Shamong, NJ 08088 July 5, 2016

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

Deputy Mayor DiCroce 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.

The Pledge of Allegiance

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deputy Mayor DiCroce opened the meeting to the public for comments at which time Lynda Bojanowski, a Farm Lake Village resident on Indian Ann Trail, reported she has been going to the Rent Control Board about on going issues, but mostly regarding a downed tree that was cut and left on the property. Deputy Mayor DiCroce inquired if a request for removal was made in writing to the office to which Lynda Bojanowski replied yes. Deputy Mayor DiCroce then requested copies of the letters and also confirmed that Rent Control has them as well. It was also mentioned that at the last Rent Control meeting, which went until 10:00 PM, only 2 of approximately 30 residents had the opportunity to speak. There being no further comments from the public, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE OFFICIAL ACTION:

On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Deputy Mayor DiCroce, it was moved to approve the minutes of June 14, 2016 regular and executive sessions. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes, except Committeeman Gray who abstained and Committeemen Gimbel and Cooney who were absent.

The Clerk reported on the JIF, Burlington County Joint Insurers Fund, which requires us to keep safety on the agenda at least once a year. The safety committee held their meeting on June 30th at which time they initiated the wellness policy in which employees and volunteers of the Township can be reimbursed up to $40.00 for anything that is fitness oriented (trainers, gym memberships, etc.). This is totally funded by a grant from the JIF not the Township. Additionally, there are three more meetings scheduled for the safety committee this year; August 11th, September 22nd and November 17th.

The Clerk reported as of to date, all JIF training and inspections are current through June. Also, on a monthly basis, the Public Works Department holds "Toolbox Talks" in the garage with safety tips. There will be no workshops in July or August – the next meeting will be August 2nd.

The Clerk reported an update on the 2014 Burlington County Park Grant which was a total of $75,000; there is a little better than $20,000 leftover. A possibility that was discussed with Mayor Gimbel was to update the playground equipment at Dingletown Recreation Center. A state contract vendor was called to do an evaluation and recommendations where passed out to the committee. The Clerk is waiting for finalized price estimates and should have that for the August 2nd meeting.

The Clerk reported there are 29 vacant/foreclosure properties currently on the list. To date, 11 of the properties have paid the $500 registration fee and 2 properties have registered for 2017.

The Clerk reported speaking with Addison Bradley on the cemetery update and confirmed he ordered a perk test and is planning on reporting back the results at the August 2nd meeting. Addison Bradley is also drafting the application for the state.

The Clerk reported a staffing update concerning Barbara Valenzano being out approximately 3-4 weeks and proposed a temporary clerk intern, Joanne Robertson to fill in the interim @ $17.50 per hour.

On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve the request to hire the temporary clerk. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes, except Mayor Gimbel and Committee Cooney who were absent.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 2016-5 was read into the record by title and summarized as a means to provide a method for the Indian Mills Volunteer Fire Company to recoup some expenses incurred when they go out on fire/emergency response calls. The Fire Company will only bill the insurance company and accept whatever is covered. The meeting was opened to the public, however since there were no public comments made; Deputy Mayor DiCroce closed the meeting to the public. **On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Ordinance 2016-5 amending Township Code at Chapter 78 Governing "Fire" after public hearing and second reading. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes, except Mayor Gimbel and Committee Cooney who were absent.**

Ordinance 2016-7 was read into the record by title and summarized as an amendment to and supplementing Chapter 147 of the Township Code to implement additional measures for intersection safety to better define site triangles. The meeting was opened to the public, however since there were no public comments made; Deputy Mayor DiCroce closed the meeting to the public. **On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Ordinance 2016-7 amending and supplementing Chapter 147 after public hearing and second reading. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes, except Mayor Gimbel and Committee Cooney who were absent.**

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-67 Certification of annual audit – 2015. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

Deputy Mayor DiCroce read by title Resolution 2016R-69 granting a fifth extension to license for operation of Fawn Lake Village for thirty (30) days. Mr. Heinold explained that the main outstanding issue is the septic issue which requires some engineering planning. Mr. Heinold mentioned it may take about 6 months for the project to be completed and that it will be monitored. Lynda Bojanowski of Indian Ann Trail spoke up to say that many issues are the result of negligence over the years including the septic issue. Mrs. Bojanowski also mentioned that the residents are unable to obtain specific information for a maintenance contact Fawn Lake Village is trying to charge the residents for on the emergency generator. The Clerk mentioned that the license renewal was changed from a 3 year period to a 1 year period with the intent of keeping a watch on a more regular basis. Mr. Heinold later mentioned the code requires a representative should be there 3 days a week for a minimum of 4 hours each of those days and suggests this be referenced in the cover letter sent to Fawn Lake Village with a copy of the resolution extending the license. **On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-69 granting a fifth extension to license for operation of Fawn Lake Village for thirty (30) days. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

There was a brief discussion on the no passing zone for Atsion Road and its location. Mr. Gray expressed concern on an additional section of Atsion Road North of the Grassy Lake Road intersection. The Engineer will take a look at this section of Atsion Road and report back if this section should also be changed to a no passing zone. **On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Resolution 2016R-70 authorizing a "No Passing Zone" on a portion of Atsion Road. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

APPROVAL OF ATTACHED BILL LIST:

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

REPORTS:

The engineer reported working with Arawak Paving on a few things to be completed so they can finalize the DOT reimbursement regarding Forked Neck and Oak Shade Road. He has also reached out to the DOT for clarification with respect to funding so that it will not impact currently funded projects. The engineer stated that the 2015 parks project is pretty much done. The engineer reported the 2016 Road Program began today starting with inlets and move on to the road work. The engineer reported the Cowperthwait property currently has 4 existing driveways; the county subdivision approval requires 2 of the driveways be removed. They are reaching out to the current property owner regarding 2 of the existing driveways. The engineer also reported that Green Acres is requesting some additional environmental testing and work done at a total cost of $12,000 with the township being responsible for half ($6,000). **On motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve the additional cost of the Green Acres testing. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Solicitor stated he had already covered items from his report and had nothing additional to report on.

The Administrator reported that she is waiting for the community volunteer recipient that will be honored at the July 29th Shamong Township Night at the Pine Barrens Festival. The Administrator reported that the documentation for the ? refurbishment has been submitted. Also, Public Works is getting estimates to repair one of its trucks – the Administrator will report back on options and estimates at the next meeting. The Administrator reported she is following up on a call (message) received regarding a coyote sighting in Windmere development area. Archeological study revealed one arrowhead.

Office of Emergency Management Update –Tabled

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deputy Mayor DiCroce opened the floor to the public for comments at which time a Mr. Kenneth Parks from the Fawn Lake Village reported that there are ongoing issues (since being brought up at the December 2015 meeting) including one of the residents now facing invasion of privacy charges due to pictures that were taken and reported on (as they were instructed to do by the management). This management request has now resulted in additional issues between the residents themselves. They residents feel some of the ordinances are not being upheld by the management and they have no protection from retaliation when the issues are brought to management attention. They even hesitate to report to the police. Mr. Heinhold mentioned that the Township does not govern the park, but they will follow up on reported health and wellness issues when reported. It was also mentioned that it's the DP, State and Pinelands that governs this septic issue not the Township. Mr. Heinhold also mentioned that they are keeping tabs and will issue fines when necessary. There being no further comments from the public, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

Executive Session - Tabled.

The meeting was adjourned on motion of Committeeman Gray, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, with all members present voting yes.

Attest:

Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk