**GREENWICH TOWNSHIP**

**MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**

**AUGUST 15, 2023**

**7:00 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 January 4, 2023.”

**Roll Call**: Mayor Reinhart, Deputy Mayor Orr and Committeeman Werley were present. Also present were Kim Fleetwood, Treasurer , Thomas Seeley, Esq., Township Solicitor and Lisa Garrison, Township Clerk.

,**Flag Salute**: Mayor Reinhart

**Approval of Minutes:** On motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to approve the minutes for July 18, 2023, unanimously carried.

**Unfinished Business:**

Tennis Court - Deputy Mayor Orr will reach out to the Engineer.

Historic District - no update.

Old Stone School House - Mr. Pisarski reported the analysis is complete. The estimate for repairs is $145,208 for the gable end. Mr. Pisarski indicated in the spring of 2024 the NJ Historic Trust will be offering a grant which will only cover fifty percent (50%). Discussion ensued and the Clerk was directed to contact Triad Associates to determine if there were other grant funding opportunities. Mr. Pisarski indicated additional funding would be needed for scraping and pointing work in the amount of $72,000 and also for consulting fees. The Committee thanked Mr. Pisarski for the work he has put into the project.

Alarm System - no change.

Tax Sale Assignment – Ms. Garrison presented the Committee with the notices for the paper. On motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to approve the notices, unanimously carried.

USDA Grant (Fire Company) - Ms. Garrison will contact Triad Associates for an update.

**Resolutions:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 8-30-2023**

**AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION STATEMENT OF CONSENT FOR TWA APPLICATIONS**

**(Morris Goodwin School Septic System)**

**WHEREAS,** the Greenwich-Stow Creek Partnership Schools is in the process of obtaining permits to upgrade the on-site sewage disposal system at the Morris Goodwin School; and

**WHEREAS**, the permit process requires a Treatment Works Approval (TWA) must be obtained from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; and

**WHEREAS,** part of the application process requires a Statement of Consent Form (WQM003-T) executed by the Mayor of the Township of Greenwich.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Statement of Consent Form (WQM003-T).

Ms. Fleetwood indicated the purpose of the resolution was to obtain the necessary permit for the septic system at the school. On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to approve the foregoing resolution, unanimously carried.

**Unfinished Business:**

Tennis Court - Deputy Mayor Orr will contact the Engineer’s office. Ms. Fleetwood will provide a capital amount.

Old Stone School House - no change. Ms. Garrison indicate she had contacted Triad Associates and advised them of the need for funding for this project. She had been advised by Triad that they had reached out to Mr. Pisarski regarding the project. The governing body will need to determine which project will take funding precedence. It needs to be either the Tennis Court of the Old Stone School House.

Alarm System - no change

Lead Abatement - no change.

Ordinances – Grass, Brush, Weeds and Debris

Storage of Unregistered Vehicles

Certificate of Occupancy Fees - Ms. Garrison indicated she will be preparing one of ordinance for next month’s meeting.

**New Business:**

Ms. Garrison advised the Committee of the following items:

Hopewell Township has noticed the Township regarding their 2023 Master Plan Re-Examination

Gibson Correspondence - Ms. Garrison read into the record Mr. Gibson’s correspondence regarding flood damage due to the construction on Wible Rd.

Board of County Commissioner’s Correspondence requesting Committee comments regarding Middle Mile Grant project. Ms. Garrison will email a copy of the correspondence in order for any member to provide comment.

**Committee Comments**: None

**Payment of Bills**:

After review and discussion on motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to approve the bill list in the amount of $524,970.05, unanimously carried.

**Public Comment**:

On motion of Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Committeeman Werley to open the public comment, unanimously carried. Mr. Shawn Burke, 940 Ye Greate Street, expressed his concerns on the future economic planning, new housing and the age of the population of the Township. He questioned if the Tax Lien Sale for the marina property included the bidder to submit a business proposal. He was advised this was not the case. Tony Mazzeo advised the Committee of tires that have been thrown out. He was advised that he could contact the Improvement Authority and they would pick them up. There being no comment forthcoming, on motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to close the public comment, unanimously carried.

**Adjournment.**

A motion to adjourn was made by Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhartand unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Garrison

Borough Clerk