

**LAKWOOD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
JANUARY 2, 2005
REORGANIZATION MEETING
MINUTES**

The Lakewood Township Committee held their 2005 Reorganization Meeting on Sunday, January 2, 2005 at 2:00 P.M. in the Lakewood Municipal Building, with the following present:

Committee Members Raymond Coles
Charles Cunliffe
Meir Lichtenstein
Menashe Miller
Senator Robert Singer

Municipal Manager. Frank Edwards
Municipal Clerk Bernadette Standowski
Deputy Clerk Jodi Pellicano

SALUTE TO THE FLAG.....LED BY THE MUNICIPAL CLERK

INVOCATION – FATHER MICHAEL O’CONNOR

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**OATHS OF OFFICE..... TOWNSHIP COMMITTEEMEN – Senator Robert W. Singer
ADMINISTERED BY: HON. ARNOLD GOLDMAN**

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF MAYOR

Motion by Meir Lichtenstein, second by Mr. Coles, nominating Charles Cunliffe as Mayor for the year 2005. All voted in favor.

Resolution No. 2005-1 – Adopted.

**OATH OF OFFICE TO MAYOR..... Charles Cunliffe
ADMINISTERED BY: HON. ARNOLD GOLDMAN**

NOMINATIONS & ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Motion by Menashe Miller, second by Mr. Coles, nominating Meir Lichtenstein as Deputy Mayor for the year 2005. All voted in favor.

Resolution No. 2005-2 – Adopted.

**OATH OF OFFICE TO DEPUTY MAYOR..... Meir Lichtenstein
ADMINISTERED BY: HON. ARNOLD GOLDMAN**

**PRESENTATIONS TO FORMER MAYOR RAYMOND COLES -
BY FRANK EDWARDS, MANAGER**

Mr. Edwards presented Mr. Coles with a Township Proclamation and gavel in recognition of his service as Mayor for the year 2004.

Senator Singer presented Mr. Coles with a joint Senate/Assembly Resolution.

Mayor Cunliffe congratulated Senator Singer on his victory in the Fall, and wished him well in his new term on the Committee. The Mayor and Committee will call upon him for his experience, experience, and hard work, not only on the Township Committee, but also in Trenton.

Mayor Cunliffe also commended Ray Coles on his hard work, diligence and dedication to his service on the Committee as well as in his business, his church, and coaching. He is truly a very special person, and under his leadership in 2004, the Lakewood community made great strides, and there were great changes, thanks to his vision and leadership.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Miller – Thanked everyone for coming. Also thanked the residents of Lakewood for their support of the Committee. Congratulated Senator Singer on his re-election, and thanked him for his guidance and counsel. Thanked Ray Coles for his knowledge and support.

Congratulated Mr. Cunliffe and wished him well in his term as Mayor for 2005. Congratulated Meir Lichtenstein on his re-election as Deputy Mayor for 2005. Thanked Mr. Edwards and Mr. Secare for their knowledge and support. Thanked his wife and family members for their support.

Commended Lakewood, which is reflected not only by its beauty in its parks and playgrounds and lakes, but also by its diverse ethnic groups, religion and age groups. He is committed to serving all the residents of Lakewood with fairness and integrity, and is honored and humbled once again to be sitting on the Township Committee for his second term, working together for all of Lakewood.

Senator Robert Singer – Thanked Judge Goldman for attending and performing the swearing-in ceremony. Thanked everyone who worked on his campaign for their support. Thanked the Committee members, and professionals for their help and guidance. Made various introductions from the audience, and introduced family members.

Mr. Coles – It was a great and honor and privilege to serve the people of Lakewood as Mayor for 2004. Thanked the Committee members for their support.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein – Thanked Judge Goldman for attending and performing the swearing-in ceremony. Congratulated Senator Singer on his re-election. Thanked the Committee members for their help and guidance.

DESIGNATION OF TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY – STEVEN SECARE, ESQ.

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Mr. Coles, Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein and Mayor Cunliffe.

