

**TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2015
7:30 P.M.**

Mayor Reinhart called the meeting to order stating, "Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act by notifying the South Jersey Times on August 12, 2015".

Those present were Mayor Reinhart, Deputy Mayor Port and Committeeman Orr. Also present were: Kim Fleetwood, Treasurer; John Carr, Township Solicitor; and Lisa Garrison Township Clerk.

Flag Salute – Mayor Reinhart

Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills – After review and discussion of the bill list, on motion of Deputy Mayor Port, seconded by Committeeman Orr to approve the Treasurer's report and the bills for payment in the amount of \$108,186.27, unanimously carried.

Approval of Minutes - On motion of Committeeman Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to approve the minutes of November 10, 2015, unanimously carried.

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 12-48-2015

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PROPOSAL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED
TO A \$30,000.00 RURAL DEVELOPMENT WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT
COLLECTION AND TREATMENT DEVELOPMENT GRANT**

WHEREAS, Greenwich Township did receive confirmation of a Wastewater Management Search Grant from the Rural Development Office of the U.S. Department of Agricultural and did thereafter undertake to advertise for seeking professional services for the best engineering firm to provide the Wastewater Management Planning Services for Greenwich Township; and,

WHEREAS, the proposal of Fralinger Engineering with an address of 629 Shiloh Pike, Bridgeton, NJ for an amount not to exceed \$ 30,000 having been made pursuant to advertisement be and is hereby now accepted and deemed by the Township Committee the lowest responsive bidder complying with the terms and specifications on file; and,

WHEREAS, funds in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 having been certified to be available in conjunction with this Wastewater Management Search Grant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey that the Mayor and

Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Contract with the aforementioned engineering services with said purposes described herein in the manner prescribed by law.

On motion of Committeeman Orr, seconded by Deputy Mayor Port to approve and adopt the foregoing resolution, unanimously carried.

On motion of Committeeman Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to approve and adopt the following resolution, unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-49-2015

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF
2015 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to spend for certain purposes specified in the 2015 budget, amounts in excess of the respective sums appropriated therefore; and

WHEREAS, there is an excess in one or more appropriations over and above the amount deemed necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriations; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A; 4-58 provides for the transfer of such excess amount in appropriations which are insufficient

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Committee of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of the full membership thereof affirmatively concurring) that the following transfers are hereby authorized to be made by and between the budgeted appropriations:

Budget Line Item	Amount	
	From	To
Engineer Services		
Other Expenses	3,000.00	
Grant Writer	15,000.00	
Planning Board Master Plan		
Other Expenses	10,000.00	
Sanitary Landfill/Disposal		
Other Expense	3,200.00	
Streets and Roads		
Other Expenses		3,000.00
Buildings and Grounds		
Other Expense		28,000.00

Surety Bonds
Other Expense

200.00

Unfinished Business:

Correspondence Kenneth Miller (Tax Sale Assignment) - Mr. Carr indicated he had requested an update of their proposal in writing and said correspondence had been received. It has been advertised and a resolution should be presented on the next agenda.

Roofing Bid - One bid response was received and there was a previous quote response under the bid threshold. On motion of Committeeman Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to award the roofing contract to Regal Roofing and Siding, Pilesgrove, NJ in the amount of \$16,986, unanimously carried.

Air Condition, Second Floor Fire House - Mayor Reinhart contacted the contractor in regards to any funding initiatives and was advised there was none. On motion of Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Committeeman Orr to approve the quote of Laury Heating in the amount of \$12,920, unanimously carried.

Reorganization Meeting to be held Saturday, January 2, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. The Clerk will advertise.

Mayor Reinhart requested the remaining OEM Other Expenses be transferred to the fire house budget. Ms. Fleetwood indicated there is a remaining balance of \$850.00 and there would be no need to transfer as long as the funds are being utilized for the Fire Company.

Solicitor Report:

Sale of Fire Truck - \$35,000 check was received and passed to the Treasurer.

School Board Election - There was a tie vote and the necessity of a special election was discussed.

Demolition 822 Sheppards Mill Road – Mr. Carr is working with the contractor and is currently awaiting on a letter from Atlantic Electric..

Hopewell Township Shared Services Agreement for mowing services- Still waiting on a response.

Assignment of Tax Sale Certificate – Expected to be completed in January.

Committee Comments –

Deputy Mayor Port indicated the Dike Committee meeting will be held next Monday. The Cumberland Bayshore Recovery Group has been working on Tourism and Economic

Development. He indicated Greenwich has not been participating but the Committee may want to have someone more actively engaged next year. He had emailed the report from DCA for the Committee's review. There is no cost for the local townships to be involved and there are some tourist businesses such as the marina and restaurant. The community and Committee should be made aware that there is an opportunity to participate in it. A meeting had been held with Ted Baker, Paul Ritter and Howard Henderson from USDA. Mill Creek Dike had been discussed with no decision or plans forthcoming. Funding is the main issue. The NRCS was also present, as a sub-agency of the USDA, but they were not able to help with finances. Rural Development has unlimited lending ability but there are very limited amounts available for grants. The current plan has FEMA funding behind it that would replace the gates and strengthen the weak point in the center of the dike but does nothing to elevate or improve as a flood protection dike. There was interest to know the road was an evacuation route. Ted Baker will be exploring funding for a flood protection dike. An alternative was discussed which entailed armoring the road. The emphasis is on doing a real flood protection project. A berm parallel to Greenwich Road on the seaward side. No one at the County had given any interest to it and is not an option being considered. There is no response to date from the Army Corps of Engineers. He requested the County to consider the idea of a levee extension. The cost would be \$150 per linear foot and the cost would be \$150,000. According to Ted Baker the County will investigate. Everyone sees the necessity but no one knows where the money is coming from. As this is his last meeting Deputy Mayor Port indicated it was a pleasure to serve with everyone and wishes a prosperous 2016. Committeeman Orr thanked Deputy Mayor Port for all the effort he has put into this. Mayor Reinhart also extended his thanks and requested for him to stay with it.

Mayor Reinhart questioned the schedule of the selling of the Township land. Mr. Carr indicated he had forwarded the listing to be posted on the website and it is currently awaiting comments. Mayor Reinhart indicated he would like to have this completed next year.

Christmas in Greenwich will be held Sunday December 13, 2015 – 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. The OEM building will be open for the event.

Mayor Reinhart reported there were two (2) Fire Calls and two (2) EMS Calls for the month of November with a Year to Date total of 109. This is one (1) call over from last year's year to date total.

Mayor Reinhart expressed his thanks again to Deputy Mayor Port for his hard work and also reported there will be a special school board election held on December 21, 2015.

Public Comment- On motion of Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Deputy Mayor Port to open the public comment, unanimously carried. Mr. Henry commented on Deputy Mayor's report of the Cumberland Bayshore Recovery's Tourism and Economic Development. He indicated that he went to the website and felt it would behoove the Township Committee to be involved as there were errors and omissions in regards to Greenwich. He felt it was important the Township be involved in order to promote the township to provide some traffic through town that may show an interest in the historic properties for sale. On motion of Committeeman Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to close the public comment, unanimously carried.

Adjournment – On motion of Deputy Mayor Port, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to adjourn, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Garrison
Township Clerk