I. CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 6:32pm followed by the Flag Salute.

II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT

The Clerk read the Open Public Meetings statement into the record.

III. ROLL CALL

Committee members:
Mark Hartman, Committeeman
Nancy McGinnis, Committeewoman
Robert Sunbury, Committeeman
Samuel R. Moore, III, Mayor
Kimberly Brown, Deputy Mayor - Absent

Administrative Team and Professionals:
Ms. Maryalice Brown, Township Administrator
Mr. Everett Falt, Township Clerk
Mr. Rodney Haines, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Thomas Boyd, Construction Official
Mr. William Burns, Esq., Township Solicitor
Mr. John Harbort, Office of Emergency Management Coordinator
Mr. Blake Fitzpatrick, Township Engineer, Pennoni Associates
Mr. Mark Lemire, Recreation Committee Chairperson

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (For comments including consent agenda)

Mayor Moore invited any attendee to come forward to make public comment.

Mr. Stuart Brooks, of 78 Moore’s Meadow Road, commented on the completion of the repaving of Carranza Road and questioned road maintenance. He addressed the new start time for Township Meetings and the need for transparency.

Mrs. Fran Brooks, of 78 Moore’s Meadow Road, came forward to question the appointment of Mr. Burns as the Public Information Officer (PIO) and the costs associated with such. Mrs. Brooks made comment on the content of the Township website.

Without further comments, Mayor Moore closed Public Comment.
V. PRESENTATION FROM PINELANDS MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE RE RAIN GARDEN

Mr. Jack McCausland, a water outreach specialist with the Pinelands Municipal Alliance, presented the proposed plan for a rain garden to be constructed at Pricketts Mill Park. He advised the committee the proposed garden is a landscape makeover project designed to use native plants to filter rainwater, mitigating run off pollution.

The installation would be slated for Fall 2022 and funded by the National Fish and Wildlife and William Penn Foundations. During Committee discussion, additional information revealed the timetable for installation as an estimated 4 days. Mr. McCausland stated the garden would be self-sustaining following its first year.

On a motion made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Mr. Sunbury, the authorization was given for the Township to move forward with the proposed rain garden.

Ayes: Hartman, Sunbury, Moore  Nays: McGinnis  Absent: 1  Motion Carried.

VI. RESOLUTION(S)

On a motion made by Mr. Sunbury, seconded by Mr. Hartman, the following Executive Session minutes were approved for release:

1. January 11, 2021 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
2. February 8, 2021 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
3. March 8, 2021 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
4. April 26, 2021 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
5. May 24, 2021 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
6. November 3, 2021 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
7. December 13, 2021 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
8. January 24, 2022 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
9. February 14, 2022 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes
10. March 14, 2022 Executive Session Twp. Committee Meeting Minutes

Ayes: Hartman, McGinnis, Sunbury, Moore  Nays: 0  Absent: 1  Motion Carried.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Administrator Brown addressed previous concerns regarding the beautification of Tabernacle. She advised the Committee of the new split rail fence and flower boxes installed around the mobile offices as well as potential locations to plant flowers as Mrs. McGinnis suggested be identified. During Committee discussion, various concerns were raised, including maintenance of the flower beds, site triangles, and possible conflicts with current Tabernacle ordinances. A motion was offered by Mrs.
McGinnis, seconded by Mr. Hartman, to allow the Administrator to move forward with addressing these concerns.

**Ayes:** Hartman, McGinnis  
**Nays:** Sunbury, Moore  
**Absent:** 1  
**Motion died.**

Mayor Moore addressed the progress made with amending the current sign ordinance. The Land Development Board reviewed surrounding town’s ordinance to gauge how Tabernacle should proceed. The Board has decided to mirror Medford’s ordinance and will provide the Committee with a letter of their suggestions. A consensus of present Committee members was given to move forward with this initiative.

Administrator Brown discussed the request for the Construction Office to be open for evening hours. She advised the Committee, due to prior experience with the Office’s evening hours, she did not feel it was necessary. State legislation was recently passed allowing for the receipt of electronic seals, which is more convenient for residents than evening hours. Mr. Boyd concurred, stating in previous years there has not been enough customers to justify the overtime resulting from the evening hours.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business listed on this Meetings’ Agenda, as such no action was taken at this time.

**IX. REPORTS**

**A. ADMINISTRATOR**

Ms. Brown reported on the pending Gypsy Moth spraying treatment, which is tentatively scheduled to begin Monday, May 16th.

