

Thursday March 9, 2017
Workshop Meeting

Monthly workshop meeting of the Lawrence Township Committee called to order at 7:30 pm as advertised, and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Members present: Miletta, Bowman, Sheppard.

Committee met with Fire Chief Brian Scarlato, members of the Fire Co., Fred Hundt KME Fire Apparatus and Brad Meyers, Leasing 2, Inc. to discuss possible purchase of a KME Panther Predator 6 Man Custom Pumper. Mr. Meyer's explained the benefits of his Lease to own financing program which could be for a 5, 7 or 10 year plan, with the truck being purchased through the Houston Galveston Area Cooperative. The Fire Co. will spec out the truck to determine cost. Committee will discuss purchase with CFO and Auditor to determine if the lease to own can be done and the benefit of doing so versus bonding.

Carmela Walder and Judy Butler, members of the Lawrence Township Historical Society met with the Committee to discuss issues with the Historical Society Building. Building needs paint, roof repairs and ceiling tiles need to be replaced. Huge tree in the back yard needs to be removed- they have a quote from Beavers Tree Services of \$2,000.00. Deck needs to be removed and electric service upgraded. Mr. Bowman will meet them at the building along with Public Works Supervisor to look at roof and ceiling tiles. Committee will talk to Beaver about tree removal. Deck can be removed easily enough by Public Works employees. The Historical Society will have new front doors installed and have an electrical contractor do necessary repairs.

Land sale offers reviewed. Motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote that block 197 lot 36 and block 245 lot 61 be offered at a land sale to be held at the regular meeting of April 10, 2017, Resolution 2017-33.

Results for bid opening held February 23, 2017 for Reconstruction of Lexington Avenue reviewed:

South State Inc.	126,098.34	Gerald A. Barrett LLC	132,771.25
Arawak Paving Co.	147,900.00	Ricky Slade Construction	152,614.00
Asphalt Paving Corp.	159,287.25		

Bid award will be made at the regular meeting of March 13th.

Correspondence received from Piranha Sports LLC, request to use Township roads, Cedarville Lake and Recreation Complex for their annual NJ Devilman Triathlon on May 7th reviewed. Further consideration will be given upon confirmation that Recreation, EMS and Public Works are good with the date.

Clerk provided update on purchase of Public Works pole barn. Millicent Davis, QPA, KMD Consulting has made contact with various vendors: Armada Building, Lancaster Pole Buildings and Graber Post Frame Buildings will be quoting. Pioneer Pole Buildings referred her to their kit maker Alpine Buildings and Shirk referred her to AB Martin. She will solicit quotes from them also.

Quotes received for purchase and delivery of I-5 gravel for Public Works Garage project: South State, no quote, Sorantino Express 10.50 per ton and Garrison Trucking 11.50 per ton. Noted that Sorantino low quote.

Payment of approved vouchers authorized motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Cumberland County Center for Family Services request to set up a table at Easter Event to be held at the Firehouse, to distribute flyers on Domestic and Sexual Violence will be referred to Parade and Events Committee.

Correspondence received from CRHS FFA students Miguel Vera and Galileo Wang regarding cleaning up of existing walking trail around Cedarville Lake as part of their SAE (Supervised Agriculture Experience) project reviewed. They will remove all existing leaves and branches with assistance of other

volunteers in their agriculture class. All agreed it was a great project and permission was granted motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman.

Correspondence received from resident Lisa Muntz in regard to disposal of her residential household trash at the convenience center read. The Convenience Center Attendant refused to allow her husband, Bruce, to dispose of trash due to commercial tags on his vehicle, which is in accordance with the Health Departments rules and regulations. Mr. Sheppard stated that the attendant should be able to determine the difference between residential household trash and commercial trash. We have a lot of residents that have only a commercial vehicle to transport their trash. Solicitor Seeley instructed to correspond with the Health Department to request a waiver.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 pm, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman.

Ruth Dawson, Clerk

Monday March 13, 2017
Regular Monthly Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm as advertised, and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Members present: Miletta, Bowman, Sheppard.

Following the flag salute, minutes of the February 9th, 13th and 27th meetings were approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard. Reports for the month of February accepted, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Public hearing opened as advertised, Ordinance No. 2017-397, Providing For The Salaries and Wages For The Employees And officers Of The Township Of Lawrence. Receiving no public response, the hearing was closed and the ordinance finally adopted, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2017-31, Tax identification Statement for 2016 Recycling Tonnage Grant and certification of recycling tax paid in the amount of \$3,227.49 approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2017-32, Supporting Winchester and Western Railroad Company for a Rail Freight Assistance Program project in the Township of Lawrence approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

2017 COLA Ordinance, No. 2017-398 approved on first reading motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote. Public hearing and further consideration for final adoption on the ordinance will take place at the regular meeting of April 10, 2017.

Resolution 2017-34, Authorizing self- examination of the 2017 Budget, and Certification that all necessary requirements have been met for self- examination approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

The 2017 Municipal budget approved on first reading motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote. Public hearing and further consideration for final adoption will take place at the April 10th meeting.

Contract awarded to South State Inc., low bidder, in the amount of \$126,098.34 for the Reconstruction of Lexington Avenue, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote. Treasurer certified funds available for the project in the amount of \$181,000.00.

Piranha Sports request to conduct their annual NJ Devilman Triathlon on May 7th, 2016, use of Township Roads, Cedarville Lake and Recreation Complex, approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Ordinance No. 2017-399, Amending the 2017 salary ordinance approved on first reading. Again, public hearing to be held April 10th at which time the ordinance will be further considered for final adoption.

Resolution 2017-35, Authorizing discharge of mortgage note due to Housing Rehab Grant on block 188 lot 16, 135 Main Street, approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Payment of additional approved vouchers authorized, motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Brief discussion held regarding removal of dead tree at Historical Society site. Committee has looked at the tree which is huge. Mr. Sheppard stated that the quote they received from Beaver's Tree Service was fair and instructed clerk to Have Mrs. Walders, President of the Historical Society contact Beaver and have the tree removed.

Award made to Sorantino Express for purchase and delivery of I-5 gravel for Public Works Garage project at 10.50 per ton, effective March 21, 2017 motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

A special meeting set for Thursday March 23rd at 5:00 pm to review quotes for purchase of a Public Works Garage, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Mayor Miletta advised that he received a complaint about trash on property located on Franklin Street. Clerk will notify Zoning officer.

Public Works Employee Bob Morgan was present and thanked the committee for purchasing the new dump truck last year, and for working at getting a new Public Works Garage. Mayor Miletta stated that the committee wants to provide a decent place for the Public Works employees to work out of. Mr. Sheppard and Mr. Bowman agreed. Mr. Morgan also advised that George Ripper, Supervisor of the Public Works Department has been talking with the County to determine if a shared services agreement would be possible for brining of Township Roads.

Committee opened the floor for public comments. With no public input, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard.

Ruth Dawson, Clerk

March 23, 2017
Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Lawrence Township Committee was called to order by Mayor Miletta 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 review formal quotes gathered by QPA Millicent Davis, KMD Consultants, who was also present, for the purchase of a pole barn building to be constructed as a public works facility.

Quotes received:

A.B. Martin Roofing & Supply LLC	22,882.51	Graber	32,600.00
Armada Buildings	35,750.00	Alpine Building Supply	39,908.00

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Lancaster Pole Buildings	No Quote	South Jersey Sheds & Gazebos	23,579.54
*Olympia Steel Buildings	59,905.00		

*Exceptions to Specifications

Ms. Davis advised that the Olympia Steel Building could be purchased under State Contract. The only other vendor that qualified (NJ Business Registration Certificate) Is South Jersey Sheds & Gazebos. Clerk certified funds available for the project. Award made to South Jersey Sheds and Gazebos in the amount of 23,579.54 motioned Sheppard, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote. Discussed was the need for an engineered drawing which may be an additional cost. Ms. Davis advised that Graber provides the drawing at no cost if the building /materials are purchased, and she would assume that SJ Sheds and Gazebos would also. She also advised that change orders up to 20% could be made. Over 10% would require DCA approval. Also discussed was installation of electric in the building. Mr. Sheppard advised that Steve Walsh Electrical Contractors will be designing the electric plan. Mr. Bowman suggested that once the plan has been prepared, Gerard Reilly, Systems Electric also be given the opportunity to quote the job as he has done work for the Township at no cost. Mayor Miletta concurred – work at ball field for the Recreation Committee, Historical Society Building and the Fire House. All agreed. Ms. Davis questioned if the Township participated in the County Co-operative, Mayor Miletta answered yes. She stated that GM White Electric provides electrical service for the co-op.

With no other business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Ruth Dawson, Clerk