Abstain: Senator Singer

Resolution No. 2005-3 – Adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A) RESOLUTION SETTING DAY AND HOUR OF TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETINGS
Resolution No. 2005-4**

- B) RESOLUTION SETTING TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR 2005
Resolution No. 2005-5**

- C) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS
Resolution No. 2005-6**

- D) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CLASS I SPECIAL OFFICERS – MARION
NEWMAN AND NORMAN SPIEGEL
Resolution No. 2005-7**

- E) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TOWNSHIP AUDITOR – FALLON & FALLON
Resolution No. 2005-8**

- F) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR –
VALTER MUST, ESQUIRE
Resolution No. 2005-9**

- G) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TOWNSHIP TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY – STEVEN
SECARE, ESQ.
Resolution No. 2005-10**

- H) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TOWNSHIP FORECLOSURE ATTORNEY – STEVEN
SECARE, ESQ.
Resolution No. 2005-11**

- I) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BOND COUNSEL – GLUCK, WALRATH &
LANCIANO, LLP
Resolution No. 2005-12**

- J) RESOLUTION SETTING INTEREST RATES ON TAX DELINQUENCIES AND DESIG-
NATING PATRICIA TOMASSINI AS OFFICIAL TAX SEARCHER
Resolution No. 2005-13**

- K) RESOLUTION IMPOSING YEAR END PENALTIES ON TAX ARREARAGES
Resolution No. 2005-14**

- L) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING ELSIE BARNEY AS ACTING ASSISTANT TO TAX COL-
LECTOR
Resolution No. 2005-15**

- M) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BERNADETTE STANDOWSKI AS LIQUOR LICENSE ADMINISTRATOR**
Resolution No. 2005-16
- N) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BERNADETTE STANDOWSKI AS LIABILITY ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER**
Resolution No. 2005-17
- O) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BANKS AS DEPOSITORIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD**
Resolution No. 2005-18
- P) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONER – WILLIAM RIEKER**
Resolution No. 2005-19
- Q) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD.**
Resolution No. 2005-20
- R) RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TOWNSHIP ENGINEER – BIRDSALL ENGINEERING, INC.**
Resolution No. 2005-21
- S) RESOLUTION APPOINTING DEPUTY COORDINATORS TO THE LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES – KENNETH DIX, JORGE ESMART, CAPT. ROBERT LAWSON, CAPT. CHARLES SMITH.**
Resolution No. 2005-22
- T) RESOLUTION APPOINTING CONFLICT MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE – PHILIP M. MILLER, ESQUIRE.**
Resolution No. 2005-23
- U) RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR MEDIATION - MICHAEL BATEMAN, ESQUIRE**
Resolution No. 2005-24
- V) RESOLUTION APPOINTING CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER – HAROLD N. HENSEL, ESQUIRE**
Resolution No. 2005-25
- W) RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE PROSECUTORS – JOSHUA REINITZ, ESQUIRE; ROBERT ROTHSTEIN, ESQUIRE**
Resolution No. 2005-26

- X) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING CONFLICT PROSECUTOR – EDMUND GLASNER, ESQUIRE**
Resolution No. 2005-27

- Y) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING ATTORNEY FOR THE ROOMING AND BOARDING HOUSE SITE LICENSING BOARD – CHARLES STARKEY, ESQUIRE**
Senator Singer removed the above Resolution from the Consent Agenda.

- Z) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING ATTORNEY FOR THE BOARD OF HEALTH – MICHAEL BATEMAN, ESQUIRE**
Resolution No. 2005-28

- Aa) **RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE (THEATER EXCEPTION) TO STRAND VENTURES, INC.**
Resolution No. 2005-29

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Mr. Miller, to approve Resolutions A through X, Z and Aa on the Consent Agenda.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Senator Singer, Mr. Coles, Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein and Mayor Cunliffe.

Resolution Nos. 2005-4 through 2005-29 – Adopted.

Resolution Y that was removed from the Consent Agenda was discussed and acted upon as follows:

- Y) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING ATTORNEY FOR THE ROOMING AND BOARDING HOUSE SITE LICENSING BOARD – CHARLES STARKEY, ESQUIRE**

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Mr. Coles, Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein and Mayor Cunliffe.

