

RESOLUTION 2015-159

PURCHASE A 2016 JEEP PATRIOT VEHICLE UNDER STATE CONTRACT

Motion was made by Mr. Dowe, seconded by Mr. Brown to approve the purchase of a 2015 Jeep Patriot vehicle from NJ State Contract for \$19,886.00. A unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-160

REJECTING ALL BIDS SUBMITTED FOR ON-SITE INSPECTION SERVICES

Motion was made by Mr. Brown to reject bids for on-site electric, fire and plumbing sub-code inspection services. Ms. Rhea filled in the Committee on the Bidding process. First time the bidder withdrew after signing contracts. The second attempt one bidder changed the contract and the other withdrew. The resolution will give the Administrator and Solicitor a chance to see if we can do a shared service or to rebid this project. A unanimous vote was taken.

Mayor Gatanis introduced Michael Welding Township Auditor to discuss with the Committee a joint project with the Township Sewerage Authority. The Sewerage Authority is doing a sewer replacement on E Street. This is where the Township received money from the State for a repaving project. For the Authority to borrow money is more expensive than the Township borrowing money. Mr. Welding said he suggested doing an interlocal service agreement to include in the ordinance the sewer and paving into one ordinance. The Sewerage Authority would pay back the project amount with interest. Dr. Racite said he thought this was only 300 thousand for the Sewerage Authority. Mr. Biermann explained the changes that had to be made to the line. Mr. Brown asked how this will affect the borrowing of the Township. Mr. Welding said there should be no effect. Mayor Gatanis asked what the total amount will be. Mr. Welding said \$486,400.00.

ORDINANCE

Ordinance 806

Mayor Gatanis discussed the changes made at the Planning Board for this ordinance. Ms. Rhea said for tonight this is just a discussion item. Ms. Rhea said the Planning Board recommended no residential use and limiting the installation of a full second floor. This will be advertised at the next meeting for approval if the Committee agrees.

Under **Correspondence** Mayor Gatanis mentioned the resignation of both Nancy Wollet and Father Renee Canal from the Municipal Alliance. Mr. Pelura said since this is the Carneys Point, Penns Grove Municipal Alliance does the replacements have to be from Carneys Point. That will have to be looked into. There was a resignation letter from Karen Rubino Deputy Court Administrator. Mr. Brown said she is leaving for a better job at the County Superior Court System. Mr. Pelura asked about the cost of schooling. Mrs. Stout said there were no costs and this position is being advertised already. Lastly, Michael Scruggs sent in a letter of resignation from the Public Works Dept.

Under **Old Business**: Dr. Racite brought up the letter of response Chemours company sent. He said it stated they are not a hazardous waste facility. He asked where do we go from here. Dr. Racite said he feels the Township should still sit down with them. Ms. Rhea said you are

looking for verification of their words. Mr. Brown asked can we find out how much they are processing. Dr. Racite said this needs to be pursued further. Mayor Gatanis asked Ms. Rhea to reach out to them to set up a meeting.

Ms. Rhea said she received a list of properties from the Tax Collector. She said She, Mrs. Stout, Mr. Dowe and Dr. Racite reviewed the list from the Collector. She is looking for direction on which properties the Township Committee would like to start foreclosures on. Dr. Racite said this needs to move forward.

Mayor Gatanis moved on to discuss the Shared Service Defense Agreement with Dr. Robert Burchell. Mayor Gatanis said this was discussed at our last meeting but the agreement was not present. Mayor Gatanis said he has some issues with the verbiage and did not sign. He feels the words "not to exceed \$2,000" should be added. Mrs. Stout reminded the Committee that the Fair Share Housing said we needed 653 houses where Dr. Burchell said it is more like 60. This agreement is to authorize Dr. Burchell to come up with our numbers. Mr. Brown said if they need to go over the allotment then they will have to come back to the Committee. Mr. Pelura motioned to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with the changes of not to exceed \$2,000 seconded by Mr. Brown and all were in favor.

Under New Business: Mrs. Stout gave the results of a BAN (Bond Anticipation Notes) sale held on September 17, 2015. Mrs. Stout said the amount of the notes were \$760,000.00. She said Janney Montgomery Scott purchased the Notes at an interest rate of .845%. The other bidders were Oppenheimer & Company at 1.99% and PNC Bank at .86%.

Next Mrs. Stout mentioned the Best Practice Check List. The list was e-mail to everyone for their review. Mrs. Stout said there were 50 questions to answer and we answered all but 7, 6 were not related to our Municipality. Our total was 86% and this will allow us to receive 100% of our State Aid payment. She asked if anyone had any questions.

Mayor Gatanis mentioned the rebuilding of Route 48, Laytons Lake Bridge. The State will come in and put in a detour for one year. The bridge will be fully closed during this time.

Dr. Racite mentioned the Tax Sale held on Monday. He said there was 131 properties sold, 104 outside liens and 27 Municipal liens. The Township has received approximately \$45,000 from this process. Dr. Racite moved on to discuss the Shared Service Agreement with Penns Grove for Tax Collection. This agreement expires in December and he feels the Committee should put together a Sub-Committee to negotiate this agreement with Penns Grove. Mr. Brown mentioned that the Public Works Agreement has also stalled because the State said we cannot negotiate with Penns Grove but with them and they do not have a representative yet. So before you waste your time you better check to see if they are allowed. Mr. Pelura and Dr. Racite will be on this Sub-Committee.

Lt. DiPietro mentioned the DRBA holding a PT test at Salem Community College on Saturday, October 10th. They will be running from the College Gym down Hollywood Ave towards Georgetown Rd. then onto Springfield Ave. back to the College. This is approximately one and a half miles and should only take about an hour. Our Officers will be controlling the traffic during this time.

Public Participations:

Patrick Bomba of Hawks Bridge Rd. said DuPont's stored a mountain of hazardous waste on-site. Has that been moved? Also he has seen trucks go in and out of the facility.

Leon Mattioli of E. Main St. PG said he still cannot access his property off Halstead St. He would like to clean and clear his property. He asked how long will the pool be there and what is the next step. Mayor Gatanis said the property owner asked for an extension to have the pool removed and relocated by a pool company. They were given to October 13th. Mr. Brown said if not done then we need to do what has to be done. Mr. Pelura said if not down by date the pool company said they will do it then the Zoning Officer needs to file a complaint in court.

Steve Lopes of Lafayette Rd. said Chemours said they would honor contracts from DuPonts and be a good neighbor. He said it would behoove us to pursue this further. He supports having a meeting with them.

Joseph Wright of Grandview Court said it has been 18 months with the same problems. He asked if a meeting has been set with Mr. Schaffer. Mayor Gatanis said he sent a letter and has not heard from him. Mr. Wright said then issue a stop work order. Mr. Brown said all was done to specifications.

Barbara Haley of Sandy Ridge Apts. Along with Anthony Michael of Sandy Ridge Apts. Mentioned the fact they keep losing power. Another transformer blew due to squirrels chewing the lines. All the Electric Company needs are squirrel boxes. Mr. Pelura asked where the transformers are located because if they are in the development they are the responsibility of the development and not the Electric Company. Mr. Brown asked for them to get pole numbers.

With no more public questions or comments this portion was closed.

**RESOLUTION 2015-161
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Dowe to convene into Executive Session. A unanimous vote was taken. The regular meeting ended at 7:05 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown to reconvene in regular session, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all was in favor. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:34 pm.

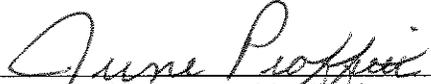
**RESOLUTION 2015-162
HIREAN EMPLOYEE IN PUBLIC WORKS DEPT**

Mr. Dowe made a motion to approve the hiring of Christopher Fahr to full time from part-time in the Public Works Dept. effective October 12, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Brown and a unanimous vote was taken.

Dr. Racite motioned to allow for Mrs. Stout to advertise for a part-time employee for Public Works Dept. Seconded by Mr. Pelura and all were in favor.

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Mr. Brown to adjourn and seconded by Dr. Racite. Motion passed with five affirmative votes. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Approved: 10.21.2015


June Proffitt, Township Clerk