

The Lakewood Township Committee held its Annual Re-Organization Meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2012, at 11:00 AM in the Lakewood Municipal Building, with the following present:

Committee Members.....Albert D. Akerman
Raymond Coles
Steven Langert
Meir Lichtenstein
Menashe P. Miller
Municipal Manager.....Michael Muscillo
Deputy Municipal Manager..... Steven Reinman
Municipal Clerk.....Mary Ann Del Mastro

SALUTE TO THE FLAG.....LED BY: MRS. RIVKIE LEVOVITZ

NATIONAL ANTHEM.....SUNG BY: CANTOR SHUA KESSIN

INVOCATION.....BY: PASTOR GLENN WILSON

**PRAYER FOR ARMED SERVICE MEN & WOMEN
BY: RABBI AARON GRUMAN**

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**OATH OF OFFICE...TOWNSHIP COMMITTEEMAN – STEVEN LANGERT
ADMINISTERED BY: FREEHOLDER JOHN C. BARTLETT, JR.**

**OATH OF OFFICE...TOWNSHIP COMMITTEEMAN – RAYMOND COLES
ADMINISTERED BY: FREEHOLDER JOHN C. BARTLETT, JR.**

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF MAYOR

Motion by Committeeman Langert, second by Committeeman Coles, appointing Menashe P. Miller to the position of Mayor for the year 2012.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman Langert and Committeeman Miller.

**OATH OF OFFICE TO MAYOR – MENASHE P. MILLER
ADMINISTERED BY: FREEHOLDER JOHN C. BARTLETT, JR.**

NOMINATIONS & ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Langert, appointing Albert D. Akerman to the position of Deputy Mayor for the year 2012.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman Langert and Mayor Miller.

**OATH OF OFFICE TO DEPUTY MAYOR – ALBERT D. AKERMAN
ADMINISTERED BY: SENATOR ROBERT W. SINGER**

**APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY – LAWRENCE E. BATHGATE, II, ESQ.,
AND BATHGATE, WEGENER & WOLF, P.C.**

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Langert, appointing Lawrence E. Bathgate, II, Esq., and Bathgate, Wegener and Wolf, P.C., as Township Attorney for the year 2012.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Resolution No. 2012-1 – Adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) **RESOLUTION SETTING THE 2012 MEETING DATES OF THE LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**
Resolution No. 2012-2
- 2) **RESOLUTION SETTING THE 2012 MEETING DATES OF THE LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH**
Resolution No. 2012-3
- 3) **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2012**
Resolution No. 2012-4
- 4) **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD**
Resolution No. 2012-5
- 5) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF HOLMAN & FRENIA, P.C., AS TOWNSHIP AUDITOR**
Resolution No. 2012-6
- 6) **RESOLUTION SETTING INTEREST RATES ON TAX DELINQUENCIES AND DESIGNATING PATRICIA TOMASSINI AS ACTING TAX SEARCHER**
Resolution No. 2012-7
- 7) **RESOLUTION IMPOSING YEAR END PENALTIES ON TAX ARREARAGES**
Resolution No. 2012-8
- 8) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MARY ANN DEL MASTRO AS LIQUOR LICENSE ADMINISTRATOR**
Resolution No. 2012-9
- 9) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MARY ANN DEL MASTRO AS LIABILITY ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER**
Resolution No. 2012-10

- 10) **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BANKS AS DEPOSITORIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD**
Resolution No. 2012-11
- 11) **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD.**
Resolution No. 2012-12
- 12) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONER – STEVEN LANGERT**
Resolution No. 2012-13
- 13) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONER – MICHAEL MUSCILLO**
Resolution No. 2012-14
- 14) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT C.E.R.T. COORDINATOR AND C.E.R.T. DEPUTY COORDINATOR – KENNETH DIX (1-YEAR TERM), AND MOSHE EHRMAN (1-YEAR TERM)**
Resolution No. 2012-15
- 15) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING DEPUTY COORDINATORS TO THE LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES – DEPUTY CHIEF FRED CAPPER, DOV DEMBITZER, KENNETH DIX, MICHAEL D’ELIA, MOSHE EHRMAN, MEIR LICHTENSTRIN, MENASHE P. MILLER, YISROEL SCHENKOLEWSKI, AND SGT. FRANK WORK (1-YEAR TERM)**
Resolution No. 2012-16
- 16) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING CONFLICT MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE – DANIEL F. SAHIN, ESQ. (1-YEAR TERM)**
Resolution No. 2012-17
- 17) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP BOND COUNSEL – GLUCK WALRATH, LLP**
Resolution No. 2012-18
- 18) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY – SALVATORE ALFIERI, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2012-19
- 19) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY – CHRISTOPHER W. ALGEO, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2012-20
- 20) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER – LEIB KLEIN, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2012-21

- 21) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR – ROBERT A. ROTHSTEIN, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2012-22
- 22) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS – VALTER MUST, ESQ. AND MICHAEL BURNS, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2011-23
- 23) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF CONFLICT MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR – SEAN T. KEAN, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2011-24
- 24) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL TOWNSHIP COUNSELS – JOHN C. SAHRADNIK, ESQ., AND BERRY, SAHRADNIK, KOTZAS & BENSON; STEVEN SECARE, ESQ., AND SECARE, RYAN & HENSEL; SEAN D. GERTNER, ESQ., AND GERTNER, MANDEL & PESLAK, LLC; GEORGE R. GILMORE, ESQ., AND GILMORE AND MONAHAN; SEAN T. KEAN, ESQ., AND CAMPBELL, FOLEY, DELANO & ADAMS, LLC**
Resolution No. 2011-25
- 25) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSELS FOR MEDIATION – MICHAEL B. BERMAN, ESQ. AND MICHAEL R. BATEMAN, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2011-26
- 26) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ENGINEER – REMINGTON, VERNICK & VENA, ENGINEERS**
Resolution NO. 2011-27
- 27) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COUNTY HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE - REHABCO**
Resolution No. 2011-28
- 28) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD – ERVIN OROSS**
Resolution No. 2011-29
- 29) **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX ASSESSOR TO ACT AS AGENT OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR TAX APPEALS**
Resolution No. 2011-30
- 30) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP LABOR ATTORNEY – STEVEN SECARE, ESQ., AND SECARE, RYAN & HENSEL**
Resolution No. 2011-31

- 31) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A LAKEWOOD PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER - MARY ANN DEL MASTRO**
Resolution No. 2011-32
- 32) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MARY ANN DEL MASTRO AS REGISTRAR**
Resolution No. 2011-33
- 33) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING RECREATION SUPERVISOR – JEFFREY SHAPIRO (3-YEAR TERM)**
Resolution No. 2011-34
- 34) **RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF STARMARK APPRAISALS FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES**
Resolution No. 2011-35
- 35) **RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF APPRAISAL SYSTEMS, INC., FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES**
Resolution No. 2011-36
- 36) **RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF GAGLIANO APPRAISAL, LLC, FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES**
Resolution No. 2011-37

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Langert, to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 36 on the Consent Agenda.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein (abstained on Nos. 21 and 22), Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.
Resolution Nos. 2012-2 through 2011-37 – Adopted.

Mayor Miller thanked Freeholder Bartlett and Senator Singer for attending and participating in the meeting.

Senator Singer congratulated Mayor Miller and the Township Committee and spoke on matters and plans for 2012.

Freeholder Bartlett wished Mayor Miller and the Township Committee best of luck in the coming year, and congratulated Committeemen Coles and Langert on their re-elections; offered greetings from the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and offered their assistance as needed.

Mayor Miller recognized former Township Committeemen in attendance: Phil Waxman, John Franklin and Mike D'Elia.

Mayor Miller thanked Cantor Shua Kessin, Pastor Glenn Wilson, and Rabbi Aaron Gruman for their participation.

Mayor Miller recognized Susie Beck as Employee of the Year.

Mayor Miller recognized Mrs. Rivkie Levovitz and acknowledged her thirty-five years of dedication to Lakewood Township.

At this time, Mayor Miller announced the Township Committee Liaison Appointments. Each Liaison would then announce the appointments to their respective boards and committees.

2012 MAYOR'S LIAISON APPOINTMENTS

ALBERT D. AKERMAN

BOARD OF HEALTH
COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
INSPECTION DEPARTMENT
LAKEWOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
PARKS AND RECREATION
PUBLIC RELATIONS
TRANSPORTATION
UTILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ZONING BOARD

STEVEN LANGERT

BUDGET MANAGEMENT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
LEGAL DEPARTMENT
MAYOR'S COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS OF ADULT COMMUNITIES
TAX ASSESSOR
TAX COLLECTOR
TOWNSHIP CLERK

RAYMOND COLES

ADA COMPLIANCE & DISABILITIES
CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
HERITAGE COMMISSION
HOUSING AUTHORITY
LAKEWOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES
TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD

MEIR LICHTENSTEIN

ALL EMERGENCY SERVICES
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
FIRE DEPARTMENT
FIRST AID & EMS
MUNICIPAL COURT
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
POLICE
REGISTRAR
STREET LIGHTING
TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY SERVICES

MENASHE P. MILLER

AIRPORT
ADVERTISING AND CIVIC DISPLAY
COMPLETE TOWN COMMITTEE
PUBLIC EDUCATION SAFETY COMMITTEE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
RENT CONTROL BOARD
SHADE TREE COMMISSION
SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENTS
VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PLANNING BOARD

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

ADA Compliance Committee and Disabilities Commission: (Liaison -Raymond Coles)
Thomas Barry, Jean Hannon, William Sette, as Alternates, each for a one year term;
Joan Lorenc, for a one year term; Hannah Havens, Thomas Lorenc, Linda Halm, Michael
D'Elia and Roslyn Baer, each for a two year term; and Vacant Seat, for a one year term

CDBG Selection Committee: (Liaison – Steven Langert/Raymond Coles)
Chava Chase, Michael Cohen, Joseph DiMattina, Aaron Hoberman, Bernard Williams, Eli
Rennert, each for a one year term

Civil Rights Commission: (Liaison – Raymond Coles)
Joseph Mutterperl, for a four year term

Community Center Advisory Board: (Liaison – Albert D. Akerman)
Rob Betesh, John Brown, John Craddox, Binyamin Greenspoon, Simcha Greenwald, Uri
Shoshana, Sarah Kalminowitz (Conf. Aide to the Committee), each for a one year term

Complete Town Committee: (Liaison – Menashe P. Miller)

Dovid Friedman, Moshe Gliberman, Bill Hobday, Sarah Kalminowitz (Conf. Aide to the Committee), Frances Kirschner, Lawrence S. Krompner (Ex. Dir. Lakewood Chamber of Commerce), Police Chief Robert Lawson, Lynne Liotino, Mike McNeil, Menashe P. Miller, Dan Regenye, Nancy Martorelli, Betty Rod, Sarah Rothenberg, Pastor Raquel Salguero, Lydia Silva, Yaakov Wenger, and Pastor Glenn Wilson, each for a one year term

Emergency Planning Council: (Liaison – Meir Lichtenstein)

Neil Bryant, Scott Carter, Michael D’Elia, Kenneth Dix, Anita Doyle, John J. Franklin, Bernard Gindoff, Danny Goldberg, Chief Robert Lawson, George J. Leggett, Meir Lichtenstein, Ranato Madarang, Menashe P. Miller, Ruth Molnar, Avi Pollack, Michael Saccamanno, Rabbi Yisroel Schenkolewski, Mordechai Senderovits, Jacob Sussman, Pastor Glenn Wilson, Sgt. Frank Work, Fire Chief Rodney Youmans, Thomas Zambrano, each for a one year term

Environmental Commission: (Liaison – Albert D. Akerman)

Rivka Yablonsky, for a three year term

Heritage Commission: (Liaison – Raymond Coles)

Harold Paul Olsen, Eileen Liptzin, Sister Helen Neder, Dr. Stanley Liptzin, Sam A. Christopher, Agnes Mayer, each for a three year term; Jane Sims, to fill an unexpired term to expire December 31, 2013; Heath Gertner, Alternate, to fill an unexpired term to expire December 31, 2013; Mitchell Gertner, Alternate, for a term to expire December 31, 2014; Oksana Hagopian, Alternate, to fill an unexpired term to expire December 31, 2012; and Vacant Alternate Seat, for a term to expire December 31, 2012

Industrial Commission: (Liaison – Steven Langert)

Edward Schuster, to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2012; Samuel Rabinowitz, to fill an unexpired term, to expire July 12, 2015

Lakewood Development Corporation: (Liaison – Raymond Coles/Albert D. Akerman)

Albert D. Akerman and Raymond Coles, each for a one year term; Abraham Muller, Carey Tajfel, and Moshe Zev Weisberg, each for a two year term

Municipal Alliance: (Liaison – Raymond Coles)

Jodi Brennan, Stephanie Campbell, Filiberto Gonzalez, Zsanelle Hakspiel, Hannah Havens, Janet Heulitt, Najriran Holland, Brenda Hubit, Kevin McAllister, Irene Miccio, Deloris Nicholas, Elizabeth Perez, Toni Ponti, Moshe Raitzik, each for a one year term