Negative: Senator Singer

Resolution No. 2005-30 – Adopted.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

ADA Compliance Committee and Disabilities Commission: (Charles Cunliffe)

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Dr. Steven Scher, William Sette, Hannah Havens, John Franklin, Thomas Lorenc, Linda Halm, Yehoshua Birnhack, Philip Charrow, Sheila Nagelberg, Thomas Barry

Airport Authority: (Menashe Miller)

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, and carried, offering the following appointment:

Pat Sernotti, Rivky Feiner - Alternate

Board of Health: (Robert Singer)

Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Patricia Lowe, James Savage, Sonia Harrison, Dr. Norman Indich, Bishop Vivian Francis, Greta Simpson, Shuli Lachman

CDBG Selection Committee: (Ray Coles)

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Aaron Hoberman, Miriam Medina, Rev. Richard Wrede, Raymond Coles, Michael Sernotti, Michelle Halle, Bernard Williams, Danet Colon, Simcha Greenwald, Marta Harrison

Civil Rights Commission: (Robert Singer)

Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Cager Brown, James Waters, Patricia Forse

Community Center Advisory Board: (Robert Singer)

Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

John Marshall Sr., John Craddock, Dr. Michael Rush, John Brown

Community School Board Members: (Charles Cunliffe)

Motion by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, second by Senator Singer, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Charles Cunliffe, Raymond Coles

Environmental Commission: (Menashe Miller)

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Mario Palmieri, Alvin Burdge, Mitch Dolobowsky – Alternate No. 2

Heritage Commission: (Menashe Miller)

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Rita Michel, Roberta Chester, Steve Wexler, Jane Lee, Harvey Kranz, Armen Hagopian – Alternate, Al Steinman - Alternate

Housing Authority: (Ray Coles)

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, and carried, offering the following appointment:

Audrey Wise

Industrial Commission: (Charles Cunliffe)

Motion by Mayor Cunliffe, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Jan Kokes, Solomon Katz, Charles Silberberg

Lakewood Development Corporation: (Robert Singer)

Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Michael D'Elia, Robert Mohel, Robert Singer, James Waters, Bert Albert, Moshe Weisberg, Meir Lichtenstein, Lynn Celli, James Savage – Alternate, Frank Edwards - Alternate

Municipal Alliance: (Robert Singer)

Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Irene Miccio, Deloris Nicholas, Kevin McAllister, Margaret D'Esposito, Hannah Havens, Daniel Hyman, Toni Ponti, Carol Cousins, Michael Varneke

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board: (Meir Lichtenstein)

Motion by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Jorge Esmart, Donna Santoli, Eileen D'Esposito

Public Agency Compliance Officer: (Charles Cunliffe)

Motion by Mayor Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, and carried, offering the following appointment:

Bernadette Standowski

Rent Control Board: (Menashe Miller)

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Nathaniel Small, Sr. – Tenant Member, David Garfield – Non Landlord Member, Jonathan Rubin – Landlord Member, Shuli Lachman – Non Landlord Member, William Schlameuss – Non Landlord Member, Lisa Skinner – Landlord Member, Yitzchok Szmids – Alternate No. 1, David

Farkas – Alternate No. 2

Shade Tree Commission: (Menashe Miller)

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointment:

Ahvohom Zaks – Alternate No. 1

Transportation Board: (Ray Coles)

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Bernard Gindoff, Robert E. Jacobs, David Garfield, Daniel McClendon, Ronald Berger

Zoning Board of Adjustment: (Meir Lichtenstein)

Motion by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, offering the following appointments:

Abe Halberstam, Sarah Deutsch, Avraham Naftali, Vincent Daniels, Wayne LeCompte – Alternate No. 1, Meir Gelley, Alternate No. 2

MAYOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Mayor Cunliffe offered the following appointments:

Advisory Committee on Housing:

Lee Paskind, Fred Rush, Grace Johnson, Clinton Brown, Audrey Wise, Hannah Havens, Rev. Richard Wrede, James Waters, David Garfield, Carol Parham, Eugenio Espinosa, Pastor Genever Vinson, Pastor Lee Tucker, Lydia Valencia, Mary Jo Grauso, Alice E. Kelsey, Meir Hertz

