LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE JANUARY 20, 2005 MINUTES

The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2005, 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 Deputy Mayor Committee Members	
Municipal Manager	Frank Edwards
Municipal Attorney	Steven Secare
Municipal Clerk	Bernadette Standowski

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Mr. Miller. **Resolution No. 2005-67 – 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, 2005 and published in the Ocean County's Observer on January 7, 2005.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: 1/13/05

Motion by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to approve the above Minutes.

PRESENTATIONS:

Presentations were made to the Lakewood Police Department, the Ocean County Sheriff's Department, and the Ocean County Fire Marshall's Office, in recognition of the safety measures and services provided on the occasion of the recent visit from the Rabbi from Israel.

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 Cunliffe introduced the following Township personnel that were present at the meeting and would be available for questions and comments: Glenn Lines, Township Engineer; Wayne Yhost, Public Safety Director; Marilyn Rodriquez, Code Enforcement; and John Franklin, Public Works Director.

Glenn Lines, Township Engineer, advised that in order to alleviate some of the traffic on Route 9, there are plans to add left turn lanes on Route 9 at James Street and Pine Street, and to widen the corners at these locations.

Various suggestions were offered by the Township Committee and Mr. Lines was requested to convey these suggestions to the County and State to incorporate into the project.

Discussion continued with regard to the new traffic signal on Massachusetts Avenue at the Fairways development entrance. It is the Committee's feeling that this traffic signal is unsafe and it does not line up with the traffic lanes.

Wayne Yhost, Public Safety Director, thanked the Committee, the commanders, supervisors, personnel, and officers for a successful year, and offered a brief review of the departments' activities.

Mayor Cunliffe opened the meeting to the public.

Barbara Eisenberg, Morris Avenue – Commented on the Ordinance that was adopted in June 2004 that required homeowners to maintain their property. If the homeowners do not respond within seven days of receipt of complaint, they are supposed to be fined. If they do not pay the fine, the Township is supposed to clean up the property at the expense of the property owner. If the owner does not pay the Township, a lien could be placed on the property. On several occasions over the past year, she has called the Police and Public Works Departments to file complaints with regard to the maintenance of the property next door to her home, in the Hearthstone development. It is a rental property that houses four families, with approximately twelve people living there. She has complained about the garbage and the smell, and has taken pictures of the property. She has also complained to the Police Department about loud music and noise.

Mayor Cunliffe asked that she give the pictures to Ms. Rodriguez, and requested that she be the point person on this matter, and that Mr. Yhost, and Mr. Franklin give whatever cooperation to her department that is necessary.

Ms. Eisenberg also complained about a car that has been in accident and has been parked across the street from her property for the past month and a half. It has not been moved, and will not be moved, because the owner has no intention of moving it.

Mayor Cunliffe stated at the next meeting on Feb. 3rd, he would like to have the resolutions presented to the Committee as to how these matters were taken care of, including the loud music, garbage, human waste, mattresses. Again, Ms. Rodriguez was assigned as point person, and Mr. Yhost and Mr. Franklin were requested to cooperate as necessary, and to come back to the next public meeting and advise the Committee how this was rectified. If is it not rectified, Mayor Cunliffe asked Mrs. Eisenberg to come back to the next meeting and advise the Committee of her satisfaction or dissatisfaction.

Mrs. Eisenberg further thanked the two police officers that assisted her daughter in a recent car accident.

Mr. Scare advised about the difficulty in enforcing the Noise Ordinance, which depends on decibel levels.

Mr. Miller asked that they review address histories regarding noise complaints to find out which houses in the Township have repeated noise offenses.

Mayor Cunliffe suggested that the Township have hand-held decibel meters in order to help enforce the noise Ordinance.

Mayor Cunliffe asked that Mr. Secare review the present Noise Ordinance for revisions.

Rena Amata, Whiting – Commented with regard to letter she has written to the Committee concerning the possibility of replacing the Town Square with a parking garage. She urged the Committee to keep Town Square in tact.

Sonia Walker, 302 Woodlake Manor Drive – Also commented with regard to the possibility of turning Town Square into a parking garage.

