

WHITE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 24, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Herb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and stated ‘Adequate Notice of this meeting of March 24, 2021 has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by forwarding a notice of the date, time, and location of the meeting to the Express-Times Warren County Zone and The Star- Ledger; and by posting a copy thereof on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and the township website. Formal action may be taken at this meeting. Public participation is encouraged. This agenda is subject to last minute additions and deletions by the White Township Committee’.

FLAG SALUTE

The Mayor asked everyone to stand for the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Herb, Deputy Mayor Collom, Committeewoman Skoog, Clerk Kathleen Reinalda, Deputy Clerk Brielle Whitmore and Attorney Tipton.

RESOLUTION - EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of White, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion, and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter, March 24,2021 6:04 pm:

Pending or Threatened Litigation
(JAINDL)

2. It is anticipated at this time, the above-stated subjects will be made public at such time when the matters discussed are no longer sensitive. Motion passed. On motion by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote. The meeting was re-opened to the public at 6:37p.m. Motion passed. No action was taken in Executive Session.

ANIMAL CONTROL UPDATE

ACO, Robert Lagonera updated the committee on the feral cat situation in Buttzville. Mr. Lagonera is waiting on the municipal court to get an update on the written complaints that have been filed by a Buttzville resident. Motion was made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to authorize Attorney Tipton to write a letter to the North Warren Court requesting action.

ORDINANCES - PUBLIC HEARING

Ord. 2021-05: Motion to open the Public Hearing made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote. Juliet Hyndman requested the township review further information on watershed regulations. No further public comment ensued. Motion to close the Public Hearing made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote. Motion to adopt the following Ordinance made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb – yes. Motion carried.

(see February 24th minutes for Ordinance)

RESOLUTIONS

Res. 2021-20: Motion made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-20

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO CANCEL TAX SALE CERTIFICATE #21327013 AND MERGER WITH TAX SALE CERTIFICATE #00213 FOR BLOCK 72, LOT 26.

WHEREAS, the Township of White has reviewed this taxpayers account known as Block 72 Lot 26 and has determined there to be a duplicate certificate entered in the tax software due to an error by the former tax collector and should not have existed; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to cancel Tax Sale Certificate #21327013 associated with this error and to merger any subsequent taxes listed on this TSC with TSC #00213; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to cancel Tax Sale Certificate 21327013.

Res. 2021-21: Motion made by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-21

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CANCEL TAX SALE CERTIFICATE #20126372 AND MERGER WITH TAX SALE
CERTIFICATE #00201 FOR BLOCK 52, LOT 41.**

WHEREAS, the Township of White has reviewed this taxpayers account known as Block 52 Lot 41 and has determined there to be a duplicate certificate entered in the tax software due to an error by the former tax collector and should not have existed; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to cancel Tax Sale Certificate #20126372 associated with this error and to merger any subsequent taxes listed on this TSC with TSC #00201; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to cancel Tax Sale Certificate 20126372.

Res. 2021-22: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mr. Herb with Mrs. Skoog recused to adopt the following Resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – recused, Herb – yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-22

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO REFUND OVERPAYMENTS FOR BLOCK 54.01 LOT 4.11.**

WHEREAS, the Township of White has received the final county tax appeal judgment and has determined that due to an over assessment Block 54.01 Lot 4.11 has an overpayment; and

WHEREAS, the overpayments totaling \$338.21 due to an overpayment made for first quarter 2021 plus interest:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes the refund of \$338.21 to:

LARRY D & ANNA MARIE SKOOG
8 HILLSIDE COURT
BELVIDERE, NJ 07823

Res. 2021-23: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mr. Herb with Mrs. Skoog recused to adopt the following Resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – recused, Herb – yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-23

Res. 2021-23
Performance Bond Release Request
Skoog Homes, Inc.
Lot 4, Block 54.01
Township of White, Warren County, New Jersey

WHEREAS, **Skoog Homes, Inc.** (“Developer”) posted a performance guarantee in 1994 after receiving Final Major Subdivision Approval to cover the completion of landscaping in accordance with a Site Plan approved by the White Township Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, the Developer has completed the required landscaping and other improvements in accordance with the approved Site Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Developer is seeking the release of the performance guarantees that are being held by the Township at this time; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of White that the performance guarantees being held by the Township, \$39,840.76, less the township’s portion of interest, on the Sarepta Ridge Project be released at this time.

Res. 2021-24: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mrs. Skoog and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-24

RESERVE Transfer Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED by the township committee of the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that there are insufficient funds to meet the demands necessary for the 2020 Reserve Balances in Computerized Data Processing, Engineering O/E, Streets and

Roads O/E, Solid Waste Collection O/E, Buildings & Grounds O/E, Animal Control O/E and Electricity.

WHEREAS, the following accounts have sufficient excess funds to meet such demands: Zoning Officer O/E, Streets & Roads S/W.

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 40A:4-59 the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

To:	Computerized Data Processing	6,400.00
	Engineering O/E	400.00
	Streets and Roads O/E	16,000.00
	Solid Waste Collection O/E	50.00
	Buildings & Grounds O/E	600.00
	Animal Control O/E	200.00
	Electricity	<u>2400.00</u>
		\$26,050.00
From:	Zoning Officer O/E	8,000.00
	Streets & Roads	<u>18,050.00</u>
		\$26,050.00

Res. 2021-25: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mrs. Skoog and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR MOWING/MAINTENANCE OF TOWNSHIP RECREATION FIELDS TO GTM Turf & Ornamental Care Company, Inc. FOR THE 2021/2022 SEASONS

WHEREAS, White Township requires that its recreational fields on Route 519 be mowed/fertilized and properly maintained; and

WHEREAS, specifications for such work were prepared and quotations were solicited from three (2) contractors, and the following quotes were received for 2021 and 2022:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Soccer Line Striping</u>	<u>Extra Mowing</u>
GTM	38,995.00	100.00	490.00
Shadow Oaks	39,900.00	95.00	495.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of White that the contract for mowing/maintenance/fertilization/aeration of the recreation fields be and hereby is awarded to **GTM Turf & Ornamental Care Company, Inc.** for its lowest responsive, all-inclusive quotation as per company estimate received March 23, 2021.

