

Upper Pittsgrove Township

November 10, 2020

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	“
David Zeck	“
Michael J. Seery, Sr.	“
Bruce Bishop	“
Susan DeFrancesco	CFO/Tax Collector
Barry Foote	Public Works Superintendent
& Township Visitors	

Bishop moved that the minutes of the October 13, 2020 Regular meeting be approved as received which motion was seconded by Zeck adopted unanimously.

The following monies were received from:

Susan DeFrancesco, Tax Collector – Taxes Collected	\$ 574,308.01
Linda R. Stephens - Zoning Permits	20.00
– CO	200.00
– White Goods	262.00
- Convenience Center Stickers	15.00
- Marriage Certifications - 1	10.00
- Marriage License	28.00
- Land Use Ordinance	50.00
State of New Hersey – ERT#2	200,103.82
Borough of Elmer – Shared Service	7,329.00
Pilesgrove Joint Court - Court Costs	1,282.15
Third Garden Park – Pad Fees	3,200.00
Flett Exchange – SRECs	1,115.00
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on NOW	610.07
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on MMA	<u>354.91</u>
TOTAL	\$ 788,708.96

The Treasurer’s report showed the following balance as of October 31, 2020:

Current Fund - Checking Account	\$1,641,687.89
Current Fund - Money Market Account	1,292,328.10
Alt. Landfill Closure Escrow Fund	1,911.87
Capital Improvement Fund	594,974.15
COAH Developer’s Fees Escrow Fund	92,268.92
COAH Twp. Contribution	326,243.95
Farmland Preservation Fund	65,018.56
Municipal Alliance Trust Fund	7,770.92
Veterans Memorial Fund	<u>654.93</u>
Total	\$4,022,859.29

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

The Clerk read a letter from Paul and Michelle Harding requesting the Township Committee consider assigning a Tax Lien for 158 Three Bridge Road, Block 10 Lot 7 to them. They recently purchased the adjoining lot. The Tax Collector explained the two options open to the Township Committee for handling a Tax Lien assignment. After a brief discussion the Clerk was asked to send a letter to the Hardings explaining that all Township held Tax Liens would be put up at a public auction to be held in 2021, and that further information would be forthcoming.

The CFO reviewed the results of the Best Practices Inventory with the Township Committee. Based on the results, the Township’s State Aid should not be impacted by the responses.

The Township discussed possible dates for the Close Out and Reorganization meetings. It was decided the Close-Out meeting would be held on December 30, 2020 at 5PM. The Reorganization meeting would be combined with the regular January meeting and held on January 5, 2020 at 5PM.

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN ASSISTANT TAX COLLECTOR” known as R-35-2020.

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

The Township discussed revisions to the current Retiree Benefits Program. The new changes would include the current qualifications of a minimum of 25 years of service and have reached the age of 65 and adding worked a minimum of 30 hours per week. Additionally, it would only cover the Municipal employee for secondary insurance and prescriptions. It would not cover a spouse nor reimburse the employee for the Medicare Insurance deducted from Social Security.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Stephens, Clerk