

WHITE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING MARCH 10, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Herb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated ‘Adequate Notice of this meeting of March 10, 2016 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 and Star-Gazette; 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, Committeeman Race, Committeewoman Mackey, Attorney Brian Tipton and Clerk Kathleen Reinalda.

ENGINEERING UPDATE

Engineer Sterbenz and BJ Wauhop of the Warren County Municipal Utilities Authority discussed options for the sewer meter project on Water Street. The committee asked them to come back to the April meeting with estimates.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

RESOLUTIONS

Res. 2016-18: Motion made by Mr. Race, seconded by Mrs. Mackey and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Herb – yes, Mackey – yes, Race – yes. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF PREMIUM TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER

WHEREAS, the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 17, 2015, a lien was sold on Block 67 Lot 16 also known as 209 Sarepta Road for 2014 delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-00091 was sold to MTAG Cust for Empire VII NJ Portfolio for a 0% redemption fee and a \$16,000.00 premium.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$16,000.00 (premium account) payable to MTAG Cust For Empire VII NJ Portfolio PO Box 2096 Hicksville, NY 11802 because the lien was redeemed.

Res. 2016-19: Motion made by Mr. Race, seconded by Mrs. Mackey and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Herb – yes, Mackey – yes, Race – yes. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF PREMIUM TO OUTSIDE LIENHOLDER

WHEREAS, the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 17, 2015, a lien was sold on Block 75 Lot 3 also known as 26 Pequest Furnace Road for 2014 delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-00100 was sold to US Bank Cust for BV002 Trust & Crdtrs for a 0% redemption fee and a \$7,600.00 premium.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$7,600.00 (premium account) payable to US Bank Cust for BV002 Trst & Crdtrs Trust 50 S 16th Street STE 2050 Philadelphia PA 19102 because the lien was redeemed.

Res. 2016-20: Motion made by Mrs. Mackey, seconded by Mr. Race and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Herb – yes, Mackey – yes, Race – yes. Resolution adopted.

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 2015 Reserve Balances in Computerized Data Processing O/E, Tax Assessor O/E, Legal Services O/E, and Fire Department O/E.

WHEREAS, the following accounts have sufficient excess funds to meet such demands: Streets and Roads O/E.

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 O/E	\$142.64
	Tax Assessor O/E	\$11.67
	Legal Services O/E	\$4022.91
	Fire Department O/E	\$49.75
		\$4226.97

From: Streets and Roads O/E

\$4226.97

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor and Committee reviewed a draft of the 2016 Municipal Budget. Introduction will be scheduled for the April meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor and Committee acknowledged receipt of the Board of Adjustment Annual Resolution. No action was necessary.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Desmond Fitzgerald and Joe Kennedy, representing the Belvidere Town Council, requested the committee consider a contribution towards the purchase of a fire truck. Members of the Goodwill Fire Company were also present. Delmont Cole explained that specifications have been prepared for a new truck and the price is estimated to be approximately \$464,000. Financing options were discussed. No further action was taken.

Peggy Hissum, representing the Oxford Rescue Squad, requested a donation towards the purchase of a Command Vehicle. Ms. Hissum explained the need for the vehicle and estimated the price at \$130,000. She asked the committee to consider a donation of \$40,000, \$10,000 per year over four years. The committee agreed to include the \$10,000 in the 2016 Budget.

PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS

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

<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>
14365	50.00	State Treasurer
14366	836.00	ABE Parking Lot Striping Company
14367	1,500.00	Acclaim Inventory
14368	19.32	AmeriGas
14369	58.32	Amsterdam
14370	650.00	ARAE Network Solutions LLC
14371	9,491.80	Atlantic Salt Inc.
14372	1,258.80	Betty Kauffman
14373	659.33	CenturyLink
14374	189.80	Comcast
14375	50.00	Discovery Benefits Inc.
14376	229.05	Elizabethtown Gas
14377	552.21	Elizabethtown Gas
14378	3,998.50	Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Fader
14379	64.00	Greenwich Township

14380	37.16	Hope Township
14381	626.48	JCP&L
14382	1,279.62	Jesco, Inc.
14383	1,258.80	Kenneth Kauffman
14384	723.75	Maser Consulting P.A.
14385	310.00	MCANJ
14386	28.44	Nestle Pure Life Direct
14387	1,037.30	NJ American Water Company
14388	232.77	NJ Advance Media
14389	22,720.00	Public Alliance Insurance Coverage
14390	304.20	Petty's Tire & Auto Center Inc.
14391	458.25	Quill Corporation
14392	46.00	Randy Bell
14393	1,000.00	Reserve Account
14394	252.00	Riverbend Advertiser
14395	3,187.50	Road Safety Systems LLC
14396	84.00	Robert Blease DVM
14397	73.50	R.R. Donnelly
14398	221.26	Sanico Inc.
14399	166.24	S&L Equipment Rental
14400	318.28	Staples Credit Plan
14401	187.15	US Municipal Supply Inc.
14402	54.40	Verizon Wireless
14403	1,168.85	Vital Communications
14404	573,011.00	White Township Board of Education
14405	450.00	William Gold Esq.
14406	517.63	Xerox Corporation

TOTAL.....\$629,361.71

SEWER ACCOUNT

1296	625.00	Maser Consulting P.A.
1297	50.00	Vital Communications

GRAVEL PIT ESCROWS

207	589.75	Maser Consulting P.A. (for Hoffman)
201	133.00	Maser Consulting P.A. (for Tilcon)
201	133.00	Maser Consulting P.A. (for HS&G)
213	133.00	Maser Consulting P.A. (for BS&G)

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

1510	3,027.25	Maser Consulting P.A.
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DEVELOPER ESCROWS

2775	133.00	Maser Consulting P.A.
2776	133.00	Maser Consulting P.A.
2777	133.00	Maser Consulting P.A.
2778	135.00	William Clift
2779	481.55	Geo Peak Energy
2780	27,149.94	Geo Peak Energy
2781	135.00	Hatch Mott MacDonald
2782	1,012.50	William Gold Esq.

ANIMAL CONTROL ACCOUNT

1133	411.60	NJ Department of Health & Human Services
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OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT

484621	1,351.50	The Land Conservancy of NJ
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CURRENT FUND – MANUAL

2219	24,020.21	Payroll Account
2220	18,217.80	Payroll Account
2221	23,443.76	Payroll Account
2222	344.38	Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ
2223	17,025.29	Payroll Account
2224	27,367.39	Payroll Account
2225	49,083.00	PERS

TOTAL ALL FUNDS.....\$824,630.63

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Mackey, seconded by Mr. Race and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the January 28, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes, the February 11, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes, and the February 25, 2016 Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes as presented. Herb – yes, Mackey – yes, Race – yes. Motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Herb successfully completed the five year review of the Emergency Operations Plan.

On motion by Mrs. Mackey, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable vote, the following Resolution was adopted:

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 10, 2016, 8:14pm:

Litigation
(COAH)

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 Mayor Herb, seconded by Mrs. Mackey, the meeting was re-opened to the public at 8:36p.m. Motion passed. No action was taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:43pm on motion by Mrs. Mackey, seconded by Mr. Race and carried by unanimous favorable vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen R. Reinalda, RMC
Township Clerk