

WHITE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING APRIL 13, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Race called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated ‘Adequate Notice of this meeting of April 13, 2017 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 Race, Committeeman Herb, Attorney Brian Tipton and Clerk Kathleen Reinalda. Committeewoman Mackey was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Walt Tutka was present to request support of the National Day of Prayer. Motion made by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to pass the following Proclamation:

**BY THE MAYOR OF WHITE TOWNSHIP
WARREN COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
A PROCLAMATION for
National Day of Prayer**

WHEREAS: The 66th observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2017, with the theme “For Your Great Name’s Sake, Hear Us, Forgive Us, Heal Us” based on Daniel 9:19, “O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! For Your Sake, O my God”, and

WHEREAS: A National Day of Prayer has been part of our national heritage since it was declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775 and the United States Congress in 1952 approved as a Joint Resolution, “That the President shall set aside and proclaim a suitable day each year, other than a Sunday, as a National Day of Prayer, on which the people of the United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation at churches, in groups and as individuals” and

WHEREAS: The United States Congress, in 1988 by Public Law 100-307, as amended,

establishes, “An act to provide for setting aside the first Thursday in May as the date on which the National Day of Prayer is celebrated,” and

WHEREAS: Leaders and citizens of our communities, cities, states and nation are afforded the privilege of prayer with the joy of seeking divine guidance, strength, protection and comfort from Almighty God; and

WHEREAS: Recognizing the love of God, we, citizens of White Township, treasure the freedom to gather in prayer, exercising reliance on God’s power in the face of present challenges and threats, asking for His blessing on every individual of our city; and

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Samuel Race, Mayor of White Township, do hereby proclaim, May 4, 2017, as a

DAY OF PRAYER

Throughout the Township of White and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions 2017-27 through 2017-31 were tabled for further review.

Res. 2017-32: Motion made by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to pass the following Resolution. Herb – yes, Mackey – absent, Race – yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR MOWING/MAINTENANCE OF TOWNSHIP RECREATION FIELDS TO GTM TURF & ORNAMENTAL CARE COMPANY, INC. FOR THE 2017/2018 SEASONS

WHEREAS, White Township requires that its recreational fields on Route 46 and Route 519 be mowed/fertilized and properly maintained; and

WHEREAS, specifications for such work were prepared and quotations were solicited from two contractors, and the following quotes were received for 2017 and 2018:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Soccer Line Striping</u>	<u>Extra Mowing</u>
GTM INC.	37,500.00	75.00	450.00
SHADOW OAKS	40,500.00	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 31, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Race suggested additional research be performed on the request by the Goodwill Fire Company to bill insurance companies for emergency services. Mayor Race felt more information was needed prior to the governing body acting upon the request. Mr. Herb agreed.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the renewal of the one (1) year contract with the Land Conservancy of NJ for open space consulting services at \$100 per hour. Herb – yes, Mackey – absent, Race – yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Herb was contacted by representatives of DSM inquiring about ‘adopting’ ManunkaChunk Road for litter clean up. They are not seeking anything monetary or otherwise from the township, just performing a ‘community spirit’ deed. This was approved on motion by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote. Herb – yes, Mackey – absent, Race – yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the January 12, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes, the January 12, 2017 Executive Session Meeting minutes, the February 9, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes, the February 9, 2017 Executive Session Meeting minutes, the February 23, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes, the March 9, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes, the March 9, 2017 Executive Session Meeting minutes, the March 23, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes, and the March 23, 2017 Executive Session Meeting minutes as presented. The March 13, 2017 Special Meeting minutes and the March 13, 2017 Executive Session meeting minutes were tabled for further review. Herb – yes, Mackey – absent, Race – yes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS

On motion by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race with Committeewoman Mackey absent,

the Committee approved the following list of bills:

<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>
14958	143.47	Home Depot Credit Services
14959	25.27	Ameri Gas
14960	5,375.43	Atlantic Salt Inc.
14961	690.07	CenturyLink
14962	717.46	Clarke Caton Hintz
14963	312.50	Cloud-Com Telecom & IT Services
14964	975.00	Computer Images Web LLC
14965	199.80	Comcast
14966	56,966.21	County of Warren Treasurer's Office
14967	221.00	Dan Sullivan
14968	50.00	Discovery Benefits
14969	258.00	J.C. Ehrlich Co., Inc.
14970	377.12	Elizabethtown Gas
14971	659.99	Elizabethtown Gas
14972	1,767.84	Finch Fuel Oil Company
14973	3,636.60	Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Fader
14974	1,575.00	Flowerland Growers LLC
14975	244.00	Frank Snover Jr.
14976	131.66	Harmony Township
14977	2,688.80	JCP&L
14978	78.58	Kathleen Reinalda
14979	36.29	Mayberry Sales & Service
14980	57.00	MGL Printing Solutions
14981	48.94	ReadyRefresh by Nestle
14982	3,500.00	Nisivoccia LLP
14983	1,037.30	NJ American Water Company
14984	1,225.06	NJ Advance Media
14985	257.87	Opdyke's Sales & Service
14986	129.00	Ralph Price
14987	46.00	Randy Bell
14988	1,000.00	Reserve Account
14989	155.05	Rigo's General Hardware
14990	73.50	R.R. Donnelly
14991	123.00	Rutgers, The State University of NJ
14992	221.26	Sanico, Inc.
14993	75.00	Treasurer, State of NJ
14994	54.27	Verizon Wireless
14995	420.00	Vital Communications
14996	32.00	Warren County Clerk
14997	1,036,357.52	Warren County Treasurer
14998	165.00	Warren County Assessor's Association
14999	585,326.23	White Township Board of Education

15000	529.79	Xerox Corporation
15001	67.01	Amsterdam

TOTALS.....\$1,708,030.89

SEWER ACCOUNT

1323	5,000.00	Nisivoccia LLP
1324	74,294.50	Warren County (PR) MUA

DOG TRUST

1144	68.40	NJ Department of Health & Senior Services
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TOTAL ALL FUNDS....\$1,787,393.79

On motion by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race with Committeewoman Mackey absent, 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, April 13, 2017, 8:15 pm:

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 Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race with Committeewoman Mackey absent, the meeting was re-opened to the public at 8:40p.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 8:48 p.m. on motion by Mr. Herb, seconded by Mayor Race with Committeewoman Mackey absent .

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen R. Reinalda, RMC
Township Clerk