

**Cape May Court House, New Jersey
TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORK SESSION AGENDA
February 23, 2022 4:00 PM (prevailing time)**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor's Announcement: I hereby declare that notice has been given to the Herald Times, the Atlantic City Press and posted on the bulletin board of the Middle Township Municipal Building, stating the time and place of the following meeting, as required in P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 of the State of New Jersey. (Sunshine Law).

Notice of this meeting was properly given in Resolution No. 37-22 entitled "Establishing Work Session Meeting Nights" which was adopted by Township Committee of the Township of Middle on January 4, 2022.

Members present are Mayor Donohue, Deputy Mayor Gandy, and Committeemember Norris

Business Administrator/Township Clerk Kimberly Osmundsen, Deputy Business Administrator Suzanne Schumann, Township Engineer Vincent Orlando & Municipal Solicitor Marcus Karavan

FLAG SALUTE:**PRESENTATIONS OR DISCUSSIONS:**

New Jersey Department of Agriculture
Gypsy Moth Suppression Program – 2022

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Explained these is a public hearing on the regular agenda for this topic; discussed email sent out regarding estimated costs; explained there is a lot of leg work to complete; explained Emily from administration and the Public Works department is working on paperwork*

Mayor Donohue:

- *Asked if this process is for spraying this year or next year*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Stated the spray would be the current year*

Committeeman Gandy:

- *Asked about costs*

Suzanne Schumann:

- *Explained the costs came in at \$58.74 per acre; discussed possible reimbursements*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Confirmed cost per acre; asked if this cost was for one spray*

Suzanne Schumann:

- *Explained the cost is for total acreage; further explained amount of sprays depends on the area; stated the second spray does not include the campground, but the DEP did suggest the campground complete their own second spray*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Spoke of acreage that needs to be sprayed is about 894 acres*

Suzanne Schumann:

- *Continued to discuss acreage and costs*

Committeeman Gandy:

- *Asked if other residents aside from the campground have complained*

Kimberly Osmundsen/Suzanne Schumann:

- *Stated yes*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Discussed previous spray in 2016*

Committeeman Gandy:

- *Asked about budgeting for the project*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Explained they will have to include the entire amount in the current year's budget*

Committeeman Norris:

- *Clarified that the Township is not guaranteed the 50% reimbursement*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Clarified that was correct; discussed next steps if they want to confirm participation*

Suzanne Schumann:

- *Explained if they choose to participate that spraying would begin as early as May or June*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Asked when the Township has to respond by*

Suzanne Schumann:

- *Stated she was unsure what the set date to respond by was; explained notice of spraying requirements and spraying process*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Explained there was an upcoming budget meeting where they could discuss the effect of the cost before committing*

Mayor Donohue:

- *Asked what was being done formally during the regular meeting*

Kimberly Osmundsen:

- *Explained they would be committing to costs if resolution passed; explained the resolution could be tabled and moved to a future meeting*

Mayor Donohue:

- *Expressed he was not comfortable committing to the cost yet and agreed with tabling the resolution and moving it to a future meeting for consideration*

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND PROJECT UPDATES:

Administration:

Finance:

Public Works:

Engineering:

Legal:

Tax Collection:

Tax Assessment:

Construction/Planning/Zoning:

Recreation:

Police / Animal Control/ Code Enforcement:

Buildings and Grounds:

Sewer:

Economic Development:

Personnel:

Zoning:

Township Clerk:

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

Motion to Adjourn Meeting – 4:14 pm

1st: Committeeman Norris 2nd: Committeeman Gandy

Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Gandy, Committeeman Norris, Mayor Donohue