

# Tabernacle Township Committee

## Regular Meeting Minutes of August 22, 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 August 22, 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 - Present  
**Kimberly A. Brown, Township Committee (Absent)**  
**Richard J. Franzen, Township Committee (Absent)**  
Joseph Yates, IV, Deputy Mayor - Present  
Stephen V. Lee, IV, Mayor - Present

### Administrative Team

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

### Red Lion State Police

Mayor Lee introduced new Station Commander of Red Lion State Police Barracks, Lieutenant Chris Maskello. Lt. Maskello has 22 years' experience on the force and spoke about being happy returning to Red Lion.

### Public Comment

- Stuart Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, questioned if the comments on the TRS discussion would be held separately.
- Fran Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, questioned items on the bill list items with respect to payment made to Tabernacle Fire Company No. 1.

No further comments.

### Approval of Bills

- On a motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, the bills were ordered paid.

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee    Ayes: 3    Nays: 0    Absent: 2    Motion carried.**

### Approval of Minutes

July 18, 2016 (Regular & Executive). Motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Yates.

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee    Ayes: 3    Nays: 0    Absent: 2    Motion carried.**

### New Business

Patrick Begley was not in attendance for his presentation of a proposed Eagle Scout Project. This was tabled.

Discussion - Proposed Chicken Ordinance: Mayor Lee spoke of doing neighborhood walking and spoke of residents having an interest in having residential chickens. In speaking with Rutgers University, the Department of Animal and Science provided guidelines for home agriculture animals in residential areas. The draft document was forward to the Township Solicitor who prepared a characterization of a draft ordinance.

Mr. Lange outlined reservation for keeping of animals, including the permit, minimum lot size, maximum number of chickens, setbacks from the house and dwellings, setbacks from side property lines and restrictions for no roosters; all having the idea of keeping them healthy. There are principal questions that need to be raised for

discussion. Should there be registration fee or not be a charged, and if so, should an annual fee import prohibition in selling chicken product and bi-products along roadside including eggs. Questions should be raised if the Board of Health should be involved, if at all. Is there a maximum amount of chicken that the Township permit on larger parcels, how should we deal with activity that may be adjacent to a designated farmland.

Consideration was made to send the draft ordinance to the Land Development Board to address zoning requirements.

Mayor Lee spoke about receiving correspondence from residents in support of keeping of residential chickens.

Comments from the public.

Beth Johnson, Red Oak Drive, spoke of the proposal she prepared for Township Committee consideration for residential backyard chickens. She was happy to see the Township Committee is considering such an ordinance.

Keera Malone, Lee Drive, questions the positive outcome that would come out of having an ordinance to allow residential chickens.

Mark LeMire, Washington Way, questioned if everyone understood the definition of chickens.

Evan Gold, Plymouth Court, spoke of support for residential chicken ordinance.

Fran Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, questioned if this ordinance is exclusive to residential areas and spoke of the restriction of having hens.

Closed to the public.

*Old Business Discussion – Contract Approval for Tabernacle Rescue Squad, Inc. with Tabernacle Township*

Mayor Lee spoke of the Township having several executive sessions regarding the contract and spoke of the only piece of work is to have consideration of public comment. The document was made public about three weeks ago.

Public comment.

Stuart Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, provided written comments to the Township Committee and spoke of being critical of the proposed contract and the use of the word titles for Agreement. The agreement does not provide management of emergency services, insurance billing, or address the TRS volunteers. The terms of the contract cannot be looked at if the amount of money given to the TRS from the Township is not considered.

Fran Brooks Moores Meadow Road, spoke of how people portray them as being anti-volunteer and spoke of the squad's volunteer organization for the amount of subsidy they receive are hidden. There is noting in the draft proposal that gives transparency and there is no accountability.

Stephen Cramer, Old Indian Mills Road, thanked the Township sub-committee for their hard work they have done on the contract as a lot of time was spent. Appreciates and spoke of being proud of the volunteers as they provide service to the Township. Mr. Cramer spoke of the subcommittee doing their homework and appreciates the Township Committee's support of their program for the plan taxpayers see less money in their budget.

Closed to the public.

