

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2008

The regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Route 661, Johnsonburg, New Jersey and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Charles.

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 faxing notice to the Star Gazette and New Jersey Herald on January 3, 2008.

ROLL CALL:

Those present were: Mayor Thomas Charles, Committeeman Debra Natyzak-Osadca, Committeeman Alan DeCarolis, Committeeman Frank Desiderio, Committeeman Dale Durling, Attorney Richard Belin and Clerk Brenda Kleber.

PUBLIC HEARING-2008 BUDGET:

Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to open the meeting to the public. All in favor. Auditor Anthony Ardito announced that there would have been a 1% decrease in the 2008 budget, however, with the state aid decreased the budget will need to be amended and the Committee will need to decide where to get the additional funds. Motion was made by Durling, seconded on Desiderio to close the public hearing. All in favor.

ORDINANCES:

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-02) TO AMEND CAPITAL ORDINANCE #2007-11 AUTHORIZING LAKE AND STREAM RESTORATION AND APPROPRIATING \$262,500.00 TO SAID PURPOSES SET FORTH HEREIN AND AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY was opened to public. Motion was made by Durling, seconded by Desiderio to adopt said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

Ordinance #2008-03-on hold for work meeting of April 10, 2008 (Note: See minutes of April 10, 2008).

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-04) TO REPLACE SECTION 2-41 OF CHAPTER II, ARTICLE VII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title and advised that a public hearing will be held on April 16, 2008. Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling to introduce said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-05) AMENDING SECTION 900, ET SEQ. OF THE FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP CODE, ENTITLED "FEES, GUARANTEES, INSPECTIONS, OFF-TRACT IMPROVEMENTS AND RESERVATION OF PUBLIC AREAS. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title and advised that a public hearing will be held on April 16, 2008. Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling to introduce said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

#2008-06-will be introduced at April 16, 2008 meeting.

AN ORDINANCE (#2008-07) APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF A COPIER, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title and advised that a public hearing will be held on April 16, 2008. Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolis to introduce said ordinance. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2008-20

WHEREAS, the Township of Green has submitted a statement concerning the amounts that it deems necessary to support the Green Township Volunteer Fire Department and Allamuchy-Green First Aid Squad; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Green has determined that support would amount to an annual figure of \$106,609.00; and

WHEREAS, based on these figures and taking into consideration the \$10,000 direct donation to the fire department and the \$10,000 yearly donation for the new truck purchase by Frelinghuysen Township, the Township of Green is requesting from Frelinghuysen Township the yearly amount of \$15,000.00; and

WHEREAS, at the budget meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Mayor and Committee, it was decided that the amount of \$7,000 should be donated to Green Township.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Frelinghuysen Township Committee hereby donates a sum of \$7,000 to Green Township for support of the Green Township Volunteer Fire Department and Allamuchy-Green First Aid Squad.

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Natyzak-Osadca to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

#2008-21:

WHEREAS, THE 2008 Local Municipal Budget was introduced on the 20th day of February, 2008; and

WHEREAS, during the fiscal year 2008 the Township of Frelinghuysen has been allocated a state grant for various programs in the amount of \$125,641.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that petition be made herewith to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services that the 2008 Local Municipal Budget include a special item of revenue under the heading of "**Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services-Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:**"

Clean Communities Program	5,000.00
Mun. Alliance on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Program	3,840.00
Recycling Tonnage Grant	500.00
NJ Transportation Trust Fund Grant	<u>116,301.00</u>
	<u>\$125,641.00</u>

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolis to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

#2008-22:

WHEREAS, Warren County has requested authorization to complete Phase 2 of a project involving the construction of new sidewalks and curbs along Main Street (County Route 661) in Frelinghuysen Township, in an area located in the Johnsonburg Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Historic Sites Council held a hearing on February 28, 2008 and authorized the said project with certain conditions, as specified in New Jersey Historic Sites Council Resolution No. 2008-310 (the "NJHSC Resolution"), a copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the completion of the project is necessary and appropriate for the safety of pedestrians in the area, and the conditions imposed in the NJHSC Resolution are acceptable to the Mayor and Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Frelinghuysen Township Mayor and Committee as follows:

1. The Mayor and Committee accept and approve the conditions set forth in the NJHSC Resolution
2. The Mayor and Committee hereby urge Warren County to approve and accept the said conditions, and to compete Phase 2 of the sidewalk construction project.
3. The Township Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolus-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

#2008-23:

WHEREAS, Frelinghuysen Township strongly supports the employment of the best purchasing practices to not only ensure compliance with the numerous state statutes governing public procurement but also to obtain the most favorable pricing for required services and products; and

WHEREAS, Frelinghuysen Township encourages and allows its employees to receive continuing education courses and frequent training to remain relevant of new statutes, changes in regulations and best practice procedures which encourage proper cost effective purchasing; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has before it bills, S-770 and A-1645m endorsed by the Purchasing Officials and no other statewide local government organization that would significantly impact on the operation of the purchasing function by requiring the reorganization of the purchasing function into a separate office not under the direct supervision of the local unit's administrator, manager, CFO and other official; and

WHEREAS, Frelinghuysen Township has not experienced any challenges or crisis in purchasing procedures that warrants imposing this unfunded mandate upon local governments and questions what existing problem(s) it purports to fix; and

WHEREAS, Frelinghuysen Township takes exception to this unfunded state mandate which represents an intrusion into the management prerogatives of local officials to organize purchasing functions that are in the best interests of resident taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, S-770 and A-1645 will not reduce the cost of the municipal operation nor lead to better purchasing activities; rather these unfunded mandates will, in all probability, lead to higher personnel costs in the future given the mandates contained therein; and

WHEREAS, it is unconscionable for the Legislature to impose another unfunded mandate during a time when Mayors and governing body members are focused on proposed budget cuts that will result in increased property taxes and the curtailment of services to residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Township of Frelinghuysen in the County of Warren:

1. Oppose S-770 and its companion bill A-1645 as an unfunded state mandate with no new or additional capabilities to assist towns in improving purchasing activities and in all probability will lead to future cost increases.
2. Opposes S-770 and its companion bill A-1645 which change an existing option afforded local units into an unfunded mandate to appoint a qualified purchasing agent.
3. Certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Jon Corzine, Senator Leonard Lance, Assemblyman Michael Doherty, Assemblywoman Marcia Karrow and the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolus to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolus-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

#2008-24:

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2008, in Trenton, Governor Jon S. Corzine presented his FY 2009 budget proposal to a Joint Session of the State Legislature, which proposal now goes to the Legislature, which must pass a balanced budget by the start of the State's next Fiscal Year, which begins on July 1; and

WHEREAS, the proposal, which represents what the Governor called "many unpleasant choices, " calls for the elimination of two Departments of State Government (the Department of Agriculture and Personnel) and the State Commerce Commission, and asks all other Departments to absorb funding cuts, and further calls for sacrifice in a number of other areas, including direct property tax relief, hospital aid, higher education assistance and Medicaid, with the inordinately deep cuts in municipal property tax relief funding; and

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WHEREAS, one year after the historic Special Session for Property Tax Reform which purportedly eliminated the need for a Citizens' Convention, our property taxpayers will once again be asked for patience, and they will be asked to shoulder more than their fair share of the funding burden; and

WHEREAS, local officials have done so much with so little for so long, that State Budget-makers now believe some can do everything with absolutely nothing; and

WHEREAS, municipal property tax relief will be slashed by \$189.6 million; and

WHEREAS, for municipalities with a population of less than 5,000, there will be no CMPTRA funding this year; for municipalities with a population total between 5,000 and 10,000, this relief will be limited to one-half of the amount received in the State's 2006-2007 budget; and the \$32.6 million distributed according to the CMPTRA formula, which municipalities received last year as 2008 Municipal Property Tax Assistance, is gone; and

WHEREAS, all municipalities will receive level Energy Tax Receipts Property Tax Relief funding, despite State Law that 'requires' annual inflationary adjustments of this (and CMPTRA) funding; and

