Shamong, NJ 08088 November 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	A
Absentees)	Mr. Michael DiCroce	P
Noted)	Mr. Timothy Gimbel	P
	Mr. Sean Gray	P
	Mr. Martin Mozitis	P

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 DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Gimbel, the October 25, 2016 regular session minutes were approved. A roll call vote showed Committeemen DiCroce and Gimbel voting yes, Committeeman Cooney absent, and Committeemen Gray and Mozitis abstaining.

The Administrator explained she received a letter from Seneca asking if the township would contribute to the funding of the Prom House which is held at the high school for students so they don't travel after the prom. It is funded by fund raisers, local businesses, and the parents at a cost of approximately $10,000. This is the first year they have reached out to the townships for donations. In the past our township has contributed $2,500 to Project Graduation which is a similar program and that amount is in the budget. Mayor Gimbel and the Administrator suggested giving $500 to the Prom House and $2,000 to Project Graduation using the budgeted amount for both. There were no objections to this suggestion.

The Administrator explained the Township does not, as a practice, refund interest charges to residents who pay their taxes late. However, this month we received a few tax payments in the mail dated and received on November 14th but were postmarked November 2nd which should have been more than enough time to get to the township building by the 10th of

November. Therefore, the Tax Collector is asking that all late fees (of approximately $40 - $50 in total) be waived for these residents since they mailed their payments in sufficient time and the delay was with the US Postal Service. **On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve the refund of late fees of tax payments delayed by the US Postal Service to the residents involved. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Administrator reported the insurance dividend this year 2016 is $7,920. The Township can opt to receive a check in that amount or apply it to the 2017 insurance premium as done in the past. **On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to apply the Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund dividend award of $7,920 to the 2017 premium. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

Mayor Gimbel explained to the Committee he is concerned with the intersection of Willow Grove Road and Stokes Road. He isn't making a suggestion at this time other than putting the County on notice that the Township has a concern since there have been quite a few accidents. The Administrator explained both roads are county controlled and therefore the County has final say on what, if anything gets done. Committeeman Gray asked if something should be mentioned about Grassy Lake and Stokes since he feels that is a bad intersection also. Committeeman Mozitis suggested better signage might help at all the intersections. The Administrator will prepare a letter to the County.

RESOLUTION:

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Gray, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-103 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 until the December 6, 2016 meeting.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Gray, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-105 supporting Senate Bill 2663 and Assembly Bill 4234 which will enable JIFs to increase investment income by at least $10 million per year. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

REPORTS:

The Administrator reported on the following items; she has received the 2017 budget packets and work on the budget has begun, the RFP/RFQ's have been received for the 2017 professional contracts over $17,500 and are being reviewed by the sub-committee, the Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund will be offering an Elected Official's Liability Seminar on Wednesday, March 29, 2017, in Easthampton which will qualify us for the $250 credit per Elected Official towards the 2017 MEL Assessment, and the new 4-way stop installed at the intersection of Tuckerton and Old Indian Mills Roads will receive additional signage and stripping on the road.

The Administrator reported the building department has exceeded last year's revenue due to three new homes getting permits to be built. The court continues to make a profit and new contracts will be negotiated next year. She submitted all the agreements to the towns for shared Tax Assessor for the coming year. And, when she receives the CFO's report she will email it to the committee.

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 Gray, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk