

Tabernacle Township Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2016

Mayor Stephen V. Lee, IV called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Flag Salute.

Sunshine Notice: This meeting was called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act. This special meeting of April 25, 2016 was sent to the Central Record, Burlington County Times and Courier Post. Posted on the bulletin board in Town Hall and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public, and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call Those in attendance were:

Governing Body

Joseph W. Barton, Township Committee
Kimberly A. Brown, Township Committee (**conference call**)
Richard J. Franzen, Township Committee
Joseph Yates, IV, Deputy Mayor
Stephen V. Lee, IV, Mayor

Administrative Team

Douglas Cramer, CPWM, Administrator
Kevin P. Frenia, Township Auditor
Terry Henry, CMFO, Chief Finance Officer
Peter C. Lange, Jr., Township Solicitor
Dan Guzzi, Township Engineer
La Shawn R. Barber, RMC, Municipal Clerk

Mayor Lee requested a moment of silence in remembrance for two residents of Tabernacle Township, Mr. Anthony Russo of Russo's Fruit and Vegetable Farm, Inc., and lifelong resident Morgan Hesse. Memories and kind words were shared by members of the Township Committee and members of the public.

Public Comment

- Fran Brooks, 78 Moores Meadow Road, expressed her condolences regarding Mr. Russo and commented on the agenda requesting the Committee to reconsider "no comments" on first reading ordinances. Ms. Brooks questioned items on the Bill List regarding the amount for the plaque dedication of the concession stand; the Attorney's invoice for Capehart and Scatchard; the purchase of the Chevy Silverado and the computer program purchased for the Construction Office and Land Development Board.
- Stuart Brooks, 78 Moores Meadow Road, thanked the Township Committee for a detailed 2016 Budget and questioned the solid waste collection and the part time employees.
- Jason Litowitz, 5 Horseshoe Court, questioned the Resolution regarding the release of Executive Session minutes since the first law suit of Brooks vs. Tabernacle Township has been settled.

Approval of Bills

On a motion made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Franzen, the bills were ordered paid.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee **Ayes: 5 Nays: 0** **Motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Franzen, the minutes of March 14, 2016 (Workshop & Executive) was approved.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee **Ayes: 4 Nays: 0** **Motion carried. Lee abstained.**

Motion made by Mr. Franzen, seconded by Mr. Barton, the minutes of March 21, 2016 (Special Budget) was approved.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee **Ayes: 5 Nays: 0** **Motion carried.**

Ordinance

SECOND READING: ORDINANCE 2016-1: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TABERNACLE, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 7, "TRAFFIC" ADDING SECTION 7-9 ENTITLED "RESTRICTIONS ON PARKING AT TOWN HALL BUILDING"

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle is authorized by the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 39:4-197*, to enact ordinances regulating the parking of vehicles upon land owned or leased and maintained by the municipality, including the designation of certain parking spaces; and

WHEREAS; the Town Hall building has seen a recent increase in vehicular parking; and

WHEREAS; the Township Committee wishes to ensure that Township residents conducting business at Town Hall have access to and the availability of designated parking spaces.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED By the Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1: Chapter VII Traffic, Section 7-9 of the Revised General Ordinances of Tabernacle Township is hereby amended to add the following section: 7-9 Restrictions on parking at Town Hall building. In accordance with the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 39:4-197*, the Township of Tabernacle shall designate (2) two parking spaces at the Tabernacle Township Town Hall and (1) one parking space at the Annex for use by persons who are conducting official Township business at the Town Hall and the Annex during regular business hours. Such spaces are to be exclusively used by persons conducting Township business and not available to Tabernacle Township Municipal Court patrons during normal business hours.

Section 2: All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3: If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 4: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Public Comment

- Motion made by Mr. Franzen, seconded by Mr. Yates, Ordinance 2016-1 on second reading was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

SECOND READING: ORDINANCE 2016-1: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TABERNACLE, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, *N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq.*, provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 0% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to **3.5%** over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a* provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the **3.5%** percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the (Township Committee) of the Township of Tabernacle in the County of Burlington finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2016 budget by up to **3.5%** over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a **3.5 %** increase in the budget for said year, amounting to **\$ 113,926.54** in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, in the County of Burlington, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2016 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Tabernacle shall, in accordance with this ordinance and *N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14*, be increased by **3.5%**, amounting to **\$113,926.54**, and that the CY 2016 municipal budget for the Township of Tabernacle be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Public Comment. None

- Motion made by Mr. Franzen, seconded by Mrs. Brown, Ordinance 2016-2 on second reading was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 4 Nays: 1 Motion carried.

