

MINUTES OF BUDGET MEETING OF JANUARY 30, 2017

The work session meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Monday, January 30, 2017 and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor, Frank Desiderio.

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT:

Under the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by posting notice on the Township bulletin board and by e mailing notice to the New Jersey Herald and The Express-Times.

ROLL CALL:

Those present were: Mayor Frank Desiderio, Deputy Mayor Christopher Stracco, Committeeman Christopher Kuhn, Committeeman David Boynton, CFO Danette Dyer, and Acting Clerk Donna Zilberfarb.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Barbara Morgan of the Green/Allamuchy Ambulance squad explained their needs for the year 2017 and explained how the building was flooded and in need of doing repairs and any help would be appreciated. Ms. Morgan also explained that they do not participate in cash for crash as they would like to remain fully a volunteer status. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to approve \$9,500.00 in donation, seconded by Mr. Stracco. All were in favor.
- Paul MacNamara, Treasurer of Blairstown Ambulance Corps and Scott Durlister, explained their needs for the year 2017. They explained that their request was \$1,000.00 less than last year due to the cash for crash and how it is working well. Motion was made by Mr. Kuhn to approve \$7,500.00 in donation, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
- Tom Charles, Chief, Mike Rose, Assistant Chief, Pat Murphy, secretary, Bob Schible, Treasurer and Bob Olivier, Reports were in attendance for the Green Township Fire Department. Mr. Charles explained all capital needs and the importance of each. After discussion, it was determined that 1 airpack (\$10,000), 2 bunker gears (\$6,000), and all air bottles (\$8,000) would be purchased. Motion was made by Mr. Kuhn to approve \$6,000.00 in donation and \$24,000.00 in capital, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
- Chief, Calvin Inscho of the Blairstown Hose Company explained their needs and asked for capital only. Mr. Inscho also explained to the committee that Blairstown would like to do a contract with Frelinghuysen and that the Mayor will be reaching out to the Committee. After discussion, it was determined that 3 sets of turnout gear (\$12,000), 1 ¾" Hose (\$2,000), and Air packs (\$6,000) would be purchased. Motion was made by Mr. Stracco to approve \$20,000.00 in capital, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
- Mike Morino, Chief of Hope Volunteer Fire Department explained their needs for 2017. After discussion it was determined that \$17,000 would be sent on air bottles and turnout gear. Motion was made by Mr. Kuhn to approve \$6,000.00 in donation and \$17,000.00 in capital needs, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
- Mr. Desiderio told the committee that the FFP Lodge is rented for a baby shower in March.
- Mr. Stracco asked for clarification on the dog license ordinance before sending to legal counsel. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Kuhn to amend the previous motion to strike the cat licensing portion and made a motion to license dogs only at a rate of \$15.00 spayed/neutered and \$20.00 non spayed/neutered, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
- Capital needs were discussed. Mr. Desiderio explained that the parking lot at the lodge/rec center needs to be paved and should cost approximately \$15,000-\$18,000. It was determined that there were monies in an older ordinance (2013) that could be utilized for this purpose (\$24,000). He also spoke with Mr. Harman, road foreman, and will be looking into a backhoe rather than a loader, which should be lower in cost. The total capital requests for 2017 are \$265,000.00. \$61,000 to fire departments, \$14,000 to Recreation, \$40,000 for townhall renovations, \$10,000 crack fill for roads, \$140,000 for dpw for

- various road tar and chip, cross drain repairs, signage and purchase of backhoe.
- Ms. Dyer will input all into document and send to the auditor and will see when Anthony is available to meet to complete the budget. Dates are February 8th or February 22nd both starting at 7 pm. Once date is known, Ms. Zilberfarb will advertise in the paper.
 - Mr. Desiderio explained that he spoke with the boy scouts and that they would like to build a campsite at the FFP at no cost to the township.
 - Ms. Zilberfarb will Rice Notice employee Mr. DeCarolis and if chooses, will go into executive session during the regular scheduled time of meeting on February 15, 2017.
 - Ms. Zilberfarb will hold the Verizon representative until the March meeting after legal counsel discussing with the committee in the February meeting.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Motion was made by Mr. Kuhn, seconded by Mr. Boynton to open meeting to the public. All were in favor. Spoke were:

There was no public

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Stracco, seconded by Mr. Boynton to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, Acting Township Clerk