

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 19, 2022

The regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 and was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Keith Ramos.

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 Keith Ramos, Deputy Mayor Chris Stracco, Committeeman David Boynton, Committeeman Todd McPeek, Committeeman Robert Stock, Attorney Rich Beilin, and Municipal Clerk Donna Zilberfarb.

MINUTES:

- Minutes of October 12, 2022 work session meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. McPeek, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2022-82 RESOLUTION TO CANCEL UNEXPENDED GENERAL CAPITAL ORDINANCE

BALANCES WHEREAS, certain unexpended ordinance appropriation balances remain open in the General Capital Fund, and **WHEREAS**, the capital projects have been completed, and **WHEREAS**, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended balances may be returned to each respective capital improvement fund or credit to surplus, if appropriate, and unused debt may be cancelled: **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the following ordinance balances in the General Capital Fund be cancelled:

<u>Ordinance</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2014-08	Various Improvements	\$1,379.42
2017-09	Various Improvements	\$5,993.10
2018-06	Various Improvements	\$13,788.76
2019-08	Purchase Pickup Truck	\$73.43
TOTAL		\$21,234.71

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, in the County of Warren, New Jersey, at a meeting held on October 19, 2022.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton		x	x			
Mr. McPeek			x			
Mr. Ramos			x			
Mr. Stock			x			
Mr. Stracco	x		x			

#2022-83 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2022

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 OCTOBER 2022; 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 date are reasonable and proper and are to be paid from their appropriate account.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Boynton			x			
Mr. McPeek		x	x			
Mr. Ramos			x			
Mr. Stock			x			
Mr. Stracco	x		x			

ORDINANCES:

2022-12 ORDINANCE REVISING SECTIONS LDO-901A(1) THROUGH (4) OF THE FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE, CONCERNING FEES

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate at this time to revise the fee schedule for applications to the Frelinghuysen Township Land Use Board, and related activities as set forth at Section LDO-901 of the Frelinghuysen Township Code. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows: **Section I** 1. Sections LDO-901A(1) through (4) of the Frelinghuysen Township Code is amended as follows, and the remainder of Section LDO-901(A) shall be renumbered accordingly (deletions are struck through; additions are boldfaced):

A. Every application for development shall be accompanied by a check payable to the Township of Frelinghuysen in accordance with the following schedule. For purposes of this ordinance, the term "area being disturbed" means any area whereupon any activity involving the clearing, excavation, storing, grading, filling or transposing of soil will occur, or whereupon any other activity will occur which causes soil to be exposed to the danger of erosion, including the detachment or movement of soil or rock by water, wind, ice and/or gravity.

	Application Charge	Review Escrow
1. Subdivision		
a. Minor Subdivision	\$250 500	\$1,000 3,000 (Replenish at \$1,000 2,000)
b. Preliminary Major Subdivision	\$500 750	\$750 1,000/Lot \$3,500 5,000 Minimum (Replenish at \$1,500 2,000) \$20,000 30,000 Maximum initial deposit
c. Final Major Subdivision	\$350 500	\$250 1,000/lot \$2,500 5,000 Minimum (Replenish at \$1,500 2000) \$10,000 20,000 Maximum initial deposit
d. Concept Plan*		
1. Minor Subdivision	\$150 200	\$1,000 2,000 (Replenish at \$500 1,000)
2. Major Subdivision	\$250 500	\$2,000 3,000 (Replenish at \$1,000 2,000)
e. Amended Minor, Prelim. Major, or Final Major	\$250 500	\$300 1,000/lot \$2,000 3,000 Minimum (Replenish at \$1,000 2,000) \$10,000 20,000 Maximum initial deposit
2. Site Plan		
a. Minor Site Plan	\$250 500	\$2,000 4,000 (Replenish at \$1,000 2,000)
b. Preliminary Major Site Plan	\$250 500	\$2,000 4,000/acre of disturbance \$3,500 5,000 Minimum (Replenish at \$1,500 2,000) \$20,000 30,000 Maximum initial deposit
c. Final Major Site Plan	\$250 500	\$1,000 4,000/acre of disturbance \$3,500 5,000 Minimum (Replenish at \$1,500 2,000) \$10,000 20,000 Maximum initial deposit
d. Concept Plan*		
1. Minor Site Plan	\$125 200	\$1,000 2,000
2. Major Site Plan	\$125 200	\$2,000 3,000
e. Home Occupation	\$150 200	\$300 500
f. Amended Minor, Prelim. Major, or Final Major	\$200 500	\$2,000 Minimum (Replenish at \$1,000)
3. Variances		
a. Appeals (40:55D-70a)	\$100 200 Residential \$200 500 Commercial/Industrial	\$1,000 3,000 each
b. Interpretation (40:55D-70b)	\$100 200 Residential \$200 500 Commercial/Industrial	\$1,000 3,000 each
c. Bulk	\$100 200 Residential	\$1,000 3,000 each

