

The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, April 3, 2014, in the Lakewood Municipal Building, at 6:30 PM for the Workshop/Executive Session, and 7:30 PM for the Public Meeting, with the following present:

Mayor..... Menashe P. Miller
Deputy Mayor..... Albert D. Akerman
Committee Members..... Raymond Coles
Steven Langert
Meir Lichtenstein
Interim Municipal Manager.....Steven Reinman
Municipal Attorney..... Jan L. Wouters, Esq.
Municipal Clerk..... Mary Ann Del Mastro

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, by Resolution of the Township Committee adopted January 1, 2014 and published in the Asbury Park Press on January 6, 2014.

ROLL CALL

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 2014-127 – Adopted.

ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PRAYER

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Langert, and carried, to open the meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF: 03/20/14

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Langert, and carried, to approve the above Minutes. Committeeman Coles did not vote.

MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: 03/20/14

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Langert, and carried, to approve the above Closed Session Minutes. Committeeman Coles did not vote.

PRESENTATIONS - None

ORDINANCES FOR DISCUSSION - None

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 Miller opened the meeting to the public.

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

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.

- 1. Resolution Releasing the Maintenance Guarantee posted by Levi Isaacson, in connection with Application SD# 1525 AE (New York Ave.), Block 95, Lot 223.
Resolution No. 2014-128**
- 2. Resolution Releasing the Maintenance Guarantee posted by Land Technology at Manalapan, in connection with Application SD# 1424 (Miller Road), Block 11.04, Lot 3.
Resolution No. 2014-129**
- 3. Resolution Releasing the Maintenance Guarantee posted by Villa Marie LLC, in connection with Application SD# 1387 (Pine Circle, Lafayette Dr., and Thorndike Dr.), Block 267, Lot 7.
Resolution No. 2014-130**
- 4. Resolution Accepting Grant and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Fund Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2013.
Resolution No. 2014-131**
- 5. Resolution Authorizing a Person-to-Person Transfer for Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License No. 1514-33-001-010, to Javier Perez-Hernandez.
Resolution No. 2014-132**
- 6. Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to Reverse the Billing on a Taxable Line Item, for Block 12.07, Lot 20.
Resolution No. 2014-133**

- 7. Resolution Authorizing Additional Interest on a Non-Municipal Lien Redemption, for Block 1248, Lot 133.01, in the amount of \$201.32.
Resolution No. 2014-134**
- 8. Resolution Authorizing a Refund based on a Tax Court Judgment, for Block 189.03, Lot 91.01, in the amount of \$7,167.00.
Resolution No. 2014-135**
- 9. Resolution Appointing Captain Gregory Meyer as Deputy Coordinator to the Office of Emergency Management.
Resolution No. 2014-136**
- 10. Resolution Proclaiming April 13th. through April 19, 2014 as National Library Week.
Resolution No. 2014-137**
- 11. Resolution Approving a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Engineering Services to FWH Associates, Pa, not to exceed \$138,000.00.
Resolution No. 2014-138**
- 12. Resolution Authorizing an Increase of Quotation Threshold.
Resolution No. 2014-139**
- 13. Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Lakewood and Township of Toms River, and the Township of Brick, in the amount of \$52,392.00. (2011 Edward Byrne Memorial Grant)
Resolution No. 2014-140**
- 14. Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Lakewood and Township of Toms River, and the Township of Brick, in the amount of \$32,963. (2013 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Grant)
Resolution No. 2014-141**
- 15. Resolution Supporting the United States Drug Enforcement Agency National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on April 26, 2014.
Resolution No. 2014-142**
- 16. Resolution Accepting Grant No. MOB-CIOT-2014-Lakewood Township-00011, for the Click it or Ticket Grant Enforcement Grant, in the amount of \$4,000.00.
Resolution No. 2014-143**

- 17. Resolution Declaring Default of Performance Guarantee of SD#1551a (Major Subdivision: South Lake Park), Blocks 5, and 11, lots 1.0 and 5; 5, 16, 21, 22, 23, 35, 97, and 101, South Clear, LLC. Resolution No. 2014-144**
- 18. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Heritage Commission. Resolution No. 2014-145**

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 18 on the Consent Agenda.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Resolution Nos. 2014-128 through 2014-145 – Adopted.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

Bond Ordinance Providing for Upgrades to the 911 Call Handling System, Appropriating \$182,000.00 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$172,900.00 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the Costs thereof, Authorized in and by the Township of Lakewood, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey.

