

Minutes of Tabernacle Township Committee Town Hall Meeting *October 27, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Joseph W. Barton followed by the flag salute.

Sunshine Notice: This meeting is called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of **October 27, 2014** was included in a list of notices 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:

Kimberly A. Brown, Township Committee
Richard Franzen, Township Committee
Stephen V. Lee, IV, Deputy Mayor - **Absent**
Joseph Yates, IV, Township Committee
Joseph Barton, Mayor

Also In attendance:

Douglas A. Cramer, Township Administrator
Terry W. Henry, Chief Finance Officer
La Shawn R. Barber, Municipal Clerk

Public Comment on agenda items only

Stuart Brooks, 78 Moores Meadow Road, raised questions regarding the shared service agreement with Shamong Township for use of the wash bay facility. Mr. Brooks spoke of having other entities use the facility and wanting the Township to formally ask the school district to use the facility. Mr. Brooks questions the management of the facility.

Fran Brooks, 78 Moores Meadow Road, raised questions regarding the school not using the wash bay facility and the consequential environmental effects of them washing their vehicles and concerns of the run off going into the sewage. Ms. Brooks wants the school involved with using the wash facility to be in compliance with NJDEP.

Approval of Bills:

On a motion made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Yates the bills were ordered paid. *Motion carried.*

Roll Call: Brown, Franzen, Yates, Barton Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: Lee

Approval of Minutes

On a motion made by Mr. Franzen, seconded by Ms. Brown, minutes of **September 22, 2014** (regular) was offered for adoption. *Carried.*

Roll Call: Brown, Franzen, Yates, Barton Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: Lee

On a motion made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Franzen, minutes of **October 14, 2014** (workshop & executive) was offered for adoption. *Carried.*

Roll Call: Brown, Franzen, Barton Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Abstain: Yates Absent: Lee

Resolutions

RESOLUTION 2014-153

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TABERNAACLE TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SHAMONG TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Tabernacle Township Committee recognizes the need to provide the residents of the Township with appropriate cost savings measures and the need to take advantage of opportunities to provide cost savings in the administration of local government services for the benefit of all residents; and

WHEREAS, Shamong Township has requested that the Township of Tabernacle allow Shamong Township to utilize the Tabernacle Truck Wash Bay; and

WHEREAS, Tabernacle Township and Shamong Township have negotiated the terms and conditions of an agreement for the provision of such services to Shamong Township by Tabernacle Township as detailed in the attached Shared Services Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Tabernacle evidences its desire to enter into such Agreement through passage of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Municipalities are authorized by the "Shared Services Act", N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4, et seq. to enter into any contract for the joint provision of any service which any party to the agreement is authorized to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to participate in the Shared Services Agreement between the Municipalities and enter into the agreement establishing the respective rights and obligations of the parties regarding this Shared Services Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Tabernacle that:

1. The attached Shared Services Agreement between Tabernacle Township and Shamong Township shall be effective according to its terms.
2. The Mayor of Tabernacle Township is hereby authorized to sign, seal, execute and witness/attest the Agreement.

Mayor Barton reported being a board member of the organization called the Burlington County Military Affairs Committee and provide service to the joint base McGuire – Dix – Lakehurst. The Lee family invited the Burlington County Military Affairs Committee to the farm and get in the bog with waders on to harvest cranberries. Mr. Barton acknowledged the Lee Family for hosting the educational experience. It was a pleasure attending.

Mr. Barton reminded everyone to be mindful on the roads for the children out for Halloween.

Mr. Barton reminded the registered voters of the upcoming Election Day next week.

Public Comment

Kenneth Hall, 66 Summit Drive, questioned the status of the property where a tree fell on the house.

Mr. Cramer spoke that he will have the Building Official contact him.

Jim Jones, Wimbledon Way, spoke of his displeasure with the school lights where the north bound lights are on and the south bound lights are off. Mr. Jones wants the operation of the lights turned over to the school board. This needs to be fixed to avoid an accident and Township being held liable. Those kids are too important.

Fran Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, held discussion on receiving two letters in the mail from the Township regarding a senior announcement and recycling notice. Her issue was that it was not in the same envelope spoke of saving .48 cents.

Mr. Cramer advises that recycling brochure is sent out Township wide and senior announcements are a selective group which is not the same every year.

Ms. Brooks wants the Township to find out if the rescue squad has filed its Office of Inspector General application for an advisory opinion for their insurance billing.

Mr. Lange spoke that they are an independent not for profit entity / private organization and he is unaware of whether or not they filed any application for an advisory opinion from the Office of the Inspector General and would invite Ms. Brooks to go and explore that with them herself.

Stuart Brooks, 78 Moores Meadow Road, spoke of a hypothetical situation to establish a risk of liability if the Township would be at risk in any way if the Township's annual contribution to the squad is related to the income received from balanced billing.

Jason Litowitz, Horseshoe Court, questioned if the Township has reached out to Tabernacle Schools regarding the use of the wash bay, and if there has been any proof if the school district is in violation of NJDEP rules when they wash their vehicles.

Ms. Brown spoke that the Township has reached out to the school and Mr. Cramer spoke that he is not sure if the school washes their vehicles.

Closed to the public.

Adjournment.

Seeing no further business, members of the Township Committee adjourned the meeting at 8:45 P.M. The motion was made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Franzen.

Roll Call: Brown, Franzen, Yates, Barton Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: Lee

Respectfully submitted,

**La Shawn R. Barber, RMC/CMR
Township Clerk**

Approved: 11/24/2014