

**LAKWOOD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2007**

The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, January 18, 2007 in the Lakewood Municipal Building, at 6:30 P.M. for the Executive Session, and 7:30 P.M. for the Public Meeting, with the following present:

Mayor.....	Raymond Coles
Deputy Mayor.....	Meir Lichtenstein
Committee Members.....	Senator Robert Singer Menashe Miller Charles Cunliffe
Municipal Manager.....	Frank Edwards
Municipal Attorney.....	Steven Secare
Municipal Clerk.....	Bernadette Standowski

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller.
Resolution No. 2007-33 – Adopted.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PRAYER

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, 2007 and published in the Ocean County Observer on January 10, 2007.

ROLL CALL

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to open the meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF: 12/21/06, 1/1/07

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to approve the above Minutes.

MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: 12/21/06

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to approve the above Closed Session Minutes.

LAND SALE: Block 806 Lot 1

Mr. Secare advised that the land sale this evening is for Block 806, Lot 1. He asked that anyone who is interested in bidding, to please come forward.

Yisroel Treff, 124 Tudor Court, came forward.

Mr. Secare asked Mr. Treff if he was aware there were restrictions in this land sale, and the subsequent Deed.

Mr. Treff answered yes.

Mr. Secare asked Mr. Treff if he was aware that the minimum bid is \$85,000.00, if he was prepared to bid \$85,000.00, if he had ten percent in cash or certified check with him this evening.

Mr. Treff answered yes.

Mr. Secare advised he was the sole and successful bidder, and to please submit the necessary deposit and information to the Clerk, and for him to contact his office to arrange for the Deed transfer.

ORDINANCES FOR DISCUSSION: None

Mayor Coles reviewed quality of life items from the previous meeting.

As to the issue of the school buses in Lafayette Greens, Lt. Addison advised that the school bus company was notified by the Board of Education not to service that area. There were letters sent to both Mr. Edwards and to the School Board, and to Lafayette Greens, confirming that. He believes this issue has been resolved.

Lynn Celli stated that the issue has not been resolved. Unfortunately, the Board of Education is trying to claim that they still have the right.....and there are still buses coming through.

Mayor Coles advised that since they are still dealing with this issue, he asked for some additional enforcement in the area.

Senator Singer asked if these were handicap buses.

Mayor Coles asked Lt. Addison to look into it.

Ms. Celli advised she called the Department of Education in Trenton, and legally they should be sending in a station wagon for this handicapped child. She agreed that yes, this child should be picked up, but it should be a smaller vehicle.

As to the issue of the fence at 350 Cross Street, Mr. Kielt advised that he spoke with both the resident and the representative from the school, and he was advised that the school has no problem with the installation of the fence. Mr. Kielt suggested that they meet at the site with the resident and the school representative to make sure that everyone is in agreement as to the fence location, as it is not shown on the plan. This meeting will occur within a week or two.

Comments from Committee Members:

Mr. Cunliffe asked Mr. Mignella to inform the Committee and the public about an issue with regard to some utility work.

Mr. Mignella advised that NJ American Water is currently in the process of constructing a two and a half million dollar project, called the East End Sewer Relief Project. These sewer mains are very deep, so they anticipate a lot of roadway disturbance. There may be detours in short duration, but all detours will be reviewed through his office. They had a meeting with Hatchmont McDonald to review the plans, as well as NJ American Water. The project will start at East Fourth Street and Clover Street, which was just recently paved through NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant Money. For whatever reason, they were not ready at the time, however, they are currently prepared to mill and overlay the roadway after it has been trenched. The project will impact Manetta, Ridge, Nolan, East Eighth Street, East End, and parts of New York. Due to the depth of excavation, and the disturbance, the Township will require the Water Company to mill and overlay the entire roadway for the whole project, so many of the roads will be repaved at the end of the construction. A bond will be posted, and there will be an inspection escrow, so the Township can monitor the construction, milling and overlay. They want to start as early as March 1st when the moratorium is done. After the bond estimate is prepared, they will have a preconstruction meeting so that everything can be coordinated.

Mr. Cunliffe asked Mr. Mignella to do his very best to make sure that Traffic & Safety is notified. And when construction commences, he asked that something from Engineering and Traffic & Safety be sent to the Manager's Office to be posted on the website.