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board/ Special Events: (Liaison – Albert D. Akerman)

Fred Ponti, Toni Ponti (PALS Liaison), Sgt. Frank Work, Jorge Esmart, each for a one year term; Kenneth Dix, Jorge Ramos and Henry “Ricky” Sanchez, each for a four year term)

Planning Board (Liaison – Menashe P. Miller)

Enrique Percal, Alt. 1, for a two year term; Stanley Banas, Carl Fink and Yechiel Herzl, as Class IV Members, each for a four year term

Police Chaplains (Liaison – Meir Lichtenstein)

Rabbi Moshe Ehrman, Rev. Edward Harper, Rabbi Abraham Muller, Rev. Michael O'Connor, Rabbi Usher Feiner, Rabbi Paul Levovitz, Rabbi Yisroel Schenkolewski (with the rank of Inspector), each for a three year term

Rent Control Board: (Liaison – Menashe P. Miller)

David Garfield (Non-Landlord Member), Moshe Raitzik, (Tenant Member), Jonathan Rubin (Landlord Member), Lisa Skinner (Landlord Member), Nathaniel Small, Sr. (Tenant Member), Yitzchok Szmidt (Alt. 1), and Yitzchok Willroth (Non-Landlord Member), each for a one year term; and Vacant Seat - Non-Landlord Member, for a one year term; and Vacant Seat – Alt. #2, for a one year term

Shade Tree Commission: (Liaison – Menashe P. Miller)

Ryan Semblewski, 2nd Alt., for a five year term; Roseanne Work, for a five year term

Transportation Board: (Liaison – Albert D. Akerman)

David Hibberson, Chana M. Jacobowitz, William Wells and Roseanne Work, each for a three year term; Ben Weinstein, to fill an unexpired term, to expire December 31, 2013; Vacant Seat, Alt. 1, for a three year term; Vacant Seat, Alt. 2, for a three year term

Zoning Board of Adjustment: (Liaison – Albert D. Akerman)

Judah Ribiat, Alt. 1, for a two year term; Obed Gonzalez, for a four year term

MAYOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEES

One Year Terms:

Mayor's Council of Presidents of Adult Communities:

Current Presidents of Adult Communities will be the members of this board.

Tourism Advisory Committee:

Stanley Banas, Michael Billig, Mary Cranwell, Lorraine Franklin, Ruth Schreiner, Sheldon Wolpin

Utilities Advisory Committee:

Shmuel Binder, Shabsi Ganzweig, Bill Hobday, Mike McNeil, Zack Rose, Larry Simons, Gregg Stafford-Smith, Rabbi Yonasan Sanders and Moshe Raitzik.

Veterans Advisory Committee:

John Z. Balla, US Air Force Chaplain Major (S) Raphael Berdugo, Michael B. Berman, William Doyle, Bill Keating, Bernie Lesiak, Thomas Lorenc, Joan Ordino, Joseph Qualiano, Sr., Joe Rangell, Captain Mark Siegel, and Sheldon Wolpin

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Planning Board

Class I/Mayor's Designee Appointment (one year term) – **Eli Rennert**

Class I Appointment (one year term) – **Menashe P. Miller, Mayor**

Class II Appointment (one year term) – **Anthony Arcchi**

Class III Appointment (one year term) – **Albert D. Akerman**

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committeeman Lichtenstein congratulated Committeemen Coles and Langert on their re-election. Each Committeeman has their strengths and weaknesses, and they gel and come together when there are issues that have to be tackled, depending on each other for advice and leadership. He congratulated Mayor Miller and Deputy Mayor Akerman on their appointments.

Committeeman Lichtenstein continued on his plans for 2012, including working with the Budget Advisor on the Committee to make sure that the taxes stay as low as possible, and the expenses are kept very well in check. He looks forward to continue tapping into the volunteerism in the community. He believes there can be some advances in technology. They have made some nice advances with the website, such as the alert system. They also spoke last year about looking at the infrastructure, and they submitted their recommendations on areas that they felt were in need of infrastructure. Finally, they will continue working on the street light issues. They recently called in four hundred fifty street light outages, and notified JCP&L. JCP&L advised they needed two to three weeks to do the repairs. The Chief of Police has submitted a report indicating that eighty-five to ninety percent of those streets lights have still not been repaired. He will continue to ask the Committee to support him in not paying their bills. He thinks that four weeks is an excessive amount of time for a pedestrian walking community, and at this time, there are probably over five hundred street light outages. He will be drafting another letter to the BPU advising them of this, copying JCP&L, and the Committee.

