

## **MINUTES OF BUDGET MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2016**

The budget meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Thursday, February 25, 2016 and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Christopher Kuhn.

### **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 Christopher Kuhn, Deputy Mayor Christopher Stracco (7:15), Committeeman Frank Desiderio, Committeeman David Boynton, CFO Danette Dyer, Auditor Anthony Ardito and Acting Clerk Donna Zilberfarb.

Members absent: Committeeman Alan DeCarolis

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Danette Dyer, CFO and Anthony Ardito, Auditor were both in attendance. Ms. Dyer explained being \$55,000.00 over the levy tax cap. After discussion it was decided to cut from the DPW, buildings and grounds, and the land use board budgets, as well as various smaller cuts throughout the township.

Motion was made by Mr. Boynton to move to taxes to \$16.00 with capital improvement, per household per \$300,000.00, seconded by Mr. Desiderio. All were in favor.

The 2016 budget will be introduced on March 16, 2016 for the first reading with the second reading for adoption on April 20, 2016. Mr. Ardito and Ms. Dyer will forward all resolutions and information to Ms. Zilberfarb. All that is needed is to finalize the capital plan at the work session to be held on March 9, 2016.

OEM Grant paperwork FFATA form – Mr. Kuhn explained that the township needs to authorize 2 employees to certify these grants and enter into system. In the past it has been the clerk. Mr. Kuhn recommends Ms. Zilberfarb and Ms. Dyer as the 2 employees authorized.

Motion was made by Mr. Desiderio to authorize Donna Zilberfarb and Danette Dyer to be the key contacts for OEM grants, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

### **OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:**

Mr. Desiderio made a motion to open to the public, seconded by Mr. Boynton. Spoke were:

Mr. Boynton gave an update on Kids Camp work. The interior painting for the last few rooms is complete, all toilets are working, and Howard the House Doctor finished the windows.

Mr. Conner discussed signs for the boundary at the camp, fire extinguisher inspections, cleaning the floors and water and septic testing. Mr. Conner will get pricing on the floors, Mr. Boynton will check on the water testing and Mr. Desiderio offered to do the hydraulic testing on the septic. Mr. Conner also requested that the porta john be removed since the toilets are in working order. Ms. Zilberfarb will have it removed.

A motion was made by Mr. Desiderio to purchase 500 signs at \$350.00, seconded by Mr. Boynton. All were in favor.

Mr. Desiderio made a motion to close to the public, seconded by Mr. Stracco.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Desiderio, seconded by Mr. Boynton to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, Acting Township Clerk