

Township Committee Minutes

March 2, 2020

A Special Meeting of the Kingwood Township Committee was called to order at 6:30P.M. with Mayor Ciacciarelli presiding.

Also present at the meeting were Mayor Ciacciarelli, Deputy Mayor Dodds, C.F.O. Diane Laudenbach, Township Auditors, William Colanto and John Weiss and Deputy Clerk Michele Tipton Walters. Mayor Ciacciarelli called the meeting to order and following the salute to the flag, read aloud the following:

NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by publication of the notice in the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News on February 27, 2020 and by telefaxing a copy of the notice to the Express Times on February 25, 2020. Copies of the notice were also posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building and Baptistown Post Office on February 25, 2020.

In order to ensure full public participation in this meeting, all members of this Committee, and also members of the public are requested to speak only when recognized by the Chair so that there is no simultaneous discussion or over-talk, and further, all persons are requested to utilize the microphones which are provided for your use by the Township. Your cooperation is appreciated.

PUBLIC COMMENT – PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Budget Workshop

Mr. Colanto opened the discussion stating that with very few adjustments the Kingwood Township Municipal CY2020 Budget is a very good, conservative budget.

Recommendation was made to increase the Parks and Recreation line item by \$1000.00 to help balance the cost of a Community Fireworks event

Recommendation was made to purchase the requested backhoe which had been previously approved by the Township Committee for lease. It was determined that the lease warranty was for one year only. The cost for an extended five year lease warranty would be \$3,500.00 which makes the purchase of the backhoe more financially advantageous to the Township.

Mr. Colanto remarked that Kingwood Township has the 4th lowest tax rate of all ten Hunterdon County municipalities.

Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Dodds, and stepping down, seconded by Mr. Ciacciarelli and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:00P.M. **All** voted **Aye** on **Roll Call Vote**.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Tipton-Walters
Township Deputy Clerk