Mr. Edwards advised that no plans have been drawn, and no decisions have been made at this time by the Committee with regard to turning Town Square into a parking garage.

Larry Simons – Commented with regard to the conveyance of Township owned land for affordable housing.

David Drukaroff, 1433 Laurelwood Avenue – Stated he felt Town Square should stay the way it is. Also commented on the recent Martin Luther King Breakfast that he attended.

Shoshana Hirsch, 290 Miller Road – Commented on the need for sidewalks in the Miller Road neighborhood due to the winding road and heavy traffic. There have been numerous accidents and fatalities. She requested that CDBG Funds be allocated for this project.

Mayor Cunliffe advised that he attended a meeting this date, and that Miller Road is under strong consideration for CDBG funds.

Mr. Lines advised that an estimate was done for the project, for curb and sidewalks along one side of Miller Road from Hope Chapel Road to Central Road. The project is in the works, and they have to wait to see what funds are available through CDBG, and hopefully the project could be done this year.

Rosanna Gaines, Arlington Avenue – Commented on the problems in her neighborhood. She has had to call the Police Department several times. There have been numerous complaints of drug problems in the apartments on Martin Luther King Drive. There has been increased traffic along Arlington Avenue, and she has contacted the Police Department with regard to this matter.

She has also complained about drunkenness, indecent exposure, loud music, lack of property maintenance, and she blames this on the landlords, because they are not screening their tenants.

Mayor Cunliffe stated that no one should have to live with these types of problems, and asked Ms. Rodriguez to go over to the neighborhood, and check the rental units to make sure they are up to code, that the landlords are doing to proper things with CO's, and asked Mr. Yhost if they can do some type of task force, to direct a patrol in the area, to try to address some of the rowdiness and speeding in the area. He understands that the department is strapped for manpower, but he requested directed enforcement in the area. He had asked the Committee at Reorganization to hire more officers and increase the Traffic & Safety Department to increase pro-active patrol, so they could respond to situations such as this.

Mayor Cunliffe asked the professionals to address these concerns and to follow up at the next public meeting as to their plan of action. He stated they will try their best to address these quality of life issues.

Mr. Coles asked that Ms. Rodriguez and Mr. Yhost keep him advised of their progress.

Noreen Gill, 192 Coventry Drive – Commented on problems and illegal immigrants residing in her neighborhood.

Mayor Cunliffe asked Mrs. Gill that if she had specific instances, to please share that information with Ms. Rodriguez and Mr. Yhost, and to the extent of their abilities, they will try to follow up in her neighborhood.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein advised they are working with the different departments to put together a seamless system of being able to enforce penalties on properties that in non-compliance. That is why they introduced Ordinances to clean up properties and tow-away cars.

He also asked that the Township Attorney look into the matter of Townships that have an "investor tax", where a single family home occupied by an owner has a certain real estate tax rate; however, if there is a rental CO on that single family home, then there is an increased tax, or it is done as a rebate to an owner; he is not quite sure, but he asked the that Township Attorney look into this.

Mayor Cunliffe asked Mr. Secare to review this matter.

Mr. Secare feels it is a different type of assessment, such as an "income approach", but he will research the matter.

Sam Christopher, 514 Central Avenue – He feels it is a good idea to have the department heads present at the meetings. He suggested that a left turn lane be placed on Route 9 going North at Central Avenue.

Mayor Cunliffe asked Mr. Lines to look into the feasibility of a left turn lane going North on Route 9 at Central Avenue.

Jim Cassaro – Commented on Ordinances for sale of Township owned property to be used for educational purposes, and a change in form of government.

Detective Stillwell – Read a joint statement from the PBA and SOA regarding promotional exams within the Lakewood Police Department.

Mayor Cunliffe requested Detective Stillwell to put the statement in the form of a formal memo to the Township Committee members so they all can read and review it and take the comments under advisement.

Alice Kelsey, Malvern Court East - Asked about the building codes that educational facilities have to follow.

Mayor Cunliffe advised they must follow state codes.