She also advised the Committee of a request for shared services received from Southampton Township regarding the wash bays. Currently, Tabernacle is the host of a shared service with Shamong Township, who pays Tabernacle between $15.00 and $45.00 per truck load. Per Ms. Brown, Southampton Township is looking to contract with Tabernacle with the same rates. Administrator Brown asked the committee for a motion to draft a service agreement with Southampton Township. Mrs. McGinnis offered a motion, with Mr. Hartman seconding.

**Ayes:** Hartman, McGinnis, Sunbury, Moore  
**Nays:** 0  
**Absent:** 1  
**Motion carried.**

Administrator Brown brought to the attention of the Committee the need for a JIF Fund Commissioner, suggesting Mrs. Lisa Cummins with a $1,000 per year stipend. Mrs.
Cummins is currently the JIF Claims Coordinator and as such is already attending the JIF Meetings. Ms. Brown asserted that although Mr. Cramer, the previous Administrator, was the Fund Commissioner, she is unable to take on the appointment at this time. Mrs. McGinnis offered a motion to allow the administrator to include a resolution to appoint Mrs. Cummins on the next regular meeting agenda.

**Ayes: Hartman, McGinnis, Sunbury, Moore  Nays:0  Absent: 1  Motion carried.**

Following this motion, Administrator Brown gave an update on Township facilities. She advised the Committee heat has been shut off at both 81 Hawkins Road and the old Town Hall buildings. She commented on the mobile office trailers, now referred to as Town Hall, which are now fully operational and have been open to the public since May 5th.

Lastly, Ms. Brown asked the Committee why the Township CFO was not included in Executive Sessions. After Committee discussion, consensus was given to authorize Mr. Haines to be invited to Executive Sessions when the need calls for his inclusion.

**B. CMFO**

Mr. Haines informed the Committee that he is looking to increase taxes by one to two cents, due to the need to budget for the Gypsy Moth treatment and any potential down payment on a capital project for Town Hall. Raising the taxes by one cent, he asserted, would allow for $69,513.00 in additional revenue for the Township. Upon questions from Mr. Sunbury, the CFO clarified new developments in Tabernacle, such as Monarch Woods and Seneca Reserve, were taken into consideration when calculating the increase.

Mr. Haines also addressed the $711,000 received from the American Recovery Act, which have to be expended no later than 2024. Currently, Mr. Haines believes no funds from this grant have yet been spent.

**C. ENGINEER**

Mr. Fitzpatrick, of Pennoni Associates, informed the Committee of successful street openings as well as the status of the 2021 Drainage Improvement project and 2019 Park Grant. Mr. Fitzpatrick commented on the completion of Phase II paving of Carranza Road, including striping work. Lastly, he advised the Committee field work has been completed at 144 Carranza Road and a review is being drafted for upcoming presentation.

**D. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (OEM Coordinator)**
Mr. Harbourt briefly discussed the recent CERT meeting, which was the first one held this year, as well as upcoming training for CERT members. He concluded his report stating the action plan for the Memorial Day Parade was nearing completion.

E. TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Mr. Burns advised the Committee of two pending legal matters; hearings will be held in May and June, respectively. He advised the Committee and those listening the due diligence with 144 Carranza Road was moving forward, including drafting a Letter of Intent for the proposed acquisition.

F. RECREATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Lemire, the Recreation Committee chairperson, commented on the progress of the Memorial Day Parade to be held on Saturday, May 28th. The Boy Scouts of America will be participating in the festivities; a large turnout is expected.

X. POLLING OF COMMITTEE

Mrs. McGinnis questioned the selling of the old rescue squad building at 81 Hawkin Road. Administrator Brown informed the Township has an appraisal in the works to determine the current market value; information for holding a public auction has also been obtained should the Committee choose to go that route. Mrs. McGinnis then questioned the appointment of Funds Commissioner previously introduced by Administrator Brown.

Mayor Moore asked Administrator Brown to address site triangle concerns at the intersection of Bozarhtown Road and Carranza Road in hopes to make the intersection safer. Mayor Moore also asked the administrator to contact the New Jersey State Police to rectify excessive speeding on Oakshade Road.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session held at this meeting.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Hartman and seconded by Mr. Sunbury. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

Ayes: Hartman, McGinnis, Sunbury, Moore    Nays: 0    Absent: 1    Motion Carried.
Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Everett Felt, RMC/CMR
Township Clerk