

DECEMBER 9, 2015

The monthly business meeting of the Hope Township Committee convened at 7:00 P.M. at the Hope Township Municipal Building with the following members present: Mayor Timothy McDonough, Deputy Mayor George Beatty, and Committeeman John Koonz. Also present were Municipal Clerk, Mary Pat Quinn; Ted Rodman, P.E., Township Engineer; William Mennen, Esq., Acting Municipal Court Judge; Kathryn Eger, Acting Municipal Court Administrator; and James Perry, Mayor of Hardwick Township.

Under the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act", adequate notice of the meeting had been provided by publishing notice in The Express Times and The Star Gazette and by posting notices in the Hope Post Office and on the Township bulletin boards all on January 14, 2015 and January 23, 2015.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the business meeting on November 9, 2015 were approved as circulated on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

RECEIPTS

The receipts for November, 2015 were noted by Koonz. The total receipts during the month were \$1,347,780.52.

BILLS

The bill list was noted by Beatty. A motion was made by Beatty, seconded by McDonough approving the payment of the bill for the Hope Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$12,950.00. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-abstain; McDonough-yes.

The remaining bills were approved for payment on a motion made by Beatty, seconded by Koonz. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes. The total of all bills was \$351,088.81.

REPORTS

Chief Financial Officer

A report of the available balances in the line item appropriations was submitted by the Chief Financial Officer.

Zoning Officer

No report submitted.

Warren County Health Department

Complaints:

The following complaints were investigated:

458 Delaware Road – Bread used for feed attracting rats and birds. Complainant affected is to call when the nuisance is occurring. No calls were received in November.

There was no activity for food establishments, kennels, rabies, childcare centers, recreational bathing, youth camps, septic/wells, or campgrounds.

Township Engineer

Rodman reported that the striping has been done on Smith Street and Green Street.

The bid notice for the Catch Basin Project has been advertised, and his office has received several requests for bid packets. Bids will be open at the year-end meeting on Wednesday, December 30, 2015 at 4:00 P.M.

Rodman submitted a recommendation for a 25 mph speed limit on Green Street and Smith Street with a copy of his certification as rationale. He also prepared the description for no parking on portions of Smith Street.

Introduce Ordinance #15-11, Prohibit Parking on Portions of Smith Street

The following Ordinance was introduced and passed first reading on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

ORDINANCE #15-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER VII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE ENTITLED, "TRAFFIC"

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hope in the County of Warren, New Jersey, that Section 7-14 shall be amended to prohibit parking at all times on the west side of Smith Street at the intersection with Albertson Avenue to Main Street and Blair Street.

Section 1:

7-14 PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS.

No person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any streets or parts thereof described.

<i>Name of Street</i>	<i>Sides</i>	<i>Location</i>
Cedar Street	South	Between Walnut Street and Hickory Street
Locust Lake Road	Both	Cemetery Road to Mt. Hermon Road (CR655)
South Locust Lake Road	Both	Intersection of Locust Lake Road to Mt. Hermon Road (CR655)
Walnut Street	West	Cedar Street to High Street (CR519)
Smith Street	West	Intersection with Albertson Avenue to Main Street and Blair Street

Section 2:

Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Repealer.

Any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to their inconsistencies only.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication.

The public hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, December 30, 2015 at 4:00 P.M.

Ordinance #15-12, Establish Speed Limits on Green Street & Smith Street

The following Ordinance was introduced and passed first reading on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

ORDINANCE NO. 15-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO AMEND, REVISE AND REPLACE SECTION 7-26 OF THE HOPE TOWNSHIP CODE TO ESTABLISH SPEED LIMITS FOR GREEN STREET AND SMITH STREET

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee have determined that the absence of speed limits on Green Street and Smith Street located in Hope Township presents a danger to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer has provided a certification under his seal as a licensed professional engineer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 38:4-98 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hope, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, desires to amend, revise and replace Section 7-26 of the code of the Township of Hope to establish a speed limit of 25 mph on Green Street from Ridgeway Avenue to the intersection of Smith Street and Albertson Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hope, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, desires to amend, revise and replace Section 7-26 of the code of the Township of Hope to establish a speed limit of 25 mph on Smith Street from Ridgeway Avenue to the intersection of Albertson Avenue and Green Street;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hope, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that the Hope Township Traffic Ordinance is hereby amended to delete Section 7-26 and replace it with the following:

7-26 SPEED LIMITS.

The following speed limits shall be established on the following streets or parts of streets:

<i>Name of Street</i>	<i>Direction</i>	<i>Speed</i>	<i>Location</i>
Foundry Road	Both	35 mph	From CR 655 to CR 521
Heller Hill Road		35 mph	From Blairstown/Hope boundary to CR 521
Osmun Road	Both	30 mph	From Hope Township/ Knowlton Township corporate line to Honey Run Road

Ridgeway Avenue	Both	25 mph	Entire length
Union Brick Road		35 mph	From Blairstown/Hope boundary to CR 655
Shiloh Road	Both	25 mph	Entire length
Green Street	Both	25 mph	From Ridgeway Avenue to the intersection of Smith Street and Albertson Avenue
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EXECUTIVE SESSION, RE: Contract Negotiation, Employment, & Security Techniques

A motion was made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty to approve the following Resolution. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to go into closed session during a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hope has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public,

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Committee will reconvene.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Hope will go into closed session for the following reason as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public.
- Any anticipated contract negotiation.
- Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, disciplinary action unless individual in right requests a public meeting.

The executive session was concluded on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Judge Mennen, Kathryn Eger, and Hardwick Mayor Perry left the meeting at this time.

Road Department

The Public Works Foreman submits weekly reports, which are available for inspection in the Clerk's office.

Fire Department

No report submitted.

Blairstown Ambulance Corp

No report submitted.

Tax Assessor

No report submitted.

Tax Collector

November, 2015:

Current Year Taxes	\$1,320,392.17	\$6,000,575.80 Y-T-D
Prepaid 2016 Taxes	8,124.52	31,709.97
Delinquent Taxes:		
Taxes-2014	.00	31,682.80
Municipal Tax Lien Redemption	.00	7,013.27

Outside Tax Lien Redemption	.00	8,464.54
Cost of Sale Fees	.00	500.68
Tax Sale Premiums	.00	4,000.00
Interest and Costs	<u>2,553.53</u>	<u>9,107.66</u>
Total Receipts	\$1,331,070.22	\$ 6,093,054.72

Remarks:

Current Year Tax Collection Comparison:

November 2015 to November 2014	+\$164,217.72
Year to Date 2015 to Year to Date 2014	+\$125,540.88
November 2015 to November 2013	+\$226,956.75
Year to Date 2014 to Year to Date 2013	+\$341,777.61

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
YTD Collection %'s	96.85	96.20	97.01	96.62	97.05	96.62	97.44	95.38	94.89	95.75

Construction Code Official

The following permits were issued during November, 2015: 7-Building, 4-Plumbing, 3-Electrical, 2-Fire and 1-Certificate for a total income of \$3,470.00.

Mayor McDonough

McDonough asked the Township Committee to discuss engaging Patricia Whitmore, the Christmas Craft Market/Events Coordinator in more activities, such as: movie nights in the park, ice cream social, bonfire at Swayze Mill Park, the appreciation dinner, picnic, website, and cleaning. He suggested that the Committee establish a salary for those tasks. He advised that she is working on a proposal for the governing body to consider. Beatty was in favor of the idea and added that the Christmas Craft Market, tree lighting and Halloween were well organized and enjoyed by the residents. Koonz asked when the proposal would be ready for review.

Quinn asked if Whitmore would be putting more information out for the public about cultural events including pictures taken at the events. Since the Township is legally required to provide certain information to the public via the website, she had concerns about other individuals having that access. She suggested that perhaps Whitmore could create a Facebook page for the Township that could be a link on the Township's website. McDonough agreed that that would be the idea.

Also discussed was the need to clarify duties for some of the events, such as the appreciation dinner and the picnic. More information will follow pending the receipt of the proposal.

Deputy Mayor Beatty

Nothing to report.

