

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brad Myhre called the special meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and stated that in compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” this Meeting was duly noticed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Express Times on January 26, 2016; the Agenda has been posted at Borough Hall and distributed to the newspapers on January 26, 2016.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Myhre asked everyone to stand for the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present for the Meeting:

John Hindman
Cathy Leach
Michele Liebttag
Jack Opdyke
Caroline Scutt

Absent from Meeting:

William Sullivan

Attorney Albert Cruz and Borough Clerk, Brenda S. Shepherd, were also present for the Meeting. No members of the public were present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Council approved to open the public comment session. Having no public comments, the Mayor and Common Council closed the public comment session.

NEW BUSINESS:

AWARD THE 2016 CONTRACT FOR CURBSIDE SOLID WASTE AND CURBSIDE SINGLE STREAM RECYCLABLE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL - Resolution #2016-27

Michele Liebttag noted that the Borough got very competitive bid from Republic Services and the Borough will save money by going with a 5 year contract. Additional benefits to the residents are the automated trash containers. They will also provide trash containers around the Borough for the public trash. She thanked Attorney Cruz for memorializing the options in the resolution. On motion by Cathy Leach, seconded by Michele Liebttag and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Mayor and Common Council approved Resolution #2016-27 as follows:

**BOROUGH OF FRENCHTOWN
RESOLUTION NO. 2016-27**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Frenchtown provides solid waste and recyclable collection services to its residents; and

WHEREAS, the current contract with Republic Services of NJ, LLC, d/b/a Raritan Valley Disposal, expires on February 29, 2016; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, the Borough issued specifications for the “Curbside Solid Waste Collection and Curbside Single Stream Recyclable

Collection and Disposal”, including nine (9) options for a one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4) or five (5) year contract; and

WHEREAS, Option 1 is for once (1) per week curbside solid waste and recyclable collections, with one (1) annual municipal wide clean up day, inclusive of disposal and processing fees; and

WHEREAS, Option 2 is the same as Option 1 except is exclusive of disposal and processing fees; and

WHEREAS, Option 3 is for once (1) per week curbside solid waste collection and every other week or twenty-six (26) annual recyclable collections, with one (1) annual municipal wide clean up day, inclusive of disposal and processing fees; and

WHEREAS, Option 4 is the same as Option 3 except it is exclusive of disposal and processing fees; and

WHEREAS, Option 5 is to provide solid waste and recyclable containers and collection at up to twenty (20) locations in the downtown area of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Option 6 is to provide four (4) six (6) yard containers to the Department of Public Works to be picked up once (1) per week; and

WHEREAS, Option 7 is to provide one (1) ten (10) yard sludge (grit) container at the Sewer Treatment Plant to be picked up “on call”; and

WHEREAS, Option 8 is for once (1) per week automated collection of ninety-five (95) gallon solid waste carts and ninety-five (95) gallon recyclable carts every other week or twenty-six (26) annual recyclable collections, with the contractor to provide the carts, and one (1) annual municipal wide clean up day, inclusive of disposal and processing fees; and

WHEREAS, Option 9 is the same as Option 8 except it is exclusive of disposal and processing fees; and

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2016, the Borough received bids from Premier Disposal and Republic Services of NJ, LLC, d/b/a Raritan Valley Disposal; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to award Options 5, 6, 7 and 9, exclusive of disposal and processing fees; and

WHEREAS, the following is a comparison of the Premier and Republic bids for Options 5, 6, 7 and 9:

Option 5

Year

Premier

Republic

Price for each container	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.00
Up to twenty (20) containers		

Price to collect each container

1	\$ 15.00	0.00
2	15.00	0.00
3	15.00	0.00
4	15.00	0.00
5	<u>15.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	\$150.00	\$ 0.00

Option 6

<u>Year</u>	<u>Premier</u>	<u>Republic</u>
1	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 0.00
2	2,000.00	0.00
3	2,000.00	0.00
4	2,000.00	0.00
5	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	\$10,000.00	\$0.00

Option 7

<u>Year</u>	<u>Premier</u>	<u>Republic</u>
1	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
2	250.00	260.00
3	250.00	270.00
4	250.00	280.00
5	<u>250.00</u>	<u>290.00</u>
	\$1,250.00	\$1,350.00

Option 9

<u>Year</u>	<u>Premier</u>	<u>Republic</u>
1	\$ 61,650.00	\$ 55,473.00
2	62,883.00	57,137.00
3	64,140.00	58,851.00
4	65,423.00	60,617.00
5	<u>66,730.00</u>	<u>62,436.00</u>
	\$320,826.00	\$294,514.00
Total of Options 5, 6, 7 and 9	\$332,226.00	\$295,864.00

; and

WHEREAS, when Options 5, 6, 7 and 9 are totaled, Republic is the lowest responsible bidder for a five (5) year contract; and

