

Upper Pittsgrove Township

November 12, 2019

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	“
Michael J. Seery, Sr.	“
David Zeck, Sr.	“
Susan DeFrancesco	Treasurer
Barry Foote	Public Works Superintendent
& Township Visitors	

Bishop moved that the minutes of the October 8, 2019 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	\$ 689,392.64
Linda R. Stephens – Marriage Licenses	56.00
- Certified Copies	60.00
- Zoning Permits	140.00
- CO	200.00
- White Goods	359.00
- Convenience Center Stickers	45.00
- Land Use Ordinance/Mailing	56.00
State of NJ - ERT #3	66,716.10
County of Salem – Municipal Alliance	2,359.38
Borough of Elmer – Public Works Services	1,897.50
Pilesgrove Court – Fines	2,254.16
Recycling – Giordano	3,427.00
- Camden Iron	2,841.92
- Cumberland Recycling	690.00
C & H Disposal – Reimbursement	67.00
Third Garden Homes – Pad Fees	800.00
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on NOW	670.08
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on MMA	<u>172.85</u>
TOTAL	\$ 772,234.63

The Treasurer’s report showed the following balance as of October 31, 2019:

Current Fund - Checking Account	\$2,380,366.76
Current Fund - Money Market Account	647,293.37
Alt. Landfill Closure Escrow Fund	1,906.13
Capital Improvement Fund	479,970.43
COAH Developer’s Fees Escrow Fund	84,568.57
COAH Twp. Contribution	325,266.37
Farmland Preservation Fund	50,532.30
Municipal Alliance Trust Fund	6,948.54
Veterans Memorial Fund	<u>655.13</u>
Total	\$ 3,977,507.60

Zeck moved that the approved bills listed on the “BILL PAYING LIST” as presented to the Committee be paid 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 Mayor opened the Public Hearing for “ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.40A:4-53 FOR THE REVALUATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTS GROVE” known as Ordinance 2019-7 at 7:00PM as advertised.

The Clerk read the Ordinance by title, stating that it had been published in *South Jersey Times* issue of October 11, 2019 as required.

After hearing no comments for or against this Ordinance, the Mayor declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:05PM.

Seery moved that this ordinance be finally adopted on second reading and that a notice of its adoption be published in the *South Jersey Times* issue of November 15, 2019. This motion was seconded by Meschi and adopted upon a call of the roll.

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

Robert Garrison of Garrison Architect gave a presentation of the proposed improvements to the Upper Pittsgrove School that was requiring the Board of Education to have a Bond Referendum December 10, 2019. The residents present questioned Mr. Garrison and Scott Eckstein, School Superintendent regarding said improvements and the necessity for them. What questions that could not be answered would be answered and a Q & A would be posted on the School’s website and be available at the next School Board meeting.

Bishop introduced “RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CERTIFIED FINANCIAL OFFICER” R-47-2019

Bishop 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 Committee decided to table the “Resolution to Jointly Apply for NJDOT’s Local Bicycle/Pedestrian Planning Assistance Program to Improve the Safety and Accessibility of the Elephant Swamp Trail” R-48-2019 until the next meeting.

Meschi introduced “RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER MONEY WITHIN THE BUDGET” R-49-2019

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

Meschi introduced “RESOLUTION TO REFUND MONEY TO JAMES & LYNETTE O’DONNELL DUE TO A DECREASE IN THEIR 2019 ASSESMENT ON BLOCK 57 LOT 5” R-50-2019

Meschi 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 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, 2019 at 7PM. The Reorganization meeting would be combined with the regular January meeting and held on January 2, 2019 at 7PM.

Meschi introduced “RESOLUTION TERMINATING SITE PLAN PERFORMANCE BOND FOR ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS ON BLOCK 70 LOT 8.03” R-51-2019

Meschi 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

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION FOR APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON ALOCHOLSIM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR FUNDING FOR THE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 2020-JUNE 2025 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE THROUGH THE COUNTY OF SALEM” R-52-2019

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

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Meschi Introduced 'RESOLUTION TO CHARGE \$25.00 FOR MAILING A SET OF NOTICES FOR THE TAX SALE IN LIEU OF ANY TWO PUBLICATIONS PER N.J.S.A. 54:5-26" R-53-2019

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Stephens, Clerk