

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF JUNE 30, 2008

The special meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Committee was held at Hope Township Municipal Building, 407 CR 611, Hope, New Jersey on Monday June 30, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the State Police funding and its affect on the community.

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 June 12, 2008.

ROLL CALL:

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

Hope Mayor Tim McDonough opened the meeting and introduced Assemblywoman Marcia Karrow who went over an introduced bill that would impose a surcharge on motor vehicle violations in the amount of \$40.00 to cover the charges for the state police.

Mayor McDonough stated that it presently cost the state \$12.6 million for state police coverage and due to the state no longer providing this coverage effective 2009, the Mayor gave 4 options: 1) start their own police department 2) regionalize with another township 3) use the services of a Sheriff or 4) pay the state for the coverage. He also advised of a grant that is available in the amount of \$20,000.00 for shared services, however, it has to be over 4 towns.

A sheet showing the figures from each municipality was passed around. According to the sheet, Frelinghuysen Township will have to pay approx. \$77,452 with each household paying \$100.00.

Mayor Incho of Liberty Township suggested that the townships stick together in not paying for the coverage. Marcia Karrow will look into whether the townships can do this.

It was decided that another meeting would be held at the end of July with additional information being obtained by Mayor McDonough and Assemblywoman Karrow.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda J. Kleber, RMC