officer was out there and talked to the resident a couple of weeks ago and he said he would take care of the issues. However, the Zoning Officer is away on business and will not be back until Friday but has been notified of the issues and he will address them when he gets back into town. Mayor Gimbel said he has to talk to the Zoning Officer when he gets in town and if the resident doesn't do what he said, the Zoning Officer will have to start fining him. Mr. Cesanek said the man lies because he told him when he moved in he was clearing a small area for his son to ride his quad than all this equipment shows up. Mr. Cesanek is concerned because he will be putting his house on the market and fears this will lower the value. Mr. Cesanek also requested the township send a letter to the neighbor who runs his remote control car on the road because he knows it will be starting up again and he doesn't want to hear that on Saturday morning for three hours. There being no further comments from the public, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE OFFICAL ACTION:

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, the February 23, 2016 Regular session minutes were approved as submitted. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

The Administrator explained a student from Cherokee High School sent an email asking for support on the safe driving campaign "Heads Up-Eyes Forward" to bring awareness to the dangers of distracted driving. This will be on April 25th so the Administrator will post it on our web-site, post it on our outdoors sign in our parking lot, and our OEM coordinator, John Lyons, will post on his Facebook.

The Administrator reported that a resident, Nate Butler, is on NBC the Voice and they have contacted the township and asked to use our "Welcome to Shamong" sign as part of his back story and to sign a release form. The Committee told the Administrator to do so.

The Administrator reported she received a report from the Indian Mills Volunteer Fire Company on LOSAP stating they were checking on the status of some enactive members to see if they are vested. If they are not vested the money will come back to Shamong Township. This procedure was done a few years ago.

The Administrator reported they are about halfway done with the inspections on vacant homes and already have 19 homes on the list. She stated the township collected its first registration fee of \$500 this month.

The Administrator reported FEMA funds have been approved by the Federal government to assist with the January 23-24, 2016 snow storm expenses. John Lyons is going to attend a meeting with FEMA and will report his findings. Usually there is a 50% to 75% reimbursement of the loses which was approximately \$60,000 for Shamong.

The Administrator reported she ordered all the hardware for the network server upgrade and it all came in about \$400 less than projected. Hopefully the work will be done within the next two weeks.

The Administrator stated there is a Wharton Forest Stakeholder meeting tonight and our OEM coordinator, John Lyons, is attending that meeting.

The Administrator reported on correspondence from Burlington County Recycling saying they are getting requests from our residents to buy carts and want to know if Shamong Township wants to buy the carts and then sell them to the residents who want them. Mayor Gimbel did not feel the township needed to get involved.

The Administrator reported on the Burlington County Energy Aggregation Program explaining the County wants to know if Shamong is interested in participating in this program. After some discussion the Mayor and Committee decided not to participate.

The Administrator reported that Public Works estimated it would cost approximately \$19,000 to plow and snow one time through the township for a snow storm. The Mayor asked if our office could reach out to some contractors and get quotes.

The Administrator stated the OEM coordinator is doing a good job. She explained he made her aware that they have 3 lap top computers that were purchased through a grant approximately 8 years ago and the software is obsolete and wanted to know if new software could be purchased. She will look into some options and get back to the Committee.

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, it was moved to approve the attached Resolution 2016R-43 supporting transfer of funds amending the 2015 Budget. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

REPORTS:

The Administrator reported on the following items; the \$1,650 Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund Safety award was received for 2015, the Pine Barons Enduro Riders will be holding an endure ride on April 10th through the Townships of Tabernacle, Washington and Woodland, and she thanked Kay Breitzman for getting her company to donate the filing cabinets and storage shelves that we used in the garage. She also reported the construction office brought in 17,500 year-to-date which is pretty good for two months. Other office reports are there for review.

Mayor Gimbel opened the meeting to the public for comment, there being none, he closed the meeting to the public.

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

Attest:

Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk