

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK HELD OCTOBER 20, 2020**

A Regular Meeting of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee was held on October 20, 2020 with Mayor Ellen B. Pompper calling the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**STATEMENT OF NOTICE GIVEN**

The Township Clerk read the following statement.

This is a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek being held in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" N.J.S.A. 10:4-6. To insure the right of citizens to have adequate advance notice of and the right to attend meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting them is discussed or acted upon. Advance written notice of this meeting was given by way of the Annual Notice which was filed with the Lower Alloways Creek Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times and posted on the Bulletin Board in the lobby of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Municipal Building in compliance with said Act.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Pompper led in the Flag Salute.

**ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE**

Present: Mr. Bradway, Mr. Collier, Mr. Palombo, Mr. Venable and Mayor Pompper

Absent: none

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Also in attendance were thirteen - (13) members of the public including, Lewis Fogg; Superintendent of Public Works; Police Chief Richard Venable; Fire Chief, Steve Fisher; Solicitor, Linwood Donelson III and Township Clerk Ronald L Campbell Sr.

**PAYMENT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS**

Motion (Venable, Bradway) that all properly audited vouchers be paid.

The motion to pay properly audited vouchers passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none    Abstain: none    Absent: none

**REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE**

The Mayor requested that the minutes reflect that the September 2020 Monthly reports to the Township Committee have been received from the following Departments and are on file with the Clerk: Construction Office, Engineer, Finance, Municipal Court, Police Department, Public Works, Sewer and Tax Collector.

**MINUTES**

Motion (Venable, Bradway) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting held on September 15, 2020.

The motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting held on September 15, 2020 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none    Abstain: none    Absent: none

**RESOLUTIONS**

Motion (Venable, Bradway) for Resolution 2020- 57, a resolution authorizing municipal consent for the Wounded Veteran Pheasant Hunt to hold an Off-Premise Merchandise Raffle on February 13, 2021.

**RESOLUTION 2020 -57**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL CONSENT**  
**FOR THE CONDUCT OF A RAFFLE**

**WHEREAS**, the Wounded Veteran Pheasant Hunt has submitted a properly executed Application for a License to operate an Off-Premise Merchandise Raffle at 47 Buttonwood Avenue, Lower Alloways Creek, New Jersey in Lower Alloways Creek Township, and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee has reviewed said Application and has determined that the applicant is qualified and that the members designated to conduct these games are qualified, and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee has determined that the games will be conducted according to the regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Act.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, hereby grants municipal consent to the Wounded Veteran Pheasant Hunt to conduct an:

**Off-Premise Merchandise Raffle    February 13, 2021 from 9:00 am – 11:00 am**

At 47 Buttonwood Avenue, Lower Alloways Creek, New Jersey in Lower Alloways Creek Township and does also hereby waive any municipal fee.

The motion for Resolution 2020- 57 authorizing municipal consent for the Wounded Veteran Pheasant Hunt to hold an Off-Premise Merchandise Raffle on February 13, 2021 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none    Abstain: none    Absent: none

**OLD BUSINESS**    Nothing at this time

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Committee reviewed and briefly discussed the 2020 Best Practices Worksheet.

Motion (Venable, Bradway) to approve the purchase of Turn-Out-Gear from Nat Alexander Company at a cost of \$ 9,863.00.

The motion to approve the purchase of Turn-Out-Gear from Nat Alexander Company at a cost of \$ 9,863.00 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none    Abstain: none    Absent: None

Motion (Venable, Bradway) to approve the payment of \$ 585,472.41 for one Fire Truck to Sutphen Corporation of Dublin, Ohio.

The motion to approve the payment of \$ 585,472.41 for one Fire Truck to Sutphen Corporation of Dublin, Ohio was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none    Abstain: none    Absent: None

Motion (Venable, Bradway) to approve payment of the 2021 Software Maintenance fees to Edmunds GovTech in the amount of \$ 8,695.00

The motion to approve payment of the 2021 Software Maintenance fees to Edmunds GovTech in the amount of \$ 8,695.00 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: None

Motion (Venable, Bradway) to approve the Business Services Proposal from Monmouth Telecom for Full Service IP Telephony at a cost of \$1477.83 per month and a one-time charge of \$1,270.00.

The motion to approve the Business Services Proposal from Monmouth Telecom for Full Service IP Telephony at a cost of \$1477.83 per month and a one-time charge of \$1,270.00 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Palombo, Bradway) to authorize the Request for Proposals for STP/WTP Treatment (2021/2022).

The motion to authorize the Request for Proposals for STP/WTP Treatment (2021/2022) was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Palombo, Bradway, Venable, Collier and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Palombo, Bradway) to authorize the Request for Proposals for Auto Parts (2021/2022)

The motion to authorize the Request for Proposals for Auto Parts (2021/2022) was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

**CORRESPONDENCE:** All correspondence received has been distributed to the proper parties

**REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works:**

Superintendent Lewis Fogg stated that He, the Fire Chief and John Robinson had traveled to see the 2001 Brush Truck in West Berlin. Superintendent Lewis Fogg stated that the truck is in very good condition and nothing was found to cause any concern. Superintendent Lewis Fogg stated that knowing the asking price was \$25,000.00, he suggested to them \$20,000.00 and they return a firm figure of \$23,000.00.

Mayor Pompper stated that she felt the Fire Committee should discuss the purchase and come back to the Committee next Month.

**Police Department:**

Chief Venable stated that he has received a quote for a new server which he will have for next Month's meeting.

**Fire Department:**

Chief Fisher stated that the new Firetruck is at the Hancocks Bridge Fire House and the Committee is welcome to come and see it.

Chief Fisher stated that two from the Department have completed a Hazmat Tech Class.

## **Mayor and Committee Members**

No one from the Committee had any additional reports or comments

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No one from the Public indicated that they wished to make any comments.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion (Venable, Bradway) for a resolution to convene into a Closed Session of Business. 7:45 pm

### **RESOLUTION 2020 - 58 A RESOLUTION FOR A CLOSED SESSION**

WHEREAS, in order to protect personal privacy and to avoid situations wherein the public interest might be disserved, the Open Public Meetings Act permits public bodies to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which certain matters are discussed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that a portion of the meeting of the Township Committee be closed to the public to enable the Township Committee to discuss, and where appropriate, take action concerning the following matter(s) as permitted in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

\_\_\_\_ 3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

\_\_\_\_ 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than in (4) above in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matter falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.

\_\_\_\_ 8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.

More specifically, the matter to be discussed involves the following:

#### **1. Personnel**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the matters discussed will be available for public inspection

#### **1. At such time the matter is concluded**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Closed Session is expected to continue for five (5) minutes and there after the regular meeting would then reconvene and further business by the Committee would take place at its conclusion.

The motion for a resolution to convene into a Closed Session of Business passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Bradway, Venable) to come out of Closed Session and return to Open Session business of the Committee. 7:51 pm

The motion to come out of Closed Session and return to Open Session business of the Committee passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Bradway, Venable, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

#### BUSINESS AFTER CLOSED SESSION

Motion (Bradway, Collier) for Resolution 2020-59, a resolution to offer employment to William F Richman as a Full Time Police Officer.

The motion for Resolution 2020-59, a resolution to offer employment to William F Richman as a Full Time Police Officer passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0-1

Ayes: Bradway, Collier, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: Venable Absent: none

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Bradway, Collier) to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.

Minutes of the October 20, 2020 Meeting were approved at a Township Committee Meeting held November 16, 2020

ATTEST:

LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

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Ronald L Campbell Sr. Clerk

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Mayor, Ellen B. Pompper