

MINUTES OF WORK MEETING OF NOVEMBER 19, 2018

The work meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Monday, November 12, 2018 and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor, Frank Desiderio.

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, Deputy Mayor Chris Stracco, Committeeman Charles Marra, Committeeman David Boynton, and Municipal Clerk Donna Zilberfarb.

MINUTES:

1. October 17, 2018 regular and executive session minutes were held to the December 19, 2018 meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2018-85 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 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 NOVEMBER 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			

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mr. Stracco updated the committee on service electric and let them know that another survey will be done and that he has also been in contact with Congressman Gottheimer’s office and they are following up with Service Electric and will keep us updated.
- Sale of Route 94 property was held to the December 19, 2018 meeting.
- Street light on Route 94 and Lincoln Laurel road was held to the December 19, 2018 meeting.
- Animal control shared services was held to the December 19, 2018 meeting.
- Frelinghuysen/Green building department shared services contract was held to the December 19, 2018 meeting.
- The extended warranty on the backhoe was discussed and prices were handed to all members. After discussion, a motion was made by Chris Stracco to obtain the extended warranty for 1 year/1000 hours max at \$1,620.00, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Municipal Alliance of Warren County has asked the township if they are willing to be in a shared services with Blairstown. Blairstown does not currently have a municipal alliance and this would get them started to get back into the program. The same coordinator, Lori Nienstadt, would be used. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Boynton to move forward with a shared service for municipal alliance, seconded by Mr. Stracco. All were in favor.

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:

- Stacy Gallante inquired if the town fixed mailboxes that are knocked down during snow storms. Mr. Desiderio stated that they are not fixed or replaced.
- Loren Greco inquired about a facebook post that regarded the dpw/plow drivers during a recent storm and asked if a letter could be sent to that resident. The committee explained that a resident can post anything on facebook and reiterated that the facebook page is not a Township owned facebook page and that the township committee will not get involved.
- Todd McPeck spoke about the extended warranty on the backhoe and explained that it makes sense to get the extended warranty and explained of repairs that were needed at his work that were very costly.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Motion was made by Mr. Stracco for a consent agenda for items 1-3, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

1. Finance
2. Tax Assessor
3. Warren County Board of Health
4. Mayor – Nothing to report
5. Deputy Mayor – discussed the recent breakins on Saddle Ridge and Greendell Roads and said there could have been arrests made in Byram but they could be rumors.
6. Committeeman Boynton – discussed the non profit 501C3 that was discussed at a meeting previous and explained his opinion that it has nothing to do with the town and we can do nothing.
7. Committeeman Marra – Nothing to report
8. Clerk – Discussed the email that she was forwarded regarding the road department during plowing. Ms. Zilberfarb stated that although she understands residents have the right to complain, she was concerned more that these emails go to nonresidents and that the dpw already receives enough negativity.

Ms. Zilberfarb also asked when the Re-org meeting would be for January. It was determined that the reorganization meeting will be held on January 2nd at 7:00 pm. Ms. Zilberfarb will advertise for the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Stracco, seconded by Mr. Boynton to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, RMC