

PUBLIC COMMENT

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.

Vivian Knight, Colleton Street – Commented on the subject of the holiday decorations. (Inaudible comments....) She stated that there is a Menorah and a Christmas Tree, and she would like to request that a Manger be put up, because the tree, as beautiful as it is, is not the religious symbol of the holiday. The Menorah is a religious symbol of the holiday. She wants it to be fair to everybody (inaudible comments).....especially nowadays, to prove we are all one, of one mind, of one order....She thinks it is a lovely thing. She requested to present a letter to the Committee.

Mayor Akerman responded, sure, please do.

Ms. Knight requested that the Mayor read the letter, and advised that it is for everyone.

Mayor Akerman thanked Ms. Knight, and asked if she was from Calvary.

Ms. Knight responded yes, that she speaks for herself and for everybody on the correspondence. She feels that it may be an oversight, especially with everything that is going on in this world today. Lakewood is growing by leaps and bounds and we have everybody here, which is great. But she thinks that everybody should be represented, and thinks it would be an important thing, so she is requesting the Committee's consideration to her request.

Mayor Akerman responded that they try. For instance, by the lake there is the tree always, and never the Menorah. But some things stay the same way so he appreciates her bringing it to their attention.

Ms. Knight stated that the tree is beautiful and so is the Menorah, and rightfully so,(inaudible comments)..... but there should be religious representation for both. The tree is for Christmas, but is not religious representation.

Mayor Akerman thanked Ms. Knight and advised that he would hand the matter over to the Manager.

Ms. Knight asked how would she find out what the result is.

Mr. Secare advised that he has done a lot of research on this and there are Supreme Court cases and Federal cases on this subject, about freedom of religion, freedom of expression, and it is a pretty dicey field. If the ACLU sues you, you could have a problem. He advised he would review some of the cases but it is not as easy as one might think.

Committeeman Lichtenstein explained to Ms. Knight that the Mayor would hand it to the Manager, and the Manager and the Attorney would look at it. If the Attorney feels it is appropriate to do, he would come back to the Committee for their decision. If he feels it is inappropriate, he would advise the Committee, and the Manager would be her point of contact.

Mr. Secare added he would research the matter, but it just may not be permissible. He has not done research on it for a couple of years, but did a lot on it for another town that he was representing.

Ms. Knight asked what would be the negative downside of it?

Mr. Secare responded, the first amendment.

Ms. Knight asked, such as?

Mr. Secare responded....No state shall make any rule regarding the establishment of a religion.

Ms. Knight asked....but isn't that kind of the same thing if the Menorah is up.....that is still a religion.

Mr. Secare responded that he would take a look at it. It is kind of dicey, honestly.

Ms. Knight stated that she knows, but is just stating her out-take on it as an average public citizen. You are not putting up a dreidel, you are putting up a Menorah for a specific religion.

Mr. Secare promised he will look at it.

Ms. Knight responded that she is just letting you know her heartfelt thoughts on it, and then asked if she should come back at a certain time to find out the result, and this way she would know what she has to do.

Mr. Secare responded that the Clerk has her name and address, and she would receive an answer in a week or so.

Someone asked if she signed the letter she submitted.

Ms. Knight answered, no. That is the Pastor of Calvary Lighthouse, which is a 2500 congregation, church. She continued that if the result is found to be negative, she can go to News 12 to see if she can get some things overturned, or go to the American Center for Law and Justice.

(Everyone at once talking....inaudible comments.)

Ms. Knight continued that she feels this is an important issue, and for peace at this time, that her request should be considered.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – He wanted to get it on the record, that he feels that the Township should slow down on the expansion of the town. Commented on need to get the infrastructure in place before there is further development in the town.

Dale _____ - Requested that the Committee consider an Ordinance for the regulation of wages for undocumented individuals.

Sonia Martinez, Woehr Avenue – (Spoke through translator) Requested that the Committee consider an Ordinance for the regulation of wages for undocumented individuals.

Craig Garcia, 30 Clinton Street, Newark – Requested that the Committee consider an Ordinance for the regulation of wages for undocumented individuals.