Mr. Mignella advised they will do that. They are already meeting with Officer Reddington, and they have started a list of possible attendees to this preconstruction meeting.

Mr. Miller asked that a sign board be placed at the construction site, to let people know in advance when the areas will be shut down.

Senator Singer advised he received a letter of complaint concerning the Central Avenue project, outlining certain concerns, including the restoration of dirt back into the areas between the sidewalk and the street, where they are not using clean fill. There were also comments from residents in the area, that they were advised they would not be able to snow plow if necessary. He provided pictures, and Mr. Edwards forwarded all the information to the County.

Mr. Mignella advised he took the photos, and wrote a response. He met with the resident Engineer. A lot of it was work in progress; they typically wanted to get the paving completed as much as possible before the plants close, and the curbs have to cure. They left the backfilling for last. Some of the stone and debris that was in the dirt was not what they were using for the backfill; they were going to rake that out and backfill with clean material. Many of the issues that were in that letter have been resolved already, because they were work in progress. One of main issues of concern is the plowing, which should be resolved tomorrow (he has a meeting in the morning with Ocean County, as well as the resident). It appears they are leaning toward having Lucas Brothers plow those areas in event of a snowstorm. Due to some of the changes in grade, it negatively impacts some of the driveways, which is a work in progress. They are developing a scheme to remedy some of those areas. They will set up a meeting with the County Engineer, and the residents, once the schemes are panned out to inform everyone how they are going to correct those problems of water being trapped along the driveways and/or service walkways. Once the meeting is done, they will see if everyone is happy. In some of the areas, due to the utilities, they could not cut the grade any lower because there are underground utilities as well as a concrete base. Those houses were built when the roadway was not curbed, and by curbing it, they already added six inches, and then two percent is another couple inches.

Senator Singer stated that part of the problem is the attitude of the contractor. When you tell people when it snows, they can not be plowed, you frighten people. Information makes people feel more comfortable.

Mr. Mignella advised he will point that out to the contractor tomorrow so that he is aware of the situation, and that he should explain himself clearly. As for the plowing, he did not explain anything because he had put in a cost proposal to the County for the plowing.... he is not going to do it unless he is paid....and they were negotiating.

Senator Singer further advised he received a telephone call from residents about Cross Street and Prospect Street, and Cross Street and James Street, about those intersections and the lighting. He asked Mr. Mignella to take a look to see if the lighting can be upgraded. It is very heavily used, and there is very poor lighting in those areas.

Mr. Miller advised he would recommend that the Police do a light survey of these areas and report back to the Committee.

Mr. Miller added that a while back he had also asked for a light survey to be done of the intersection of Martin Luther King Drive and Pine Street. He asked that they perform a survey of that area as well.

Senator Singer added that on Prospect Street, near the railroad, it is not clean. There are rods sticking up. They had asked the railroad company about this but nothing was done. He asked that someone take a look at the turning ratio on Prospect to Cross, and James to Cross; both have bad turning ratios. They may have to do some blacktop work.

Mr. Cunliffe advised that at a previous meeting, they had some people talking about problems they have on their properties with flooding. He believes that one location was

the South Lake Drive area. He had asked how things like this can occur, as they did not have the proper Ordinance in place, so they could not change the amount of fill or dirt. At the time, it was thought that they did not have an Ordinance in place, and he had reacted negatively. But subsequently, the research was done and it was found that through the UDO, they did in fact adopt the Ordinance where people can not change and add dirt, or remove dirt.

Mr. Kielt answered that the UDO does include the one Ordinance with respect to land grading. That is the good news. The bad news is that it does not include the plot plan Ordinance. And they felt that the plot plan Ordinance is the real strength behind the other Ordinance. The other Ordinance is not really clear because there is no way, when someone submits for a permit, that they are required to submit grades.

Mr. Cunliffe advised they will have the first reading of the plot plan Ordinance at the first meeting in February. But the other Ordinance, as it was originally constructed by Birdsall Engineering, has specific language in it in terms of how much dirt can be removed, and how much the elevation can be changed. So if they in fact find a property where that has occurred, and if they have infiltration and excessive runoff, through that Ordinance, he asked if they have a way of enforcement.

Mr. Kielt believes the answer is yes, but he keeps going back to the plot plan Ordinance, because when you go in for a building permit today, you do not have to show a plan with grades. If you do not have a plan that shows grades there is no way you could relate to that land clearing Ordinance. You have to have a plot plan that shows the proposed elevation. Once it occurs, they do have an Ordinance on the books to control that.

Mr. Cunliffe advised they have had people from A Country Place speak about this. Currently, if building has occurred, and it does possibly violate the Ordinance, he asked who would go out and enforce that.

Mr. Kielt answered that Mr. Mack would probably be involved with that, under code enforcement. And in many situations, Mr. Mignella would go out there also.

Mr. Cunliffe advised that as to the one resident from A Country Place, he would definitely like them to go out and see if that individual is in violation of that Ordinance.

Mr. Mignella answered in that case, no one removed fill from that site. This is a low site.

Mr. Cunliffe added that the resident was not flooding before, and she is flooding now as a result of that construction...something changed.

Mr. Mignella advised that a lot of the wooded area was cleared and the water is rushing down the property lines.

Mr. Cunliffe stated that clearing is part of that Ordinance...it is clearing and grading.

Mr. Mack added that they required the builder to go to the DEP and obtain a permit to build there. He thought that would be the end of it. But they came in with a signed permit from the DEP with permission to build there.

Mr. Cunliffe stated that if it violates the Township Ordinance, and it is creating a flood issue on someone else's property, he believes they should enforce the Township Ordinance.

Mr. Mack stated they have to wait for the flooding to occur. They have a permit from the DEP to build a house; they have a permit from Ocean County Soils to build a septic system; they have all these things in place; and they have an engineer that says this plan will work, and it will not flood.

Mr. Cunliffe stated it is flooding now, and there is documentation to prove it is flooding.

Mr. Mack stated it is a nightmare site. It is a large house, and when he first saw it he knew it would be a problem. They had the engineer who designed it go back out and make changes to make it work. They are working with the builder to remedy the problems.

Mr. Cunliffe agreed with Mr. Kiert that they do need the plot plan Ordinance, and maybe they can stop that kind of thing before it gets built.

Mr. Cunliffe further commented on the sports complex. He advised they are getting a lot of complaints about ATV's. He knows that squad cars have responded, the kids know exactly where to ditch into the woods, and of course the cars can not get back there. He asked that the Police Department activate the ATV squad to do some patrols and enforcement out there. And apparently there are people who are making unauthorized use of the facility and there are signs that state that the park and the fields are closed. With all of the rain, if people are playing baseball or soccer, they are going to rip up the fields. He asked for increased patrols at this site.

Lt. Addison advised this is in the works. The ATV's are out being repaired at this time. That is one of their priorities; there are speeders in that area also.

Mr. Cunliffe asked that at the next meeting, if they could be advised as to when the regular ATV patrols and increased patrolling in the area will start.

Lt. Addison answered he would advise the Chief of this request.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein commented on street lighting. He asked what is the point of doing a street light survey, if when they ask for them, they do not get them. He received an e-mail about an issue that was referred to him last August. He is embarrassed by this e-mail. They all know they have a gang problem in town. They all know there are certain areas in town that have a higher crime rate. The people in the High Point area, where a shooting actually occurred, came to the Committee back in August, and they asked for increased patrols. The Police Department did a very detailed report as to what lighting could be added to the area to help deter crime. The e-mail he received states that the Township provides street lights for vehicular and pedestrian safety and not for security reasons....and to please clarify why there is a need for the additional street lights. He advised Mr. Edwards that he does not want to hear this again; this is not a decision to be made by a department head; this is a decision that is made by the Township Committee. Purchasing is not going to dictate to the Township Committee, especially in a high crime

rate, that they can not put up streets lights; it is the Committee's decision. They have to protect the citizens; they have the right to decide that streets lights are needed, and it will not be denied by Purchasing. This was not previously forwarded to Mr. Edwards, but Mr. Lichtenstein provided him with all the information at this time.

Mr. Edwards advised that he needs to be aware of what people are doing so he can talk to the Purchasing Agent about it.

PRESENTATIONS: Recognition of Former Mayor Lichtenstein

At this time, Mr. Edwards presented former Mayor Lichtenstein with the ceremonial gavel, in recognition of his year of service as Mayor to the residents of Lakewood.

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 Coles opened the meeting to the public.