	Application Charge	Review Escrow
(40:55D-70c)	\$200 500 Commercial/ Industrial	
d. Use (40:55D-70d)	\$100 200 Residential \$200 500 Commercial/Industrial	\$2,000 5,000
e. Permit (40:55D-34 & 35)	\$100 200 Residential \$200 500 Commercial/Industrial	\$1,000 2,000
4. Appeals to Township Committee See Section 707 of this ordinance	\$250	

Section II 1. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. 2. If any word, phrase, clause, section or provision of this ordinance shall be found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal or unconstitutional, such word, phrase, clause, section, or provision shall be severable from the balance of the ordinance and the remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law. ATTEST: TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN D ONNA ZILBERFARB, Clerk KEITH RAMOS, Mayor **NOTICE** Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at the regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee held on October 19, 2022 and will be considered for final reading and adoption at the meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee to be held on November 9, 2022 at the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey at which time and place all interested parties may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to open for first reading for introduction, seconded by Mr. McPeek. Roll call vote: Mr. Boynton-yes; Mr. McPeek-yes; Mr. Ramos-yes; Mr. Stock-yes; Mr. Stracco-yes. Second reading for adoption will be held on November 9, 2022.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Ramos discussed the need for security cameras for the townhall and behind it. This will be discussed further in the next couple of meetings.
- Mr. Ramos discussed tenant/landlord heat problems. He explained the Warren County board or health and explained since we removed the public nuisance and cancelled the Ordinance in 2015 that their hands are tied. Mr. Beilin explained the particular nuisance that started in the State in the 1950's and municipalities and counties would adhere to the State. In 2015 he explained repelling the code and that now with this issue, that matter would be covered under that code. Mr. Beilin recommended looking at the code and looking at codes from other towns and discuss what is needed for the town. Mr. Ramos will look into further and work with Mr. Beilin to put something together. Mr. Ramos will also reach out to the tenant with the heat problems.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: *1-15

Motion was made by Mr. Stracco for a consent agenda for department reports 1-15, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. Stock limiting it to 20 minutes to open meeting to the public. All were in favor. Spoke were:

- Dan Kohuth, Greendell Road, asked about the new shed and how much that cost was. Mr. Ramos explained it came from monies from the old booster club and some came from open space as it would be used by both Recreation and Open Space. The cost was approximately \$13,000.00
- Mr. Kohuth also discussed the parking on the sides of the roads on Ramsey Road by the fields. When he came through at night, about 8:15 pm there were cars parked on both sides 2-3 deep and was pretty dangerous. Mr. Ramos explained that when the parking lot was closed during construction for the salt shed, people parked over on the road side. He will send out an email blast to all the coaches and players to not park there and possibly put out some cones or triangle signs to try to stop the parking. He also discussed having the State Police come and tell them no parking. He wasn't sure if they could ticket them for parking there.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

- NJDOT – Local Freight Impact Fund applications fy 2023
- NJLM – Notice of proposed membership dues

- Warren County Office of Engineer – 2021 Warren County Traffic Crash Data and Road Safety assessment (book in Clerk's office)
- Fredon Township – Ordinance 2022-07
- Fredon Township – Ordinance 2022-09
- Stillwater township – Planning Board Master Plan Reexamination
- Brag Farm LLC – Letter to Mayor Ramos
- NJ Warren County Hall of Fame – Recognition dinner and induction ceremony 11/5
- Blirstown Hose Company – September Report
- Green Township Fire Department – August report

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Boynton, seconded by Mr. McPeck to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, RMC