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

Mayor Cunliffe thanked the department heads and professionals for being present this evening, and asked them to also be present at the next public meeting to discuss the issues brought up by 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 Bingo and Raffle Applications: Catholic Charities, St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, Joseph Citta Elementary School, PTO. Resolution No. 2005-68
- 2. Resolution authorizing appropriation reserve transfers in the 2004 Appropriation Reserve Budget. Resolution No. 2005-69
- 3. Resolution authorizing submission of an application to the New Jersey Enterprise Zone Authority for the Fiscal Year 2004-2005. (UEZ ADMIN BUDGET) Resolution No. 2005-70
- 4. Resolution authorizing corporate structure change of Plenary Retail Distribution License No: 1514-44-004-008, Parsuns Liquors, Inc. Resolution No. 2005-71
- 5. Resolution authorizing person to person transfer of Plenary Retail Distribution License No.: 1514-44-006-00, from Dear Inc. to VADI\Wines, Inc. Resolution No. 2005-72

- 6. Professional Services Resolution awarding contract to LAN Associates for the engineering and architectural services in conjunction with the proposed Public Works Facility, sum not to exceed \$8,000.00. Resolution No. 2005-73
- 7. Resolution authorizing the execution of a Change Order No. 1 in connection with a project known as improvements to Clifton Avenue and pedestrian safety improvements. Resolution No. 2005-74
- 8. Resolution awarding contract to Seely Equipment Company for the purchase of an asphalt pothole patcher pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. Resolution No. 2005-75
- Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and Clerk to attest to subordination of mortgages. Resolution No. 2005-76
- 10. Resolution authorizing the execution of a Change Order No. 1 in connection with a project known as installation of curb and sidewalk at the Kettle Creek Recreation Complex along its frontage on Chatham Avenue. Resolution No. 2005-77
- 11. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, awarding contract to Interstate Contracting and Excavating, LLC for drainage improvement to Chatham/Salem Avenues, sum not to exceed \$114,168.00. Resolution No. 2005-78
- 12. Resolution authorizing the Tax Assessor to act as agent of the Township on certain tax appeals. Resolution No. 2005-79
- 13. Professional Services Resolution awarding contract to Realty Appraisal Company to provide appraisal services to the Township, sum not to exceed \$17,500.00. Resolution No. 2005-80

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Mr. Miller, to approve Resolutions 1 through 13 on the Consent Agenda.

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

Resolution Nos. 2005-68 through 2005-80 – Adopted.

RESOLUTION NOT INCLUDED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA - None

ORDINANCES SECOND READING - None

ORDINANCES FIRST READING (2nd Reading and Public Hearing 2/3/05)

An Ordinance amending and supplementing an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance establishing the annual minimum and maximum salary ranges for the offices and positions of persons

employed by the Township of Lakewood in the County of Ocean and State of New Jersey" and, providing for an effective date 20 days after publication and final adoption.

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-1 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

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 1550 Oak Street LLC/Sudler Management Company a/k/a Mister Cookie Face, Inc. for facilities located at Block 1160.02, Lot 6, 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 Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles.

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

Mayor Cunliffe.

Ordinance No. 2005-2 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of Block 12.01, Lot 20, in the Township of Lakewood, at a private sale pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, et seq. (Miller Road)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Coles, second by Senator Singer.

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

Ordinance No. 2005-3 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of Lot 16 in Block 769 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.

(Arlington Ave. & John Street)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Senator Singer, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.

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

Ordinance No. 2005-4 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of Lot 13.01 in Block 249 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. (Congress St.) Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-5 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5 authorizing the acquisition of Block 1334, Lot 3 and Block 1336, Lot 2 on the official tax map of the Township of Lakewood for nominal consideration.

(Steinhilbert Avenue/a paper street)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-6 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey amending Ordinance #96-36. (Emergency Medical Technician)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-7 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey amending Ordinance #2001-30. (School Traffic Guard)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-8 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey amending Ordinance #2004-54. (Assessing Clerk, Senior Assessing Aide)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2005-9 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, changing the name of a certain street in the Township of Lakewood. (Salem Street, east of New Hampshire to Healthcare Way.)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2005-10 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the private sale and conveyance of Block 1235, Lot 50 lying within the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13, et seq. to the Lakewood Township Industrial Commission for nominal consideration. (North of Route 70)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Coles, second by Senator Singer.

