TABERNACLE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF DECEMBER 27, 2018

In attendance - Governing Body
Kimberly A. Brown, Township Committee
Richard J. Franzen, Township Committee
Stephen V. Lee, IV, Deputy Mayor - Absent
Joseph Yates, IV, Township Committee
Joseph W. Barton, Mayor
Samuel R. Moore, III, Committee-elect

Administrative Team
Douglas A. Cramer, CPWM, Administrator
Peter C. Lange, Jr., Township Solicitor
La Shawn R. Barber, RMC, Municipal Clerk

Members of the Township Committee invited Committee-elect, Samuel Moore to sit in on the following closed session discussions:

Matters Relating to Vacancy Position (Public Safety Director)

Members of the Township Committee met to discuss the vacancy position of Public Safety Director in which the Township Committee received notification to resend his resignation; members of the Township Committee had to consider that request.

Township Solicitor advised Township Committee of employer obligation to accept the resignation and/or make an acceptance for a rehire.

Committee-elect Yates spoke of not being in favor of accepting the resignation; while Committee-elect Franzen, Committee-elect Brown and Mayor Barton expressed their desire to accept the resignation.

Matters Relating to Contract Negotiation (TRS - Tabernacle Rescue Squad)

Solicitor Lange spoke of having a positive negotiation session with Ms. Christian (Attorney for TRS) regarding the current agreement. The negotiations are going well. The negotiations are close with both sides leaving only a couple of issues that need to be nailed down.

It was agreed to have the Chief Finance Officer look at the audits of the fire and rescue while Solicitor Lange moves forward with negotiations with TRS Attorney.

There was general consensus among members of the present governing body to not make a replacement for the PSD position at this time. Committee-elect Moore expressed his desire to work with both entities to try to get them together; having contracts for both and act as the liaison for all of emergency services since he has expressed having a similar background.
Mr. Lange expressed that he would like to get back to Ms. Christian (Attorney for TRS) so she may have the opportunity to consult with their TRS Board and respond after January 1, 2019. It is hopeful that this would be a final agreement.

At this time, Solicitor Lange, left executive session.

**Matters Relating to Contract Negotiation (RFPs and Professional Services)**

Members of the Township Committee held brief discussion regarding its current professionals; Township did not receive many contested RFP’s (Request for Proposals) for 2019. Administrator Cramer addressed a level of concern should there be a need for a Municipal Court date change or a substitute Judge. It was clear, the Municipal Court Judge would have the responsibility to cover any arrangements for municipal court date change and the cost for a substitute Municipal Court Judge, if needed.

Seeing no further business, members of the Township Committee came out of closed session and returned to the open meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

La Shawn R. Barber, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Approved: 01/22/2019  RELEASED