LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 1, 2007

Due to the change in location of the meeting, the tape recording was, at various times, inaudible.

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The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, November 1, 2007, at Woodlake Country Club, Augusta Ballroom, 25 New Hampshire Avenue, Lakewood, New Jersey, at 7:30 PM 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 – None

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 October 3, 2007.

ROLL CALL

OPEN SESSION

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF: 10/18/07
Motion by Senator Singer, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to approve the above Minutes.

Mr. Cunliffe requested that a correction be made to the Minutes of the October 18th, 2007 Meeting to include discussion, during the Presentation portion of the meeting, with regard to the hiring of Marlene Atkins as an outside contractor to assist the Police Department in obtaining certain funding and grants.
MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: 10/18/07
Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Senator Singer, and carried, to approve the above Closed Session Minutes.

PRESENTATIONS: Ervin Oross – Community Development

Mr. Oross announced the recipients of 2007 CDBG funding. (Entire list prepared by Ervin Oross, Jr., attached hereto and made a part hereof.)

ORDINANCES FOR DISCUSSION: 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.

Mayor Coles opened the meeting to the public.

Larry Simons, 7 Schoolhouse Court – Commented on a November 6, 2007 Agenda item with regard to the exchange of lands. A Court appointed appraiser was to determine the value of the properties to be conveyed and exchanged, and the difference was to be paid to the Township. He asked if the monies have been submitted to the Township, when they were received and to what account the funds were deposited.

Mayor Coles asked Mr. Edwards and Mr. Secare to research the matter, and provide the information to Mr. Simons.

David Drukaroff, 1433 Laurelwood Avenue – Read from an editorial that appeared in the New York Times recently, and his written response.

Barrell __________, 28 Kenwood Avenue, Westgate – Commented on the condition of the retention basin in the development, and their request for a fence around the basin for the safety of the residents and children in the neighborhood.

Mr. Stanfanky, 33 Kenwood Avenue, Westgate – Commented with regard to the detention basin in their development and the need for a fence surrounding the basin.

The Engineering Department has sent a letter to the Developer with the request for a six foot fence to alleviate the safety hazard in the neighborhood.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Commented on the apprehension of a suspect in the attack on the Rabbi.

Moshe Rietzik, 566 Northcrest Place – Commented on political issues.

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

The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Township of Lakewood and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

1. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood awarding a contract to Trenton Mack Sales and Services for the purchase of two Rear Loader Refuse Collection Trucks pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., in the amount of $396,898.00
   Resolution No. 2007-332

2. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood authorizing appropriation transfers in the 2007 Municipal Budget
   Resolution No. 2007-333

3. Resolution of the Township of Lakewood determining a need for a Housing Project
   Resolution No. 2007-334

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 3 on the Consent Agenda.

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


ORDINANCE SECOND READING

• Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey, amending Ordinance No. 06-58 of the Township finally adopted September 7, 2006 to provide for an amendment of the purposes and average useful life set forth therein.
   Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Coles 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. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller.

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

Ordinance No. 2007-49 adopted on second reading.
• Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, changing a Street Name within the Township of Lakewood pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(k) et seq. (Chestnut St. to Walnut St.) Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Coles opened the meeting to the public.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Asked why the name of this street is being changed.

Mr. Edwards answered that the developer had requested the name change in anticipation of the property being developed.

Seeing no one else wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

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. 2007-50 adopted on second reading.

• Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, prohibiting annoying and offensive Illumination. Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Coles opened the meeting to the public.

Moshe Rietzik, 166 Northcrest Drive – Commented on the details of the Ordinance.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Commented on the details of the Ordinance.

It was suggested that a memo be directed to the professionals (Planner, Engineer, Code Enforcement) requesting that they review this Ordinance and offer any comments, with regard to tightening up the language; whether the language is too broad and needs to be better defined; whether the Ordinance should address only singly family residential development; what type of lighting or wattage would be appropriate.

Seeing no one else wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, that the above Ordinance be carried for two meetings.

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

Negative: Mayor Coles

Second reading and public hearing on Ordinance No. 2007-51 carried to the meeting of December 13, 2007.
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 212 Second Street Holdings, LLC, for facilities located at Block 121, Lots 12 and 13, 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 Senator Singer.

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

Ordinance No. 2007-52 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on November 15, 2007.


Read by title only for first reading.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2007-53 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on November 15, 2007.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, vacating all right, title and interest of and to a portion of Kohl Drive 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 Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller.

Mr. Cunliffe asked that the Ordinance be sent to the Police Department, Fire Department and Engineering for their review, and if the Township eliminates that portion of Kohl Drive, it would not create any issues.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Senator Singer, Mr. Miller, Mr. Cunliffe, Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein and Mayor Coles.
Ordinance No. 2007-54 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on November 15, 2007.

- 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 after final adoption.

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. 2007-55 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on November 15, 2007.

- Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending Ordinance 2007-47, authorizing a lease of Block 778.01, Lot 18.01 in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. (Spruce St.)

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. 2007-56 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on November 15, 2007.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from Judi Valencia, Church of Grace & Peace, requesting the use of Town Square on Saturday, November 17, 2007, and Saturday, December 8, 2007, from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM, for a community outreach program.

Correspondence received from Pastor Dorothy Jackson, of World Wide International Empowerment Ministry Inc., requesting the use of Town Square on Thursday, November 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2007, from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM for a Christian Outreach Program.
Correspondence from William Rieker, Chief Financial Officer, regarding the sale of $296,000.00 Township of Lakewood Special Emergency Notes.

Correspondence received from Agape Fellowship of Lakewood, requesting permission to use Town Square on Saturday, November 3, 2007, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM for an outreach program.

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Lichtenstein, and carried, to approve the above correspondence.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 10/30/07

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

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. Cunliffe thanked the community for allowing them to be there, and inviting them, and perhaps they can come back in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.