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

Ordinance No. 2005-11 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the private sale and conveyance of various properties lying within the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.SA. 40A:12-13, et seq. to the Lakewood Industrial Commission for nominal consideration. (Various Lots - South of Cedarbridge Avenue, East of the Garden State Parkway) Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-12 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending and supplementing Chapter II of the Code of the Township of Lakewood entitled "Administration". (Fees for Copies)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-13 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, vacating all right, title and interest of and to the public in streets or portion of streets, indicated in Section Two of this Ordinance 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: Mr. Miller, Senator Singer, Mr. Coles, Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein and Mayor Cunliffe.

Ordinance No. 2005-14 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 4.30 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Oak St., a paper street)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked that the Township Attorney review the following Ordinances for the nine parcels of land to be sold for educational purposes.

Mr. Secare stated that he has carefully reviewed the Ordinances, along with the Engineering Department, and the main objective of the public bidding is that the playing field be level, in that the public has a right to bid in an even fashion. In structuring these Ordinances, along with the Engineering Department, it is his opinion that these Ordinances put the bids at a level playing field, and everyone has a legitimate right to bid on the property openly and publicly. He has reviewed the Ordinances many times with his office, the Engineering Department, the Manager's Office, and Assessor's Office. This has not been done lightly, it has been thoroughly researched, and it is his opinion that this is the fairest way to do it.

Mayor Cunliffe also advised that he has checked with Mr. Lines, and all metes and bounds have been checked, double checked, and triple checked.

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

Ordinance No. 2005-15 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 4.20 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Oak St., a paper street)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-16 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 4.70 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Oak St., a paper street)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-17 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 5.30 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Oak St., a paper street)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-18 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 2.86 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Oak St.)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-19 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 5.29 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Oak St.)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-20 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 3.76 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Oak St.)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-21 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 4.77 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Wadsworth Ave.)

Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2005-22 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of a 6.43 acre parcel of land as described on attached Schedule A 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. (Wadsworth Ave.)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, second by Senator Singer. On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Senator Singer, Mr. Coles, Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein and Mayor Coles.

Ordinance No. 2005-23 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 3, 2005.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from William Rieker, CFO, regarding notes sold. Motion by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, that the above correspondence is received and filed.

Correspondence from Lakewood Exempt Firemen's Association thanking the Township Committee for allowing them to float a Christmas Tree on Lake Carasaljo. Motion by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, that the above correspondence is received and filed.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 1/19/05

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

Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Miller asked that a representative of the NJ American Water Company be requested to come in to a meeting. He has received numerous complaints with regard to water and sewer rates.

Senator Singer advised he recently had a meeting with the water company with regard to the sewer situation on South Lake Drive and expansion of services. They are putting together a plan, and he will know within a week or so when they will be coming in to present their plan, and they could also be requested to answer questions concerning their billing process.

Senator Singer had asked Mr. Secare what the affordable housing designation was for Manchester, and was advised about 120 units. He asked when they were to be built, and was advised that Manchester has been fighting it for the last ten years.

Senator Singer further commented on the Town Square, which was not built for an area in which to give things away. It was built as a meeting place, a gathering place. He is not advocating that it be turned into a parking lot, but one of the biggest problems that people have in being able to enjoy the Strand Theater is the fact that there is no parking at the theater. If you get a sold out crowd, there is no place for people to park their cars. You drive around for twenty minutes or so and can not find a place to park in the downtown area. You have to be open minded about this, and take a hard look at the fact that there is not enough parking.

Senator Singer further advised he has had a group of people come to his office that have homes adjacent to the Public Works facility. They have had an above average rate of children with Downs Syndrome, and have concerns about cancer. They have asked to him to look into it, and he asked that Mr. Edwards be requested to contact the Ocean County Board of Health. The area has been tested and all tests came back negative, but they want to be assured that there are no problems.

Mayor Cunliffe agreed there is a definite immediate need for additional parking in the downtown area. Where they will find it remains to be scene.

Mayor Cunliffe advised he had the pleasure of attending the recent MLK Breakfast put on by the NAACP on Saturday, and the Clergy Association Breakfast on Monday. He encouraged everyone to attend future events.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 P.M.