Rich Orne – Speaking representing the Airport Authority – Commented on the two appointments to the Airport Authority on the Agenda this evening. Also commented on the flyover scheduled for opening day at the stadium.

Diane Reeves, Holly Street – Commented with regard to the recent shootings in her neighborhood. Complained about the residents living in the rental properties in her neighborhood, causing certain problems, and the conditions of properties.

Lynn Celli, Patriots Way, Lafayette Greens – Commented on the issue of undersized streets and school bus access.

Mr. Miller advised that at the Planning Board level, they are now requiring all developments to have adequate turning radiuses in order that school buses can maneuver safely.

Mr. Cunliffe asked that the Police Department look into this matter, to research an undersized street in a closed development as to what vehicles are permitted, and request that the Board of Education remedy the problem.

Lt. Addison advised that they will revisit the issue.

Mr. Cunliffe advised that he will also contact Mr. Luick, and Mr. Secare will contact Mr. Inzelbuch.

Alice Kelsey, 295B Malvern Court East – Commented on the recall effort. Also commented on the proposed housing committees to be formulated by Mayor Coles.

Victor Trepper, 119 Shady Lane Drive – Commented on the remedies proposed by the Committee to resolve the flooding conditions on South Lake Drive.

Christine Abrams, Coral Avenue – Asked about possible violations of wetlands on Salem Street and Chestnut Street; what were the results of the investigations. Also asked about the firehouse on New Hampshire Avenue. Also asked why the November 16th Minutes were not approved and put on the website. Also asked if the Committee has a date set for a new public meeting to replace the November 16th public hearing that was cancelled.

Mayor Coles asked the Township Clerk to check if the November 16th Minutes were approved and on the website.

As to the Salem Street situation, Mr. Mack advised that the previous zoning officer allowed a garage to be built there. Looking at the situation after the fact, he believes that either a stream or swampy area was piped and filled; that would be his guess, because the water still gets through there. They are waiting for the DEP to meet them at the site.

As to the firehouse issue, Mr. Kielt advised they came before the Planning Board several months ago for a small addition. It is his understanding they will be putting an addition on and then they will re-occupy the firehouse.

Mayor Coles asked Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein if the public hearing from November 16th has been rescheduled.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein answered they do not have a date yet. He spoke with T & M yesterday; the Office of Smart Growth wants them to do a few more things and meet with them at least once or twice before they come down to do a public meeting. So they do not have a set date yet. They are hoping to do a joint meeting with the Committee and the Office of Smart Growth so all questions can be answered; he can not guarantee that will happen but it is looking good.

Sam Christopher, Central Avenue – Congratulated Mr. Lichtenstein and Mr. Miller on their re-election, and Mayor Coles on his appointment as Mayor.

Moshe Raitzcik, 1403 Twin Oaks Drive – Advised he is looking into buying a house at 345 Squankum Road; in between that house and Farm Fresh on Squankum Road there is a wooded area that has standing water. He asked what is the status of that land; who owns it; and is it wetlands.

Mayor Coles advised him to provide Mr. Kielt with the information so he can look into it.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Commented on the day laborers on Clifton Avenue. Also commented on the town meetings proposed by Mayor Coles, and the recall effort. Also asked about the previous proposal by the County to improve Massachusetts Avenue.

Mr. Mignella advised the design of the County project is almost complete regarding Massachusetts Avenue. The State is improving Route 70 from Whitesville Road down to Route 9. They are trying to coordinate all of the drainage, and they are trying to acquire some property for a basin. The design is almost complete, and once they pan out some final details, it should go to construction, maybe by the end of this year for Massachusetts Avenue, as well as Route 70. The County is coordinating the Massachusetts Avenue project with the State project, it is just a matter of tying in the drainage.

Mayor Coles requested that Mr. Kielt check into what is happening on Cross Street.

Senator Singer advised the County never finished the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Route 70; that was a temporary fix because the State had to come back and dualize the roadway coming into it. That is what they are doing now, improving the intersection. They are also looking to have more of a shoulder on Cross Street, that is what they are measuring for. They want to increase the size of the shoulder on Cross Street, and make improvements in the entire area.

Larry Simons, 7 Schoolhouse Court – Commented on the lack of use of the muster zone.

Gerry Ballwanz, Governors Road – Asked about the status of the builder who is utilizing township property on County Line Road.

