

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 21, 2021

The regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held at the Township Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 and as called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor, Chris Stracco.

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, Township website and by e mailing notice to the New Jersey Herald and The Express-Times.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL:

Those present were: Mayor Chris Stracco, Deputy Mayor Keith Ramos, Committeeman David Boynton, Committeeman Frank Desiderio, Committeeman Todd McPeek, Attorney Rich Beilin, and Municipal Clerk Donna Zilberfarb.

MINUTES:

1. June 16, 2021 regular meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Ramos. All were in favor.
2. June 16, 2021 executive session meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. McPeek. All were in favor.
3. July 14, 2021 work session meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Ramos, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
4. July 14, 2021 executive meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Ramos, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

ORDINANCES:

#2021-08 BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 2019-03 (WHICH PROVIDES FOR VARIOUS 2019 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS) HERETOFORE FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"), ON MARCH 20, 2019, TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION TO \$415,650, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZATION OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO \$394,850 TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF, AND TO INCREASE THE DOWN PAYMENT TO \$20,800

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 1.

The bond ordinance of the Township of Frelinghuysen, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey (the "Township"), heretofore finally adopted by the Township Committee thereof on March 20, 2019, numbered 2019-03 and entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2019 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$285,650 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$271,350 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF" (the "Original Ordinance"), is hereby amended and restated in its entirety, as follows, including increasing the appropriation in the Original Ordinance by \$130,000, from \$285,650 to \$415,650, increasing the authorization of bonds or notes of the Township in the Original Ordinance by \$123,500, from \$271,350, to \$394,850 to finance part of the cost thereof, and increasing the down payment in the Original Ordinance by \$6,500, from \$14,300 to \$20,800: "SECTION 1.

The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements or purposes to be undertaken by the Township of Frelinghuysen, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey (the "Township"). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$415,650, said sum being inclusive of a down payment in the amount of \$20,800 now available for said improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq., as amended and supplemented (the "Local Bond Law"), and now available therefor by virtue of a provision or provisions in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Township for down payment or for capital improvement purposes. SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said

\$415,650 appropriation not provided for by the down payment referred to in Section 1 hereof, negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$394,850 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in a principal amount not exceeding \$394,850 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. SECTION 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said bonds or notes are to be issued is the 2019 Capital Improvement Program, which includes, but is not limited to: (i) the acquisition of a blacktop roller machine, a brush hog lawnmower and a new bed for a Ford pickup truck; (ii) the acquisition and installation of new carpeting and flooring in the Town Hall; (iii) the acquisition of a thermal imaging camera, rescue equipment, hose and turnout gear for use by the Green Township Fire Department; (iv) the acquisition of turnout gear and extrication equipment for use by the Blairstown Fire Department; (v) the acquisition of turnout gear and self-contained breathing apparatus (scba) bottles for use by the Hope Fire Department; (vi) the acquisition of a flammable storage cabinet for the Department of Public Works ("DPW") garage; (vii) the acquisition of various tools, including, but not limited to, an impact gun, wrenches and sockets for use by the DPW; (viii) the acquisition and installation of a salt shed; (ix) the installation of dugouts for the Recreational Field; (x) repairs and improvements to various roads within the Township, including, but not limited to, paving, cross drains, tarring and chipping; (xi) the design and development of the Township's website; and (xii) the demolition of an abandoned barn located on municipal property and considered a health hazard, including, as applicable, all work, materials, equipment, labor and appurtenances necessary for or incidental to all of the above described improvements and purposes, all in accordance with the plans therefor on file in the office of the Township Clerk and available for public inspection and hereby approved. (b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvements or purposes is \$394,850. (c) The estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is \$415,650, the excess thereof over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor being the amount of \$20,800, which is the down payment available for such improvements or purposes. SECTION 4. In the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Warren make a contribution or grant in aid to the Township for the improvements and purposes authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Township prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and/or the County of Warren. In the event, however, that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and/or the County of Warren shall be received by the Township after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used for no other purpose. SECTION 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date or as otherwise authorized by the Local Bond Law. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer of the Township upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate, the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser. SECTION 6. The Capital Budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. In the event of any such inconsistency, a resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended Capital Budget and capital programs as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs will be on file in the office of the Clerk and will be available for public inspection. SECTION 7. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated: (i) The

improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are improvements which the Township may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby. (a) The average period of usefulness of said improvements or purposes within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 14.47 years. (b) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Township and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$394,850 and the said bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law. (c) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$3,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the improvements or purposes hereinbefore described. SECTION 8. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance. The bonds or notes shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the bonds or notes and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount. SECTION 9. The Township reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance and paid prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. No funds from sources other than the bonds or notes authorized herein have been or are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside by the Township, or any member of the same "Controlled Group" as the Township, within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e), pursuant to its budget or financial policies with respect to any expenditures to be reimbursed. This Section 9 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Township's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2, and no further action (or inaction) will be an abusive arbitrage device in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-10 to avoid the arbitrage yield restrictions or arbitrage rebate requirements under Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The proceeds of any bonds or notes authorized herein used to reimburse the Township for any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof will not be used directly or indirectly (i) to "refund" an issue of governmental obligations within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(d), (ii) to create, within one year, following the reimbursement of any expenditures of bond proceeds "replacement proceeds" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1 of the bonds or any other bond issue, or (iii) to reimburse the Township for any expenditure or payment that was originally paid with the proceeds of any obligation of the Township (other than borrowing by the Township from one of its own funds or the funds of a member of the same "Controlled Group" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e)). The bonds or notes authorized herein to reimburse the Township for any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof will be issued in an amount not to exceed \$394,850. The costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the bonds or notes authorized herein will be "capital expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of Section 150 of the Code and Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1. This provision will take effect immediately, but will be of no effect with regard to expenditures for costs paid outside the permitted reimbursement period set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2(d)(2). SECTION 10. The Township covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under Section 103(a) of the Code of the interest on all bonds and notes issued under this bond ordinance. SECTION 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law." **ADOPTED ON FIRST READING DATED: June 16, 2021 DONNA ZILBERFARB, Township Clerk ADOPTED ON SECOND READING DATED: July 21, 2021 DONNA ZILBERFARB, Township Clerk APPROVAL BY THE MAYOR ON THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2021. CHRISTOPHER STRACCO, Mayor**
Motion was made by Mr. Ramos to open for first reading/introduction, seconded by Mr. Boynton. Roll call vote: Mr. Boynton-yes; Mr. Desiderio-yes; Mr. McPeek-yes; Mr. Ramos-yes; Mr. Stracco-yes. Second reading for adoption will be held on July 21, 2021.

Motion was made by Mr. Ramos to open to for second reading for adoption, seconded by Mr. McPeek. All were in favor. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to open to the public, seconded by Mr. McPeek. All were in favor. No public comment. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to close to the public, seconded by Mr. McPeek. All were in favor. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to adopt, seconded by Mr. Ramos. Roll call: Mr. Boynton-yes; Mr. Desiderio-yes; Mr. McPeek-yes; Mr. Ramos-yes; Mr. Stracco-yes. This will take effect 20 days after advertisement date.

#2021-11 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$3,000 FOR THE FUNDING THE PURCHASE OF A FLAIL MOWER BY THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY. BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The sum of \$3,000.00 is hereby appropriated for the following purposes:

1) Purchase of a Flail Mower

Section 2. The funding sources for said ordinance are as follows:

1) Capital Improvement Fund \$3,000.00

Section 3. In connection with the amount authorized in Section 1 hereof, the Township makes the following determination:

a) The purposes described in Section 1 hereof is not a Current Expense and is an improvement, which the Township of Frelinghuysen may lawfully make as a general improvement.

b) The period of usefulness of the purpose described in section 1 hereof is, at a minimum, five (5) years as required under the Local Public Bond Law.

Section 3. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provisions so adjudged and the remainder of the ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the aforesaid ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting

of the Township Committee of Frelinghuysen Township, New Jersey, held on June 16, 2021, and

that a regular meeting of the same to be held on July 21, 2021 at the Municipal Building, 210 Main

Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey, at the hour 7:30 o'clock in the evening, the said Committee will consider the final passage of said ordinance.