WHEREAS, last year, municipal efficiency was promoted to the tune of \$34.8 million, but in this proposal, this funding has been eliminated; and

WHEREAS, last year's \$32 million in Municipal Homeland Security Funding is gone, Special Municipal Aid funding is cut from \$153 million to \$145.4- a loss of \$7.6 million, Extraordinary Aid funding is reduced by \$1.7 million-from \$34 million to \$32.3 million, and the \$8 million Regional Efficiency Aid Program will not be funded; and

WHEREAS, beyond these cuts, certain municipalities served by the State Police will be asked to contribute \$20 million to the State's General Fund, and Homestead Rebates for Homeowners will be cut by \$257 ;million, and for Renters by \$124 million; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Township of Frelinghuysen calls on its elected representatives in Trenton, Senator Leonard Lance, and Assembly members Doherty and Karrow to work with their colleagues in the Legislature and with the Governor to take affirmative action to restore program funding sufficient to honor state statutes and their stated commitment to the cause of property tax relief in all New Jersey municipalities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Jon S. Corzine, Acting State Treasurer R. David Rousseau, Senate President Richard J. Codey, Senate Minority Leader Thomas H. Kean, Assembly Speaker Joseph J. Roberts, Assembly Minority Leader Alex DeCroce, the Chairs and Members of the Senate and Assembly Budget and Appropriations Committee, our own Senator Leonard Lance and Assembly members Doherty and Karrow and to the New Jersey State League

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolis to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes

#2008-25:

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c. 102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs, and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

WHEREAS, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, that they hereby endorse the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designate Frank Desiderio as recycling coordinator for the year 2008 to ensure that the application is properly filed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolus to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolus-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes

#2008-26:

WHEREAS, an applicant is needed as a member of the Warren County Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC); and

WHEREAS, at a regular meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee the Mayor appointed Jean Smolha as the recommended member.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Frelinghuysen Township Committee hereby recommends the above individual to the Warren County Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee.

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolus to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolus-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

#2008-27:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to discuss items dealing with Land Acquisition in private or executive session; and

WHEREAS, under the Open Public Meetings Act (number 5 of the permitted exceptions to the requirements that a public body hold its meetings in public) it is permissible that such matters be discussed in executive or private session.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 19th day of March, 2008 that the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen will adjourn to private or executive session to discuss the above mentioned and results or portions of that discussion will be made known in a reasonable length of time.

Motion was made by DeCarolus, seconded by Desiderio to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolus-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

#2008-28:

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk has submitted a list of bills in the agenda for the Township Committee's review; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee members have reviewed the list.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all vouchers and purchase orders as submitted and reviewed by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen are reasonable and proper claims against the Township and are to be paid from its appropriate fund accounts.

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolus to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolus-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes

#2008-29:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen require professional land surveying services for the South Street project; and

WHEREAS, the submitted proposal includes the scope of work, the associated fess, a list of items that must be addressed by the Township with respect to the project and a list of exclusions; and

WHEREAS, funds will be available to pay for the aforesaid services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The appointment of the following to perform the surveying services on the aforementioned project is hereby approved:

a. Maser Consulting

2. The services of the above mentioned appointee was engaged without competitive bidding as "professional services" as defined in the local public contracts law, because such services are performed by person authorized by law to practice a

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recognized profession, regulated by law, and it is not possible to obtain competitive bids.

3. A copy of this resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolus-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

#2008-30:

WHEREAS, in Resolution 2007-05, the Frelinghuysen Township Mayor and Committee authorized the pursuit of the acquisition of Block 103, Lot 3 (the "Property") from Jerome L. Reisberg for active and passive recreation and open space; and

WHEREAS, thereafter, the Mayor and Committee entered into negotiations with Mr. Reisburg; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reisburg will accept the purchase price of \$950,000.00, and Frelinghuysen Township is willing to pay that amount, subject to the conditions set forth below; and good cause having been shown.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Frelinghuysen Township Mayor and Committee as follows:

1. The Mayor and Council hereby authorize acceptance of Jerome L. Reisberg's offer to sell the Property for the sum of \$950,000.00, subject to the following:

(a) The Township's receipt of funding adequate to complete the purchase of the Property;

(b) Inspection and satisfactory results, in the discretion of the Mayor and Council, if any and all environmental, well, septic, home, and other usual and customary inspections.