Committeeman Koonz

Koonz advised that the restoration of the Municipal offices and the meeting room are moving along very well. A new furnace has been installed. A local carpenter, Alan Sauck, has repaired the holes in the office floor and the furnace room floor, and he has begun painting the walls in the meeting room and the office. The Committee looked at samples of carpeting and decided on the proposal for the "Change in Attitude" line (color #12205) in the amount of \$4,650.00, furnished and installed. The Clerk was directed to place the order on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

The furniture will be moved by the local carpenter under a previously approved proposal.

Koonz asked the Clerk to arrange for Adam's Fire Protection to come in to service the fire extinguishers and to ensure that the appropriately dated tags are on the equipment. The Township has a new plumbing and heating contractor who will be put on a schedule to service the heating units in all of the Township buildings; the service will be documented in a log to be retained in the respective buildings with a copy in the Clerk's office.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following communications were received during the month:

1. Julie Steven, a resident of Hope Township. Re: Notice of resignation from the Historic Preservation Commission. A copy was given to the Historic Preservation Commission.
2. Frelinghuysen Township. Re: Notice of a public hearing on an Ordinance to Establish a Carbonate Area District in Frelinghuysen Township. A copy of the Ordinance was given to the Hope Planning Board and the Hope Environmental Commission.
3. Municipal Court of North Warren at Hope. Re: October, 2015 Municipal Court Disbursements. A copy was given to the Chief Financial Officer.
4. Roger J. Skoog, Esq., Liberty Township Attorney. Re: Notice of official withdrawal from the Municipal Court of North Warren at Hope effective March 1, 2016. A copy was forwarded to the Township Attorney, Municipal Auditor and the Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Skoog provided the same notice to White Township.
5. Jersey Central Power and Light. Re: Notice of tree trimming and removal by JCP&L on certain roadways in the Township of Hope beginning on or about December 18, 2015.
6. Michael P. Meliti, Esq., attorney for Service Electric Cable T.V. of N.J., Inc., to the Coordinator of the N.J. Office of Cable Television. Re: Status of Cable T.V. Franchise Renewal. The Township Attorney received a copy of this notice.

7. Help Our Preservation Effort. Re: Membership Drive 2015 and news about the Long House.

APPOINTMENTS

There are two vacancies on the Agriculture Advisory Committee; they are one-year terms.

OLD BUSINESS

Public Hearing/Adoption of Ordinance #15-08, Renew CATV Franchise w/Service Electric CATV of NJ

The hearing for the following Ordinance was opened to the public on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

ORDINANCE #15-08

TOWNSHIPS OF HOPE, HARDWICK, KNOWLTON AND FRELINGHUYSEN

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING MUNICIPAL CONSENT TO THE ISSUANCE OF A FRANCHISE TO SERVICE ELECTRIC CABLE T.V. OF NEW JERSEY, INC., TO CONSTRUCT, OWN, OPERATE, EXTEND AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM IN THE TOWNSHIPS OF HOPE, HARDWICK, KNOWLTON, AND FRELINGHUYSEN, COUNTY OF WARREN, SETTING FORTH CONDITIONS ACCOMPANYING THE GRANT OF SAID MUNICIPAL CONSENT AND PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION AND USE OF SAID SYSTEM AND TO ABOLISH ORDINANCE #14-06

There were no questions or comments from the public. The public hearing was closed on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Ordinance #15-08 was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Public Hearing/Adoption of Ordinance #15-09, Capital Ordinance for Catch Basin Improvements

The hearing for the following Ordinance was opened to the public on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Ordinance #2015-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF \$50,000.00 FOR 'CATCH BASIN IMPROVEMENTS' FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL – CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

There were no questions or comments from the public. The public hearing was closed on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Ordinance #2015-09 was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Public Hearing/Adoption of Ordinance #15-10, Capital Ordinance for DPW Truck

The hearing for the following Ordinance was opened to the public on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Ordinance #2015-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF \$150,000.00 FOR 'DPW TRUCK' FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL – CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

There were no questions or comments from the public. The public hearing was closed on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Ordinance #2015-10 was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Status of Sanitary Landfill

No change in status.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #15-57, Authorize Canadian Geese Hunting at Swayze Mill park

The following Resolution was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

RESOLUTION #15-57

A RESOLUTION TO OPEN SWAYZE MILL PARK
TO CANADA GOOSE HUNTING

WHEREAS, the Township has devoted substantial time, energy and resources in developing Swayze Mill Lake and the surrounding property into a recreational facility for use by Township residents; and

