

Workshop Meeting, February 7, 2011

Chairman Raymond Equils called the meeting to order at 19:01 hours, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Equils then read the Opening Statement, noting this meeting was advertised on Saturday, January 1, 2011 in the Asbury Park Press and posted on two (2) municipal Bulletin Boards and in the firehouse, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, commonly referred to as "The Sunshine Law."

Roll call was taken with Commissioners Equils, Kelly, McMahon, Scarlato, and Stalling being present. There were zero (0) line officers, firefighters, or public present at the start of the meeting.

A Moment of Silence was held In Memory of Life Member Joseph Oberlander, who passed away on January 29, 2011, while residing in Florida. Rest in Peace.

Purchaser McMahon and Treasurer Stalling began working to assemble the list of bills and to prepare vouchers and checks for approval. Clerk Kelly noted that all invoices for items authorized in 2010 are marked accordingly.

CRITICAL CORRESPONDENCE: Clerk Kelly reported receiving the following:

A copy of F/F Marshall's Withdrawal from LOSAP, as provided by VALIC-AIG;

A Nominating Petition from James Eadicicco;

A notice from Mr. Jay C. Sendzik, Esq., the board's legal counsel, advising of the amount approved by the state for the 2010 LOSAP Contribution (\$1,558.00);

The Clerk will secure a list of those members holding LOSAP Accounts; and

Receipt of a proposal from Fail Safe for the 2011 Hose Testing Program.

OLD BUSINESS: Chairman Equils reported having the list of questions that need to be answered along with other data that needs to be collected for the grant writer. During discussions, it was noted the writer's fee is \$2,600.00 to be paid ½ when contract for services is signed and the other ½ prior to submission of the grant application.

Other information was presented that the services of the township's grant writer are available to the district under "Shared Services" and that needs to be fully explored.

It was determined that the information will need to be gathered, regardless of what grant writer assembles and submits an application. It was further decided that a letter should be sent to the township asking for this assistance, and the board needs to designate 3 individuals to assemble the data.

The following items will be placed on tomorrow evening's agenda for formal action:

Authorize actions by either the township's grant writer or a privately contacted grant writer, to assemble and submit an application; and

Appoint 2 commissioners and 1st Asst Chief Bob Nichols as the three (3) individuals to work on collecting and assembling the required data.

NEW BUSINESS: Clerk Kelly reported that he appointed the Judge and 2 Clerks for the upcoming election, and that all vouchers, ballots, and legal notices are done.

Commissioner McMahon expressed his hope for another term, but stated if he is unsuccessful, it has been an honor and a privilege to serve as fire commissioner these past 20 years.

TREASURER'S REPORT: At 20:25 Purchaser McMahon and Treasurer Stalling completed the voucher and check entry. There was a .50 discrepancy between their figures which was reconciled after reviewing the NJ American Water invoice.

Treasurer Stalling reported bills totaling \$18,878.22, plus an Electronic Debit for NJ-PERS in the amount of \$180.74, creating a final expenditure total of \$19,169.96; requiring a transfer of funds in the amount of \$12,000.00. He also reported on the checking & savings account balances.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted on a motion by Commissioners McMahon and Scarlato, and passed by the board. Checks were then printed and signed.

GOOD AND WELFARE Nothing was presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT It was noted that there were zero (0) line officers, firefighters, or members of the public in attendance at the close of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT The Treasurer finished printing & signing checks. This concluded the business for the workshop, so a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioners Kelly and McMahon, and passed by the board.

The meeting closed at 21:03 hours.
Respectfully Submitted,

Robert J. Kelly
Clerk of the Board

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