Mr. Secare advised that a lawsuit was served upon him on behalf of the Township two days ago, and he is in the process of answering the lawsuit.

Mrs. Ballwanz further commented on the committee members who reviewed the Master Plan and the Initial Plan Endorsement.

Moshe Weisberg, Forest Avenue – Congratulated Mr. Lichtenstein and Mr. Miller on their re-election, and Mayor Coles on his appointment as Mayor. Also commented on the recall effort. Submitted a letter signed by three hundred people who are concerned about the safety of some of the streets and several intersections in town.

Joe Kirsch, 164 Skyline Drive – Commented on the recall effort.

Shlomo Meyer, 585 Fourth Street – Commented on the Ordinance regarding deleting multi-family from the ROP Zone, which is on the Agenda this evening.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The below listed items 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 authorizing submission of application to the New Jersey Urban Enterprise Zone Authority of Enterprise Zone Assistance Funds for the year 2007.
(Marketing & Public Relations)
Resolution No. 2007-34
2. Resolution authorizing submission of application to New Jersey Urban Enterprise Zone Authority for Enterprise Zone Assistance Funds for the year 2007. (Block 93)
Resolution No. 2007-35

3. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Community Center Advisory Board.
Resolution No. 2007-36
4. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township ADA Compliance Committee and Disabilities Commission.
Resolution No. 2007-37
5. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Airport Authority.
Resolution No. 2007-38
6. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Municipal Alliance Committee.
Resolution No. 2007-39
7. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Community Development Block Grant Committee.
Resolution No. 2007-40
8. Resolution appointing a member to the Lakewood Township Civil Rights Commission.
Resolution No. 2007-41
9. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Emergency Planning Council.
Resolution No. 2007-42
10. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Environmental Commission.
Resolution No. 2007-43
11. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Board of Health.
Resolution No. 2007-44
12. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Heritage Commission.
Resolution No. 2007-45
13. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Development Corporation.
Resolution No. 2007-46
14. Resolution appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer.
Resolution No. 2007-47
15. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Parks and Recreation Advisory Board\Special Events Committee.
Resolution No. 2007-48
16. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Planning Board.
Resolution No. 2007-49
17. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Rent Control Board.
Resolution No. 2007-50

18. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Transportation Board.
Resolution No. 2007-51
19. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Zoning Board of Adjustment.
Resolution No. 2007-52
20. Resolution awarding contract to and authorizing the appointment of John Ducey, Esquire as Alternate Municipal Prosecutor.
Resolution No. 2007-53
21. Resolution authorizing the award of a Professional Services Contract to Birdsall Engineering for roadway improvements to Fourth Street, sum not exceed \$49,500.00.
Resolution No. 2007-54
22. Resolution authorizing a State Contract Purchase of seventy five (75) Desk Top Computers to Dell Computers, sum not to exceed \$86,966.65.
Resolution No. 2007-55
23. Resolution authorizing the execution of a final change order in connection with a project known as Public Works Complex.
Resolution No. 2007-56
24. Resolution authorizing the Lakewood Township Tax Collector to cancel any and all taxes, penalties, interest due on Block 533.02 Lot 77.
Resolution No. 2007-57
25. Resolution authorizing the award of a Professional Services Contract to Birdsall Engineering for the maintenance of the Township tax, zoning and street maps for 2007, sum not to exceed \$55,000.00.
Resolution No. 2007-58
26. Resolution authorizing the Lakewood Township Tax Collector to cancel any and all taxes, penalties, interest due on Block 1248 Lot 243.02 Qual C100B.
Resolution No. 2007-59
27. Resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fireman's Mutual Benevolent Association Local 380 (EMT's)
Resolution No. 2007-60
28. Resolution authorizing a State Contract purchase of Two (2) 2007 Ford Ranger Compact Pick-up Trucks to Princeton Nassau/Conover Ford, sum not to exceed \$ 36,954.00.
Resolution No. 2007-61
29. Resolution authorizing a maintenance contract for the telephone system under state contract to Platinum Communications sum not to exceed \$73,877.76.
Resolution No. 2007-62

