

Shamong, NJ 08088

September 27, 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 7:40 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.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

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

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE OFFICIAL ACTION;

On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, approval of the September 5, 2017 Regular and Executive Session minutes were approved as submitted. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.

Mr. Addison Bradley was present and updated the Committee on the cemetery proposal. Mr. Bradley reported the cemetery package was ready to go out to bid and will be advertised. He reported the bid due date is set for October 26, 2017 and the award date will be November 8, 2017.

Mr. Bradley reported on two options put into the bid documents; 1) Having a second columbarium delivered the same time as the first to save money instead of having a second crane delivery fee. Mr. Bradley will research the cost difference on one columbarium vs. two. 2) Checking into the maintenance costs of keeping the one field designated for wildflowers and if there is a less expensive option. Mr. Bradley reported that the costs cost estimates are still below projections at this time.

Mrs. Susan Onorato, the Clerk, reported the need for a local Cemetery Board consisting of at least seven (7) members. The Clerk reported the first intent of the Cemetery Board would be to get the by-laws, cemetery rules and pricing structured and finalized by years end. The Mayor agreed the need to move forward in getting the Board established.

Mr. Bradley reported that, depending on the weather, if all goes as scheduled he suggests pre-sale advertising around January 1, 2018. Mr. Bradley asked if there were any questions, at which time a resident asked how many sites would be available. The Clerk reported the first section would have 2,000 grave sites along with the columbarium(s) (which hold 48) and phase two (2) would provide approximately 2,500 more.

The Clerk reported on the Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) 3 year renewal presentation and turned the meeting over to Mr. Paul Florenza, the Deputy Executive Director. Mr. Florenza gave a presentation reporting that the Township has been with JIF, which started in the mid-1980's, since 1991 and has a history of assisting and providing the Township with competitive services. Mr. Florenza reported that JIF is financially strong, the safety record is strong and that the risk management is doing well making JIF a cost effective operation. Following the presentation, the Clerk presented an add-on broiler plate **Resolution 2017R-96 Authorizing the Execution of a Contract Renewing Membership in the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Cooney, it was moved to approve Resolution 2017R-96. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported the request for the Clerk and Deputy Clerk to attend a seminar on October 19, 2017 at a cost of \$20.00. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Gray, it was moved to approve for the Clerk and Deputy Clerk to attend a seminar at a cost of \$20.00. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported on the Burlington County Farmland Preservation Program-Acquisition Targeting List review. The Clerk reported that in order for a landowner to be eligible to apply for an easement sale to the County, the land must meet the County's Acquisition Targeting List (ATL) criteria. The Clerk reported that the list consisted of 586 total estimated acres (20 parcels total) that are eligible for the Farmlands Presentation Program. The Clerk reported that no formal action is required by the Committee and that any comments and/or recommendations should be submitted to the County no later than November 15, 2017.

The Clerk reported on having an Annual Shamong Holiday Light Tour with the recommendation that it will add community spirit during the holidays. Melissa Durham was asked to comment on this event, which she is willing to run and asked for the Committee's support by promoting the event on the Township website and requested assistance of the Mayor and Committee with the judging process. Melissa Durham reported participants would be required to submit an entry form for this community family friendly competition that could be accessed from the website (along with flyers). Melissa reported she would gather additional details and reach out to the Committee again. The Mayor and Committee advised their approval and support.

The Clerk reported on the appointment of Michael Alcorn to the Shamong Township Fire Police for the completion of a 5 year term expiring on May 6, 2020. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve the appointment of Michael Alcorn. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported on V & V Adventure Farms application for a Social Affairs/Catering permit from State of NJ-ABC. The Clerk reported this was for the weekend of October 28, 2017 (rain date of October 29, 2017). The Clerk reported that Rocky Russell from One More Bar and Grill, who is the event organizer and caterer would be dispensing alcohol at the event. As required, the Clerk reached out to the Red Lion State Police Station Commander Lt. Piazza who was not ready at the time to approve this application. Mr. Russell, the event organizer reported that he reached out to Lt. Piazza as well and was hoping to get the Committee approval based on the approval of Lt. Piazza once received. **On motion of Committeeman Di Croce, seconded by Committeeman Mozitis, it was moved to approve the V & V Adventure Farms application for a Social Affairs/Catering permit, based on the pending approval by the New Jersey State Police and the Townships receipt of the Certificate of Insurance and Hold Harmless agreement. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk reported on an overpayment of taxes to LTS Acquisition Co., LLC for \$2,256.01. **On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman Di Croce, it was moved to approve Resolution 2017R-93 to Refund overpayment of taxes on block 12.12, lot 4 (107 Nanticoke Trail - Tyburski) to LTS Acquisition Co., LLC for \$2,256.01. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported on an overpayment of taxes to Your Home Title of \$1,533.54. **On motion of Committeeman Cooney, seconded by Committeeman Di Croce, it was moved to approve Resolution 2017R-94 to Refund overpayment of taxes on block 8.02, lot 18 (3 Wheatsheaf Road – Oravats) to Your Home Title for \$1,533.54. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

The Clerk reported on the purchase of parts to repair the 1987 International Vacuum Truck from GranTurk Equipment Company for \$5,061.31. The Clerk reported that based on the high bids received to have the truck repaired, it was decided to purchase the parts instead and have our Public Works personnel do the repairs directly. **On motion of Committeeman Mozitis, seconded by Committeeman Di Croce, it was moved to approve Resolution 2017R-95 Authorizing purchase of parts to repair the 1987 International Vacuum Truck from GranTurk Equipment Co., Inc., Bridgeport, PA at a cost of \$5,061.31. A roll call vote showed all members present voting yes.**

REPORTS:

The Administrator reported:

- Shamong Board of Education had their special election on Tuesday, September 26th and the Bond Referendum was voted down.
- 2018 Preliminary budget items are the 1997 plow truck, replacing aging office computers, replacing the aging phone system and also road re-striping of the Township main roads.
- South Jersey Gas is completing evaluation to see if they will extend service into Pakenah Trail and will update us in about a month.
- Pine Barrens 500 Motorcycle Ride takes place October 27-29, 2017 using mainly the off-road sand and gravel roads and that they are requesting the Township acknowledgement of this notification.
- Reports are included in the meeting packets for the Building Code office, Court Administrator, Finance office.
- We are working on a New Resident Packet supported by advertisements by local businesses (no cost to the town).

At the inquiry of Committeeman Mozitis, the Mayor requested the Clerk follow up with the Engineer on getting information regarding the repair to Oak Shade Road and a crack on Tuckerton Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Gimbel opened the meeting to the public for comments at which time Laura King from the Indian Mills Historical Society inquired about including inserts in the welcome packet. The Clerk replied there would be no problem including an insert. As there were no additional comments, the Mayor closed the meeting to the public.

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

Attest:

Susan D. Onorato
Municipal Clerk