

Shamong, NJ 08088

August 1, 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 Di Croce	P
Noted)	Mr. Timothy Gimbel	P
	Mr. Sean Gray	A
	Mr. Martin Mozitis	P

Also in attendance: D. Heinold, Solicitor and D. Guzzi, Engineer

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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE OFFICIAL ACTION;

On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, approval of July 12, 2017 Regular and Executive Session minutes were approved as submitted. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

Mrs. Onorato, the Clerk, reported on the cemetery update that all approvals have been received and that a recent settlement on a Township property would help off-set some of the costs to develop. The Clerk reported that additional quotes are expected soon.

The Clerk reported that an application submission to the New Jersey Department of Agriculture is recommended, to conduct an egg mass survey, which is required to obtain State funding if treatment is suggested. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve to submit application for survey of gypsy moth egg masses. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported the recommendation for the Deputy Register to attend free certification classes in Trenton, NJ in October. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve for the Deputy Registrar to attend free certification classes on October 6, 10, 11 & 12, 2017 at a total estimated cost of travel and parking \$139.14. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk advised regarding the 2018 State of NJ DOT state aid program and the Engineer, Mr. Guzzi reported the program could aid in transit related improvements such as bikeways and road programs and recommended to move forward with the application for funding. Mayor Gimbel directed the Engineer to fill out the application. Mr. Guzzi stated the cost to prepare and submit the application would be approx. \$1,000.00.

The Clerk reported on the NJ report of rabies cases by county for January to June 2017. Burlington and Morris Counties were rated among the highest on reported cases.

The Clerk reported on the recommended temporary Speed Bumps for Grassy Lake Road. The Clerk reported that initial notices were sent out to the residents and that preliminary feedback has been mixed. The Clerk reported on the three (3) quotes received and the Committee recommended the lowest quote. No formal approval was needed as the cost was under the amount needed for this action. The Mayor directed the Clerk to proceed with purchasing at the lowest quote received.

The Clerk suggested regarding repairs to Grassy Lake Road that decisions should wait until the temporary speed bump trial is over and subsequent feedback from the resident is reviewed.

The Clerk reported on the need to appoint Joanne Robertson to positions vacated due to the retirement of Barbara Valenzano effective July 1, 2017. **On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman Di Croce, it was moved to approve the appointment of the following positions effective July 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017: Municipal Search, Sub. Div. Approval Search, Deputy Safety Coordinator for JIF and Deputy Wellness Coordinator for JIF. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported on the 2017/2018 Tax rate and bills and reported that the rate was approved by the County and there is a 9 ½ cent tax increase. The Clerk reported the average home was assessed at \$308,169 and that household would see a \$297.72 increase in their taxes. The Clerk reported the tax bills should be mailed out by mid-August at latest. The Mayor requested a copy be sent to the school for reference. The Committee discussed the possibility of setting up a meeting with the local Mayors to discuss further.

The Clerk reported on the appointment of Barbara Valenzano as a Class IV Member of the Joint Lane Use Board due to a vacancy. **On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve to appoint Barbara Valenzano as a Class IV Member of the Joint Land Use Board for the balance of a four (4) year term expiring December 31, 2019. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk reported that the agreement has been reviewed by the Solicitor and will run through 2021. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve Resolution 2017R-77 Authorizing agreement with Burlington County (2017 Recycling and Solid Waste Services). A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported that per Mayor Gimbel, the following two (2) items could be handled as a blanket resolution. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve 2017R-78 Authorizing appointment of Joanne Robertson as additional Contact Person for the Employment Practices Liability Attorney Consultation Service – Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund AND moved to approve 2017R-79 Authorizing appointment of Joanne Robertson as Assistant Claims Coordinator - Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

ORDINANCES:

The Clerk reported this was the second reading and public hearing of this ordinance and it has been posted in the Burlington County Times. The Solicitor reported this ordinance outlines the regulation for the usage and safety of drones in the Township parks, playgrounds and recreation areas. The Mayor then opened the meeting to the public for comments at which there were none so he closed the meeting to the public. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve 2017-6 Second reading and public hearing - Amending the Township code at chapter 128 governing “Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation Areas” to regulate the use of drones at athletic fields. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported Ordinance 2017-7 was discussed at the last meeting and tabled for further review for the current meeting. The Solicitor reported that “block party” was stricken from the previous version. The Solicitor also suggested guidelines regarding capping the number of people in attendance. After a brief discussion, it was determined to require an action plan be filed for Special Events where attendance is in excess of 250 people. The Mayor commented to the public this ordinance is an effort to have an action plan in place at any special event should an emergency occur. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve 2017-7 Introduction - Amending the code to create chapter 144 governing “SPECIAL EVENTS”. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Solicitor reported this ordinance will maintain guidance on road projects. The Mayor then opened the meeting to the public for comments at which there were none so he closed the meeting to the public. **On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman Di Croce, it was moved to approve 2017-8 Second reading and public hearing - Amend the code at chapter 147 to amend provision governing “Streets and Sidewalks”(BCT 7/17/2017). A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

BILL LIST:

The Mayor requested any questions or comments; as there were none, **on motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman Di Croce, it was moved to approve the attached Bill List. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

REPORTS:

The Engineer reported:

- He is working with the Solicitor on the Flood Ordinance and adopting a Preliminary Flood Map and reported there is not much impact or changes for Shamong.

The Solicitor reported:

- South Jersey Gas 50 year ordinance expired and revisions to pipeline concerns were addressed. The Solicitor is still waiting to hear from them.
- He is doing some research on the ongoing “rights of way” cell node usage and municipal consent

The Administrator reported:

- The Township vacuum truck broke down and we are waiting on quotes for repair.
- We were required to post notice regarding the water at the Dingtletown complex due to new regulations regarding start-up treatment.
- The Shamong Board of Education has confirmed their special election is scheduled for Tuesday, September 26th from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and will be held at the Indian Mills Memorial School. There was a brief discussion among the Committee members regarding the already completed repair on the well pit and the purchase of a generator that accounted for the difference in the failed referendum of \$5.4M vs. the current referendum of \$4.9M.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Gimbel opened the meeting to the public for comments at which time there were none so he closed the meeting to the public.

On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, and a roll call vote showing all members present voting yes, by Resolution 2017R-80 the Committee went into Executive Session for matters of Attorney Client privilege; possible acquisition of ground and contract negotiation.

The Committee reconvened their regular meeting and the Solicitor reported that the Engineer was directed to proceed with communication relative to property on Atsion Road. The Solicitor reported discussing a shared service with Medford Lakes and reported the Committee will act on a resolution to authorize a shared service agreement for a shared court in Medford Lakes. The Solicitor reported that further direction was given to the Engineer relative to quotes with regards to finalizing the Oak Shade Road project pipe repair.

The Clerk reported a vote was needed for the shared service agreement for the Municipal court in Medford Lakes with final approval pending review and approval of the agreement by Deputy Mayor Di Croce. **On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve the Shared Service Agreement for Medford Lakes Court. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

There being no further business, **on motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, and a roll call vote showing all members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned.**

Attest:

Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk