

MINUTES
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORK SESSION
THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017
7:30 P.M.

The Township Committee held a work session at **7:30 P.M., Thursday, March 9, 2017** at the Municipal Building. This meeting has been properly noticed in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Mayor Kathryn Blew called the meeting to order and led the flag salute.

Roll Call: Diane Burgess ABSENT Craig Repmann PRESENT

Susan Soloway PRESENT Joseph Darocha PRESENT Kathryn Blew PRESENT

Also present: Katrina L. Campbell, Municipal Attorney

Others in the public: Lt. Timothy Snyder, Lora Jones, Maurice Jones, Matt Papenfuhs

Comments from the public on agenda items: Lora Jones, Open Space Advisory Committee, addressed the Township Committee on the February 27, 2017 letter from Green Acres notifying the township that \$220,000 previously awarded for the Alfieri property is in jeopardy of being cancelled due to lack of progress. In spite of all the effort, negotiations with Alfieri have not been successful. Green Acres is giving Franklin Township an opportunity to use the funds and Lora Jones is proposing supporting the New Jersey Conservation Foundation in their purchase of property in both Delaware and Franklin Townships. They are preserving 125 acres. The cost estimate for the 9.9 acre portion, Block 50 lot 5 and 6, of the land in Franklin is \$49,750.00. Lora Jones is asking the Township Committee to authorize participation with NJCF and using a portion of the \$220,000.00 Green Acres money.

Consent Agenda

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Motion to adopt all items on the consent agenda.

Moved Darocha Second Soloway

Approval of Bills for Payment

Current Fund Expenditures	\$ 2,487.00
Current Fund Expenditures	\$76,097.65
Fair Housing	\$ 319.00
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 105.00
TOTAL	\$79,008.65

Motion to **Adopt Resolution 2017 – 24** Resolution Urging the State Legislature to approve A-1834/S-178 which requires the Department of Health to license additional angioplasty facilities, with t least one in each county.

Moved Repmann

Second Soloway

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE
 Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

- **Public Safety (PD, Fire, EMS, OEM, Court, Health): Darocha & Blew**

Lt. Tim Snyder outlined his monthly report for the Township Committee on various incidents: investigations, summonses, arrests, radio calls, etc. Deputy Mayor Joe Darocha asked Lt. Snyder if there were recurring false alarms and the Police Department hasn't had any problem with this though the fire company gets more repetitive alarms. To date 5 or 6 applicants have responded to the ad for a Class II officer. Overtime has been kept low.

- **Department of Public Works: Repmann & Darocha**

The DPW is preparing for snow this evening and a major storm predicted for next Tuesday.

- **Land Use (Land Use Board, Open Space, Planning, Zoning, Construction, Environmental): Burgess & Soloway**

The Land Use Board held a meeting last night on the solar farm application.

- **Community, Business, School, Recreation, Seniors: Repmann & Blew**

Committee Member Sue Soloway reported on Ella Haver's passing at age 104. She attended a memorial service for her. She also reported on the Hiram Deats Award being presented by Rural Awareness to Dan and Marty Campanelli. The Township Committee has been asked to adopt a resolution of gratitude to the Campanellis to be placed in a book along with other resolutions adopted by various municipalities and organizations.

Motion to adopt a **Proclamation in Appreciation of Dan and Marty Campanelli's** Contributions to the Township of Franklin.

Moved Repmann

Second Darocha

All present in favor. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to adopt a resolution to enter into executive session at 8:25 P.M. for discussion of matters pertaining to personnel. No formal action is anticipated upon returning to open session.

Moved Repmann

Second Darocha

Roll Call Vote: Burgess ABSENT Repmann AYE Soloway AYE

Darocha AYE Blew AYE

Motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion to return to open session at 9:47 p.m. for adjournment.

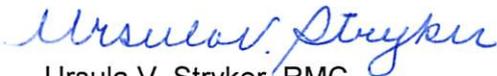
Moved Soloway Second Darocha All present in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Moved Soloway Second Repmann All present in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Ursula V. Stryker, RMC
Municipal Clerk

DATE OF ADOPTION: MARCH 23, 2017