LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MARCH 3, 2005
MINUTES

The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, March 3, 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………………………………………………Absent….. Charles Cunliffe
Deputy Mayor………………………………………………….. Meir Lichtenstein
Committee Members…………………………………………. Menashe Miller
Senator Robert Singer
Raymond Coles
Municipal Manager……………………………………………. Frank Edwards
Municipal Attorney……………………………………………. Guy Ryan
Municipal Clerk………………………………………………… Bernadette Standowski

CLOSED SESSION
Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles.
Resolution No. 2005-114 – 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 Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, to open the meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF: 1/2/05
Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, to approve the above Minutes.
On Roll Call – Affirmative:  Mr. Miller, Senator Singer, Mr. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.
Minutes approved.

MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: 2/17/05
Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Senator Singer, to approve the above Closed Session Minutes.
On Roll Call – Affirmative:  Mr. Miller, Senator Singer, Mr. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.
Closed Session Minutes approved.

PRESENTATIONS:  None
**Comments from the public** will be heard for a limit of one (1) hour. Each speaker will have four (4) minutes and shall be limited to one time at the Podium.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein opened the meeting to the public.

David Drukaroff, 1433 Laurelwood Avenue – Commented on education issues.

Jim Cossaro, 28 Autumn Tide Drive – Commented with regard to Ordinances concerning recreation and open space inventory.

Alice Kelsey, 295B Malvern Court – Thanked the Township Committee for the Resolution supporting the fight to save CDBG funding.

Sam Christopher, 514 Central Avenue – Commented on the passing of George Buckwald.

Ben Heineman, 327 Carey Street – Thanked the Township for the cleanup during the last snow storm.

Larry Simons, 7 Schoolhouse Court – Commented on salaries and benefits paid to Township employees and the Director of the Airport Authority.

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

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein reviewed matters directed to the professionals at the last meeting. He asked Mr. Franklin about the tiered snow emergency schedule.

Mr. Franklin responded that he was working on it, but it was not completed at this time.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein commented about the parking problem on Ninth Street. Mr. Lines and Mr. Franklin were looking into the possibility of additional parking along the college property.

Mr. Franklin advised that the people in the area cooperated during the last snow storm and removed their cars from the street on the north side.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein commented on the plowing of Spruce Street near the entrance to Kimball Medical Center.

Senator Singer advised the area was plowed.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. Yhost about the review of the Ordinances regarding parking on Spruce Street.

Mr. Yhost answered that the Traffic and Safety Unit is reviewing the request. There are no particular parking problems, but they will see if additional signage will help.

Senator Singer advised no further review is necessary.
Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. Yhost if he looked into the cars being stored at the Emergency Management Building.

Mr. Yhost answered that twenty-nine cars are being stored out there. Unfortunately, seventeen of them are in forfeiture. One of the requirements is that they be maintained at their present value. The problem is that if those vehicles are stored at the municipal building, there would be no parking for employees. Some of the vehicles can be removed. But the remaining cars are parked there to relieve the congestion at the municipal building lot.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked about fencing in the area. He asked that Mr. Yhost and Mr. Franklin look in this matter.

Mr. Coles advised they are looking into the possibility of an impound lot at the site of the new public works facility.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked about the work being done at Seagull Square Shopping Center, and if any permits had been issued. He asked that Mr. Mack be requested to check into this matter for the next meeting.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked about the speeding concerns on Caranetta Drive.

Mr. Yhost advised that it is similar to the problem on Arlington Avenue, and there are additional residences, therefore, more traffic in the areas. The Traffic and Safety department will monitor the areas.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked about the matter of storefronts in the downtown area, and if there were Ordinances in place, and funding available for renovation of storefronts. He asked that Mr. Mack be requested to look into this matter and report back at the next meeting.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. Franklin if he followed up on the matter of having crews work on weekends to clean up the downtown area.

Mr. Franklin answered he provided the Manager with an estimate of how much it would cost.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. Edwards to forward that information to the Committee.

