**GREENWICH TOWNSHIP**

**MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2023**

**7:00 p.m.**

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

**Flag Salute**: Deputy Mayor Orr

**Presentation:** TMobile

 TMobile did not attend the presentation that they had requested.

**Approval of Minutes:** On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley, to approve the minutes for August 15, 2023, unanimously carried.

**Resolutions:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 9-31-2023**

**PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87**

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

 **WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount:

 Section1.

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, hereby requests the Director of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2023 in the sum of $25,000.00, which item is now available as a revenue from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

 Section 2.

 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of $25,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption of Water Resources Planning Management – Stormwater Assistance Grant.

 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that two copies of the required certification, together with supporting documentation to be filed in the office of the Director of Government Services for his certification.

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

 On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to table the following ordinance, unanimously carried.

 **RESOLUTION NO. 9-32-2023**

**APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

 **BE IT RESOLVED** the following appointments of the Township Officials, Boards and Committees are hereby approved by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey:

PLANNING/ZONING BOARD TERM EXPIRATION

Alternate II – Shawn Burke 12/31/24

**RESOLUTION NO 9-33-2023**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2022**

 **WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

 **WHEREAS,** the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2022 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk as per the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6 and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

 **WHEREAS**, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey is authorized to prescribe reports to the local fiscal affairs, as per R.S. 52:27BB-34; and

 **WHEREAS**, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled:

**General Comments**

 **Recommendations**

and

 **WHEREAS,** the members of the governing body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled:

**General Comments**

 **Recommendations**

as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and

 **WHEREAS**, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

 **WHEREAS,** all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board.

 **WHEREAS,** failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of .R.S. 52-27BB-52, to wit:

 R.S. 52BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who

 after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the

 director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of

 this Article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be

 fined not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) or imprisoned for not

 more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C.5.30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

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

**Unfinished Business:**

 Tennis Court - Ms. Fleetwood will provide further financial information for the Committee’s review.

 Old Stone School House - Ms. Fleetwood indicated the last reimbursement from the first grant has been received.

 Alarm System - no change.

 Ordinances – Storage of Unregistered Vehicles, Certificate of Occupancy Fees

**New Business:**

182 Davis Mill Rd and 32 Wible Drive are being reviewed by the Township Engineer.

**Committee Comments**:

 Committeeman Werley indicated that he had reviewed Wible Drive and the pipes were not clogged. Ricky Slade estimate for the pot hole. As the area receives title flow and needs to be addressed. On motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to accept the quote of $4,250.00 from Ricky Slade Construction for Ragged Island Road to saw cut and excavate, unanimously carried. Committeeman Werley indicated the step for the OEM Building has been repaired.

**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 $190,516.92, unanimously carried.

**Public Comment**:

 On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to open the public comment, unanimously carried. Greg Ward indicated that there were trees that had been cut and needed to be picked up at 92 Pier Road. Brett Meyer indicated his interest in the lien for 92 Pier Road. He was advised to put his interest in writing and direct it to the Municipal Clerk. Vinnie Van Vliet, 182 Davis Mill Road, thanked the Committee for their responses. The Engineer is looking into the overflow. Michael Henry that this would just be moving the erosion problem from one ear to another. The impact of rainfall on construction is based on climate change. He further recommended hydraulic calculation on the new contours. Shawn Burke, 940 Ye Greate Street, questioned TMobile’s presentation and was advised that they had not shown up for the presentation. There being no further comment forthcoming, on motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to close the public comment, unanimously carried.

**Adjournment.**

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

 Respectfully Submitted,

 Lisa Garrison

 Borough Clerk