WHEREAS, there has developed a large resident Canada Goose population that is severely impacting upon the use and enjoyment of the recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined it to be in the best interests of the Township of Hope to institute measures to control the resident goose population of Swayze Mill Lake.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hope, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey that Swayze Mill Park be and hereby is opened for the 2015/16 Canada Goose hunting season pursuant to the following terms and conditions:

GUIDELINES FOR HUNTING AT SWAYZE MILL PARK

1. Hunting will be limited to one (1) hunting party of no more than eight (8) people or troopers assigned to Hope Township State Police Barracks only by a permit that can be obtained at the Township Clerk's Office.
2. There will be a limit of one (1) hunting party permit issued per day. Permits will be issued on a first-come, first-serve basis. The permit holder shall be a Hope Township resident and shall present his/her New Jersey hunting permit to the Township Clerk. All persons within the hunting party shall hold a New Jersey hunting permit. It shall be the permit holder's responsibility to ascertain the validity of said hunting permits.
3. A winter season has been authorized by the N.J. Department of Fish, Game and Wildlife – from December 12, 2015 to February 10, 2016. A bag limit of (3) three Canadian Geese per day is permitted pursuant to Div. of Fish and Wildlife.
4. The hunting area shall be limited generally to the lake area east of the gate. Hunting from boats shall be prohibited and there shall be no shooting in the direction of Swayze Mill Road.
5. All items carried in to the park by a hunter must be removed from the park by the hunter including, but not limited to: shell casings, left over food and garbage.
6. Construction of permanent blinds shall be prohibited. Any temporary blinds must be removed at the conclusion of each day of hunting.
7. Each holder of a permit shall be required to have a valid New Jersey hunting license, all applicable federal and state water fowl stamps and to comply with all federal and state game laws and regulations.

Resolution #15-58, Emergency Resolution

The following Resolution was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

RESOLUTION #15-58

EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION LESS THAN 3 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE, COUNTY OF WARREN

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to a fire at the Hope Township Municipal Building on November 24, 2015 which resulted in severe smoke damage to the municipal offices and meeting room. NJSA 40A:4-46 provides for the creation of an emergency appropriation for the purpose mentioned above, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the emergency appropriations created, including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is \$26,000.00 and three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget for 2014 is \$32,628.75, and

WHEREAS, the foregoing appropriation together with prior appropriations does not exceed three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations (including utility operation appropriations) in the budget for 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by not less than 2/3 of all governing body members affirmatively concurring that in accordance with NJSA 40A: 4-48:

- 1) An emergency appropriation is hereby made for Public Buildings and Grounds, Other Expenses in the amount of \$26,000.00.
- 2) That said emergency appropriation shall be provided for in full in the 2015 budget, and is requested to be excluded from CAPS, pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-53.3(1).
- 3) That two (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Resolution #15-59, Transfer Appropriations

The following Resolution was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

RESOLUTION #2015-59

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hope, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that there are insufficient funds to meet the demands necessary for the 2015 balances in the Current Fund Budget. Includes General Administration O/E, Mayor & Council O/E, Municipal Clerk O/E, Tax Assessment O/E, Zoning Board of Adjustment O/E, Liability Insurance, Road Maintenance S/W, Animal Control S/W.

WHEREAS, the following accounts have sufficient excess funds to meet such demands:
Road Maintenance O/E. .

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 40A:4-58 the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

TO:	General Administration O/E	\$ 1,600.00
	Mayor & Council O/E	45.00
	Municipal Clerk O/E	56.00
	Tax Assessment O/E	94.00
	Zoning Board of Adjustment O/E	11.00
	Liability Insurance	1,830.00
	Road Maintenance S/W	10,000.00
	Animal Control S/W	.50
FROM:	Road Maintenance O/E	\$13,636.50

Resolution #15-60, Authorize Purchase of DPW Truck through N.J. State Contract

The following Resolution was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

RESOLUTION #15-60

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2016 INTERNATIONAL MODEL 7400 TRUCK THROUGH NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #79123