Motion was made by Mr. Ramos to open for first reading for introduction, seconded by Mr. Boynton. Roll call vote: Mr. Boynton-yes; Mr. Desiderio-yes; Mr. McPeek-yes; Mr. Ramos-yes; Mr. Stracco-yes. Second reading for adoption will be held on July 21, 2021. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to open for second reading for adoption, seconded by Mr. McPeek. All were in favor. Committee comments: Mr. Desiderio commented on the size and safety of the flail mower for the size tractor. Mr. Boynton commented on the sickle bar and felt there were no issues and discussed the 2 operators not needing new mower. Mr. McPeek commented on needing and that the operators agreed to the new flail mower. Mr. Ramos discussed more time to process this purchase. Mr. Stracco asked the committee to either carry or hold to next meeting or open to the public and close and vote on ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to open to the public, seconded by Mr. Desiderio. All were in favor. No public comment. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to close to the public, seconded by Mr. Desiderio. All were in favor. Motion was made by Mr. McPeek to approve for adoption, seconded by Mr. Stracco. Roll call vote: Mr. Boynton-no; Mr. Desiderio-no; Mr. McPeek-yes; Mr. Ramos-no; Mr. Stracco-no. Ordinance #2021-11 was not adopted.

#2020-12 ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9-3 OF THE FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP CODE, ENTITLED "BAMBOO" WHEREAS, bamboo is an invasive species which has become a nuisance to the residents of Frelinghuysen Township; and WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen previously adopted Section 9-3 of the Frelinghuysen Township Code, in order to address complaints regarding the unwanted spread of bamboo in areas where it encroaches on the public right-of-way; and WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate at this time to amend Section 9-3 of the Frelinghuysen Township Code, specifying the Township officials empowered to enforce Section 9-3 of the Township Code. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

ORDAINED by the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows: **Section I** Section 9-3(d) of the Frelinghuysen Township Code is hereby amended to read as follows (additions are underlined, deletions are stricken through):

SECTION 9-3 BAMBOO d. Investigations; Reports. The Director of Public Works, ~~Read Supervisor~~, Construction Official, Zoning Officer or the Health Officer of the Township shall be considered the proper officers to investigate all lands within the limits of the Township to determine violations of this section and to issue notices pertaining to same. **Section II** 1. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. 2. If any word, phrase, clause, section or provision of this ordinance shall be found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal or unconstitutional, such word, phrase, clause, section, or provision shall be severable from the balance of the ordinance and the remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at the regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee held on July 20, 2021 and will be considered for final reading and adoption at the meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee to be held on August 18, 2021 at the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey at which time and place all interested parties may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to open for first reading for introduction, seconded by Mr. Ramos. Second reading will be held on August 18, 2021.

AGREEMENTS:

1. Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council Agreement. Motion was made by Mr. Desiderio to authorize the Mayor to sign agreement, seconded by Mr. Ramos. All were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2021-66 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO CLARK MOYNIHAN LANDSCAPING & CONSTRUCTION LLC FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SALT SHED BUILDING WHEREAS, pursuant to authorization of the Township Committee, the Township received sealed competitive bids for a project entitled "Construction of a New Salt Shed Building at the Frelinghuysen Municipal Complex," and WHEREAS, four sealed bids were received and opened on June 3, 2021 in accordance with the advertised date for acceptance of bids from the following vendors:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Clark Moynihan Landscaping And Construction LLC	\$217,000.00
Dutchman Contracting LLC	\$289,730.00
Walkill Group Inc.	\$293,000.00
JR Contracting	\$397,000.00;

And WHEREAS, the bids were duly received and analyzed by the Township Engineer; and WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law requires that competitive bidding contracts be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder; and WHEREAS, the bid received from the low bidder, Clark Moynihan Landscaping & Construction LLC, in the amount of \$217,000 has been found to be in proper form and in compliance with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law and the bid specifications; and WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available for this project. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Committee hereby award a contract to Clark Moynihan Landscaping & Construction LLC for the construction of a new salt shed building at the Frelinghuysen Municipal Complex in accordance with the bid specifications, in the total amount of \$217,000.00. 2. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with Clark Moynihan Landscaping & Construction LLC in accordance with the bid specifications, and in a form acceptable to the Township Engineer and Township Attorney. 3. The Frelinghuysen Township Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for this project. 4. This resolution and the contract shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk. 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately. **CERTIFICATION** I, Donna Zilberfarb, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey

do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a resolution duly authorized by the Frelinghuysen Township Committee on July 21, 2021.