Seeing no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Akerman 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 of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Appropriation Reserve Transfers in the 2015 Municipal Budget.
Resolution No. 2015-423**

- 2. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Ocean County for the Electrical Current to be Provided for the Traffic Signal Located at the Intersection of Cedar Bridge Avenue (County Road #5) and Flannery Avenue.
Resolution No. 2015-424**

- 3. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing a Purchase of 2,000 Recycling Containers through the National IPA Cooperative in Accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2(b)(3), et seq. (Toter, LLC)
Resolution No. 2015-425**

4. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing Performance Guarantee posted by Congregation Toras Emes, in Connection with SP #1856, Block 370, Lots 1 and 3.
Resolution No. 2015-426**
5. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue into the 2015 Municipal Budget for Funding Under the FY2015 Clean Communities Grant Program in the Amount of \$118,407.61.
Resolution No. 2015-427**
6. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Accepting a Bid for Block 494 Lot 20 as a Result of the Private Land Sale in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, et seq.
Resolution No. 2015-428**
7. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Accepting a Bid for Block 855.01, Lot 37 as a Result of the Private Land Sale in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, et seq.
Resolution No. 2015-429**
8. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Accepting a Bid for Block 1042 Lot 5 as a Result of the Private Land Sale in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, et seq.
Resolution No. 2015-430**
9. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing a Performance Guarantee Posted by Lakewood Property Developers, LLC, in Connection with SD #1782, Block 8, Lot 1 and Block 11, Lots 45, 105, 106 and 133.
Resolution No. 2015-431**
10. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing a Performance Guarantee Posted by W & M Realty Group, LLC, in Connection with SP #1871A, Block 128, Lot 7
Resolution No. 2015-432**
11. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing a Performance Guarantee Posted by Chinuch L'Bonos in Connection with SP #1884A, Block 189.04, Lot 188
Resolution No. 2015-433**

12. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing a Performance Guarantee Posted by David Flam (Moses Stern) in Connection with SD #1610, Minor Subdivision Bruce Street, Block 248.02, Lots 31 – 34
Resolution No. 2015-434**
13. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing a Performance Guarantee Posted by David Flam (Moses Stern) in Connection with SD #1610, Bruce Street Utility Installation and Roadway Restoration, Block 248.02, Lots 31 – 34
Resolution No. 2015-435**
14. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing a Performance Guarantee Posted by Dubin Contracting, LLC, in Connection with SP #2061, Congregation of Chestnut, Inc., Block 1051.07, Lot 51.
Resolution No. 2015-436**
15. **Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract to Lance Electric for the Purchase and Installation of Two (2) New Generators.
Resolution No. 2015-437**
16. **Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing Execution Of A License Agreement With Alexander Markowitz To Permit Planting Of Trees On Block 25, Lot 26 On The Lakewood Township Tax Map.
Resolution No. 2015-438**
17. **Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Fireworks Display by Serpico Pyrotechnics, LLC/Starfire Corporation, Joint Venture, in connection with the Annual Holiday Celebration
This Resolution was removed from the Consent Agenda.**

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, for the removal of Item 17, and to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 16 on the Consent Agenda.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman D’Elia, Deputy Mayor Miller (with the record reflecting that his reason for the removal of Item 17 is solely to save finances for the Township, nothing more, and nothing less) and Mayor Akerman.

Resolution Nos. 2015-423 through 2015-439 – Adopted.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Approving the Pilot Application and Authorizing the Mayor and Township Clerk to Execute a Financial Agreement by and Between the Township of Lakewood And Ocean Care Realty Urban Renewal, LLC Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1, et seq. for Property Located at Block 961.01, Lot 2.05, as Shown on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Lakewood Located in the Cedarbridge Redevelopment Plan Area.

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 Lichtenstein.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-64 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Providing for the Disposal of Police Prisoner Property.

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 Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-65 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township Committee of the Township of Lakewood Approving an Amendment to the Cedar Bridge Redevelopment Plan Pursuant to the New Jersey Local Redevelopment and Housing Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et seq.)

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 Deputy Mayor Miller.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-66 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 477 Lot 11, 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 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 Deputy Mayor Miller, second by Committeeman D'Elia.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-67 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 470 Lot 5, 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 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 Lichtenstein, Committeeman D'Elia, Deputy Mayor Miller and Mayor Akerman.

