

Thursday October 9, 2014
Regular Monthly Meeting

Meeting called to order as advertised at 7:30 pm, and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Following the flag salute, roll call showed the following members present: Bowman, Miletta, Sheppard.

Minutes of the September 4th and 8th meetings approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote. Reports for the month of September accepted, motioned Miletta, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

Resolutions approving submittal of grant applications and authorization to execute grant contracts:

2014-50 Resurfacing of Martin Avenue and Robbins Avenue

2014-51 Resurfacing of Lummistown Road Section III

Resolutions approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Miletta, unanimous roll call vote.

Best Practices worksheet as prepared by Clerk and CFO provided to committee and reviewed. A score of 82% was made with 0% of State Aid to be withheld. Clerk suggested that any questions responded “No” be further considered for remediation prior to preparation of 2015 Best Practices Inventory. Brief discussion held regarding the need for “Pay to Play” Ordinance. Committee will review in further detail and direct any comments or concerns regarding the checklist to the Clerk. List will be submitted to DCA electronically on October 14, 2014.

On September 22, Mayor Sheppard reviewed quotes for necessary repairs to Paris Road. Scope of work: Providing and Hauling of Rip Rap and DGA, and Backhoe with Operator to place materials.

Homan Contracting Inc. 14,137.50 Sorantino Express Inc. 11,903.00 (Material only)
Arbrisco Enterproses Inc. 14,825.00

Job awarded to Homan Contracting, low quote, who began work on September 24, 2014. Prior to completion of the project high winds and tides occurred on September 26 and 27, and washed out material from the original contract and caused further damage. Upon inspection, Mayor Sheppard determined the road impassible, with no access to residential dwellings by property owners or emergency vehicles. In order to protect the public safety, Mayor Sheppard authorized Homan Contracting to increase the scope of work necessary to repair the road at an additional cost of 14,736.62, for a total project cost of 28,874.12. Emergency Resolution, 2014-52 declaring emergency and authorizing additional funds for road repairs approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Change Order, Resolution #2014-53, Contract with Sorantino Express for Supplying , Hauling, and Delivery of Rap DGA for Thompson Road and Monroe Street, increasing quantity of Rap DGA by approximately 4,308.09 tons approved, Motioned Miletta, seconded Bowman, unanimous vote.

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Correspondence received from the State Agriculture Development Committee regarding application for Farmland Preservation Donation reviewed.

Properties involved:

Block 193 lot 6 Zoned Residential Conservation

Block 193 lots 10,11 Zoned Agricultural

Block 194 Lots 2,3 Zoned Industrial

Following discussion, Committee concurred that they would support Farmland Preservation and donations of easements on farmland that is located in an agricultural zone, but would not support same on properties located in a industrial zone. Clerk will complete and forward CADB Response Form indicating same.

Clerk advised that she was finally able to receive copy of accident report for incident that occurred on September 12th. A farm truck overturned on roadway (553) in front of Historical Society and knocked over lamp post in front of building. According to the accident report the truck was registered and insured to Griffin Transport. Deputy Mayor Miletta was able to provide a contact for the company who clerk will reach out to, to arrange to have light repaired.

Clerk updated committee on status of funds received for sale of surplus items as authorized by Resolution 2014-40. A total of 12,845.00 has been received for sale of Fire Co. surplus property sold on Govdeals.net. Clerk will reimburse Fire Company's budget account for same to be used for future purchase as approved by the Township Committee.

Payment of approved vouchers excepting Miletta Bros. authorized motioned Bowman, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote. Payment of Miletta Bros. voucher approved, motioned Bowman, seconded Sheppard, with roll call vote yes, Bowman and Sheppard, abstained Miletta.

Proposal prepared by ARH Engineers for the County of Cumberland as requested for engineering services to provide a structural inspection and report and complete a hydrologic and hydraulic analysis and report for this work at the Cedar Lake Dam briefly reviewed. On Oct 8th, Mayor Sheppard met with John Knoop, County Engineer and Don Olbrich, Director of Public Works, at which time proposal was discussed in depth. As a result of that meeting, Mayor Sheppard advised that a Structural Inspection and Report needs to be completed by December 31st to meet NJDEP deadline. ARH proposes to complete same for a cost of \$4,200.00. The County is willing to share 50% of the cost. Clerk advised that \$2,100.00 in funds remain available in Engineering budget appropriation. Motioned Bowman, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote that County as lead agency be authorized to proceed to issue contract to ARH for Structural Inspection and Report, to be paid on a 50-50 basis. Once completed both government units will be able to get a better handle on options, alternatives, and costs.

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Brief discussion held regarding Thompson Road and Monroe Street. Project has been completed. Committee agreed that reflective arrows need to be installed on S turn where Thompson runs into Monroe. Committeeman Bowman will get the necessary materials and install.

Floor opened for public comment. Receiving none, meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm, motioned Miletta, seconded Bowman

Ruth Dawson, Clerk