WHEREAS, the Borough believes it is in the best interests of its residents to award Republic a contract for Options 5, 6, 7 and 9, exclusive of disposal and processing fees, for five (5) years, starting March 1, 2016 and ending February 29, 2021, based on the bid prices for collection, with disposal and processing fees based upon actual tonnages disposed or processed at the quoted prices.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the Borough of Frenchtown, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Republic Services of NJ, LLC, d/b/a Raritan Valley Disposal is hereby awarded a contract for Options 5, 6, 7 and 9, exclusive of disposal and processing fees, for five (5) years, starting March 1, 2016 and ending February 29, 2020, based on the bid prices for collection, with disposal and processing fees based upon actual tonnages disposed or processed at the quoted prices.
2. This contract, as a multiple year contract, is subject to annual appropriations.
3. The Chief Financial Officer certified that the funds are available in the 2016 temporary budget.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ATTEST:

COMMON COUNCIL OF THE

BOROUGH OF FRENCHTOWN

Brenda Shepherd, RMC
Borough Clerk

Brad Myhre, Mayor

I, Brenda Shepherd, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Frenchtown, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true, complete and accurate copy of a Resolution adopted by the Common Council of the Borough of Frenchtown at a meeting held on January 27, 2016.

Brenda Shepherd, RMC
Borough Clerk
Dated: January 29, 2016

SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR A ZONING OFFICER WITH THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE - Resolution #2016-28

As a point of clarification, Mayor Myhre noted that the total cost of the shared service is \$3,700.00, \$3,200.00 for the zoning officer and \$500.00 for administrative fees to the City of Lambertville. This represents a cost savings to the Borough. The zoning officer will be here one day a week for two hours, probably on Tuesdays and inspections will be done as needed. On motion by John Hindman, seconded by Cathy Leach and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Mayor and Common Council approved Resolution#2016-28 as attached to this set of minutes, subject to a review of the insurance requirements by the Borough's insurance carrier.

RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE BOROUGH OF FRENCHTOWN'S GARBAGE SERVICES WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES OF NJ LLC DOING BUSINESS AS RARITAN VALLEY DISPOSAL – Resolution #2016-29

Michele Liebttag noted that the extension is necessary for the transition into the new contract. Republic Services will let us know when they will be distributing the new trash carts. On motion by Jack Opdyke, seconded by Michele Liebttag and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Mayor and Common Council approved Resolution #2016-29 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2016-29

RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE BOROUGH OF FRENCHTOWN'S GARBAGE SERVICES WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES OF NJ LLC DOING BUSINESS AS RARITAN VALLEY DISPOSAL

Whereas, the Borough of Frenchtown entered into a contract in the amount of \$45,771.36 with Republic Services of NJ LLC doing business as Raritan Valley Disposal for garbage services for the 2011 after receipt of bids; and

Whereas, this contract allows the Borough of Frenchtown to extend this contract with Republic Services of NJ LLC doing business as Raritan Valley Disposal for up to four (4) one (1) year terms under the same terms, conditions and price; and

Whereas, the contractor has performed in an efficient manner and that it was in the best interest of the Borough to extend the contract; and

Whereas, the Borough of Frenchtown wishes to extend this contract until February 29, 2016 under the same terms, conditions and price so that bids can be received by the Borough on January 13, 2016, reviewed and a contract awarded by February 29, 2016 for the 2016 Garbage and Recycling Services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has appropriated sufficient funds for this extension;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Frenchtown, County of Hunterdon, that the Garbage Contract with Republic Services of NJ LLC doing business as Raritan Valley Disposal be extended until February 29, 2016 under the same terms, conditions and price so that bids can be received on January 13, 2106, reviewed and a contract awarded by February 29, 2016 for the 2016 Garbage and Recycling Services.

I, Brenda S. Shepherd, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the Borough of Frenchtown at a meeting held on January 29, 2016.

Brenda S. Shepherd, RMC
Borough Clerk

COUNSEL COMMENTS

Attorney Cruz noted that John Paff, an open government advocate, submitted an OPRA request on the Johnson vs. Frenchtown law suit for the amended complaint and the settlement agreement. Under the Open Public Records Act, the amended complaint that was filed in court is a public document and the Settlement Agreement by law is also a public document. Brenda Shepherd has the documents. That agreement required you not to disparage Mr. Johnson in any way. If you receive questions, refer it to Attorney Rosenthal.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Myhre commented that if time allows at the next meeting, he would like to do a public recognition of the Police, Fire Department, Public Works and OEM for their work on the evacuation of the Homestead House and the work after that providing food, etc. They did a great job. Temporary repairs were done and the residents are back in the home. Mayor Myhre added that he pulled the NJDCA report and there are 29 violations at that house.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 am on motion by Michele Liebttag, seconded by Jack Opdyke and carried by favorable voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Shepherd, RMC
Borough Clerk