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 authorizes governmental contracting units to purchase goods and services under any contract entered into on behalf of the N.J. Division of Purchase and Property in the N.J. Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hope in the County of Warren, New Jersey is a local governmental contracting unit in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Hope Township has budgeted funds for the purchase of a new Model: 7400 4 X 2 via Capital Ordinance #15-10; and

WHEREAS, State Contract #79123 has been reviewed by the governing body, the Hope Township Chief Financial Officer, and the Public Works Foreman; and

WHEREAS, the subject vehicle under the State Contract #79123 appropriately conforms with the requirements of Hope Township;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hope in the County of Warren, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to generate a Purchase Order payable to "Bucks County International, 134 Old Oxford Road, Langhorne, PA 19047" in the amount of \$118,387.00 for the following vehicle under State Contract #79123 of the N.J. Division of Purchase and Property, a Division of the N.J. Department of Treasury:

- Line #1, Cab and Chassis – Section #3.4.1 \$70,359.00
- Line #2, Aluminum Dump Body – Section 3.4.2 & 3.4.3 \$43,515.00
- Line #3, HYD Under T/G Spreader – Section 3.4.4 \$ 2,455.00
- Line #8, Coal Door – Section 3.4.9 \$ 340.00
- Line #11, Special Monotone Paint – Section 3.4.12 \$ 168.00
- Additional Option, Air Conditioning Installed on Truck \$ 1,555.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-12b(5), the Hope Township Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution together with the Purchase Order to the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury within five working days of this action.

Resolution #15-61, Authorize Purchase/Installation of a Plow & Hitch on 2016 Int'l 7400 Truck

The following Resolution was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

RESOLUTION #15-61

RESOLUTION OF THE HOPE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A PLOW AND HITCH ON A 2016 INTERNATIONAL MODEL 7400 TRUCK

WHEREAS, the Township of Hope obtained the following three quotations for the purchase and installation of a plow and hitch on a 2016 International Model 7400 Truck that is being purchased through N.J. State Contract;

- Truis, Inc. (5049 Industrial Road, Farmingdale, NJ 07727) – Quotation date 12/1/15 in the amount of \$12,750.00 for a Henke Model 36R101SRME, 10' Reversible Snow Plow plus one pair of Skid Shoe Running Gear Assemblies in the amount of \$1,250.00
- Tony Sanchez, Ltd. (1685 US Route 46, Ledgewood, NJ 07852) – Quotation date 11/24/15 in the amount of \$18,259.38 for a Truck Lite/80800 Plow Light Kit Assembly, Buyer Product Company/PLB11SS – Bracket Kit Plow Light SST, Gledhill Snow Plow Model 10MRPR2 and Hitch plus labor.
- U.S. Municipal (461 Glennle Circle, King of Prussia, PA 19406) – Quotation date 12/8/15 in the amount of \$16,289.00 for a Flink 10PA3850RTCT Snow Plow and Baker Flink Plow Frame Model PF106FDAQL2HDLMHV.

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hope in the County of Warren, New Jersey finds that the quotation for the equipment from Truis, Inc. conforms with the requirements of Hope Township, the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to generate a Purchase Order payable to "Truis, Inc., 5049 Industrial Road, Farmingdale, NJ 07727" in the amount of \$14,000.00.

PUBLIC

Nick Katterman, the contractor who was hired to put concrete on and paint the lower floor at the Hope Community Center, was present to answer questions that the governing body had on the cracks in the floor. The matter was discussed, and Katterman will fill in the cracks and apply a second coat of paint to the floor. Although his voucher was approved for payment earlier, the governing body instructed the Clerk to hold the check until they are satisfied with the job.

Katterman asked for a partial payment since he has done most of the work. On a motion made by Beatty, seconded by Koonz, a partial payment of \$3,000.00 (one-half of the contract) was authorized. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, RE: PERSONNEL & ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

The following Resolution was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hope has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public,

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Committee will reconvene.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Hope will go into closed session for the following reason as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12: Anticipated Litigation and Personnel.

The executive session was concluded on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

The Clerk was directed to place a help wanted ad in the official newspaper for a full-time Superintendent of Roads and Public Buildings and Grounds. Resumes are due by January 15, 2016.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M. on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Pat Quinn
Municipal Clerk

