Meeting called to order by Deputy Mayor Lee at 7:42 p.m. followed by the flag salute.

Sunshine Notice: This meeting was called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act. This meeting of May 21, 2018 was sent to the Central Record, Burlington County Times and Courier Post. Posted on the bulletin board in Town Hall and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public, and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call: Ms. Brown, Mr. Franzen (absent), Mr. Lee, Mr. Yates and Mayor Barton (absent)

Administrative Team: Township Administrator Douglas A. Cramer, Chief Finance Officer Terry W. Henry, Auditor Kevin Frenia, Township Engineer Dante Guzzi, Township Attorney Peter C. Lange, Jr.; Township Clerk La Shawn R. Barber; present.

The meeting was open to the public for comment on agenda items.

Stuart Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, questioned the second reading for the budget amendment; commented on the Longstreet Resolution; questions the positon of Shamong Township for the Road Program and if there are any irregularities which should be resolved.

Fran Brooks, Moores Meadow Road, questioned an item on bill list for Edmonds Computer Program; 2018 Road Program (Carranza Road) Shamong Township could assist with the road paving since their anticipated surplus for their adopted budget is approximately $1.2 million; has the same comments as Stuart Brooks regarding the Longstreet Resolution.

There were no further comments.

Approval of Bills

Motion to approve the bills as presented made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Yates.

Roll Call: Brown, Yates, Lee    Ayes: 3    Nays: 0    Absent: 2

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve Township Committee Minutes of April 9, 2018 meeting made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Roll Call: Brown, Yates, Lee    Ayes: 3    Nays: 0    Absent: 2

Motion to approve Township Committee Minutes of April 23, 2018 meeting made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Brown.

Roll Call: Brown, Lee    Ayes: Brown, Lee    Nays: 0    Absent: 2    Abstained: Yates

Municipal Budget

Resolution 2018-57: Approve 2018 Municipal Budget Amendment: This budget amendment as presented would reduce the budget line item for Tabernacle Rescue Squad to $12,000; Auditor Frenia spoke of the Township’s contribution last year.

- Motion to approve Resolution 2018-57 was made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Mr. Lee


This budget amendment did not pass. A full committee present is needed to pass this resolution by three votes. This matter has been rescheduled for a special meeting on Monday, June 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

New Business

RESOLUTION 2018-58

APPOINTING ROBERT C. SUNBURY, JR. AS THE
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR / JIF SAFETY COORDINATOR

WHEREAS, the Township requires the appointment of an Office of Emergency Management Coordinator; and
WHEREAS, the Tabernacle Township Mayor has recommended Robert C. Sunbury, Jr. be appointed as the OEM Coordinator/Safety Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, the position of Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator is based on provisions of public laws and directives which carry the force of law, including New Jersey Statutes Annotated (N.J.S.A.) Appendix A:9-33 et seq. (Chapter 251 P.L. 1942, as amended by Chapter 438, P.L. 1953); and

WHEREAS, Robert C. Sunbury, Jr. satisfies all of the requirements, certifications and licensing requirements specified under Directive #102 of the State of New Jersey Office of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Tabernacle is a member of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, hereinafter referred to as the FUND; and

WHEREAS, the FUND requires that in the manner generally prescribed by law, each member shall appoint a Safety Coordinator to chair the Member Safety Committee, coordinate and oversee the Member safety efforts, and act as a liaison between the municipality, the JIF Safety Director, and other outside agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Tabernacle recommends the appointment of Robert C. Sunbury, Jr. to serve as JIF Safety Coordinator in accordance with the FUND requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey on this 21st day of May 2018, as follows:

1. Robert C. Sunbury, Jr. is hereby appointed as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Township of Tabernacle for a three year term, effective April 30, 2018.
2. Robert C. Sunbury, Jr. is hereby appointed as the JIF Safety Coordinator for the Township of Tabernacle for a concurrent term.
3. The base salary is four thousand dollars ($4,000.00) per year in accordance with the Township’s Salary Ordinance.
4. The appointment is effective on April 30, 2018.
5. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Burlington County Emergency Management Offices, Burlington County Municipal JIF and Robert C. Sunbury, Jr. upon adoption.