(c) Clean-up of the dump and all visible debris on the Property, removal of any and all underground oil tanks, and satisfactory inspection results as to the same;

(d) Removal of the tractor shed on the Property, at the owner's expense;

(e) Both homes on the Property being delivered in broom-clean condition; and

(f) Owner's conveyance of marketable title, insurable at regular rates; and

(g) Any and all terms and conditions customary to the purchase of real property by a municipal corporation.

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling to adopt said resolution. All in favor.

#2008-31:

WHEREAS, the Township of Frelinghuysen previously entered into an Inter-Municipal agreement with the County of Warren for the provisions of onsite plumbing inspections for the purpose of enforcing the plumbing sub-code of the Uniform Construction Code; and

WHEREAS, said agreement shall be effective on the day and year of adoption of this resolution and shall remain in full force and effect thereafter for four (4) years or until either party shall give the other at least thirty (30) days written notice of its intention to terminate.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Clerk be and hereby are authorized to execute the renewal agreement between the Township of Frelinghuysen and the County of Warren.

Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling to adopt said resolution. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolus-yes, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Judy Pender and Ruby Malcolm, members of the North Warren Regional Board of Education along with business administrator Angela Moyer appeared to go over the 2008-2009 school budget. This year there will be two questions on the ballot, the first question will be for the general funds of which there will no tax increase in the Frelinghuysen Township budget and the second question is to replace the boiler/hot water system and to spend and issue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$656,000 to finance the cost of said project.

In response to a letter sent to Bob Canace asking him if he would like to assist the township in preparing an update to the township wastewater plan was read. Mr. Canace advised that due to his employment history with the NJDEP he is disqualified. His personal view is that the township should delegate this authority to the county. Motion was made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by Desiderio to turn this responsibility over to the county. The motion was then amended on motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by Desiderio after Committeeman DeCarolis suggested that we poll the surrounding township as to their decision. All in favor.

A notice of bid acceptance for the gypsy moth spraying to Downstown Aero Crop Service, Vineland, New Jersey was approved on motion made by Desiderio, seconded by DeCarolis. All in favor. The Municipal Clerk was appointed as Program Supervisor, person completing paperwork and person in charge of work force for the gypsy moth program.

With regard to the update on the installation of sidewalks to the municipal building, Engineer Paul Sterbenz reported that SHPO deemed the county application and encroachment and needed to be reviewed by the site council. After a hearing, the site council approved the application and adopted a resolution with conditions that need to be addressed by the county. The County needs information from Frelinghuysen on how to proceed. Since an arborist is required to prepare a plan, Maser Consulting has such a person in the office. A proposal will be prepared for the April meeting.

The Warren County Department of Land Preservation is still in need of a representative from Frelinghuysen Township. Since none of the Committee members are able to attend meetings on the first Monday of each month, the Mayor appointed Gabe DeCarolis. Mr. DeCarolis was instructed to complete an application required by the Department. (Note: Mr. DeCarolis was unable to accept the position. Mayor Charles appointed Jean Smolha at a later date).

Committeeman Desiderio advised that the catch basins that needed to be removed are now obsolete and asked for approval to dispose of them along with any other scrap on hand. Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Durling giving Desiderio approval. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

A request from the Green Township Fire Department was read asking the Committee to consider providing the funding for Station 95 to purchase two sets of bunker gear which will cost \$4,000.00. The Clerk was instructed to send a letter advising that the decision will depend on the outcome of proceeds from Methany School, who is being fined for exceeding the number of calls for false alarms.

A renewal agreement for Plumbing Services from Warren County was accepted on motion made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling. All in favor.

A letter received from the Johnsonburg Camp was read advising of an event being held on October 11th at the camp. They need to know whether the Township would like to participate. The Committee asked the Clerk to find out exacting what type of participate they would like from the Township.