Mayor Lee spoke that further consideration on the potential contract approval with Tabernacle Rescue Squad, Inc. will be addressed when Committeewoman Brown and Committeeman Franzen are in attendance. They will have opportunity to review comments made by Mr. Brooks. The document received as submitted by Mr. Brooks is available to the public without need to complete an opra request.

# Resolutions

## RESOLUTION 2016-92 AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEE

**WHEREAS**, Sunrun Installation Services has applied for a construction permit to install a roof mounted solar panel system for a home located at 63 Bozarthtown Road (Block 1202, Lot 30.01) in Tabernacle Township; and

**WHEREAS**, Sunrun, Inc. has informed the Construction Office that the homeowner, Tammy Alvarez, has decided not to move forward with the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Construction Office requests approval of the refund to Sunrun Inc. in the amount of \$288.00, not including the Township's nonrefundable 20% plan review and State Training Fee pursuant to NJAC 5:23, 4.23.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of Tabernacle Township, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereby approves the request for refund in the amount of \$288.00 payable to Sunrun Inc., 20 West Stow Road, Suite 2, Marlton, NJ 08053.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution be forward to the Construction Official.

➤ **On a motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-92 was offered for adoption.**

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2 Motion carried.**

## RESOLUTION 2016-93 AWARDING CONTRACT FOR 2016 ROAD PROGRAM (Budd Court, Sleepy Hollow and Fox Chase Road)

**WHEREAS**, the Tabernacle Township Committee has received sealed proposals for work to be performed in connection with 2016 Road Program; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 states that a contract, the cost of which would exceed \$17,500.00 in a fiscal year, shall be awarded only after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore; and

**WHEREAS**, there has been public advertisement for bids and the Township Clerk has received and opened bids on August 18, 2016 at 11:00 A.M. for the purpose of awarding a contract for 2016 Road Program and has advised that a certain entity is the lowest qualified responsible bidder for said contract and has recommended that the Municipality award said contract or reject the bids within sixty (60) days as required by N.J.S.A. 10A: 11-4; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Chief Financial Officer, as required by N.J.A.C. 5:30-1, has certified that there are sufficient funds available for the purpose of awarding a contract to said entity, said certification being attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**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 follows:

1. That the Chief Financial Officer, based upon the aforementioned certificate, has declared that there are sufficient funds available for the aforesaid purpose, and that the Township Committee hereby directs that the hereinafter expenditure be charged against such funds.
2. That the Township Committee, for the aforementioned reasons, **hereby declares that Arawak Paving is the lowest qualified bidder** for the aforementioned contract and hereby awards a contract to the said entity for the aforesaid purpose in the amount of **\$467,900.00** in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Bid Proposal, the Notice to Bidders and Specifications, copies of which are on file in the Office of the Township Clerk and available for public inspection during regular business hours.

3. That the award to Arawak Paving, is consistent with the legal requirements of the lowest responsible bidder, which conforms, to all specification requirements and applicable statutory provisions.
4. That the Township Committee hereby directs the Township Clerk to return the bid securities to the following unsuccessful bidders in accordance with NJSA 40A: 11-4:

1	Landberg Construction, 446 Clarkstown Road, Mays Landing, NJ 08330
2	Trap Rock Industries, 460 River Road, Kingstown, NJ 08528
3	American Asphalt, 100 main Street, W. Collingswood Hts, NJ
4	A.E. Stone, Inc, 1435 Doughty road, Egg Harbor Twp, NJ 08234
5	Hess Companies, 25 First Avenue, Belford, NJ 07716

5. That the Township Committee does hereby direct the Township Mayor and Clerk to execute any contract documents which are necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution which shall be prepared by or reviewed by the Office of the Township Attorney.

➤ **On a motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-93 was offered for adoption.**  
**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3    Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION 2016-94  
 AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR  
 TO ADVERTISE AND HIRE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Administrator and Director of Public Works has recommended to the governing body the need to advertise and hire a full time Public Works Laborer to fill the retirement position of Elwood Parks in the Department of Public Works; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Administrator and Director of Public Works has recommended to the governing body the need to advertise (4) four temporary Snowplow Driver/Laborers for the Department of Public Works.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Governing Body of the Township of Tabernacle, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes the Township Administrator to advertise and hire a full time Public Works Laborer.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township Administrator be authorized to advertise for the position of (4) four temporary Snowplow Driver/Laborers for the Department of Public Works.