Community Relations Committee:

Michael Cloney, Esther Coven, Jorge Esmart, Patricia Forse, Fayge Indik, Miriam Medina, David Quinn, Marta Harrison

Senior Advisory Committee:

Althea Malayter, Sylvia Zweben, Pauline Vallon, Elaine Friedland, Sonia Harrison, Faye Socol, Norman Bellinger, Robert Cartwright, Joyce Glotzer, Larry Dowell, Eileen D'Esposito, Cis Mayer, Martin Spector, Claire Alessi, David Quinn, Tom Cariota, Ruth Spector, Audrey Lobbato, Najriran Holland

Special Events Committee:

Kenneth Dix – Public Works Liaison, Cathy Lee - PALS Liaison, Toni Ponti - PALS Liaison, Fred Ponti, William Taggart, Frank Work, David Quinn, Jorge Esmart, Joseph Kirsch, William Lindsey, Andrew Howard

Tourism Advisory Committee:

Sheldon Wolpin, Ruth Schreiner, Stanley Banas, Barney Gertner, Juhan Simonson, Al Steinman, Irene Steinman, Betty Aptekar, David Quinn, Ceil DeMaria, Lorraine Franklin

Veterans Advisory Committee:

Vito Imperiale, Joan Ordino, Sheldon Wolpin, Bert Albert, John Z. Balla, Richard Orne, Thomas Lorenc, Joseph Qualiano, Sr., William Dubrowski, William Doyle, Joe Rangell, Bill Keating, Bernie Lesiak

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Planning Board – Mayor’s Designee Appointment (Cl. 1) – Mitch Dolobowsky
Class I Appointment - Charles Cunliffe
Class II Appointment - John Franklin
Class III Appointment – Menashe Miller
Alternate No. II Appointment – Aisik Akerman

2005 MAYOR’S LIAISON APPOINTMENTS

RAY COLES

ADVERTISING & CIVIC DISPLAY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
HOUSING AUTHORITY
INSPECTION DEPARTMENT
POLICE COMMISSIONER
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
C.D.B.G
TRANSPORTATION

CHARLES CUNLIFFE

ADA COMPLIANCE & DISABILITIES
BOARD of EDUCATION
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
LEGAL DEPARTMENT
PLANNING BOARD
TOWNSHIP CLERK

MEIR LICHTENSTEIN

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
FIRST AID & EMT
LAKEWOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MUNICIPAL COURT
PARKS & REC. ADVISORY BOARD/PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS
REGISTRAR
SPECIAL EVENTS
STREET LIGHTING
ZONING BOARD

MENASHE MILLER

AIRPORT AUTHORITY
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
HERITAGE COMMISSION
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
RENT CONTROL BOARD
ROOMING & BOARDING HOUSE
SHADE TREE COMMISSION
VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION

ROBERT SINGER

BOARD of HEALTH
CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION
COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD
FIRE DEPARTMENT
LAKEWOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE
TAX ASSESSOR
TAX COLLECTOR
TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mayor Cunliffe advised that in 2005, the Committee will have many things that have already started already that they will need to bring to completion. It is important that they finish and fully adopt the Unified Development Ordinances. It is also necessary to form a Master Plan Advisory Committee, and start the renewal process of the Master Plan. There are other global issues to attack, such as traffic and safety on the northern sections of Route 9 and New Hampshire Avenue; safety, security and parking on Clifton Avenue, and the concept of a mustard zone; dualization of Route 9 from the Lake down to the Toms River border; request the Governor, Trenton, and Federal Government to bring MOM to completion. He asked the Committee for their support and consideration on quality of life issues, real estate taxes, the expansion of the Traffic & Safety Department; affordable housing; land for private schools; public school funding; the Township Web-Site; attendance of professionals at Township Committee

meetings; Township Committee Liaison reports; inter-office Township correspondence to be electronic. Thanked his wife and family members for their support. Thanked the Township Committee members for their assistance and support. Thanked family members, friends, professionals and staff for their hard work and support. Wished everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Mr. Miller concurred with Mayor Cunliffe's comments. He will stand by his side to push all the items through to make sure they all happen, and offered his telephone number to the public to call anytime. Thanked all the Committee members, and thanked everyone for coming.