• Motion to approve Resolution 2018-58 was made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Yates

Roll Call: Brown, Yates, Lee    Ayes: 3    Nays: 0    Absent: 2

RESOLUTION 2018-59
AUTHORIZE THE PLACEMENT OF TEMPORARY SIGNS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY FOR TABERNACLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WHEREAS, the request has been made by Tabernacle Historical Society for permission to place temporary signage in the public right of way associated with certain Township roads for the week of May 27th, 2018 in order to promote their upcoming Annual Strawberry Social which will take place on Saturday, June 2, 2018 between 2pm – 5pm at the Tabernacle Community Center, 81 Hawkin Road, Tabernacle; and

WHEREAS, Township Committee is desirous of assisting Tabernacle Historical Society in promoting this beneficial activity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tabernacle Township Committee, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, does hereby temporarily suspend the zoning regulations prohibiting such signage included in Tabernacle revised Ordinances Chapter 17 Section 22.12 “Off Site Commercial Advertising Signs.”

The Township Committee further hereby authorizes the Tabernacle Historical Society and/or its representatives to place temporary signage in the public right of way and along Tabernacle public roads to promote this event as aforementioned under the following conditions:
1. All signs shall be placed at least 6’feet off of any paved road surface and shall be placed in the public right of way with adult supervision.
2. All temporary signs shall be removed within 5 days after conclusion of the event.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Tabernacle Construction Official and Tabernacle Historical Society.

- Motion to approve Resolution 2018-59 was made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Ms. Brown.

Roll Call: Brown, Yates, Lee Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

RESOLUTION 2018-60
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF TABERNACLE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

WHEREAS, the Township of Tabernacle has a history of commitment to the public participation in its local government and to the corresponding need for an informed citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee finds that it is permissible to release the executive Session Meeting Minutes for the following dates:

- 2/22/2016 – Full Release
- 7/18/2016 – Full Release
- 6/26/2017 – Full Release
- 9/11/2017 – Full Release
- 11/13/2017 – Full Release
- 11/27/2017 – Full Release
- 1/22/2018 – Full Release
- 2/26/2018 – Full Release
- 3/12/2018 – Full Release
- 3/26/2018 – Full Release

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to release the following approved Executive Session Meeting Minutes for the following dates:

- 2/22/2016 – Full Release
- 7/18/2016 – Full Release
- 6/26/2017 – Full Release
- 9/11/2017 – Full Release
- 11/13/2017 – Full Release
- 11/27/2017 – Full Release
- 1/22/2018 – Full Release
- 2/26/2018 – Full Release
- 3/12/2018 – Full Release
- 3/26/2018 – Full Release

- Motion to approve Resolution 2018-60 was made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Yates.

Roll Call: Brown, Yates, Lee Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

RESOLUTION 2018-61
ASSIGNMENT OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE #17-00006

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-112 AND 5-113 provide the governing body the authority for a municipality to sell municipally held liens at private sale to such person(s) and for such sum(s), not less than the amount of municipal liens charged against same; and
WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has notified the owner of record as appearing on the Tax Duplicate at least five days prior to affirmation of this resolution and public notice was posted in three public places within Township of Tabernacle; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Tabernacle, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey sold a certain tax certificate No. 17-00006 on December 20, 2017 in the amount of $1,426.93 for outstanding taxes due and owing plus interest, penalties and subsequent taxes and interest due on property located at 11 Moore Road, Block 321, Lot 10.04 in the Township of Tabernacle; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of the Township of Tabernacle is hereby authorized to accept assignment of the aforementioned tax certificate #17-00006 and the Township Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to effectuate the assignment of certificate #17-00006 to DSHC Enterprises LLC in exchange for payment in the amount of $4,342.49.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector, the Municipal Attorney and the Assignee.

- Motion to approve Resolution 2018-61 was made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Lee.
  Roll Call: Brown, Yates, Lee Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

RESOLUTION 2018-62
RENEWAL OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE FOR LEISURE TIME INNS, INC.