FIRST READING: ORDINANCE 2016-3: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TABERNACLE, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XXII, "STREETS AND SANITATION" SECTION 12-1 "EXCAVATION IN STREETS" BY ADDING SECTION 12-1.11 ENTITLED "PERMITS NOT TO BE ISSUED ON STREETS IMPROVED WITHIN FIVE YEARS."

Public Hearing Date: May 23, 2016 at 7:30p.m.

- Motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Yates, Ordinance 2016-3 on second reading was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.



**RESOLUTION 2016-59
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF TABERNACLE TOWNSHIP
COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

WHEREAS, the Township of Tabernacle has a history of commitment to the public participation in its local government and to the corresponding need for an informed citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee finds that it is permissible to release the executive Session Meeting Minutes for the following dates:

- 11-25-13
- 03-10-14
- 04-14-14
- 08-11-14
- 10-14-14
- 11-10-14
- 12-29-14
- 02-09-15 Partial release is recommended. Last paragraph concerning Brooks v. Tabernacle is redacted for release at a later date.
- 06-08-15
- 12-30-15

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to release the following approved Executive Session Meeting Minutes for the following dates:

- 11-25-13
- 03-10-14
- 04-14-14
- 08-11-14
- 10-14-14
- 11-10-14
- 12-29-14
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- 06-08-15
- 12-30-15

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Tabernacle Township Committee at a meeting held on April 25, 2016.

- Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Franzen, Resolution 2016-59 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-60
APPROVING STREET OPENING PERMIT FOR SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY**

WHEREAS, South Jersey Gas Company, Rt. 54 Folsom, New Jersey 08034 has applied for a street opening permit for installing gas main at the following locations of Tabernacle Township: 16 Allen Court, Block 202.02, Lot 7.08; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer reviewed said application and schematic for approval of this installation and recommends that a permit be issued with these following stipulations and this permit will be contingent upon all fees and permits paid and bonds posted as required in Tabernacle Township General Code Ordinances.

WHEREAS, this resolution and the street opening authorized herein are specifically conditioned upon the applicant meeting the following requirements.

1. The Township Engineer shall be notified at least 48 hours in advance on any construction.
2. All asphalt paving openings must be restored with the following specification:
 - a. Two inch (2") thick, Hot Mixed Asphalt (HMA) 9.5M64, which replaces the Marshall mix design, top course. All top course paving must be completed 48 hours after installing stabilized base paving.
 - b. Six inch (6") thick, HMA 19M64, stabilized base course.
 - c. 20:1 sand/cement subbase.
 - d. Provide tack coat on all surfaces before paving.
3. All non-asphalt pavement restorations (i.e. lawns, etc.) shall be completed within 30 days. All lawns shall be restored with sod. The Township Engineer shall approve all other restorations.
4. Inspection escrow must be posted with the Township before start of construction.
5. The applicant must provide all outside agency approvals, as required.
6. SJG contractor will notify all residents along proposed pipeline path prior to construction start. Along with this notification, homeowners will be asked to notify the contractor of any items of concern that relate to their property (underground private structures such as sprinklers, property markers, septic and wells, etc.) along with landscaped areas.
7. SJG Contractor will attempt to meet with residents during the construction project to address concerns they might have.
8. SJG contractor will videotape area where pipeline is to be installed prior to construction start for documentation purposes.
9. Proposed pipeline will be installed by a combination of bore, plow and open-cut methods. Bore and plow are the preferred means of construction, but when open cutting of trenches occurs during construction of the project, the contractor will make every effort to keep disturbance to a minimum.
10. SJG contractor will restore all areas disturbed to same conditions and all non-vegetated areas must be reseeded.
11. All Township roads and paved driveways must use bore method of installation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of Tabernacle Township, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereby approves said application of a street opening permit for installation of gas service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and the street opening authorized herein is specifically conditioned upon the applicant installing all pipelines under private paved driveways and public streets by boring under the private paved driveways and public streets. The applicant is not authorized to install pipeline by openly trenching through paved private driveways located in the right of way and/or public utility easement nor through public streets.

- Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-60 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-61
APPROVING STREET OPENING PERMIT FOR SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY**

WHEREAS, South Jersey Gas Company, Rt. 54 Folsom, New Jersey 08034 has applied for a street opening permit for installing gas main at the following locations of Tabernacle Township: 155 Patty Bowker Road, Block 1301.02, Lot 21.01; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer reviewed said application and schematic for approval of this installation and recommends that a permit be issued with these following stipulations and this permit will be contingent upon all fees and permits paid and bonds posted as required in Tabernacle Township General Code Ordinances.

WHEREAS, this resolution and the street opening authorized herein are specifically conditioned upon the applicant meeting the following requirements.

1. The Township Engineer shall be notified at least 48 hours in advance on any construction.
2. All asphalt paving openings must be restored with the following specification:
 - a. Two inch (2") thick, Hot Mixed Asphalt (HMA) 9.5M64, which replaces the Marshall mix design, top course. All top course paving must be completed 48 hours after installing stabilized base paving.
 - b. Six inch (6") thick, HMA 19M64, stabilized base course.
 - c. 20:1 sand/cement subbase.
 - d. Provide tack coat on all surfaces before paving.
3. All non-asphalt pavement restorations (i.e. lawns, etc.) shall be completed within 30 days. All lawns shall be restored with sod. The Township Engineer shall approve all other restorations.
4. Inspection escrow must be posted with the Township before start of construction.
5. The applicant must provide all outside agency approvals, as required.
6. SJG contractor will notify all residents along proposed pipeline path prior to construction start. Along with this notification, homeowners will be asked to notify the contractor of any items of concern that relate to their property (underground private structures such as sprinklers, property markers, septic and wells, etc.) along with landscaped areas.
7. SJG Contractor will attempt to meet with residents during the construction project to address concerns they might have.
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of Tabernacle Township, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereby approves said application of a street opening permit for installation of gas service.

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- Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-61 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-62
APPROVING STREET OPENING PERMIT FOR SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY**

WHEREAS, South Jersey Gas Company, Rt. 54 Folsom, New Jersey 08034 has applied for a street opening permit for installing gas main at the following locations of Tabernacle Township: 228 Oak Shade Road, Block 802.02, Lot 16.01; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer reviewed said application and schematic for approval of this installation and recommends that a permit be issued with these following stipulations and this permit will be contingent upon all fees and permits paid and bonds posted as required in Tabernacle Township General Code Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, this resolution and the street opening authorized herein are specifically conditioned upon the applicant meeting the following requirements:

1. The Township Engineer shall be notified at least 48 hours in advance on any construction.
2. All asphalt paving openings must be restored with the following specification:
 - a. Two inch (2") thick, Hot Mixed Asphalt (HMA) 9.5M64, which replaces the Marshall mix design, top course. All top course paving must be completed 48 hours after installing stabilized base paving.
 - b. Six inch (6") thick, HMA 19M64, stabilized base course.
 - c. 20:1 sand/cement subbase.
 - d. Provide tack coat on all surfaces before paving.
3. All non-asphalt pavement restorations (i.e. lawns, etc.) shall be completed within 30 days. All lawns shall be restored with sod. The Township Engineer shall approve all other restorations.
4. Inspection escrow must be posted with the Township before start of construction.
5. The applicant must provide all outside agency approvals, as required.

6. SJG contractor will notify all residents along proposed pipeline path prior to construction start. Along with this notification, homeowners will be asked to notify the contractor of any items of concern that relate to their property (underground private structures such as sprinklers, property markers, septic and wells, etc.) along with landscaped areas.
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10. SJG contractor will restore all areas disturbed to same conditions and all non-vegetated areas must be reseeded.
11. All Township roads and paved driveways must use bore method of installation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of Tabernacle Township, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereby approves said application of a street opening permit for installation of gas service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and the street opening authorized herein is specifically conditioned upon the applicant installing all pipelines under private paved driveways and public streets by boring under the private paved driveways and public streets. The applicant is not authorized to install pipeline by openly trenching through paved private driveways located in the right of way and/or public utility easement nor through public streets.

- Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-62 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-63
AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF TEMPORARY SIGNS
IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY FOR TAA ORGANIZATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016**

WHEREAS, a request has been made for permission to place temporary signage in the public right of way associated with certain Township roads for (TAA) Tabernacle Athletic Association Organizations to promote their upcoming registration events for baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, volleyball and wrestling and the TAA scholarship fund; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is desirous of assisting Tabernacle Athletic Association in promoting their beneficial activities for the following:

TAA Baseball January / February /August/September	Seneca Youth Volleyball April / May
TAA Softball January / February /August / September	TAA Basketball September / October
TAA Soccer April / May	Seneca Youth Wrestling September / October
TAA Scholarship Fund March /April	

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Tabernacle Township Committee, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, does hereby temporarily suspend the zoning regulations prohibiting such signage included in Tabernacle revised Ordinances Chapter 17 Section 22.12 "Off Site Commercial Advertising Signs."

The Township Committee further hereby authorizes Tabernacle Athletic Association's Organization and/or its representatives to place temporary signage in the public right of way and along Tabernacle public roads to promote this event as aforementioned under the following conditions:

1. All signs shall be placed at least 6' off of any paved road surface, placed in the public right of way with adult supervision and notification be made to the Township Administrator and Construction Official in writing prior to each event date.
2. All temporary signs must be removed within 5 days after conclusion of the event or approval of this Resolution will be void.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Construction Official and Director TAA Organization.

- Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-63 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-64
GRANTING RAFFLE LICENSES TO THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST**

WHEREAS, the Church of the Holy Eucharist has filed applications with the Township Committee for raffle licenses to conduct raffles, and the applicant has paid the proper fees for said licenses; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle believes that said applicant is qualified to conduct the raffles are bona fide active members of said organization and that the raffle will be conducted in accordance with the New Jersey Administrative Code 13:47; and

WHEREAS, the following raffle licenses are requested on the dates and during the hours listed:

RA: 2016-09	DAILY 50/50 (ON-PREMISE)	JULY 25-30, 2016 * 6 P.M. TO 11 P.M.
RA: 2016-10	GAMES OF CHANCE (OFF-PREMISE)	JULY 25-30, 2016 * 6 P.M. TO 11 P.M.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, as follow:

1. That the Township Committee hereby approves the issuance of the aforementioned raffle license.
 2. That the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to issue said license on behalf of the Township of Tabernacle.
- Motion made by Mr. Franzen, seconded by Mr. Yates, Resolution 2016-64 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-65
GRANTING RAFFLE LICENSE TO PTA TABERNACLE TOWNSHIP, INC.**

WHEREAS, the **PTA Tabernacle Township, Inc.** has filed an application with the Township Committee to conduct RAFFLES and the applicant has paid the proper fees for said licenses; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle believes that said applicant is qualified to conduct the raffle, are bona fide active members of said organization, and that the raffle will be conducted in accordance with the Raffle Licensing Law, N.J.S.A. 5:8-24 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the following **Raffle License** are requested on the dates listed:

RA: 2016-11 On-Premise Draw Merchandise	April 29, 2016	<u>Time: 6-9 PM</u>
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, as follow:

1. That the Township Committee hereby approves the issuance of the aforementioned Raffle License.
 2. That the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to issue said license on behalf of the Township of Tabernacle.
- Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-65 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-66
ADOPTING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF TABERNACLE
AND ALLSTATE LANDSCAPING & CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR THE 2015 PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT-PHASE 2A**

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2016, the Township Committee awarded the contract for the 2015 Park Improvements Phase 2A project in the amount of \$140,534.00 to Allstate Landscaping & Construction, LLC.; and

WHEREAS, Change Orders are regulated by Local Finance Board regulation N.J.A.C. 5:34-4; and

WHEREAS, approval by the Mayor and Committee is required for all Change Orders; and

WHEREAS, The Administrator and Guzzi Engineering Associates, LLC, have recommended that the Mayor and Township Committee approve Change Order No.2 as described below:

Change Order No. 2

Description of change in scope of work:

- Amount of Original Contract: \$140,534.00
- Total Amount Change Order No. 1 (\$ 17,456.00)
- **Total Amount Change Order 2 \$5,500.00**
- **Revised Contract Total: \$128,578.00**

WHEREAS, the adjusted amount of this contract based upon Change Order No.2 is **\$128,578.00**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Tabernacle in the County of Burlington as follows:

1. Change Order No. 2 to the contract between the Township of Tabernacle and **Allstate Landscaping & Construction, LLC**, is hereby authorized by the Township.
 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute Change Order No. 2.
- Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Franzen, Resolution 2016-66 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUDGET

**RESOLUTION 2016-67
AUTHORIZE READING OF TITLE FOR 2016 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-8 authorized the budget, as advertised, may be read by title only if at least one week prior to the date of the hearing, a complete copy of the approved budget, as advertised is posted in the public place where notice are customarily posted in the principal municipal building of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, copies of said budget is made available to each person requesting the same during said week and during the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the governing body passes by not less than a majority of the full membership, determines that the budget shall be read by its title and declares that the conditions set forth in the law have been met.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of Tabernacle Township, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize reading of title for the 2016 Municipal Budget and declares that the conditions set forth in the law have been met.

- Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Franzen, Resolution 2016-67 was adopted.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2016 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AS INTRODUCED: PUBLIC COMMENT

Fran Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, spoke of Ms. Brown’s salary not being announced and opined that there should be “belt tightening” to reduce the financial salary and wages and wants legal fees reduced; questioned the construction office purchases.

Mr. Cramer explained the line item budget amounts for the new and improved computer software for the Construction/Zoning/Land Development Board; additional grants, some of which are left over and expressed that some things should be entered under the Fire expenses. Mr. Cramer explained the absorption.

Mayor Lee clarified for the year 2016 the he and Mrs. Brown will receive zero salary.

Kathy Burger, Woodside Drive, spoke of wanting the Budget clarified as of the date of this meeting.

Mr. Lee spoke of the budget being introduced is being considered for adoption.

Mr. Frenia clarified the budget and statutory requirements in detail. Mr. Cramer also explained that everyone involved in the budget process worked hard to make the modifications in a number of areas to reduce amounts, such as reductions in the raise for employees.

Mr. Frenia explained the process of deferring school taxes allows municipalities to keep the Township’s taxes reduced; it would be reflected as a debit to cash and a credit to liability. The affect that it does have is that it reduces our cash in the bank. The only time that this would hurt the Township if we were to get all deferred and the school district had a major reduction in the amount tax due.

Mayor Lee spoke of not in favor of the 4 cent tax increase; prefers that we should go back and review.

Mr. Yates spoke of not in favor of the school deferred tax or the 4 cent increase; however would consider a 3 cent tax increase.

Mr. Barton spoke of not in favor of the school deferred tax and would rather do budget cuts.

Ms. Brown spoke of not in favor of the 4 cent tax increase.

Mr. Franzen spoke of in favor of the 4 cent tax increase and is not interested in having further line by line discussions.

Public Comment regarding the budget was closed at 8:35 p.m.

RESOLUTION 2016-68: BUDGET AMENDMENT. MOTION TO TABLE TO NEXT MEETING.

- Motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Yates, Resolution 2016-68 was tabled.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

MOTIONS

Parade Permit – Urban Promise Ministries: Pedal for Promise fundraising. Event Date: May 14, 2016.

- Motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Franzen, Parade Permit for Urban Promise Ministries was approved.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Col. Lowe reported the safety controls and check points are in order for the major intersections throughout Tabernacle Township.

Report of Township Engineer

Mr. Guzzi reported working on the remaining and current street openings.

Report of Township Administrator

Mr. Cramer reported on the NJDOT funding for Oak Shade Road will be submitted again. The Concession Stand dedication is rescheduled for Saturday, May 29, 2016 at 12:30 p.m. at Patty Bowker Field. Invitations to the dedication will be sent.

Report of Township Solicitor

Mr. Lange reported on the Wimbledon Way property.

Report of Township Committee

Mrs. Brown reported on the Municipal Alliance hosts events for schools and asked if the Township is able to send an email blasts regarding events. Ms. Brown spoke of being asked to be the Coordinator for the Municipal Alliance. There were no objections. Mr. Lange will research to see if there is any conflict of interest.

Mr. Franzen reminded everyone of the Tour with the Mayor for the 3rd Grade Class will be May 31, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at Town Hall.

Mr. Lee spoke that he would like a Facility Use Agreement with the Community for the park and concession stand.

Public Comment

Fran Brooks, 78 Moores Meadow Road, thanked the Township Committee for spending time with the budget. Also spoke of the street opening permit Ordinance 2016-3.

John Cooper, 21 Woodside Drive, spoke of the LOSAP Report 2014 Report is posted on the bulletin board at Town Hall is not current.

Shane McCauslin, spoke his appreciation for the Fire Company and Rescue Squad for their prompt response regarding Mr. Russo.

Adjournment

On a motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Franzen, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Roll Call: Barton, Brown, Franzen, Yates, Lee Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

La Shawn R. Barber, RMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk

Approved: 05/23/2016