As to the matter of streets lights, Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein advised he is having a meeting with Traffic & Safety this week, and he will give a report at the next meeting.

As to the street light outage at Oak Street and New Hampshire Avenue, Mr. Yhost advised the outages were reported to JCPL a few months ago. They have not been repaired to date. JCPL informed the Township that a company was hired to do the work, and supplied the town with a long list of repairs they have scheduled.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein stated he is not satisfied with the level of service they are receiving from JCPL.
Senator Singer suggested they write a letter to BPU.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein stated they want to have the meeting with Traffic & Safety first to ascertain the facts and review the outages, and see how long it is taking JCPL to do the repairs.

Senator Singer suggested that in the interim they can write to the BPU, advising them about the lack of service from JCPL, and that the town should receive a rebate back from JCPL for every light that has not been working for however long it has not been repaired.

Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, to send a letter to BPU with regard to this matter, with documentation as a result of Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein’s meeting with Traffic & Safety.

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

It was requested that Mr. Mack follow up on the matter of permits being issued for 101 and 105 Arlington Avenue property.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein reviewed matters to be followed up on: Mr. Franklin will report on tiered snow emergency procedures; Mr. Lines will report on the parking on Ninth Street; the Inspection Department will report on issues concerning Seagull Square; Mr. Mack will report on storefronts on Clifton Avenue; Mr. Franklin will report on the need for a weekend clean up crew for downtown area; Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein will report on street lighting; Mr. Mack will report on 101 and 105 Arlington Avenue; Mr. Secare will report on the Ordinance review regarding school bus stops and “children at play” areas on Arlington Avenue.

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.


4. Resolution authorizing performance guarantee first reduction by 70% to Fairways East, LLC, Block 533 and 534, The Enclave Phase 1. Resolution No. 2005-118
5. Resolution authorizing performance guarantee first reduction by 65% to Crest Property Management, Block 1082, Lot 9, Covington Village
   Resolution No. 2005-119

6. Resolution authorizing performance guarantee first reduction by 33% to Kara at Kensington Hill, LLC, Block 1081 Lots 7 & 14.01.
   Resolution No. 2005-120

7. Resolution authorizing performance guarantee second reduction by 70% to Weisberger, Drillik & Abramczyk, Block 228, Lot 3 & 4.
   Resolution No. 2005-121

   Resolution No. 2005-122

9. Resolution authorizing release of performance guarantee to Villa Marie, LLC, Block 260, Lots 1, 2.01, 2.02, 4, 5, & 6.
   Resolution No. 2005-123

    Resolution No. 2005-124

    Resolution No. 2005-125

12. Resolution authorizing release of performance guarantee to Storage USA, Block 1160.04, Lot 41.01.
    Resolution No. 2005-126

    Resolution No. 2005-127

14. Resolution authorizing release of performance guarantee to Parkview Homes, Block 240, Lots 4, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 & 18.
    Resolution No. 2005-128

    Resolution No. 2005-129

16. Resolution reappointing P. G. Waxman and Craig Theibault to the MUA for a five (5) year term.
    Resolution No. 2005-130
17. Resolution requesting support in the fight to save the Community Development Block Grant Program and maintain this vital program within the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) at a funding level no less than $4.350 billion in formula funding in budget year 2006.
   Resolution No. 2005-131

18. Resolution authorizing emergency temporary appropriations for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the date of the adoption of the 2005 Budget.
   Resolution No. 2005-132

   Resolution No. 2005-133

    Resolution No. 2005-134

    Resolution No. 2005-135

22. Resolution authorizing a leave of absence without pay to Thomas Schick, for the time period of October 11, 2004 through March 14, 2005.
    Resolution No. 2005-136

23. Resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Services Agreement between the Township of Lakewood and the Ocean County Board of Health.
    Resolution No. 2005-137

24. Resolution authorizing the Lakewood Township Tax Collector to process a property tax refund.
    Resolution No. 2005-138

25. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on Block 249 lot 13.01.
    Resolution No. 2005-139

26. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 4.30 acre parcel.
    Resolution No. 2005-140

27. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 6.43 acre parcel.
    Resolution No. 2005-141

28. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 3.76 acre parcel.
    Resolution No. 2005-142
29. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 4.20 acre parcel.
   Resolution No. 2005-143

30. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 4.70 acre parcel.
   Resolution No. 2005-144

31. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 5.30 acre parcel.
   Resolution No. 2005-145

32. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 5.29 acre parcel.
   Resolution No. 2005-146

33. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 2.65 acre parcel.
   Resolution No. 2005-147

34. Resolution authorizing the application for a 2004 Ocean County Tourism Promotional Matching Grant.
   Resolution No. 2005-148

35. Resolution accepting bids on the following parcel as a result of the public land sale on a 4.77 acre parcel.
   Resolution No. 2005-149

Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Mr. Miller, to approve Resolutions 1 through 35 on the Consent Agenda.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Senator Singer, Mr. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.

RESOLUTION NOT INCLUDED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA - None

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

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. 40A:67-1 et seq. (Oliver Street)
Read by title only for second reading.
Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein 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 Senator Singer, second by Mr. Miller.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Senator Singer, Mr. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.
Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending and supplementing Chapter XI of the Code of the Township of Lakewood entitled Traffic. (St. Mary's Parking Lot)
Read by title only for second reading.
Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein 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 Mr. Coles, second by Senator Singer.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Senator Singer, Mr. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of Lot 9 in Block 159 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. (Fourth & Princeton)
Read by title only for second reading.
Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein opened the meeting to the public.

Arayeh Weinstein – Advised there is a parking problem in this area, and he had hoped this property would be used as a parking lot.

Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein answered the property is being put up for public sale.

Mr. Miller advised that a parking lot is proposed for across the street from the subject property.

Seeing no one else wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.
The above Ordinance was offered by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Miller.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Senator Singer and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.
    Negative: Mr. Coles
Ordinance No. 2005-26 adopted on second reading.

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. (Lincoln & Sherman)
Read by title only for second reading.
Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein 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 Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Senator Singer, Mr. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.
    Negative: Mr. Miller
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. (Vernon Street)

Read by title only for second reading.

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

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


ORDINANCES FIRST READING (2nd Reading and Public Hearing 3/31/05)

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey, providing for the construction of a new Public Works Facility and related expenses in and for the Township of Lakewood and appropriating $12,000,000 therefor, and providing for the issuance of $11,400,000 in bonds or notes of the Township of Lakewood to finance the same.

Read by title only for first reading.

Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Miller, to table the above Ordinance to the next meeting.

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

Negative: Mr. Coles

Ordinance tabled to the meeting of March 10, 2005.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, setting aside property for the recreational and open space inventory. (between Summit and Chatham Avenues)

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, Mr. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.

Negative: Senator Singer


An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, setting aside property for the recreational and open space inventory. (between Vine Street and Washington Street)

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. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.

Abstain: Mr. Miller

Negative: Senator Singer

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending and supplementing Ordinance 2004-3. (MUA)
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 and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Lakewood High School P.A.L.S. advising that they will be holding their senior citizen ball on April 3, 2005 and asking if the Township would like to renew it’s ad in the journal.
Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Senator Singer, and carried, that the above correspondence is received and filed.

Letter from Macedonia Baptist Church asking if the Township would like to participate in their 100th anniversary ad journal.
Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Senator Singer, and carried, that the above correspondence is received and filed.

Letter from Cornerstone Calvary Chapel requesting to use Town Square on Saturdays in March to hand out free food and clothing.
Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, to approve this request.

PARKS AND EVENTS CORRESPONDENCE

As per list of items 1 through 10, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to approve the above parks and events requests.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 3/1/05
Motion by Mr. Coles, second by Mr. Miller, to approve the above Bill List.
On Roll Call – Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Mr. Coles and Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein.
Negative: Senator Singer

Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS - None

ADJOURNMENT
Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Coles, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.