30. Resolution authorizing a Professional Services Contract with Realty Appraisal Company for appraisal services, sum not to exceed \$17,500.00.
Resolution No. 2007-63
31. Resolution authorizing the Tax Assessor to act as agent of the Township of certain tax appeals.
Resolution No. 2007-64
32. Resolution authorizing the award of a Professional Services Contract to Birdsall Engineering for the next phase of remedial investigation activities to be conducted at the former Public Works facility, sum not to exceed \$23,100.00.
Resolution No. 2007-65
33. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Shade Tree Commission.
Resolution No. 2007-66
34. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Pocket Hop System Software for the Police Department, sum not to exceed \$50,000.00
Resolution No. 2007-67

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, to approve Resolutions 1 through 34 on the Consent Agenda.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Senator Singer, Mr. Miller, Mr. Cunliffe,
Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein and Mayor Coles.
Resolution Nos. 2007-34 through 2007-67 – Adopted.

At this time, the professionals left the meeting.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING – None

ORDINANCES FIRST READING (2nd Reading and Public Hearing 2/1/07)

- **An Ordinance amending and supplementing the code of the Township of Lakewood, Chapter 18, Unified Development Ordinance, to delete multi-family and townhouse uses in the ROP Residential Office Park Zone District in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey.**

Read by title only for first reading.

Mayor Coles advised he would like to table this Ordinance for the time being. There are a number of recommendations that are coming back to the Township Committee from the Planning Board on things that were discussed as part of the Master Plan Review Committee. He would like to tackle those as a group. But he wanted to go on record as saying that the Planning Board did send a letter to the Township Committee saying they were in favor of removing the multi-family from this zone.

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, to table the above Ordinance for further discussion at a later date.

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

Negative: Mr. Cunliffe

Ordinance tabled.

• An Ordinance within Article VIII “Design Standards” of the Township of Lakewood’s Land Use Regulations and adopting a new section 815.1 “Storm Water Management/ Residential Site Improvement Standards” of Article VIII “Design Standards”.

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller.

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

Ordinance No. 2007-1 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 1, 2007.

• An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of Block 129, Lot 21, in the Township of Lakewood, at a 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 Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller.

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

Ordinance No. 2007-2 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 1, 2007.

• 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 Parkway Lodging Realty, LLC (for purposes of Starbucks) for facilities located at Block 1235, Lots 33 and 36, 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 first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller.

Mayor Coles requested that the record reflect the fact that Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein removed himself from the panel for this matter.

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

Ordinance No. 2007-3 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 1, 2007.

• **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 Avallone Partners, LLC, for facilities located at Block 1606, Lot 3, 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 first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.

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

Ordinance No. 2007-4 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 1, 2007.

• **An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, vacating all right, title and interest of and to portions of streets described in section two in the Township of Lakewood, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:67-1 et seq.**

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2007-5 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 1, 2007.

• **An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, granting a tax exemption to Block 48 Lot 10.**

Read by title only for first reading.

Mr. Secare advised that he made a mistake on this Ordinance. He misconstrued the concept of this Ordinance. So he would ask that the Committee not move it, or vote it down, in order that he can make the necessary corrections.

Ordinance died due to lack of Motion.

CORRESPONDENCE – PARKS AND EVENTS

Per schedule of three (3) items attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Mr. Cunliffe requested to hold off on the approval of Item 2; he wanted to check with Little League and the Recreation Department, to make sure there are no conflicts.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, second by Mr. Cunliffe, and carried, to approve the above requests, but to conditionally approve Item 2, based on the approvals of Little League and Mr. Shapiro.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 1/16/07

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, to approve the above Minutes.

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

Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Miller asked Mr. Edwards to pass on a request to do a traffic study on three intersections along Seventh Street, as they are safety issues, as contained in the letter submitted by Moshe Weisberg. (Mr. Edwards requested the Clerk to send him a copy of the letter from Moshe Weisberg indicating the intersections.)

Mayor Coles offered the appointment of Michael Billig to the Tourism Advisory Committee, and asked that he provide his address and phone number to the Township Clerk.

Mayor Coles also advised on January 1st, Senator Singer had the idea about setting up a committee to study all the downtown traffic issues. He would like to set up an advisory committee this evening, asking Senator Singer to chair it, and he will serve with him on the committee. He advised they would reach out to different segments of the community who deal with the downtown area on a regular basis. They will get together and get some professional's input on the issues, as well as the Planner and the Attorney, if necessary, and probably break it down to several sub-committees to study different areas.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.