

**MINUTES OF WORK MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 and was called to order at 7:09 p.m. by Deputy Mayor, Chris Stracco.

**SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT:**

Under the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by posting notice on the Township bulletin board and by e mailing notice to the New Jersey Herald and The Express-Times.

**ROLL CALL:**

Those present were: Mayor Frank Desiderio(7:12), Deputy Mayor Chris Stracco, Committeeman Charles Marra, Committeeman David Boynton, and Municipal Clerk Donna Zilberfarb.

**MINUTES:**

1. August 15, 2018 regular session meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Marra. All were in favor.
2. August 15, 2018 executive session meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr.Boynton, seconded by Mr. Marra. All were in favor.
3. September 12, 2018 regular session meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Stracco, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.
4. September 12, 2018 executive session meeting minutes were approved as amended on a motion by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Stracco. All were in favor.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**#2018 - 71 TAX COLLECTOR** September 2018 WHEREAS, Park Finance II, LLC acquired a lien against **Block 103, Lot 6.01** at the Tax Sale held **October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (Certificate #2010-02). Frederick G. Condit**, the owner of said property has paid the amount to redeem the lien (\$ 117,743.69) and for reimbursement of foreclosure fees (\$1,220.00). NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a check in the amount of **\$ 118,963.69** to Park Finance II, LLC. I hereby certify the foregoing to be true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee at its' meeting held September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton	x		x			
Mr. Desiderio			x			
Mr. Kuhn						x
Mr. Marra			x			
Mr. Stracco		x	x			

**#2018-72 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A 2006 FORD F350 PICKUP TRUCK WITH AN 8 FOOT MEYERS PLOW TO BE PLACED ON MUNI-BID.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Frelinghuysen has in its possession a 2006 Ford F350 Pickup Truck with an 8 foot Meyers plow, and WHEREAS, the Township of Frelinghuysen has determined that it no longer needs the 2006 Ford F350 Pickup Truck with an 8 foot Meyers plow; and NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that the sale of the 2006 Ford F350 Pickup Truck with an 8 foot Meyers plow, belonging to the Township of Frelinghuysen shall take place as soon as it is mutually convenient for both parties. Said purchase of equipment shall constitute the entirety of the purchase with monetary consideration. CERTIFICATION I, Donna Zilberfarb, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a resolution duly authorized by the Frelinghuysen Township Committee on September 19, 2018.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton		x	x			
Mr. Desiderio			x			
Mr. Kuhn						x
Mr. Marra			x			
Mr. Stracco	x		x			

**#2018-73 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2018** WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen have reviewed the bills submitted by the Municipal Clerk to the Frelinghuysen Township Committee for the month of SEPTEMBER 2018; and WHEREAS, the Finance Committee find

the bills to be in order and recommend to the Township Committee that they be paid by the Chief Finance Officer. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Frelinghuysen Township Committee that all bills submitted for the above named month are reasonable and proper and are to be paid from their appropriate account.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton	x		x			
Mr. Desiderio			x			
Mr. Kuhn						x
Mr. Marra		x	x			
Mr. Stracco			x			

**#2018-74 APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE GREENDELL ROAD PROJECT.** NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that council of Frelinghuysen Township formally approves the grant application for the above stated project. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2019\_Greendell Road-00376 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Frelinghuysen Township. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Frelinghuysen Township and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement. Certified as a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the council on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018. CERTIFICATION: My signature and the Clerk's seal serve to acknowledge the above resolution and constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement as authorized by the resolution above.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton	x		x			
Mr. Desiderio			x			
Mr. Kuhn						x
Mr. Marra		x	x			
Mr. Stracco			x			

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Stracco explained that he forwarded the letter from Ed Wacks to Service Electric and that they are still working on PenTeleData. Mr. Desiderio reached out to Mayor McDonough, Hope Township, and they are on board to being in an agreement with Frelinghuysen, Hope and Knowlton. Mayor McDonough will reach out to Mayor Starrs and get back to Mr. Desideiro.

Ms. Zilberfarb explained to the committee that she spoke with Ms. Kapitko regarding the municipal alliance coordinator position and let them know that she will not will not be able to do that at this time. She also spoke with Ms. Kleber and that she does not want the position but will help in any way needed for the Halloween event this year. Ms. Zilberfarb will work with Ms. Kleber to get that event completed for funding. She will also keep looking for a coordinator.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A complaint was emailed to the clerk from 3 Lincoln Laurel Road. There were 3 issues and they were all addressed. Ms. Zilberfarb will get in touch with JCP&L regarding the street light that is out on Lincoln Laurel and Route 94, which has a large bees nest on it. The issue with noise and large trucks on Route 94, Mr. Desiderio addressed as a safety issue for the trucks and did not agree with creating a jake break ordinance. After discussion an email will be drafted for the clerk to respond.

Ms. Zilberfarb brought to the committee's attention that the neighbor next to the town hall would like to trim and stabilize the tree and has an estimate for \$300.00, which they are willing to pay, next to the house and parking area. It is the township's tree. After discussion it was determined that Ms. Zilberfarb would speak with legal counsel and have an answer by the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:**

Motion was made by Mr. Stracco, seconded by Mr. Boynton limiting it to 15 minutes to open meeting to the public. All were in favor. Spoke were:

Mr. Grecco inquired about the sections of tree that were to be taken to the saw mill and asked if the homeowner was selling them then why isn't the township and let them recoup some of the money for removal of the tree. Mr. Boynton explained to Mr. Grecco that the homeowner was planning on making something out of that wood. Mr. Grecco apologized to the committee as he did not know that.

Mr. Grecco also asked about the \$18,000 on the bills list paid to Kise Carpentry and why it was paid if the work hasn't started yet. Ms. Zilberfarb explained that he did not receive a check in the full amount but the percentage that is required for the deposit and the remainder will be at the completion of the job. It is on the bills list as the full amount so when the job is complete the check can be cut due to the terms of the contract.

Judy and Trevor Burd spoke regarding the bush at the corner of Main Street and Mill Road and asked if a letter could be sent to the homeowner requesting them to trim it back. Mr. Desiderio will find out the exact house number and a letter will be sent to the homeowner.

Fran Muller stated that the meeting room looked beautiful.

Motion was made by Mr. Stracco, seconded by Mr. Boynton to close to the public. All were in favor.

Mr. Boynton made a comment that Silver Lake Farms had closed early this season as 50% of their sales was lost with the closure of the bridge on Silver Lake Road. Mr. Desiderio explained the State and railroad are working to get the bridge completed and has been in all meetings throughout the preconstruction and work on the bridge. Unfortunately, the work was done in the summer months as they did not want to interfere with buses for school and that the weather has not been helpful. The work should be done soon.

Mr. Boynton also mentioned that the culvert coming under his lawn had to have the county clean it out a few years back and believes it needs to be done again as it is overflowing. Mr. Desiderio will get in touch with the county and have them look into it.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Motion was made by Mr. Stracco for a consent agenda for items 1 and 2, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Marra to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, RMC