Senator Singer recognized former Township Committee members John Franklin, P.G. Waxman, Mitch Dolobowsky and Marta Harrison. Senator Singer offered his top ten wishes for 2005: to find a place for the day workers to gather rather than the downtown area; do an in-house traffic study to improve the traffic flow in downtown Lakewood; try to save a few trees like every other town in Ocean County; draft a new Master Plan; form a Parking Authority to deal with the issue of parking in the downtown area; see significant movement by the Airport Authority, or disband it and start from square one; bring technology to the Traffic Department by installing cameras in downtown and Route 9 intersections to get better control of the traffic patterns in the community and also for safety factors; if the school budget is defeated, that it be sent directly to the Commissioner of Education; that Steve Secare charge the Township less fees; and that Mayor Cunliffe be faster with the gavel than Mayor Coles.

Mr. Coles offered his support to Mayor Cunliffe's plan. He also suggested that something has to be done about expanding the sidewalks in town. The town has changed a lot in the past fifteen years; there are a lot more people walking day and night, and a thorough study is needed in areas where pedestrian traffic has increased. They need to work with the CBGD program as well as internally to get some sidewalks where they are really needed. They also need to look into having an elected Mayor. Lakewood has changed; it has grown. It is no longer a small town, it is a small city. It is not a part time job anymore. They need someone who can dedicate all their resources to this town, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, and the only way to do that is to have someone in the Chair full-time. They should consider looking at a commission to study this issue. He thanked his wife and family for their support.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein stated they should take a serious look at the parking authority to address the parking situation in the downtown area. He would like to complete the engineering studies on the downtown area to improve traffic flow. He would like to continue to reach out and meeting at the senior communities. He wants to continue meeting with the clergy associations and others that represent the various groups in town. He looks forward to supporting the Mayor on the items discussed, and hopes they can begin work on the new Master Plan. Quality of life Ordinances are essential so that the residents can live safely and peacefully. He agrees to set aside land to accommodate the various educational needs of the town. He wants to continue with Parks & Recreation to make sure there are plenty of playgrounds and clean green space for the residents to enjoy. He thanked everyone who continues to support and advise him. He thanked the professionals and volunteers that serve on the various boards in town. He acknowledged family members. He thanked his wife and family for their support and devotion. He wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC WILL BE HEARD AND EACH SPEAKER WILL HAVE A FOUR (4) MINUTE LIMIT.

Mayor Cunliffe opened the meeting to the public.

David Drukaroff, 1433 Laurelwood Avenue – Commented on a report regarding New Jersey property taxes. Offered a suggestion for the proposed mustard zone.

Ceil DeMaria – Wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year. Commended Township Committee members and professionals.

James Waters, 1275 Old County Line Road – Wished everyone a happy New Year. Requested the Committee to negotiate with the County for a traffic signal at John Street, and spoke in opposition to Town Square becoming a parking lot.

Chet Galdo – Offered greetings from the Board of Education. Commented on school board issues.

Yehoshua Berenstein – Thanked the Committee for their commitment to the education of private school children. Wished the Committee success in the new year.

Cathy Stillwell, 950 Brook Road – Expressed her concerns about Town Square becoming a parking garage.

Sam Christopher, Central Avenue – Wished everyone a Happy New Year. Congratulated and commended members of the Township Committee.

Hannah Havens, 1300 Lexington Avenue – Wished everyone happy holidays. Congratulated and commended members of the Township Committee.

Rich Orne, Vine Street – Congratulated Township Committee members. Commented with regard to Airport Authority issues.

Craig Theibault, 1253 Ridge Avenue – Wished everyone happy holidays. Congratulated Township Committee members.

Milton Itell – Wished everyone happy holidays. Congratulated Township Committee members.

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

BENEDICTION – RABBI ISRAEL SCHENKOLEWSKI

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:35 P.M.