Roll call vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton		X	X			
Mr. Desiderio			X			
Mr. McPeek			X			
Mr. Ramos	X		X			
Mr. Stracco			X			

#2021-67 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL TO RENEW MEMEBERSHIP THEREIN FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026 WHEREAS, the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (“MCCPC”) was created in 1974 to conduct a voluntary cooperative pricing system with municipalities, boards of education, and other public bodies located in the County of Morris and adjoining counties; and **WHEREAS**, the purpose of the MCCPC is to provide substantial savings on various goods and services to its members through the cooperative public bidding process; and **WHEREAS**, the Township of Frelinghuysen desires to enter into an Agreement with the MCCPC, which is administered by Randolph Township as Lead Agency, to renew its membership in the MCCPC for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2026. **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen hereby authorizes the execution of an Agreement with the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council by the Township of Randolph as Lead Agency dated October 1, 2021, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-11(5). Said Agreement is for **renewal** of membership in the MCCPC for a five (5) year period from October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2026.
2. The Township of Frelinghuysen Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of this adopted Resolution, along with an executed Agreement, to Randolph Township as Lead Agency of the MCCPC.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon final passage according to law.
4. All appropriate Township of Frelinghuysen officials are authorized and directed to perform all required acts to affect the purpose of this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION I, Donna Zilberfarb, Clerk of the Township of Frelinghuysen, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township of Frelinghuysen at a duly convened meeting held on July 21, 2021.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton		x	x			
Mr. Desiderio			x			
Mr. McPeek			x			
Mr. Ramos	x		x			
Mr. Stracco			x			

#2021-68 SETTING EXECUTIVE SESSION WHEREAS, it is necessary to discuss items dealing with contract negotiations, possible litigation. WHEREAS, under the Open Public Meetings Act (number 7 of the permitted exceptions to the requirements that a public body hold its meetings in public) it is permissible that such matters be discussed in executive or private session. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on July 21, 2021 that the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen will adjourn to private or executive session to discuss the above mentioned and results or portions of that discussion will be made known in reasonable length of time.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton	x		x			
Mr. Desiderio		x	x			
Mr. McPeek			x			
Mr. Ramos			x			
Mr. Stracco			x			

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Mayor Chris Stracco – Nothing to report
- Deputy Mayor Ramos reported that the salt shed was awarded and the survey that is online for internet connectivity is going well.
- Committeeman David Boynton reported that he was dealing with the Pastor for the rental and secured all temperatures.
- Committeeman Frank Desiderio – Nothing to report
- Committeeman Todd McPeek – Nothing to report

