

MINUTES THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD HELD ON JANUARY 16, 2007.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kristensen with the opening statement that the meeting had been duly advertised and met all the requirements of the Sunshine Law. Also present were: Committeeman Hahn, Committeeman McDowell, Attorney Laemers, and Municipal Clerk Louanne Cular.

ROLL CALL:

SALUTE THE FLAG:

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CONSENT AGENDA: ALL MATTERS LISTED BELOW ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE IN NATURE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF ANY DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT PARTICULAR ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

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- Minutes:** Regular Meeting Minutes of 12-5-06.
Regular Meeting Minutes of 12-19-06.
Executive Session Meeting Minutes of 12-5-06.
Executive Session Meeting Minutes of 12-11-06.
Executive Session Meeting Minutes of 12-19-06.
Budget Meeting Minutes of 11-27-06
Budget Meeting Minutes of 12-11-06.
Regular Meeting Minutes of 12-27-06
Executive Session Meeting Minutes of 12-27-06.
Reorganization Meeting Minutes of 1-1-07.

- Licenses:** 50/50 – Blue Ridge Rescue Squad - 9
Red Light Permit – Emergency Management

- Resolutions:** Resolution – Tax Collector - 2
Resolution – Official Depositories
Resolution - Professionals

A motion was made by McDowell to approve the consent agenda with corrections to the minutes of 12/5/06 – change the name Bryan to Bryant – 12-19-06 change DOC to DOT and the Open Space Agreement should be referred to as the Winding Brook Farms – 1-1-07 – some of the terms referred to should be reviewed and changed mainly the park commission, seconded by Kristensen. All in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PORTION: A motion was made by McDowell to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Hahn. All in favor. Motion carried. Public commented on High Ridge signs posted on 565. Rich Pumphrey reported that they are in the process of picking up Christmas trees, they have a new vendor for the oil company and the salt was bid thru Morris County Co-Op.. A motion was made by McDowell to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Kristensen. All in favor. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORT: Committeeman McDowell reported that the Park Commission is in the process of reorganizing. Mayor Kristensen reported that the two properties that Open Space has been working on are in the hands of the State and that the Garden State Preservation Trust funding thru Green acres has been depleted. Committeeman Hahn reported that the Board of Health is continuing their work on the Smoking Ordinance.

ORDINANCES:

1ST READING: None

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OLD BUSINESS:

Traffic Light – Union Turnpike – The committee requested that this matter be put back on the agenda if we have any updates.

Guide Rail Request – This matter will carried to the next meeting.

Coded Systems – Land Use Ordinances - This matter will carried to the next meeting.

Tax Sale Certificate – Scandia Spa - This matter will carried to the next meeting and Mayor Kristensen will speak with the Tax Assessor regarding same.

Lower North Shore – Speed Limits - This matter will carried to the next meeting.

Meadow Ridge Builders – Bond – Rich Pumphrey has issues with some items and this matter will again be carried.

Sussex Commons – Request to meet – Mayor Kristensen suggested that Harold Pellow prepare a visual plan for the Mall. A motion was made by McDowell to request that Harold Pellow be asked to make a visual plan and to have H2M review same, seconded by Hahn. All in favor. Motion carried. The committee also requested that a letter be sent to the developers explaining that we will get back to them in the near future on their request to meet with the committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Gypsy Moth Program** – The program was discussed and several items were requested. A review of the map to see if we are spraying State Land, funding for this project, Rich Pumphrey to check with Morris County Co-op and a letter to the legislatures regarding negligence in the past for not spraying.
- B. Auditor – Engagement Letter** – A motion was made by Hahn to approve the engagement letter for 2007, seconded by McDowell. All in favor. Motion carried.
- C. Contract – Sam Castimore** - A motion was made by Hahn to approve the contract for 2007 which is the same as last year, seconded by McDowell. All in favor. Motion carried.
- D. COAH - Regional Contribution Agreement** – This matter will be carried to the next meeting.
- E. Salary Resolution Amendment - RESOLUTION – AMENDING THE SALARIES FOR CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD FOR 2007.**

WHEREAS, the Frankford Township Committee has reviewed the salaries of officers and employees of the Township of Frankford except for those employees covered by a Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to have said salaries take effect the 1st day of January 1, 2007.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Frankford, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that the following salaries be paid to non-bargaining personnel:

Tax Collector - \$47,899.28

Township Administrator - \$5,000.00

Grants Administrator/Interlocal Agreement Coordinator - \$10,000.00

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A motion was made by Hahn to approve the salary resolution amendment as presented, seconded by McDowell. All in favor. Motion carried.

F. Amendment – Personnel Policy – Health Benefits - A motion was made by McDowell to approve the personnel policy amendment that would only allow new health insurance coverage to be eligible to participate in the NJ Plus program, seconded by Hahn. All in favor. Motion carried.

G. Sussex County Economic Development partnership – request for donation – The committee already donates \$300 so the donation requesting \$500 was denied.

H. Complaint – Zoning Violation – Since there is a conflict with Bill Paterson, Sharon Tufaro will be taking over this complaint. This matter will be carried.

I. Bond Reduction – Oliver – A motion was made by McDowell to reduce the bond per the engineers recommendation, seconded by Hahn. All in favor. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items were pulled for discussion: #47 – it was noted that we received a dividend on insurance in the amount of \$3,649.98 - #20 – Time of Decision Rule – the committee requested that another letter be sent opposing this Assembly Bill – A457 - #26 – Regional Contribution Agreements – A3857 – the committee requested that a letter be sent opposing this bill - #17 – Resolution for final approval for the wastewater management plan for Branchville Borough and Frankford Township – the committee requested that a meeting be set up to discuss this subject.

BILLS TO BE PAID - A motion was made by McDowell to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Hahn. All in favor. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Kristensen to go into executive session, seconded by McDowell. All in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: A motion was made by Kristensen to close the meeting for public comment, seconded by McDowell. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Kristensen to adjourn, seconded by McDowell. All in favor. Motion carried.

Attest:

Louanne Cular
Municipal Clerk

