

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING, EXTINGUISHING AND VACATING THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC OF A PORTION OF A PAPER STREET KNOWN AS HARDEN STREET, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(b) and N.J.S.A. 40:67-19, the Township Committee may, by ordinance, vacate any public street or portion thereof, dedicated to public use, but not accepted by the Township, whether or not the same, or any part, has been actually opened or improved; and

WHEREAS, certain portions of Harden Street, in the Township of Lakewood are paper streets and remains unimproved; and

WHEREAS, a portion of Harden Street hereinafter described have been determined to be unnecessary for public use; and

WHEREAS, by Interoffice Memorandum dated October 20, 2016 from Ally Morris, the Lakewood Township Planning Board Administrator supported the vacation of a certain portion of Harden Street hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Township Committee as follows:

- (1) That the portion of Harden Street described herein below is not needed for public road purposes; and
- (2) That the said portion of Harden Street lends itself to higher and better use than for public road purposes and that it is in the best interest of the general public and the Township of Lakewood that the rights and interests in and to same shall as a public right of way be vacated, released and extinguished; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(b), the Township Committee must, by Ordinance, preserve the right of public utilities to maintain, repair and replace their existing utility facilities, including cable television facilities, in, adjacent to, over, or under the property or right-of-way to be vacated;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. All public easements, right and interests to a portion of Harden Street as described herein below are hereby vacated, released and extinguished except for all rights and privileges now possessed by public utilities, as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:2-13, and by any Cable Television Company, as defined in the "Cable Television Act," N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1 et seq., to maintain, repair and replace their existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the street, or any part thereof, to be vacated subject to the conditions described herein; all conditions, unless otherwise noted, shall be satisfied prior to said vacation being effective.

Description of the portions of apportion of Harden Street being vacated:

Vacation of a Portion of Harden Street - Parcel 4611V25

Parcel 4611V25; **Beginning at a point** at the intersection of the Easterly line of Harden Street (50 foot right of way) and the Southerly line of Borden Avenue (50 foot right of way and unimproved) and from said beginning point running; thence,

- (1) Along the Easterly line of Harden Street, S. 03° 06' 41" E. (calculated), a distance of 73.69 feet (calculated) to a point; thence,
- (2) Crossing Harden Street S. 80° 15' 41" W. (calculated), a distance of 50.34 feet (calculated) to a point along the Westerly line of Harden Street; thence,
- (3) Along the Westerly line of Harden Street, N. 03° 06' 41" W. (calculated), a distance of 79.50 feet (calculated) to a point at the intersection of the Westerly line of Harden Street and the Southerly line of Borden Avenue; thence,
- (4) Crossing Harden Street and along the Southerly line of Borden Avenue, N. 86° 53' 19" E. (calculated), a distance of 50.00 feet (calculated), to the **Point and Place of Beginning**.

Said Parcel 4611V25 contains an area of 0.088 acres or 3,830 square feet, more or less.

Borden Avenue and Harden Street are shown on filed map of Pine Forest Manor Section C, filed as Map B-88 and recorded on August 2, 1920 in the Ocean County Clerk's Office, New Jersey and map of Pine Forest Manor Section C-1, filed as Map A-152 and recorded on June 29, 1921 in the Ocean County Clerk's Office, New Jersey.

SECTION 2. The Township Clerk shall publish, this ordinance, after being introduced and having passed a first reading, at least once not less than ten (10) days instead of one (1) week prior to the time fixed for further consideration for final passage, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:49-6.

SECTION 3. The Township Clerk shall, at least one (1) week prior to the time fixed for final passage of such ordinance, mail a copy thereof, together with a notice of the introduction thereof, and the time and place when and where the ordinance will be further considered for final passage, to every person whose lands may be affected by the ordinance or any assessment which may be made in pursuance thereof, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:49-6.

SECTION 4. The Township Clerk shall within sixty (60) days after such ordinance becomes effective file a certified copy of the ordinance vacating the street with the office of the County Clerk in a special book set aside for dedications and vacations, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-21.

SECTION 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 6. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or any part of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this ordinance not directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Lakewood, in the County of Ocean and State of New Jersey on the **27th day of October, 2016**, and was then read for the first time. The said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage by the Township Committee in the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. on **December 1, 2016**. At such time and place or any time or place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

KATHRYN HUTCHINSON, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk