

Upper Pittsgrove Township

March 14, 2017

A regular meeting of the Upper Pittsgrove Township Committee was held in the Township Hall on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Jack Cimprich reading the public announcement stating that adequate notice had been given provided under the “Open Public Meetings Act” with a flag salute and the following present:

Jack Cimprich	Committeeman
Edward Meschi	“
Bruce Bishop	“
David Zeck	“
Michael Seery, Sr.	“
Susan DeFrancesco	Treasurer
Barry Foote	Public Works Superintendent
& Township Visitors	

Zeck moved that the minutes of the February 14, 2017 regular meeting be approved as received which motion was seconded by Meschi adopted unanimously.

The following monies were received from:

Susan DeFrancesco, Tax Collector – Taxes Collected	\$1,577,805.07
Linda S. Buzby - Zoning Permits	40.00
– CO	50.00
– White Goods	119.00
- Zoning Map	1.00
Thanks for Being Green - Credit	549.40
Omni Recycling	648.70
Flett Exchange – Sale of SRECs	1,190.00
Garden State Homes – January Pad Fees	800.00
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on NOW	194.03
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on MMA	<u>303.63</u>
TOTAL	\$1,581,700.83

The Treasurer’s report showed the following balance as of February 28, 2017:

Current Fund - Checking Account	\$ 1,590,285.05
Current Fund - Money Market Account	187,034.87
Alt. Landfill Closure Escrow Fund	27,072.98
Capital Improvement Fund	448,395.30
COAH Developer’s Fees Escrow Fund	42,660.51
COAH Twp. Contribution	329,630.65
Farmland Preservation Fund	134,978.95
Municipal Alliance Trust Fund	5,564.48
Veterans Memorial Fund	<u>759.56</u>
Total	\$2,766,382.35

Meschi moved that the approved bills listed on the "BILL PAYING LIST" as presented to the Committee be paid which motion was seconded by Seery and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Meschi - Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Cimprich – Yes

Seery introduced "ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)" known as Ordinance #2017-1 as per attached copy.

Seery moved that this Ordinance be approved on first reading and that a notice of this Ordinance be published in the *South Jersey Times* issue of March 31, 2017 together with a notice of its introduction and a public hearing to be held at the Township Hall on April 11, 2017.

This motion was seconded by Meschi and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Meschi - Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Cimprich – Yes

The 2017 Budget was presented as per attached synopsis copy. Discussion was held regarding the budget.

The Clerk presented the bids received on March 2, 2017 for the NJDOT Grant for the Resurfacing of Slabtown Road, Section III. The apparent low bidder was South State, Inc. whose Base bid and Alternate #1 bid totaled \$122,176.42.

I, Linda S. Buzby, Treasurer of Upper Pittsgrove Township do hereby certify that adequate funds are available for said contract for the 2016 NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund Grant-Resurfacing of Slabtown Road, Section III..

Linda S. Buzby, Deputy Treasurer

Meschi introduced "RESOLUTION AWARDED BID FOR 2016 NJDOT TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND GRANT-RESURFACING OF SLABTOWN ROAD" R-22-2017.

Meschi moved that this resolution be adopted which motion was seconded by Seery and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Meschi - Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Cimprich – Yes

Seery introduced "RESOLUTION CANCELLING OUTSTANDING TAXES DUE TO CLERICAL ERROR; BLOCK 70 LOT 8.03, ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC" R-23-2017

Seery moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Meschi and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Meschi - Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Cimprich – Yes

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN ACTING CERTIFIED FINANCIAL OFFICER” R-24-2017

Seery moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Meschi - Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Cimprich – Yes

The Clerk read a letter received from the Salem County Board of Elections regarding District #1 polling places. They no longer deemed the Municipal garage acceptable and were asking for suggestions for alternate sites. After a brief discussion, Meschi stated that he would speak to the Board personally and see what could be done.

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public for comment. A resident living on Route 77 addressed concerns regarding curves, signage and the centerline rumble strips on Route 77 from Pole Tavern Circle south. The resident stated that they had contacted NJDOT and was told to contact their Municipality. The Township Committee authorized the Clerk to send a letter addressing the resident’s concerns and citing traffic hazards and motor vehicle accidents as a reason to perform requested changes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to meet at the call of the Mayor.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Buzby, Clerk