A proposal submitted by Maser Consulting to provide professional land surveying services for the South Street Pond project at a cost of \$7,500.00 was approved. (See resolution above).

QUOTES:

A quote received from Balbi Enterprises in the amount of \$189.00 for debris containers and \$375.00 per day for the compacting truck. The metal containers will be at no cost. The Clerk advised that Gray Trucking and Sanico were unable to provide a quote. Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling to accept the quote received from

Balbi. Roll call vote: Natyzak-Osadca-yes, DeCarolis-abstain, Desiderio-yes, Durling-yes, Charles-yes.

Committeeman Desiderio reported on the estimated quotes for Air conditioning in the Municipal Building. The cost should be between \$12,000.00 and \$14,000.00. Mr. Desiderio and Mr. Durling will put together the specs and advertise.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the budget meeting of February 14, 2008 was approved on motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor. The minutes of the work meeting of February 14, 2008 was approved on motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by Durling. All in favor. The minutes of the regular meeting of February 20, 2008 were approved on motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor except Durling who abstained. The minutes of the executive session of February 20, 2008 were approved on motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by Desiderio. All in favor except Durling who abstained.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Department reports received from the Tax Collector, Tax Assessor, Building Dept., Warren County Court and Health Dept were approved on a consent agenda motion made by Natyzak-Osadca, seconded by DeCarolis. All in favor.

Mayor Thomas Charles report:

Mayor Charles announced that he received a letter from the Frelinghuysen Township School advising that Emily Dowd is in the 2nd round of the spelling bee contest. The school mustang chess club won 1st place in the county. The Mayor will send a letter congratulating each person.

Mayor Charles announced that Casino Night sponsored by the Recreation Committee will be held on April 12th at the Green Township Fire Dept.

Committeeman Debra Natyzak-Osadca's report:

Committeeman Natyzak-Osadca received a letter from Green Acres asking for names of the person or persons managing the Recreation Complex. Approval was given to Committeeman Natyzak-Osadca and Committeeman Desiderio.

Committeeman Natyzak-Osadca advised of the feedback she received from the public hearing held on the Recreation Complex on March 13th.

Committeeman Alan DeCarolis report:

With regard to the 3^d round COAH obligations, Committeeman DeCarolis has made several calls and has received quotes from Maser Consulting in the amount of \$12,500 and Karl Hines for \$35,000. Additional quotes will be submitted.

Committeeman DeCarolis announced that the Open Space Committee received the \$3,000 grant they applied for.

Committeeman Frank Desiderio's report:

Committeeman Desiderio reported on the several roads in the township that are accentuating private drives (Pittenger, Kerr Road, Katzenstein, Kispough and Stage Road) but are not shown on the tax maps as roads. He stated that he has a problem with the township vehicles turning around on these roads when snow plowing. The Clerk was instructed to get information on how to proceed to vacate these roads.

Committeeman Desiderio asked for authorization to purchase road millings at \$50.00 a load for Kerr Road. He also asked to use the Route 94 property as storage for the millings. Approval was given

Committeeman Dale Durling's report:

Committeeman Durling reported on a meeting he had with Dr. Klett at the Frelinghuysen Township School where they discussed shared services. The school is also requesting that use of the fields now come only from the Recreation Committee.

Engineer Paul Sterbenz and Paul Niehoff's report

The status of the State Park road municipal aid project (Phase 2) is waiting for better weather conditions

The status of the South Street Pond Improvements project is that they did a site inspection during the heavy rains and saw flooding. They will look at the bowl area and take it from there as to whether the DEP needs a plan.

Mr. Sterbenz felt that he wouldn't hurt to file an application with SHPO for each phase of the Recreation Complex.

Attorney Richard Beilin's report:

With regard to the road exchange of Ackerson Road and Route 661, they are waiting for the descriptions from the County. The County needs to pass a resolution and the Township will need to adopt an ordinance.

A letter was written to the NJDOT about the collapsing wall on Mill Road. There has no response to date.