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller 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 Langert, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-17 adopted on second reading.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 855.01, Lot 36, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at Private Sale, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. (Private Land Sale – Blk. 855.01, Lot 36)

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller 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 Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-18 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Changing the Name of a Street to Harmony Drive pursuant to and in Accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(k) et seq.

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller 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 Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-21 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1 et seq. Granting Abatement to Local Property Taxes to Lakewood Conference Center, LLC, for Facilities located at Block 93, Lot 17, and Authorizing the Mayor and Township Clerk to Execute any and all Documents necessary and proper to enter into a Tax Abatement Agreement.

Read by title only for second reading.

Committeeman Lichtenstein removed himself from the dais with regard to this Ordinance.

Mr. Wouters advised that the applicant was present to make a presentation.

David Gluck, 401 Madison Avenue, Lakewood – Owner of the Lakewood Conference Center. Advised that this building was abandoned for the past four or five years, at the corner of Madison Avenue and Fourth Street. They put over two million dollars into this building to upgrade the site. Currently they have a bank as a tenant on the third floor that brings a lot of jobs to the area. They have twenty-five cubicles for employees. In the basement, there is a facility for catering. On the main floor, there is rabbinical court where there are twenty-five employees daily taking sessions. Currently, approximately one hundred jobs have been created for this building on a yearly basis. They hope the Township Committee will grant a tax abatement which will help them carry the financial burden for the first few years.

Mayor Miller 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 Langert, for purposes of discussion.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman.

Abstain – Committeeman Lichtenstein and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-22 adopted on second reading.

Committeeman Lichtenstein thanked the applicant for taking that eyesore and turning it into a thriving building. That building was a blight on the downtown area for quite a few years. He is impressed with the workmanship that was put into it, and there is some parking there. He thanked the applicant. He appreciates the fact that they are here, and hopes they will be a good corporate citizen in the downtown area, and the downtown will be good to them, and they will be good for Lakewood.

Committeeman Lichtenstein agreed that they did a fantastic job, and the building looks beautiful in the downtown area.

ORDINANCE FIRST READING (Second reading and Public Hearing 04/30/14)

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 1154, Lot 7, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at Private 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 Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-23 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on April 30, 2014.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Public Sale of Block 1154, Lot 10, 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 Deputy Mayor Akerman.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-24 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on April 30, 2014.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 12.01, Lot 20, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at Private Sale, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. (Private Land Sale – Blk. 12.01, Lot 20)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-25 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on April 30, 2014.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Acquisition of Storm Sewer Easement in, over and across a part of the Real Property known as Block 236, Lot 15.04, in the Township of Lakewood and paying certain Costs for the Repair and Relocation of a Storm Sewer Pipe.

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Akerman.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-26 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on April 30, 2014.

CORRESPONDENCE

Per list of two (2) correspondence items, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

PARKS/EVENTS CORRESPONDENCE

Per schedule of twenty-seven (27) parks/events requests, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Akerman, and carried, to approve the above correspondence items.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 04/01/14

Motion by Committeeman Langert, second by Committeeman Coles, to approve the above Bill List.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committeeman Lichtenstein wished everyone a safe, healthy, and happy holiday.

Committeeman Langert wished everyone a happy holiday. And reminded everyone that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 30th.

Mayor Miller reminded everyone that the Memorial Day Parade is coming up. Anyone wishing to participate should contact the Mayor's office.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.