Mayor Miller responded regarding the police technology, and advised they will be working on the digital mapping this year. They will meet with the Engineering Department, Inspection Department and Police Department in order to get to the next level with digital mapping, which will enhance their response time, and assist in law enforcement.

Mayor Miller continued regarding JCP&L. He would like to take this one step further. He stated he would like to sue JCP&L. He does not want to pay a penny for the light outages. He does not want to say they are not paying the bill until the lights are repaired. He does want to pay, period. There are over five hundred street light outages. This is a serious danger, and a financial issue. They are not paying that money. He asked for a Roll Call from the Committee, offering a Resolution to go into a lawsuit with JCP&L and contact the BPU saying this is ridiculous, they are putting their foot down, this is an embarrassment to the Township, who has put so much work into canvassing the entire town. He feels that they look like fools that they have told JCP&L exactly what lights are out, and the repairs are not done. He would like to move forward with this.

A second to the Motion was offered by Committeeman Langert. He advised he will second any effort that Mayor Miller or Committeeman Lichtenstein, or anyone else brings to the table to repair the street lights in a timely manner, to have JCP&L and other utilities to be more responsive in a timely manner.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Mayor Miller asked Committeeman Lichtenstein to continue his work on this matter, to continue being the Liaison, and they will see this through to the end.

Committeeman Lichtenstein requested that the Utilities Advisory Committee monitor the utilities companies when they come in for rate increases. He wants to start with JCP&L, and continue to challenge their rate increases. He asked that the Utilities Advisory Committee advise the Township Committee of all proposed rate increases as soon as possible, and to continue to challenge and oppose the rate increases.

Committeeman Coles commented that he too served as Mayor for two years in a row, and he knows what Mayor Miller will be up against. It will not be easy, but he offered his support and prayers in the coming year. He thanked his family for their support. He offered his support to his fellow Committee Members. He thanked Moshe Raitzik for his hard work on the campaign.

Committeeman Langert congratulated Committeeman Coles on his re-election. Commented on the accomplishments of the Committee over the past three years. He thanked his fellow Committee members for their support. They have all worked together to get the problems solved, and that reflects itself to the community at large. He believes that is a testament to this Township Committee, and he is proud to serve on this Township Committee. He acknowledged and thanked professionals and volunteers in the audience today, and former Township Committee members. He thanked his family for their support. And he is looking forward to serving under the direction of Mayor Miller.

Committeemen Langert continued that he is looking forward to working on three specific issues in the coming year: Additional Parks and Recreation for the youth and residents, funding for Social Service Organizations, and responsible spending.

Deputy Mayor Akerman thanked his family for coming today. Thanked his fellow Committee members for their guidance and support. He commended Mr. Reinman and Mr. Abraham for their work on the LDC. He commented on his plans for Parks and Recreation in the coming year. He hopes to utilize his positions in Planning and Zoning to help control the growth of the town, to make sure things go forward in the proper way. He will use his positions on the various boards to serve the town, to make the town more friendly and service oriented.

MAYOR'S ADDRESS

Mayor Miller thanked the public for coming out today and putting their trust in him. He thanked and commended his fellow Committee members for their hard work and support. He appointed Committeeman Langert and Deputy Mayor Akerman to work together on the Budget and Finance Committee. They all have worked together, got the job done together, they have unity, and they work together as a family. He thanked his parents

and family for their support, and thanked friends for coming out today. He thanked the volunteers for their service on the boards and commissions.

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

Mayor Miller opened the meeting to the public.

Baruch Blaustein, 109 Seventh Street – Congratulating Committeemen Coles and Langert on their re-elections, and Committee Members on their appointments. He suggested that the recording of the Township Committee be placed on the website. He also suggested the re-paving of roads in the town that are in poor condition.

Benjamin Hoffman, Twin Oaks Drive – Thanked Mayor Miller for all his hard work, and commended the Committee members on making Lakewood a better place to live. He also commented on traffic issues along Route 9, and complained about the train that travels past his development late at night.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Welcomed Mayor Miller back. Commended the Township Committee members for their hard work. Commented on the utility company and street light outage issues.

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

With regard to the proposal for more parks and recreation in the town, Mayor Miller suggested that a park be named in memory of former Township Committeeman Jerry Greenberg.

BENEDICTION – Larry Simons

“GOD BLESS AMERICA” – PERFORMED BY: CANTOR AVROMI FLAMM

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 12:52 PM.