WHEREAS, Tabernacle Township has received an application for renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License for the 2018-2019 term for the following license premise:
  1. 0335-33-001-004 * Leisure Time Inns, Inc. / Tabernacle Inn - 1488 Route 206, Tabernacle, NJ 08088

WHEREAS, the law requires that an Alcoholic Beverage Licensee Retail Clearance Certificate must be granted by the Division of Taxation prior to renewal; and

WHEREAS, all fees have been deposited and required paper work filed with the Township Clerk having no written objections filed opposing the renewal application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Tabernacle, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as follows:
  1. The Township Committee does hereby find that the applicant is qualified to be license according to all statutory, regulatory, and local governing ABC laws and regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as per Title 33, the Township Clerk is authorized to issue said licenses for the year 2018-2019 and files a certified copy of this Resolution with the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

- Motion to approve Resolution 2018-62 was made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Ms. Brown.
  Roll Call: Brown, Yates, Lee Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

Discussion
NJ Reforms to Bonding Requirements under the Municipal Land Use Law: a motion was made to table discussion to a date to be determined.

Old Business
PSD Position Sub-Committee: Mr. Lee, Mr. Yates - Mr. Lee reported that appointment will be held at the next meeting.

CFO Applicants Sub-Committee: Ms. Brown, Mr. Lee – Ms. Brown received numerous applications however, there were applicants that were discarded because they did not hold certification, which left three applicants; one with a disconnected telephone number, which left two applicants. Both applicants were interviewed and a recommendation will be made at the next meeting.
Proposed 2018 Road Program – Mr. Guzzi provided a follow-up on Carranza Road Improvements. NJ DOT considering a special grant to finish paving. We are waiting to hear back from the offices of Senator O’Connor, Senator Addiego on how they can support us on this project. Mr. Cramer added he appreciated Senator O’Connor’s attending and disappointed that NJ DOT did not attend the meeting; however it was a very productive meeting for Tabernacle Township, Shamong Township, District 8 and District 9.

Proposed Sale of Township Owned Property – Mr. Guzzi reported that soil borings on lots have been performed and he will have everything ready to move forward for June meeting.

Special Events / Public Functions / Parade Permit (proposed Ordinance) – Once Committee has had a chance to review and make comments, Mr. Lange will provide the modifications if needed and/or proceed to the first reading; or it can be adopted as written at an upcoming meeting.

Report of the Emergency Management Coordinator – Coordinator Sunbury spoke of his attendance at the pre-construction meeting for radio towers at ESB; held JIF Safety Committee meeting; held LEPC meeting and reviewed/upated IAP for upcoming Memorial Day Parade; attended mandatory meeting for 2018 EMAA sub award of FEMA Emergency Management Performance for Grant up to $10,000; spoke of his plan to attend meetings of Pinelands Regional CERT monthly meeting and hurricane tabletop exercise.

Report of the Memorial Day Parade Committee – Parade is scheduled for Saturday, May 26, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. beginning at Seneca High School and ending at Town Hall for the Memorial Service.

Report of the Township Engineer – NJ DOT permit will be executed by Township Officials and if there are no objections from any parties, Guzzi Engineering will sign off on the documents.

Report of the Township Administrator – Brush continues to be collected from the storm damage. Sections 1 and 2 are completed. Section 3 is in progress with two crews the weather has not cooperated/the subcontractor is also working with Township when available because the nature of their business. The Township staff and PWD was thanked for diligent work.

Report of the Township Solicitor - Irick’s Causeway: There is a section between Sooy Place Road and Powell Place Road that a resident on the advice of their counsel has claimed the dirt road as their property and closed the road. Township has been working with the Solicitor and Engineer to ensure that the road is in the proper location. In the past, reflective barricades have been placed so there are no accidents or risks. The Solicitor stated the dirt road is listed on the survey as tax map only. Township exercised the right of safety. Irick’s Causeway is a dirt road that has existed on any tax map and has historic origins with no specific public dedication. It has been maintained by the Township, used by the public as a connecting road and have had complained regarding denial of access to the road. Demanded that the attorney direct his client to remove the barricades because the barricades propose a safety risk and liability, criminal or otherwise associated with knowing placing the barricades on a road that the resident knows that is used by the public on a regular basis and that the Township would pursue removing the barricades. Future remedy would be for the Township to accept the right of way; when the public dedication is made that it is held open forever until the Township vacates the road and rejects the public dedication.

Mr. Lange was directed by Township Committee to prepare an Ordinance to officially make it a Township Road by virtue of deed to be recorded this way there will be no further issues.

Special Meeting

- Motion: **Authorize Township Clerk to advertise Special Meeting for June 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.** was made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Roll Call: Brown, Yates, Lee Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2

Report of the Township Committee – Ms. Brown reported that May is National ALS month. There are 500 affected by this disease in the State of New Jersey. We do not have a Proclamation in place and would like to see one in the future.

Mr. Lee asked the Township Committee to provide direction regarding the budget. Ms. Brown stated that she was opposed regarding the balance billing. A new Resolution would be able to be prepared if modifications need to be prepared.
Mr. Lee – Verizon approved 46 applications and we continue to actively get Tabernacle qualified for service. Applications have to be signed with the application fee as mandated through Verizon to provide service.

Mr. Lee – stated that capital improvements are a work in progress. The Committee is constantly looking at capital improvements. The improvements that were made to Town Hall were absolutely necessary and he applauds PWD and Mr. Boyd for getting the building updated. The people that work in Town Hall everyday deserve the updates to their work environment.

Mr. Cramer – spoke of the bill list item was for Edmunds, there was an upgrade for a newer version for the finance department, which has a number of programs in one rather than one isolated program.

Comment: The meeting was open to the public for comment on agenda items.

Robert Sunbury spoke that George Horner will be the Grand Marshall and the speaker will be Major General Rocco Nigris for the Memorial Day participants for 2018. Mr. Sunbury also pointed out that Google Maps does point you to travel on Irick’s Causeway.

Fran Brooks, Moores Meadow Road: Commented and wanted verification on the invoice for Mr. Lange’s invoice for SSA Court in the amount of $379.00; would like clarification regarding the OIG Opinion regarding the TRS balance billing. TRS can send out the bills and then write them off. Spoke of it not being true that residents will be balance billed because there is an avenue and it should be clarified. Clarified the special meeting date is set for June 4, 2018.

Ms. Brown stated from a personal experience that she has not been “soft billed” by Medford or Evesham Township. Both Townships do bill and they do not write it off.

Stuart Brooks, Moores Meadow Road: Made comment of wanting to know of the capital improvement plan; asked for clarification on the Carranza Road split boundary line; spoke of the recently improved court room looking great; asked about the discussion and answers regarding moving the municipal court and the use of Sequoia Building.

Ian McDowell: New Road - Has a drainage problem. The failure report was sent to the incorrect address and has not spoken with Mr. Boyd. The pipe has been broken for a long time prior to 2004. When inlets were installed on New Road, the old engineering company did not install any at the lowest part of the road. He would like to have a resolution regarding this drainage problem.

Stephen Cramer: Old Indian Mills Road. Spoke that he feels some Committee members are going after the squad; does not understand how the amount went from $35,000.00 to $12,000.00; does not understand the taking money away. There are emotions involved regarding the facts and figures with this matter and we have lost fact of the matter that all of this ends at the back of the ambulance.

The meeting was closed to the public for comment.

Executive Session Resolution

Whereas, the Governing Body wishes to discuss the following executive session matters pursuant to N.J.S.A.10:4-12(B)(5) and (8) in a closed session from which the public shall be excluded: The purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds: Lenape School / Sequoia. Be It Resolved, the public shall be excluded.

Motion made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Yates. Closed to the public.

Reopen.

Adjourn  Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 p.m. made by Mr. Yates, seconded by Ms. Brown.

Roll Call: Franzen, Lee, Brown  Ayes: 3  Nays: 0  Absent: 2

Respectfully submitted:

La Shawn R. Barber, RMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk
Approved: 6/25/2018