- **On a motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Yates, Resolution 2016-94 was offered for adoption.**
- **Mr. Barton would like having a subcommittee to take a closer look at public works for their scope of work, employees, and man-hours to see if we are properly staffed.**
- **Mayor Lee spoke that he does not want to have us handcuffed by not having the position advertised.**

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3    Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION 2016-95  
 GRANTING RAFFLE LICENSE TO SENECA EAGLES BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the **SENECA EAGLES BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION, 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 bingo and 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:

<b>RA: 2016-12 Off-Premise Draw</b>	<b>Ticket Sale: 9/15/2016 – 11/24/2016</b>
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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 Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized to issue said license on behalf of the Township of Tabernacle.

➤ **On a motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Yates, Resolution 2016-95 was offered for adoption.**

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3      Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION 2016-96  
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 during their annual Pine Barrens Festival, 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: 2016-13 – (On-Premise - Merchandise)**

Drawing: January 28, 2017 .....Hours: 7:00 pm to 10:00 p.m.

Snow Date: February 4, 2017 (10:00 pm)

**RA: 2016-14 – (Off- Premise Draw - Super 50/50)**

Ticket Sale Date: 11/01/2016 – 01/28/2017.....Hours: 10:00 p.m.

Drawing: January 28, 2017 (10:00 pm)      Snow Date: February 4, 2017

**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:

That the Township Committee hereby approves the issuance of the aforementioned raffle license.  
That the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to issue said license on behalf of the Township of Tabernacle.

➤ The doctrine of necessity was invoked to allow members of the governing body to vote.

➤ **On a motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Yates, Resolution 2016-96 was offered for adoption.**

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3      Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION 2016-97  
APPROVING SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION**

**WHEREAS**, litigation was commenced in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Burlington County under Docket Number **BUR-L-000043-15** captioned FRAN BROOKS, Plaintiff, v. TOWNSHIP OF TABERNACLE, La SHAWN R. BARBER in her official capacity as Municipal Clerk and Records Custodian of the Township of Tabernacle and ROBERT BRICK, Defendants making certain claims against the Township and the Township Clerk related to the New Jersey Open Public Records Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the litigation was defended by the Township's Solicitor, Peter C. Lange Jr. Esq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Solicitor has recommended settlement of the litigation under terms which are now acceptable to the Township of Tabernacle in consideration of the further risks of appeal and the cost shifting

mechanisms included in OPRA and in view of the Township's exposure to further attorney's fees and for other appropriate considerations; and

**WHEREAS**, counsel for the Plaintiff has agreed on behalf of Fran Brooks to accept the payment of \$18,000.00 in full settlement of all claims against the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, counsel for plaintiff has filed the attached stipulation of dismissal with the court.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the Township shall resolve the above referenced litigation according to such terms.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Tabernacle Township Committee at a meeting held on August 23, 2016.

- **On a motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Yates, Resolution 2016-98 was offered for adoption.**
- Mr. Lange explained the case has been closed. The Municipal Clerk received guidance from him in light of her obligation under the statute to redact personal financial records, exception; that he believes that her proposed response was exactly in accordance with the law's requirements. The Courts ruled otherwise. The settlement was withdrawn and litigation commenced.

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3    Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION 2016-98  
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:

02-09-15 Portion concerning Brooks v. Tabernacle previously redacted for release is now released in whole.

02-23-15

07-13-15

07-27-15

01-04-16

01-25-16

02-22-16 Partial release is recommended. Only portion of the minutes concerning Brooks v. Tabernacle can be released.

03-14-16

07-18-16 Partial release is recommended. Only portion of the minutes concerning Brooks v. Tabernacle can be released.

**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:

02-09-15 Portion concerning Brooks v. Tabernacle previously redacted for release is now released in whole.

02-23-15

07-13-15

07-27-15

01-04-16

01-25-16

02-22-16 Partial release is recommended. Only portion of the minutes concerning Brooks v. Tabernacle can be released.

03-14-16

07-18-16 Partial release is recommended. Only portion of the minutes concerning Brooks v. Tabernacle can be released.