- Attorney Rich Beilin will be in executive session
- Municipal Clerk Donna Zilberfarb reminded the committee that she would be on vacation from July 24, returning August 1st. She also asked if anyone knew of any cleaning companies to let her know the information for them. She explained that they need to be bonded with full insurance coverage.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The salt shed was discussed and Mr. Ramos explained that he will be meeting with the Director of DPW and the foreman prior to Monihan coming. Discussion was had on permitting, places to hold the brine, as Mr. Finch is not interested. Mr. Desiderio found totes in Randolph that were \$85.00 each and they do business with municipalities. After discussion, a motion was made to approve \$600.00 to purchase totes for the brine, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
- Mr. Desiderio was in contact with the resident on Ramsey Road regarding the stand pipe and was asked to reach out next month.
- Hess Road Vacation – nothing to report
- Time clock committeeman Ramos – Hold to next meeting (8/11) when Danette is in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chief Mike Marino and Chad Koonz of the Hope volunteer fire department asked for clarification on the budget this year as their request was minimal to what was asked. Mr. Stracco explained that there were limited amounts of money as our budget was tight this year. Mr. Ramos discussed the per house data and how that data formulated the amount for the fire departments. Mr. Marino asked if they took into consideration Forest Manor in those numbers and Mr. Koonz asked why did they get cut so bad this year. He mentioned purchasing a new fire truck and that 2 committeemen came to see it. The explained that they can't run a volunteer fire department for that amount of money and asked if there was any way to get them back to \$23,000 this year. Mr. Boynton offered to absorb the staining costs and put that towards the fire department. After discussion, Mr. Ramos will send questions to Hope. Ms. Zilberfarb has the email addresses for both gentlemen and will forward to Mr. Ramos. Mr. Koonz and Mr. Marino were both open for any conversation and information needed and asked if they would have some type of answer by September. Mr. Koonz also mentioned that no one reached out to them and they only knew what they were getting by reading the minutes. Mr. Stracco explained that this would be discussed at the workshop meeting in August when the CFO is present. They also stated that they have no interest in covering more territory within Frelinghuysen Township.
- Appointment of Electrical inspector, Greg Chontow. Motion was made by Mr. McPeek to appoint Greg Chontow as the electrical inspector at \$13,000.00 per year, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
- Motion was made by Mr. Ramos to accept with regrets the resignation of Mike Weir, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor. Ms. Zilberfarb will advertise in the NJ Herald.
- Committee liaison for Fire Departments was discussed and there will be no appointment for that. This will be removed as an agenda item.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton for a consent agenda for department reports 1-10, seconded by Mr. Ramos. All were in favor.

- DPW – Mr. McPeek let the committee know that all tar and chip is complete and Greendell is done except for a berm at #60. Mr. McPeek also wished Mr. Weir good luck in his new pursuit.
- Land Manager – Not in attendance – report in the book
- Recreation committee – Nothing to report
- Environmental Commission – No meeting
- Farmland/Open space Committee – No meeting

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Desiderio to open meeting to the public limited to 20 minutes with 3 minutes per member of the public. All were in favor. Spoke were:

- Loren Greco, Greendell Road, asked who Colliers was. Mr. Stracco told him Maser.

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Desiderio to close to the public. All were in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Desiderio to enter into executive session.

No action was taken.

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Ramos to exit executive session.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:

Mr. Stracco explained the purpose of the executive session was to discuss ongoing contract negotiations, property leases and potential litigation.

Motion was made by Mr. Desiderio to award SunPower the bid, seconded by Mr. Boynton. Roll call vote: Mr. Boynton-yes; Mr. Desiderio-yes; Mr. McPeek-yes; Mr. Ramos-yes; Mr. Stracco-yes. Mr. Beilin will move forward with SunPower.

Mr. Desiderio offered to complete the demolition of the salt shed and obtain dumpsters. He stated he was fully insured and will volunteer his time. All were in favor of Mr. Desiderio completing the demo of the salt shed.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC AGAIN:

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Ramos to open meeting to the public limited to 20 minutes with 3 minutes per member of the public. All were in favor. Spoke were:

- No public present

Motion was made by Mr. Ramos, seconded by Mr. Boynton to close to the public. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Warren County Purchasing Department – annual auction
- Warren County Department of Public Safety – Temporary debris management areas (TDMA)
- JCP&L – BPU docket No. E02110698
- Frelinghuysen Township Zoning Official – Compliant – 224 Main Street, Block 1001 Lot 12
- Frelinghuysen Township Zoning Official – 288 Silver lake road block 603 lot 6
- Frelinghuysen Township Zoning Official – 224 Main Street Block 1001, Lot 12
- Allamuchy Township – Ordinance 2021-04
- Hope township – Ordinance 2021-06 intro and adoption
- Township of Blairstown – Ordinance 2021-06
- Township of Liberty – Resolution #2021-43 opposing forest mgmt. bills
- Kerry Ann Castles – thank you letter
- Blairstown Hose Company – June 2021 Fire report
- Green Fire Department – June 2021 Fire Report

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. McPeek, seconded by Mr. Boynton to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, RMC