The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2015 in the Lakewood Municipal Building at 5:30 PM for the Workshop/Executive Session and 7:30 PM for the Public Meeting, with the following present:

Mayor………………………………Albert D. Akerman
Deputy Mayor……Absent……Menashe P. Miller
Committee Members…………… Raymond Coles
                         Michael J. D’Elia
                         Absent……Meir Lichtenstein
Municipal Manager…………….Thomas Henshaw
Municipal Attorney………………Steven Secare, Esq.
Municipal Clerk……………………Kathryn Cirulli

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, and published in the Asbury Park Press on January 8, 2015 and amended on June 9, 2015 via email.

ROLL CALL

CLOSED SESSION
Resolution No. 2015-203 – Adopted.

ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PRAYER

OPEN SESSION
Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D’Elia, and carried, to open the meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF: May 21, 2015
Motion by Committeeman D’Elia, second by Committeeman Coles, and carried, to approve the above Minutes. Committeeman Coles abstained.

MOTION TO APPROVE WORKSHOP AND CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: May 21, 2015
Motion by Committeeman D’Elia, second by Committeeman Coles, and carried, to approve the above Closed Session Minutes. Committeeman Coles abstained.

PRESENTATIONS - Arbor Day Posters

Mayor Akerman and Michael Gross, Chairman of the Shade Tree Commission, presented Certificates to the winners of the Arbor Day Poster Contest.
Mayor Akerman and Craig Theibault presented Michael Gross, Chairman of the Shade Tree Commission, with a Proclamation in recognition and appreciation for his service to the Township of Lakewood and the Shade Tree Commission.

Comments from the public will be heard for a limit of one (1) hour. Each speaker will have four (4) minutes and shall be limited to one time at the podium.

Mayor Akerman opened the meeting to the public.

Alice Kelsey, 295B Malvern Court East – Asked the Township Committee for their consideration in passing a Resolution standing in opposition of the clear cutting of all the trees in Lakewood.

Mrs. Kelsey also asked for an update on the monies owed to Leisure Village.

Mr. Secare responded that he can not provide an update, as no one has contacted him since the last meeting.

Mrs. Kelsey further commented on the housing development at the corner of Clover Street and Cedarbridge Avenue, known as the Kennedy housing. She has many questions with regard to the reconstruction of this housing development, and the relocation of the residents. She asked who is in charge of the project; are there any plans for recreation for the children; will the residents be entitled to come back after completion of the construction and where was that put in writing, when were the residents informed of this, and how come they do not have any paperwork on it; the residents were originally told they would be coming back at the same rent but now have been advised they will be responsible for paying their utilities; what is CIT, and who in Lakewood is negotiating with CIT for the work that is going there; and what is STEPS part in this project. She understands that the Housing Authority is in charge of the housing there, but STEPS is in charge of getting the people rehoused. She wants to know where she can go to find the answers to her questions so that when people ask these questions, she can answer them.

Committeeman Coles responded that the Lakewood Housing Authority is the first and last place that she needs to go for any information about this project. They own the project. They wanted to tear the entire development down and rebuild it from scratch but there were not enough federal funds to do that. So CIT came in and they are basically going to do a major rehabilitation of the whole development. Some of the buildings are coming down because the design of that complex has been a major problem for the Police Department for years. They are trying to provide decent housing and remove a major problem in the town for many years. CIT is a community investment developer who has done many affordable housing projects all over the state. He believes the Housing Authority put out an RFP a few years ago. CIT was selected to be the developer of the project. They will be responsible for the project and the Lakewood Housing Authority will receive a portion of the rents that come in, but CIT will be running it. He does not know exactly how the rental structures will be set when the
residents go back in. He knows that because they are on public housing their rents are based on thirty percent of their income. He is not sure whether or not they will be able to take the utilities into account. STEPS was hired to help the people find interim housing. Because the housing that they are in now is subsidized, not the individual, in order to rehabilitate this, the residents have to be relocated. They are going to be given a Section 8 voucher which is probably preferable to living in a development like that, because it allows them to go anywhere in the country to find housing. They will also be given first right to return once the apartments are completed. They will have the option to take that voucher and live somewhere else in Lakewood, or in another town, or another state, or come back into that development when it is completed. STEPS was hired to help them relocate. He does know if they signed the final contract. As far as her major questions, he suggested that Mrs. Kelsey speak with Mary Jo Grauso, the Executive Director of the Housing Authority, and Mike McNeil from STEPS can also fill her in on more of the details as to what his group is doing and how they are helping them out.

Noreen Gill, 192 Coventry Drive – Complained about the many construction sites causing traffic congestion. There are police officers at the construction sites, but she believes they need extra police to get the traffic moving.

Mrs. Gill also asked if the developers of these new developments under construction are paying impact fees. The town is now bonding for sidewalks, but people are still walking in the street. County Line Road is now going to have sidewalks, and she wants to see how many people will still walk in the road. She wants to know if they are paying an impact fee. Is there a Resolution, and has this been instituted.

Mayor Akerman responded that they are working on the Impact Fee Ordinance; the Planners have been working on it for a long time. It is a complicated Ordinance, and it has to take specific improvements into account, so that is why is has not been done yet, but they are working on it.

Robert Honig, 2 Belvedere Lane – Complained about the lighting in the area in which he lives. It is totally insufficient for the area. It is a busy area; children are riding bicycles all over, and skateboarding and there is not enough lighting. From Twin Oaks Road up to Belvedere Lane, which is about two hundred feet, there is no lighting at all. He made this request a few years ago, and was told it was JCPL’s responsibility, but nothing has been done to date. He is concerned about the safety of the residents who walk in the area at night. There are sidewalks along one side of the street only. People walk in the road, which is a very narrow street, which is another issue. Parking should only be permitted along one side of the street, and they need more lighting. He believes this is an urgent matter, which is the safety of the residents, and that the Committee should look into this and make it a top priority.

Mayor Akerman requested that Mr. Honig leave his name and contact information with the Township Clerk and someone can check with JCPL on the status.
Mike McGluckin, 11 Eldorado Drive – Asked about Resolution No. 10. Why was the Township giving this money back, $11,760.00; what constituted the Township’s ability to do this?

Mayor Akerman responded that it came as a recommendation from the Tax Collector. He assumes it is something that they did erroneously. He saw the Resolution, and he does not remember exactly what it is, but in this case it was determined they should have not sold it, and had no legal means to sell it.

Mr. McGluckin stated, if he understands correctly, the answer is that the town assessed something, then sold the lien that they should not have sold, and now they are going to give the money back.

Mayor Akerman responded that it is his understanding.

Mr. Secare stated that was accurate. They should not have foreclosed on that. It is not going to cost the town any money. They got the money in, so they have to credit it back to the account.

Seeing no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Akerman closed the meeting to the public.

Mayor Akerman advised they now have to go out of order on the Agenda, and vote on an Ordinance for second reading prior to the Consent Agenda, because it affects one of the Resolutions.

**ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING**

Ordinance Authorizing an Emergency Appropriation Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Akerman opened the meeting to the public.

David Drukaroff, 1433 Laurelwood Avenue – Asked what this is all about and why are they doing it?

Mr. Henshaw explained that the Township was directed by the County to do a Revaluation of the Township. This is not something that the Mayor and Township Committee wanted to do, but they were mandated to do it, and that is why they are doing it.

Committeeman Coles explained that they have to pass this Ordinance before they pass the Resolution relating to the Ordinance.

Seeing no one else wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.
The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D'Elia. 
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman D'Elia and Mayor Akerman. 
Absent: Committeeman Lichtenstein and Deputy Mayor Miller. 
**Ordinance No. 2015-32 adopted on second reading.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Township of Lakewood and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

   Resolution No. 2015-204

2. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing the Maintenance Guarantee posted by Nathan Grunhut in Connection with Myrtle Place, Block 12.08, Lot 4.**
   Resolution No. 2015-205

3. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing the Maintenance Guarantees posted by Cottage Place LLC/Cottage Place Homes, LLC, in Connection with Application ZB #3682 (Cottage Place), Block 247, Lots 28.01 and 28.02.**
   Resolution No. 2015-206

4. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing a Performance Guarantee posted by South Clear, LLC, in Connection with SD #1551a, Block 5, Lots 1.01 and 5, and Block 11, Lots 5, 16, 21, 22, 23, 35, 97 and 101.**
   Resolution No. 2015-207

5. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the Ocean County Board of Health and the Township of Lakewood for the Provision of Administrative and Programmatic Lakewood Municipal Alliance Oversight.**
   Resolution No. 2015-208
Resolution No. 2015-209

7. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey Accepting a Bid on Block 11 Lot 52 As a Result of the Private Sale in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq.
This Resolution was removed from the Consent Agenda and no action was taken relating thereto.

8. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Reducing the Performance Guarantee (First Reduction) posted by 319 Cedarbridge, LLC in Connection with SD #1607, for Block 548, Lot 170.47.
Resolution No. 2015-210

9. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, Releasing a Performance Guarantee posted by Sterling Place ZZ, LLC in Connection with ZB #3833, Block 189.02, Lots 177 and 178.
Resolution No. 2015-211

Resolution No. 2015-212

11. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, Amending a Resolution to Accept a Bid And Issue a New Consumption Liquor License to L’Chayim Liquors.
Resolution No. 2015-213

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D'Elia, to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 6 and 8 through 11 on the Consent Agenda.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman D'Elia and Mayor Akerman.
Resolution Nos. 2015-204 through 2015-213 – Adopted.
ORDINANCES SECOND READING

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter XVIII (Unified Development Ordinance), Article IX (Zoning Districts and Regulations), Section 18-902.B Residential (R-40) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Lakewood, 1999 (Chapter 18 – UDO – Residential R-40 Zone)

Read by title only for second reading.
Mayor Akerman opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

Ordinance No. 2015-11 died due to lack of Motion.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter XVIII of the Lakewood Township Unified Development Ordinance of 2005, by Repealing in its Entirety, Section 18-707 Entitled “Tax Map/GIS Database Update Fees” and Creating a New Section 2-76.8 entitled “Tax Map/GIS Database Update Fees” to be Included in Chapter 2 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Lakewood, 1999, entitled “Administration”

Read by title only for second reading.
Mayor Akerman opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D’Elia.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman D’Elia and Mayor Akerman.

Ordinance No. 2015-33 adopted on second reading.

Amended Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter XI entitled “Traffic” of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Lakewood, Specifically Section 11-37 (Control for Movement and the Parking of Traffic on Public and Private Property), Part 1 (Municipal Parking Lots)

Read by title only for second reading.
Mayor Akerman opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman D’Elia, second by Committeeman Coles.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman D’Elia and Mayor Akerman.

Ordinance No. 2015-34 adopted on second reading.
An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter XVIII of the Lakewood Township Unified Development Ordinance of 2005 (Chapter 18 – UDO - Single Family Residential R-40B)
Read by title only for second reading.
Mayor Akerman asked that this Ordinance be carried to July 23rd because of noticing issues.
Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D’Elia, to carry the above Ordinance to July 23, 2015.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman D’Elia and Mayor Akerman.
Committeeman Coles explained that they have to carry this Ordinance because they have to notice every house in the area about the zoning change. There are over a thousand letters that have to go out before they can vote on it, so realistically they won’t be able to get to it until the second meeting in July and that is why they carried it to that date.
Second reading and public hearing on Ordinance No. 2015-35 carried to the meeting of July 23, 2015.

ORDINANCES FIRST READING - Second Reading on June 25, 2015

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 830 Lots 42 and 43, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at Public Sale Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, Et Seq.
Read by title only for first reading.
The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D’Elia.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman D’Elia and Mayor Akerman.
Ordinance No. 2015-36 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on June 25, 2015.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter II ”Administration” of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Lakewood, by Repealing in its Entirety Section 2-20 “Police Department” and Creating a New Section 2-20 “Police Department”.
Read by title only for first reading.
The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D’Elia.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman D’Elia and Mayor Akerman.
Ordinance No. 2015-37 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on June 25, 2015.

CORRESPONDENCE

Per list of six (6) correspondence items, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

PARKS/EVENTS CORRESPONDENCE

Per schedule of twenty (20) parks/events requests, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The Township Clerk advised that the Committee has to set fees with regard to one of the requests.

Committeeman Coles asked shouldn’t Public Works be setting the fees.

Mayor Akerman asked what is the problem with the fees and why didn’t Public Works set the fees.

Mayor Akerman asked that they amend the Motion to not include this request, which is the request of 2Vida for a Summer Festival, for June 27th. They can vote on it at the next meeting, and can have Public Works figure out the fees.

Committeeman Coles stated that is cutting it very close. Why don’t they approve it, pending their acceptance of the fees imposed by Public Works. Motion amended.

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D'Elia, and carried, to approve the above correspondence items, with the above condition.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: June 10, 2015
Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D'Elia, to approve the above Bill List. On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman D'Elia and Mayor Akerman.
Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS - None
ADJOURNMENT
Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman D'Elia, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.