➤ **On a motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-989 was offered for adoption.**  
Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3      Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-99  
ADOPTING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO A CONTRACT BETWEEN  
THE TOWNSHIP OF TABERNACLE AND ARAWAK PAVING COMPANY, INC.  
FOR THE 2015 LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, on September 28, 2015 the Township Committee awarded the contract for the LAKEVIEW DRIVE AND SPRING DRIVE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS in the amount of \$205,700.00 to Arawak Paving Company; 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 Alaimo Group Consulting Engineers have recommended that the Mayor and Committee approve Change Order No.2 as described below;    Change Order #2.

**Description of change in scope of work: See Attached, Original Resolution: Change order #2**

The amount of the reduction is \$2,072.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the adjusted amount of this contract based upon Change Order No. 2 is \$198,340.04;

**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 Arawak Paving Company, Inc. is hereby authorized by the Township; and
2.        The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute Change Order No. 2.

I certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Committee of the Township of Tabernacle held on the **22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 2016.**

➤ **On a motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-99 was offered for adoption.**  
Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3      Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-100  
AUTHORIZE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER TO PREPARE  
SPECIFICATION AND SOLICIT BIDS FOR 2016 PARKS PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of Tabernacle Township to receive sealed proposals for the 2016 Parks Project for the Pricketts Mill Tennis Court Rehabilitation in Tabernacle Township; and

**WHEREAS**, specifications will be prepared by the Township Engineer and sealed proposals will be received by the Municipal Clerk's Office at 163 Carranza Road, Tabernacle, NJ 08088.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of Tabernacle Township, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes the Township Engineer to prepare specifications and solicit bids for the 2016 Parks Project in Tabernacle Township.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** upon advertised notice that sealed proposals is to be delivered or mailed to the Municipal Clerk in Tabernacle Township, where **sealed bids will be opened publicly.**

➤ **On a motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-100 was offered for adoption.**  
Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3      Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.

### **Report of Township Engineer**

None.

### **Report of Township Administrator**

Surplus equipment – We have a number of pieces of equipment we would like to have for surplus in public works and emergency management no longer needed for public use. Mr. Cramer would like to work with a subcommittee and look into Gov Deals for the sale. A list of items will be provided.

Capitol Budget Road Program – Mr. Cramer spoke of the status of the road program in which we have \$700,000 towards road program. We have asked for a large and medium dump truck and utility truck and equipment for the fire company in which grant was not received.

Sale of Township Property - Request for permission to work with Township Solicitor for the sale of Township owned property for next year's budget. Motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton.

**Roll Call: Those in favor: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2 Motion carried.**

Snow Plow Drivers – Mr. Cramer spoke of past years having additional (4) four temporary part-time snow plow drivers to get through snow storms. Mr. Cramer spoke of his loss in the department and request to have additional help of hiring (4) four temporary part-time snow plow drivers to have available for the winter storm.

Mayor Lee asks for a motion that would allow Mr. Cramer to advertise (4) four additional temporary on-call snowplow drivers along with the advertisement for the replacement of Elwood's position. The motion was made by Mr. Barton, seconded Mr. Yates. Mr. Cramer indicated that he will only use them for the snow storms.

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2 Motion carried.**

Personnel Manual – Mr. Cramer spoke of modification update requirements from the BURLCOJIF for the Township's personnel manual. Mr. Cramer will provide a list of the modification to the Committee along with a resolution for the next meeting. Supervisor and employee training are made available for substantial savings for us for EPL deductibles.

Tractor – Mr. Cramer reported that one of our tractors was rear-ended at a high rate of speed. There is damage to the rear mower of the tractor but everyone is ok.

### **Report of Township Solicitor**

None.

### **Report of Township Committee**

Mayor Lee spoke that the Township Committee receiving a report from Chief, Dave Smith – Tabernacle Fire Company #1. Chief Smith spoke of being disappointed of not receiving the grant. The report covered pump tests completed, ladder testing completed pumper tankers for ESB and hose testing completed. The truck lettering was agreed upon.