Mr. Beilin needed information about the times the Committee wanted for the public events amendment.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Hope Township Re: Municipal Court

Borough of Point Pleasant Beach resolution

Warren County Tax Board Re: Final Equalization table

Morris Land Conservancy Re: New liaison Megan Haidet

Frelinghuysen Township School Re: School announcements

Professional Government Educators Re:

1. Seminar on the Tax Sale Law
2. Ethics and Internal Controls

Maser Consulting Re: Two letters to Warren County Soil Conservation District

New Jersey General Assembly Re: Highlands Master Plan

Township of Green Re: Ordinance 08-03 (Streets & Sidewalks)

Independence Township Re: Notice of public hearing on Master Plan

Township of Colts Neck Re: Third round COAH

Hardwick Township Re: COAH resolution

Warren County Planning Dept. Re: Proposed recycling rules

Commerce Risk Control Services Re: Loss Control Report

NJ Board of Public Utilities Re: Public hearing

NJ DEP Re:

1. Awarding of grant to Open Space Committee
2. Awarding of loan for Municipal Complex
3. Main Street-sidewalk

Warren County Board of Taxation Re: Info on reassessment or revaluation

Frelinghuysen Township Construction Office Re:

1. Copy of letter to Matheny School
2. Inspection on 117 Silver Lake Road

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Warren County Freeholders Re: Presentation on Ethics in Public Office
Frelinghuysen Township Open Space Committee Re: Ridge & Valley donation
Ardito & Co. Re: Auditors report
Kevin & Ann Marie Lesnewski Re: Unsafe house on Bear Creek Road
Thank you note from Roman Osadca
Warren County Mosquito Control Commission Re: Changes to regulations
New Jersey General Assembly Re: Thank you for copy of Resolution #2008-15
Borough of East Newark Re: Copy of resolution opposing proposed state budget
New Jersey State League of Municipalities Re:

1. New Jersey Clean Air Council Public Hearing-April 9th
2. Upcoming budget
3. State budget proposal
4. Mayors healthy cook-off May 7th
5. CMPTRA funding committee
6. Funding cut updates
7. League seminars:
 - a. Human Resources in the Municipal Environment
 - b. Procurement update and ethics
 - c. Incident management system 402 training
 - d. Problem solving negotiation-skill development
 - e. Understanding & Implementing the NJ school funding formula
8. Legislative bulletin No. 1
9. More State Budget cut details
10. Important new information from the LGS
11. Federal update for period ending Feb. 15, 2008
12. Anti-Discrimination posters
13. Funding cut updates
14. Web seminars for stormwater professionals
15. Municipal leaders question Corzine's budget cuts
16. COAH 3rd round regulations
17. Important new information from the LGS
18. Update on QPA, S-770
19. Budget cuts more action needed
20. Update of QPA, S-770
21. Proposed revision to Title 39

BILLS:

See schedule attached to minutes

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Desiderio to enter into Executive Session with regard to land acquisition. All in favor. Motion was made by Desiderio, seconded by Durling to return to public session. All in favor. The attorney reported that a resolution (see #2008-30) will be adopted.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Nick Pachnos-with regard to the flooding on South Street, he realizes that the Committee is working on the situation but thinks the water issue is getting worse and is becoming a common occurrence.

Dan Duchemin asked if the pond on South Street was a man made pond. The Mayor advised it was a detention when it was first built but is now silted over.

Gabe DeCarolis asked the attorney why the township was interested in purchasing the Reisburg property as he feels we should not purchase it. The Mayor advised that this property was recommended by the Open Space Committee.

Dawn McPeek asked about the protocol of dog bites. Committeeman DeCarolis who is also the Animal Control Officer gave her the information.

Loren Greco asked how much more money are we going to spend on the sidewalk issue.

Gabe DeCarolis asked what the township is going to do about the pond on Stella Brzozowski pond as it is overflowing with all the rain we have had. He was advised that the pond does not belong to her, it belongs to the NJ DEP Green Acres.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion was made by DeCarolis, seconded by Durling to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda J. Kleber, RMC