

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM as advertised and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Members present: Miletta, Bowman, Sheppard.

Jason Ripper, Recreation stated he would like to utilize the old public works building for an indoor batting cage. Committee would like to subdivide and sell the property. Recreation is planning on having fundraisers to raise funds for pole barns. Public works is re-building dug outs as it would be between \$15,000-\$20,000 to have them made. Jason stated there is some aluminum pipe in the shed and is hoping to have enough to replace the back stop. Jason spoke about having minor player pitch teams and them utilizing the junior field as it is hard to get sign ups for that age group. Recreation is looking into putting a second bathroom in the concession stand with access from outside the building.

16 East Ave. quotes for demolition. Owner did call Mr. Seeley's office to inquire if he could pay the lien that would be placed on the property once demolition has taken place. Quotes received and reviewed. Homan Contracting - \$8,000.00 with tipping fees, \$6,000.00 without tipping fees. Abrisco Enterprises - \$9,200.00. Tony Brago Excavating - \$7,485.00 We are still waiting Brago Excavating to see if tipping fees are included in his quote as it is unclear.

George Ripper stated plowing during the snow storms went ok. They did have a hose blow and carrier bearing. Public Works fixed it with Joe Miletta's help.

Intercon Truck Equipment quote for change order for moving the valve and controllers up and not on the floor in the amount of \$7115.00. It was determined this is needed for safety.

Antennae for radios is already installed. Public works to clean up property at 135 Maple Ave. Holly and Magnolia trees to stay. TV tower to be taken down. J. Miletta has a tower jack that can be used. Mowing vacant property discussed. George stated that the personnel changes are going well.

Land Sale Offer for Block 53 Lot 15, Michael Rugenus would like to know what the minimum bid is. Committee set minimum bid at \$5,000. Clerk will reach out to see if they wish to proceed.

DEP-Dam safety visual inspection report. Question arose on much the township will have to pay towards the survey, the township will not have to pay anything.

Motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters. Bowman, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote. Motion to close closed session, Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Motion to pay bills. Sheppard, seconded by Bowman. Unanimous vote.

Fire Company and EMS budget requests. Committee requested a balance and activities report for 2021. Fire Company will need to purchase a washer for cleaning gear. Downspouts at the Fire Department are creating ice issues in cold temperatures. \$50,000 for both the Fire Department and EMS. Received a check from The State of New Jersey for a firefighter trust fund that is solely for training and equipment.

Tax collector resumes and inter-local versus hiring were discussed.

Draft letter to the County Board of Commissioners in regards to South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter. Motion to approve letter by Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Scarlato Rd. signs can go up. Tom Sedeyn will be giving a quote for the bank building repairs and closet doors at the Senior Center. Public Works can fix the roof on the shed.

Update on Historical Society Building – HVAC is still being worked on. Painter was working on the trim.

Motion to adjourn meeting. Bowman, seconded by Sheppard. Unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm.



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Following the Pledge of Allegiance, minutes of the January 6th & 10th meetings approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote. Reports for the month of January accepted, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Authorize payment of additional approved vouchers motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

NJ DEP, Kim Rennick, Project Manager for Blue Acres Program, spoke on the Bay Point Restoration Project. In 2014 they started buyouts. In 2016/17 demolition was started. They are working with Stockton University, DEP Office of Coastal Engineering and DEP Division of Fish and Wildlife. It will cost millions to remove the 50-65,000 cubic yards of debris. They are still pursuing funding. Mr. John Belland asked if the materials would be recycled, Ms. Rennick said they would be. They would like to install stone breakwaters. There is a limited time between September 1st and March 15th to work on due to horseshoe crabs. Sheppard stated he would like to have an agreement to cover the costs of the foreclosures. There are still 2 properties owned by private owners. Discussion on Paris Rd. Access to fishing off of Paris Rd. discussed. Pump house will stay for 2 houses on the creek side. It was relayed to Ms. Rennick that the pier/dock is not being maintained.

Land Sale conducted as advertised with the following results: Block 104, Lot 31 sold for \$13,000 to John Belland. Offer accepted motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote. Mr. Belland was told by the committee that he has the right to utilize the road.

Resolution 2022-21, Confirm Land Sale, Block 72, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8 to Na Chen & Ernie Mannebach, authorize Mayor and Clerk to execute Deed, resolution approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-18, Establishing Dog License fees and extending the grace period approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard. Unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-19, Authorizing the Parade & Events Committee to conduct a Memorial Day Parade, approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-20, Authorization to submit Municipal Alliance Grant Application, approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-22, Authorizing an Inter-Local Agreement with the Borough of Shiloh for Certified Recycling Coordinator, approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-23, accepting LOSAP certified list for EMS & Fire Department Volunteers Benefits, accepted, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-24, Authorize 2021 Budget Transfers, approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-25, Approve Emergency Temporary Budget Appropriation, approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2022-26, Authorize refund for duplicate tax installments, approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Ordinance 2022-432, 2022 Salaries and Wages, Motion to approve on first reading, Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote. Further consideration for final adoption will take place following a public hearing at the regular meeting of March 14th.

Certificate of Determination and Award presented, Bond Anticipation Note 2022-1 in the amount of \$741,000.00 Motioned to accept Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

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February 14, 2022
Regular Meeting
Continued

Award made to Homan for demolition of 16 East Ave, as we have not heard back from Tony Brago Excavating on tipping fees, motioned to accept, Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Authorize change order for Dump Truck with Houston Freightliner for an additional \$7,115.00 for valve & controllers. Motioned to accept Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Public Comments: Question was asked if septic will be filled in at 16 East Ave., yes it will be. Mr. Tisa asked the committee if they received money from FEMA for a storm in the early 90's. No one was sure. Motion to close to public Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

With no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman.


Mary Harrar, Administrative Assistant

February 17, 2022
Special Meeting
Budget Meeting

A budget workshop meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm as advertised and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Members present: Miletta, Bowman, Sheppard. Purpose of the meeting was to prepare the 2022 Municipal Budget.

Committee along with Auditor Fred Caltabiano and CFO Amy Colaneri reviewed budget line by line. Further consideration for final adoption will be given upon receipt of confirmation of State Aid.


Mary Harrar, Administrative Assistant

February 25, 2022
Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Lawrence Township Committee was called to order at 9:00 am as advertised and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Meeting closed for Executive session to conduct interviews motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard.

Executive session closed and the meeting reopened at 9:25 am motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote. Jennifer Hernandez was selected to fill the position for Tax Collector through an inter-local agreement upon the retirement of Ruth Dawson motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote. With no further business, meeting adjourned motion Sheppard, seconded Bowman.


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