Atlantic City Electric – Mr. Barton spoke that Atlantic City Electric encourages customers to take advantage of helpful energy assistance programs. LIHEAP, administered by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, is a federally funded program that assists low-income households – homeowners, seniors and renters – with their energy bills. While many people

associate LIHEAP with heating costs, assistance is also provided for an emergency crisis and medically necessary cooling costs.

Bond Counsel / Architect – Mayor Lee questioned if the Committee would like to take action on these two appointments. Mayor Lee spoke of Chief Finance Officer Henry comfort level utilizing Parker McCay. Mayor Lee indicated that he spoke with Committeewoman Brown and her comfort is with Parker McCay for Bond Counsel and RYBREAD for Architect.

(Previously tabled)

**RESOLUTION 2016-24**  
**APPROVING APPOINTMENT FOR BOND COUNSEL**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for the services of a law firm to serve as Bond Counsel for the Township of Tabernacle; and

**WHEREAS** funds are available for this purpose and a contract shall be award through a fair and open process in accordance with Tabernacle Township local Ordinance 2005-17 and must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts law further requires that a Notice of the award of the contract be printed as a legal advertisement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Committee of the Township of Tabernacle this **2nd day of January, 2016**, as follows:

1. The law firm Parker McCay of Marlton, New Jersey be and the same is hereby appointed as Bond Counsel for the Township of Tabernacle. The appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2014.

2. This contract is awarded as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because said contract encompasses a professional service recognized and regulated by law.

3. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Agreement with **Parker, McCay, 9000 Midlantic Drive, Suite 300, P.O. Box 5054, Mount Laurel, New Jersey 08054-1539.**

4. Notice of this action shall be published once as a legal advertisement in the official newspaper of the Township of Tabernacle within ten days of its adoption.

➤ **On a motion made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Barton, Resolution 2016-24 was offered for adoption.**

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3      Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.**

It was agreed for a Resolution to authorize the appointment of an Architect for Reagan Young will be tabled until next meeting when Committee Franzen is in attendance. Mayor Lee spoke that he will need to abstain from the vote.

*Tabernacle Township Committee and Tabernacle Board of Education Liaison Meeting* – Mayor Lee spoke that he and Mr. Barton had a great meeting attended by Steven Lee, Joe Barton Vicky Shoemaker, and Tony Laudicina. It was agreed that these meetings are needed and agreed that these meeting should be held on a quarterly basis. The next scheduled meeting being set for November 7<sup>th</sup> 2016 in the Township building.



*Grovatt's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday* – Mayor Lee spoke of presenting a proclamation to Clarence Grovatt August 13 as his family celebrated at a local church. Mr. Grovatt was presented a key to the Township.



Pine Baron's Festival – Mayor Lee spoke of having the opportunity to present the Holy Eucharist Church award to Sammy Moore and Noble F. McNaughton.

TAA Agreement – Mayor spoke of the draft agreement by Solicitor Lange. This facility use agreement is essentially for the snack stand at Patty Bowker and the document is available to the public tomorrow morning without an Opra request. It will be discussed at our next meeting in September.

BPU – Mayor spoke of attending a meeting regarding the BPU with Mr. Cramer regarding FIOS and connect-ability with internet. The County of Cumberland specifically has entered into a shared service agreement with various municipalities to petition the Board of Public Utilities in opposition to their intended fields of maintenance.

**Public Comment**

Mark LeMire, Washington Way, made the Township Committee aware of there is a forum for financial for fairness formula with Governor Christy in Bordentown at 11:30 a.m. The forum will cover school funding in the State of New Jersey: Join the movement to lower your property taxes.

Stuart Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, questioned the ordinance supervision that makes the TRS being the sole provider. Also spoke about the Opra litigation settlement rejection.

Fran Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, question the delivery of the new fire truck to be delivered and the delivered of a fire truck to the emergency services building.

Mayor Lee announced that the Township will honor Elwood Parks at our next meeting, September 12<sup>th</sup>, who is retiring 43 years of service to the Public Works Department.

**Adjournment**

Township Committee adjournment their meeting at 9:50 p.m, motion made by Mr. Barton, seconded by Mr. Yates.

**Roll Call: Barton, Yates, Lee      Ayes: 3      Nays: 0      Absent: 2      Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

La Shawn R. Barber, RMC/CMR  
Municipal Clerk

**Approved: 9/26/2016**