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Thursday, May 13, 2010

MINUTES
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2010
7:30 P.M.

The Franklin Township Committee held their regular meeting at **7:30 P.M., Thursday, May 13, 2010** at the Faith Chapel Wesleyan Church, 43 Lower Landsdown Road. This meeting has been properly noticed in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

After the flag salute, Mayor Linda Jacukowicz called the meeting to order.

Mayor Jacukowicz announced to the public that the accountant's report was just received late today and the Committee would not be acting on a resolution to certify the local tax levy for the Franklin Township School District this evening. The Committee would like an opportunity to share the information with the school board prior to taking formal action. This meeting will be carried to 7:30 P.M., Tuesday, May 18 at the Faith Chapel Wesleyan Church for this matter.

Roll Call: Scott Bauman PRESENT Robert Shockley PRESENT

Steven Tarshis PRESENT Robert McGeary PRESENT Linda Jacukowicz PRESENT

Also present: Valerie J. Kimson, Esq., Municipal Attorney
Anthony Ardito, CPA, Forensic Auditor for the Township
Bill Burr, P.E., Maser Consulting

Some others present: Ken Mandoli, Ron Mathews, Richard Cavallaro, Traci Fleming, Jim Fleming, Vigdis Austad, Susan Campbell, Patricia DeVletter, Melissa Minarek, Joann Coe, George Burdick, Maggie Boreland, Bill Wild, Toni Wolak, George Burdick, Ken Weiss

Steven Tarshis also commented on the school matter and said the Committee plans to meet with the school board on Monday to share the accountant's information with them. The Committee would like the board to be part of the process before the Committee takes formal action. The Committee also commented on past efforts to negotiate with the school.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to adopt minutes of April 22, 2010 Work Session & Executive Session.

Moved McGeary Second Bauman

AYES: Bauman, Tarshis, McGeary, Jacukowicz
NAYS: None

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ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Shockley

Motion carried.

Motion to adopt minutes of April 29, 2010 Special Meeting & Executive Session

Moved McGeary Second Tarshis

AYES: Bauman, Tarshis, McGeary, Jacukowicz
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Shockley

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE Copies of correspondence made available to the public this evening and during regular business hours of the Municipal Clerk.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC Agnes Monteith, Susan Campbell, Christine Crielly, Joann Coe, commented on the school resolution matter. George Burdick commented on his OPRA request and provided the Committee with a copy of a letter alleging official misconduct and the destruction of public documents.

RECESS FOR BOARD OF HEALTH

Motion to recess at 8 P.M. in order to convene the Board of Health.

Moved McGeary Second Bauman

Roll Call Vote: Bauman AYE Shockley NAY Tarshis AYE
McGeary AYE Jacukowicz AYE

Motion carried.

Upon adjourning the Board of Health meeting the Township Committee reconvened the regular meeting at 8:25 P.M.

Mayor Jacukowicz asked for further public comment and further comments on the defeated school budget were made by Vigdis Austad, Melissa Minarek, Kathy Piparo

Steve Tarshis commented on being prepared to present a Resolution to the Committee and wanted to make comments to the public on the matter first. He commented on the amount of time he and the Township Committee spent on analyzing the school's budget

REMINDER: Budget Hearing, Thursday, May 27, 2010

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to authorize payment of bills as presented.

Moved Bauman	Second McGeary	
Current		\$2,011,850.68
Twp. of Franklin Capital Trust Account		\$ 19,836.04
TOTAL		\$2,031,686.75

Ron Mathews asked whether or not he may release 2 checks he's been holding: one for legal fees and the other for stone. The Committee authorized their release.

Roll Call Vote: Bauman AYE Shockley AYE Tarshis AYE

 McGeary AYE Jacukowicz AYE

Motion carried.

• Police Dept., Public Safety & Emergency Mgt. – Shockley/McGeary

Dominick Zeveney, Officer in Charge
Ken Mandoli, Police Director & OEM Coordinator

Ken Mandoli highlighted several items in the Police monthly report. He also reported the following: township may be getting some emergency/disaster funds for the recent storm damage, bicycle portion of a triathlon coming through Franklin Township on May 23, receipt of a \$5,000 grant for Ticket or Click It Program

• Department of Public Works – Jacukowicz/Shockley

Alan Dilley, DPW Supervisor

The Committee will discuss the engineer's recommendations for M&Rs with Alan Dilley before taking action.

• Administration – Jacukowicz/Bauman

Ursula Stryker, Municipal Clerk
Susan Dean, Clerical Assistant

No report

