

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM as advertised and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Members present: Bowman, Sheppard, Miletta.

Following the pledge of allegiance, minutes of the September 5th and 9th meetings were approved, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote. Reports for the month of September accepted, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-53, Transfer of tax overpayments created by overbill to various accounts approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Refund of 2016 Homestead Benefits received on exempt accounts authorized, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote, Resolution 2019-54, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-55, Transfer of 2019 tax overpayments to 2020 approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-56, Resolution Authorizing the Township of Lawrence Planning Board to Conduct a Preliminary Investigation to Establish a Condemnation Redevelopment Area Within the Township of Lawrence, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey approved, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Personnel Policy amended as follows: Health benefits provided to full time employee, spouse and dependent to employee only, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote. Discussion held regarding increase in co-pay over the past few years. Payments made into employees health savings accounts need to be adjusted accordingly. Further consideration will be given in 2020 budget.

Quotes for uniforms for Public Works employees reviewed, cost per person per week: Cintas (present contract expires Feb. 2020) \$29.81 Alsco \$16.63 Aramark \$13.28 Further consideration will be given prior to expiration of current contract.

No action taken on request from Cedarville Methodist Church to waive local fee for permit – demolition of parsonage located at 204 Main Street, as the contractor needed permit issued prior to meeting date.

Hours set to observe Trick-or Treat, 4-7 PM on Thursday October 31, Motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Payment of approved vouchers authorized, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Correspondence received from Bill Clemmons regarding his interest in purchasing block 96 lots 2, 3 and 4 reviewed. Mr. Clemmons currently owns lot 6 and wishes to create a buildable lot. Mr. Sheppard suggested a \$7,500.00 minimum bid, and instructed clerk to forward to him a copy of the ordinance regarding local assessments for road openings. It was also discussed that Mr. Clemmons should get an estimate from Atlantic City Electric on cost to run electricity before he moves forward with purchase.

Brief discussion held regarding Public Works Addition project. Construction moving along, RFP's need to be prepared for purchase and Installation of overhead doors and electricity, RFP's to be returned for consideration at November meeting.

Committeemen Miletta stated that he has received numerous complaints regarding speeding on Franklin Street and residents have requested construction of speed bumps. Solicitor Seeley advised that speed bumps are prohibited on public roadways.

Floor opened for public comment. Receiving no public input, floor closed and meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard.

Ruth Dawson, Clerk

October 24, 2019
Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Lawrence Township Committee was called to order at 6:00 pm as advertised for the purpose of conducting a land sale. Members present: Bowman, Sheppard, Miletta.

Following the flag salute, Solicitor Seeley read the terms of the sale then opened the floor to receive bids line by line. Twenty properties were sold for a total of \$79,960.00, bids accepted motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote. Further consideration to confirm sales will follow upon payment being made in full and deeds prepared.

Brief discussion held regarding pot/sink hole on Lummistown Road due to crushed drain pipe, which created a hazardous situation. The hole has been filled and the roadway blocked off. Due to the urgency, Mayor Bowman authorized to receive quotes for repair and award amount not to exceed \$10,000 as motioned by Mr. Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote. Mr. Miletta stated it should be repaired as soon as possible.

With no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta.

Ruth Dawson, Clerk