Res. 2021-26: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mrs. Skoog and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Collom – yes, Skoog – yes, Herb - yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR SHARING PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT AND/OR PERSONNEL BETWEEN WARREN COUNTY AND WHITE TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, White Township Department of Public Works may be desirous of utilizing equipment and/or personnel of the County of Warren to provide public works services, general maintenance and related services; and

WHEREAS, Warren County is desirous of providing those services to White Township in accordance with the terms of an agreement, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners and the Municipal Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services & Consolidation Act (N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.) empowers the County of Warren and White Township to enter into such an agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute said agreement. (Agreement on file in the office of the municipal clerk)

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of the Property Maintenance Ordinance was tabled for further review.

Discussion of the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act” was tabled for further review.

NEW BUSINESS

The committee reviewed the township membership on the Solid Waste Advisory Council. Richard Kowal is the current White Township representative. The clerk was asked to contact Mr. Kowal regarding his status.

CORRESPONDENCE

The committee acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence. No action was taken.

- A. Ferriero Engineering Inc. – withdrawal of request for JAINDL sewer service area
- B. Finelli Consulting Engineers – LOI deed restricted lost (JAINDL)
- C. Hope Township – support for weight restriction on Routes 519 and 521

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb with Mrs. Skoog abstaining to approve the September 9, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, September 9, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes, November 4, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, December 9, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, December 9, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes, December 29, 2020 Year End Meeting Minutes and December 29, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes. Collom – yes, Skoog – abstain, Herb yes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS

On motion by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mrs. Skoog and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Committee approved the following list of bills:

16992	Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield	315.10
16993	Griffith-Allied Trucking LLC	1,947.62
16994	ARAE Network Solutions LLC	15,171.00
16995	Atlantic Salt Inc.	18,085.24

16996	Browns Hunterdon International	245.97
16997	CenturyLink	134.80
16998	Colliers Engineering & Design	2,207.91
16999	Computer Images Web LLC	425.00
17000	Comcast	704.63
17001	COMMON SENSE FOR ANIMALS	204.00
17002	Corner Property Management	3,452.57
17003	Drake's Landscaping LLC	43,300.00
17004	Edmunds GovTech	6,826.00
17005	Elizabethtown Gas	627.06
17006	Elizabethtown Gas	769.44
17007	Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt	2,900.00
17008	Francotype-Postalia, Inc.	86.85
17009	Gebhardt & Keifer	2,260.50
17010	Institute for Professional Dev	50.00
17011	Kathleen Reinalda	299.52
17012	Kathleen Reinalda - petty cash	222.38
17013	Maser Consulting, P.A.	3,831.89
17014	Mayberry Sales & Service	223.89
17015	MGL Printing Solutions	721.00
17016	North East Parts Group LLC	173.97
17017	ReadyRefresh by Nestle	70.92
17018	NJ American Water Company	1,111.36
17019	NJ Advance Media	2,493.98
17020	State of NJ	191.00
17021	NJPO	255.00
17022	NJ Registrars' Association	25.00
17023	Public Alliance Ins Coverage	25,617.00
17024	Petty's Tire & Auto Center Inc	69.50
17025	Quill Corporation	239.16
17026	Rigo's General Hardware	15.78
17027	Sanico Inc.	205.84
17028	S&L Equipment Rental, Inc.	764.03
17029	Smith Motor Company	120.83
17030	Space Farms Zoo & Museum	31.00
17031	Staples Credit Plan	40.71
17032	Stateline Tree Inc.	7,500.00
17033	TGM Services	1,380.00
17034	Verizon Wireless	53.33
17035	Vital Communications	911.75
17036	West Chester Machinery	179.54
17037	WEX health Inc.	50.00
17038	White Twsp Board of Education	623,606.00

17039	Xerox Corporation	242.60
17040	Sanico Inc.	361.50

TOTAL.....\$770,722.17

Developer Escrow Account

1284	Gebhardt & Kiefer	214.50
1285	Gebhardt & Kiefer	841.50
1286	Bright View Engineering	1617.50
1287	Suburban Consulting	1366.20
1288	Colliers Engineering	176.81
1289	Colliers Engineering	77.50
1290	Maser Consulting	77.50
1291	Maser Consulting	1779.93
1292	Maser Consulting	365.09
1293	Maser Consulting	691.17

Gravel Pit Escrows

233	Maser Consulting	341.62 (for Tilcon)
240	Maser Consulting	698.75 (for HS&G)
243	Maser Consulting	38.75 (for BS&G)
240	Maser Consulting	1727.87 (for Hoffman)

Sewer Account

1374	MGL Printing	198.00
1375	MGL Printing	418.00
1376	Maser Consulting	181.61
1377	Colliers Engineering	3323.56
1378	Edmunds GovTech	3010.00

Current Account – Manual

2379	Payroll Account	31,597.99
2380	Payroll Account	14,289.05

TOTAL ALL FUNDS.....\$833,755.07

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jackie Espinoza introduced herself as White Township's new liaison to JCP&L.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:31p.m. on motion by Mrs. Skoog, seconded by Mrs. Collom and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen R. Reinalda, RMC Township Clerk