Ordinance No. 2015-68 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 466 Lot 3, 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 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 Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Miller.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-69 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 459 Lot 4, 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 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 Lichtenstein, Committeeman D'Elia, Deputy Mayor Miller and Mayor Akerman.

Ordinance No. 2015-70 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey Amending and Supplementing Chapter XX of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Lakewood, 1999, entitled “Streets and Sidewalks”, by Repealing Sections 20-1 through 20-6, inclusive, in its Entirety, and Replacing it with New Chapter XX entitled “Streets and Sidewalks”

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 Lichtenstein, Committeeman D'Elia.....

Before he votes, Deputy Mayor Miller wanted to clarify that it is supposed to be that even within three years of a newly opened street you can use infrared to pave it. He does not see the wording that even within the first three years of newly constructed roadways that you should be allowed to use infrared.

Mayor Akerman asked how do they do this, because he knows that is the intention of this Ordinance, to include that. That is what they discussed in Executive Session.

Mr. Secare responded that they can move to change the Ordinance.

Mayor Akerman confirmed that they can add that wording to the Motion.

Mr. Secare responded yes.

Deputy Mayor Miller advised he would vote yes, as is, and requested that the Mr. Secare review it, and if it is not in the Ordinance they would need to tweak it to make sure it is.

Mr. Secare responded that would be permitted as long as it is on the record.

Deputy Mayor Miller wanted to put it on the record that clearly the intent is that people who are on a block where there is brand new construction, brand new roadway, but still need to put in utilities, they can, even within the first three years, as long as they use infrared to close up the road.

Committeeman Lichtenstein added that it is a certain percentage, as approved by the Engineer.

Roll Call continued: Affirmative – Deputy Mayor Miller and Mayor Akerman.

Ordinance No. 2015-71 adopted on second reading, as amended.

An Ordinance Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Amending And Supplementing Chapter XI (Traffic) Of The Revised General Ordinances Of The Township Of Lakewood, Specifically Section 11-35 (Handicapped Parking).

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 Lichtenstein, Committeeman D'Elia, Deputy Mayor Miller and Mayor Akerman.

Ordinance No. 2015-72 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Acquisition of Potential Outstanding Interests in Certain Properties Located in an Area Designated as in Need of Redevelopment, by Conveyance or the Exercise of Eminent Domain

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 Lichtenstein.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-73 adopted on second reading.

ORDINANCES FIRST READING - Second Reading on December 17, 2015

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 Powell Avenue, in the Township of Lakewood.

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2015-74 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on December 17, 2015.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Public Sale of Block 1106, Lot 1 in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at Open 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 Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Miller.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-75 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on December 17, 2015.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 1087, Lot 2, 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 Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Miller.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-76 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on December 17, 2015.

An 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 11-21 (“Multiple Stop Intersections”), Subsection 11-21.1 (“Four Way Stops”).

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Deputy Mayor Miller, second by Committeeman D’Elia.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-77 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on December 17, 2015.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Regulating the Care, Maintenance, Security and Upkeep of the Exterior of Vacant or Abandoned Residential Properties on Which a Summons and Complaint in a Foreclosure Action has Been Filed.

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2015-78 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on December 17, 2015.

An Ordinance Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing The Execution Of A Lease Agreement By And Between The Township Of Lakewood And Mikor Hatorah School.

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2015-79 adopted on first reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Public Sale of Block 1135 Lot 1, Block 1142 Lot 1, Block 1143 Lot 1 and Lot 9, Block 1150 Lot 1 and Block 1151 Lot 1, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at Open Public Sale Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, Et Seq.

Read by title only for first reading.

Mr. Secare suggested that wherever in the Ordinance that it reads...the sale of the property... it should say each property, so it is clear.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Miller.

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

Ordinance No. 2015-80 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on December 17, 2015.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: December 2, 2015

Motion by Deputy Mayor Miller, second by Committeeman D’Elia, to approve the above Bill List.

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

Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Deputy Mayor Miller commended Jeff Shapiro on doing a great job in orchestrating the holiday festivities for the Township.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Deputy Mayor Miller, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.