

**TABERNACLE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2017**

In attendance

- Joseph W. Barton, Township Committee
- Kimberly A. Brown, Township Committee
- Richard J. Franzen, Township Committee
- Joseph Yates, IV, Deputy Mayor
- Stephen V. Lee, IV, Mayor
- Douglas A. Cramer, Township Administrator
- Peter C. Lange, Township Solicitor
- La Shawn R. Barber, Registered Municipal Clerk

Members of the Governing Body discussed the following executive session matters in a closed session from which the public was excluded:

Litigation matters: Fran Brooks vs. Township of Tabernacle, Docket No. L-1198-17

(Col. William Lowe in attendance) Solicitor Lange reported having only two conferences with the Judge who is hearing this case. Mr. Lange will do his best to wrap it up with limited fees.

Contract Negotiation: Offer to Purchase PDC Credit

Solicitor Lange spoke about request made by Michael P. Albano to purchase a Pinelands Development Credit owned by the Township. The offer was made for \$7,500.00 for the PDC Value of 0.25. Members of the Township Committee expressed no interests in selling the PDC because the value will go up. Mr. Lange will convey the governing body's sentiments to Mr. Albano.

Potential litigation – 14 Moore Road

(Thomas Boyd in attendance) Solicitor Lange held discussion regarding the hazards of the unsafe structure property in which the resident, William Persson, is living in the garage with an illegal electric cord hook-up that is unsafe. The courts have tried to bring Mr. Persson into compliance with respect to the illegal occupation. Township has proved difficulties trying to remove him from property. Mr. Persson has been arrested multiple times pursuant to his continued illegal occupancy and failures to appear in Municipal Court. The jail process results in the ultimate release under his own recognizance and he returns to the property.

Once the Township can confirm that Mr. Persson is not in the property, demolition can commence. The Construction Official and Township Administrator recommend an action be filed in the Superior Court seeking an Order to restrain Mr. Persson from returning to the property. Township will see if the Municipal Prosecutor and Judge will give jail sentence if he does not comply before permission is given to Solicitor Lange for Superior Court action.

Personnel matters: Department of the Township Administrator (Rice Notice provided)

Members of the Township Committee held brief discussion regarding the performance appraisal of Douglas Cramer as Township Administrator. Suggestion was made for the appraisers to individually fill out their form and compile. A suggestion was given for the governing body to have a list of goals they would like for the Township Administrator. It was suggested that future that evaluations be completed by December.

Seeing no further business being discussed, members of the Township Committee came out of executive session at 10:55 p.m. and returned to the special meeting to pursue adjournment.

Respectfully submitted:

La Shawn R. Barber, RMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk

- Approved: 12/28/2017

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