

Shamong, NJ 08088

February 28, 2017

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

Mayor Gimbel opened the meeting to the public for comments, seeing none he closed the meeting to the public.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE OFFICIAL ACTION;

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, approval of January 31, 2017 Regular Session and Executive Session minutes were approved as submitted. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, the 2016 LOSAP expenditure of \$16,862.00 was approved. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve the Aetna Dental plan at a cost of \$454.40 per month. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

The administrator reported on the 2016 Burlington County Board of Health rabies cases stating there were 203 Terrestrial cases and 59 bats in New Jersey which was less than 2015. Burlington County had 17 Terrestrial and 4 bats.

The Administrator reported the 2016 Burlington County Equalized Valuation for the County is 93.22% and for Shamong Township 94.64%. Shamong was reassessment in 2011 and applied to the 2012/2013 tax bills.

The Administrator reviewed the budget figures with the Committee and will put it on the March 7th meeting agenda for first reading approval.

The Administrator explained a resident at 775 McKendimen Road has requested a speed hump be placed in the road because of cars speeding. It was explained to her that the township does not look favorably on speed humps due to complaints received after a speed hump was installed. The Committee did not approve a speed hump at this time.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve \$145 for the Registrar to attend a seminar in Atlantic City. A roll call vote showed all member present voting yes.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve \$300 for the Township Clerk to attend a 2 day seminar, April 26 and 27 in Atlantic City. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

On motion of Committeeman DiCroce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to appoint Shannon Logar as a member to the Rent Control Board for the balance of a 1 year term expiring 12/31/17 and Paul Matthew Davis as an Alternate for the balance of a 3 year term expiring 12/31/19. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, it was moved to appoint Bonnie Lyn Schneider as a Member, Class IV of the Joint Land Use board to the balance of a 4 year term expiring 12/31/20 and appointed Gene Lera as Alternate #2 Class IV for the balance of a 2 year term expiring 12/31/18. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

REPORTS:

The administrator reported on the following issues:

- South Jersey Enduro Riders will hold their annual Curly Fern Enduro ride on March 19th.
- The 23rd Annual Pine barrens Jeep Jamboree event will be held March 23-25, 2017
- The 2017 Free Rabies Clinic will be held March 25th from 9 to 11 am
- Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund will be offering an Elected Official's Liability Seminar on Wednesday, March 29th in Easthampton and receive a \$250 credit per elected official towards the 2017 MEL Assessment
- Motion activated light switches were added to restrooms and Mayor's Office to reduce electrical usage in these areas of building
- Joint Wellness Fair will be held May 23rd in Medford Township for Medford, Tabernacle, Lumberton, Southampton and Shamong employees

Mayor Gimbel opened the meeting to the public at which time Mr. DiCroce stated he received a note from Eleanor Lerner of 97 Stokes Road dated January 31, 2017 in which she stated our economy depends largely on immigrate workers and the President's EO on immigration threatens their safety. We owe them protection and should declare Shamong a sanctuary township. Mr. DiCroce thanked her for the note and added his comment that

“while he does value immigrate workers in our country and he does think they add a lot to our country, he is not in favor of announcing or declaring Shamong a sanctuary township, and if it came up for a vote he would not vote in favor. Mayor Gimbel thanked him for acknowledging her note and for his comments as well. There being no further comments from the public, Mayor Gimbel closed the meeting to the public.

On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman DiCroce, Resolution 2017R-35 was approved to go into executive session for potential sale of Township property. A roll call vote showed all in favor.

The regular meeting was reconvened and the Administrator stated after discussion in executive session the Committee has directed her to move forward with potential sale of Township property and she will contact our solicitor, Mr. Heinold, to draft a resolution for the March meeting.

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

Attest:

Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk