

The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, August 7, 2014 in the Lakewood Municipal Building, at 6:30 PM for the Workshop/Executive Session and 7:30 PM for the Public Meeting, with the following present:

Mayor..... Menashe P. Miller
Deputy Mayor..... Albert D. Akerman
Committee Members..... Raymond Coles
Steven Langert
Meir Lichtenstein
Municipal Manager..... Steven Reinman
Municipal Attorney..... Jan L. Wouters, Esq.
Municipal Clerk..... Mary Ann Del Mastro

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, 2014 and published in the Asbury Park Press on January 6, 2014.

ROLL CALL

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 2014-271 – Adopted.

ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PRAYER

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Langert, and carried, to open the meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF: 07/24/14

Motion by Committeeman Langert, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, and carried, to approve the above Minutes. Mayor Miller did not vote as he was not present at the July 24, 2014 Meeting. Committeeman Coles did not vote.

MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: 07/24/14

Motion by Deputy Mayor Akerman, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, and carried, to approve the above Closed Session Minutes. Mayor Miller did not vote as he was not present at the July 24, 2014 Meeting. Committeeman Coles did not vote.

PRESENTATIONS

Green Acres Park Application(s) – Public Hearing – Ervin Oross, CDBG Director

Mr. Cross advised that they are making application to the State Green Acres Program for various improvements at seven (7) parks throughout the town, for a million dollar grant/loan. This is the public hearing portion of the advertisement that was made a couple of weeks ago. He asked if there was anyone from the public present who would like to comment on this Green Acres application for various park sites, and the source of funding.

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

Jersey Central Power & Light – Pete Johner

Mayor Miller commented that they are truly lucky that they live in Lakewood, where they live in a town with a lot of building and growth going on. People want to live here. At the same time, along with growth always comes growing pains. One of the issues they had a few years back was rolling black outs that took place all around Lakewood. At the time, it was very aggravating, and they were being told that it was due to the fact that there was a lot of growing going on, and they could not hold up to the power that was being provided. That was one issue. Another issue that came up was that they felt that the street lights were not being repaired in the proper time. At that time, he called for Mr. Johner to come to the meeting, and they lashed out at JCP&L and were furious and commenced a lawsuit. He is now pleased to turn the microphone over to Committeeman Lichtenstein to talk about everything that the same Pete Johner has done. Mayor Miller stated he was the first to chastise JCP&L. He is a man of his words, and now he is the first one to give JCP&L his appreciation.

Committeeman Lichtenstein agreed with Mayor Miller's comments. Their working relationship with JCP&L has grown. Just today he was in a meeting with Gregg Stafford-Smith and Pete Johner, and the heads of the Engineering and Line Departments, discussing the growth of Lakewood and how to prepare and make sure they have enough power going forward. They have worked very closely with JCP&L on the street lights. Recently, during Superstorm Sandy, JCP&L was constantly in contact with the Township, and it was due to a lot of hard work on Mr. Johner's part. Committeeman Lichtenstein further stated it is, and has been, a pleasure working with Mr. Johner, and will continue to be a pleasure to work with JCP&L.

Mayor Miller presented a plaque to Mr. Johner in appreciation of his dedication and commitment to the residents of Lakewood.

Mr. Johner thanked Mayor Miller and the Township Committee for this award. He appreciates it and is honored to receive it. They know that the town is growing, and they want to be there to fit the needs of that growth. They have the resources to do what needs to be done. He also announced that he is retiring from JCP&L on November 1, 2014. He said if anyone has any problems, to call him, and he will call the company to try to resolve it.

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 Miller opened the meeting to the public.

Seeing no one wishing to be heard, Mayor Miller 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 Directing the undertaking of a Continuing Disclosure Review and Authorizing participation in the Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative of the Division of Enforcement of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.
Resolution No. 2014-272
2. Resolution Cancelling various Grant Receivable and Grant Appropriated Reserve Balances.
Resolution No. 2014-273
3. Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of old outstanding Checks appearing on the Records of the Township of Lakewood.
Resolution No. 2014-274
4. Resolution Approving the use of additional First Generation Zone Assistance Funds for, the "Transit Connect 3", in the amount of \$17,400.00
Resolution No. 2014-275
5. Resolution Approving the use of Zone Assistance Funds for the "Lakewood First Aid and Emergency Squad Vehicle Grant", in the amount of \$20,000.00
Resolution No. 2014-276
6. Resolution Authorizing and Approving the amendment to increase "Business to Business Networking Initiative", in the amount of \$65,500.00, from funds deposited in the Enterprise Zone Assistance Fund.
Resolution No. 2014-277

7. Resolution Authorizing the amount of \$100,000.00 and Approving the Business Assistance Initiative 4" project, be funded from funds deposited in the First Generation Enterprise Zone Assistance fund.
Resolution No. 2014-278
8. Resolution Providing for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the 2014 Budget of the Township of Lakewood pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, for Grand Funding under the Transit Connect 3 Project, in the amount of \$17,400.00.
(Chapter 159 – "Transit Connect 3")
Resolution No. 2014-279
9. Resolution Providing for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the 2014 Budget of the Township of Lakewood pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, for Funding from the Lakewood Zone Assistance Fund for a First Aid and Emergency Squad Vehicle, in the amount of \$20,000.00. (Chapter 159 – First Aid and Emergency Squad Vehicle)
Resolution No. 2014-280
10. Resolution Providing for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the 2014 Budget of the Township of Lakewood pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, for Funding under the Business to Business Networking Initiative Project, in the amount of \$70,500.00. (Chapter 159 – "Business to Business Networking Initiative")
Resolution No. 2014-281
11. Resolution Providing for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the 2014 Budget of the Township of Lakewood pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87, for Funding under the Business Assistance Initiative 4 Project, in the amount of \$100,000.00.
(Chapter 159 – "Business Assistance Initiative 4")
Resolution No. 2014-282
12. Resolution Accepting a bid on Block 430, Lot 16, as a result of the Public Land Sale, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. in the amount of \$750,000.00.
Resolution No. 2014-283
13. Resolution Accepting a bid on Block 1016, Lot 1, as a result of the Public Land Sale in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., in the amount of \$1,550,000.00
Resolution No. 2014-284

14. Resolution Accepting a bid on Block 1154, Lot 10, as a result of the Public Land Sale in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., in the amount of \$75,000.00
Resolution No. 2014-285
15. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract to Remington & Vernick Engineers for Field Surveying, Engineering, Design and Permitting Services for the Bartolf Park Water Main Extension, in an amount not to exceed \$10,600.00.
Resolution No. 2014-286

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 15 on the Consent Agenda.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein (did not vote on Resolution No. 13), Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Resolution Nos. 2014-271 through 2014-286 – Adopted.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Exchange of Certain Lands within the Township of Lakewood, in particular, Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to acquire Block 309 Lot 2, Block 311 Lot 3, Block 314 Lot 9, Block 326 Lot 4, Block 330 Lot 3, Block 795 Lot 4 and Block 1132 Lot 1, Block 1124, Lot 4 plus Additional Consideration, and Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to Convey Block 461 Lot 1, and Block 472 Lot 1, as part of an Exchange of Lands pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-16.

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller 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 Committeeman Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Akerman.

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

Ordinance No. 2014-55 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter XVIII, of the Lakewood Township Unified Development Ordinance Of 2005, Article II (Definitions), Section 18-200 (Definition of Terms). (Chap. XVIII, Article II, Sec. 18-200 – Definitions)

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller 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 Deputy Mayor Akerman, second by Committeeman Langert.

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

Ordinance No. 2014-56 adopted on second reading.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Public Sale of Block 11, Lot 12, 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. Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller 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 Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Langert.

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

Ordinance No. 2014-57 adopted on second reading.

ORDINANCE FIRST READING (Second reading and Public Hearing 08/21/14)

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 189.01, Lot 186, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at 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 Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Langert.

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

Ordinance No. 2014-58 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on August 21, 2014.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 417, New Lot 22.02, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at 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 Committeeman Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Akerman.

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

Ordinance No. 2014-59 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on August 21, 2014.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Exchange of Certain Lands within the Township of Lakewood, in particular, Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to Acquire Block 444, Lot 1 and Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to Convey Block 444, Lot 2 as part of an Exchange of Lands pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-16.

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein.

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

Ordinance No. 2014-60 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on August 21, 2014.

Committeeman Langert advised he is absenting himself from the following Ordinance.

Mr. Wouters advised that this Ordinance is being amended on first reading, at Section 3, to delete Item No. 7

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter XVIII of the Lakewood Township Unified Development Ordinance of 2005 Rezoning Residential Areas along Cross Street, Newport Avenue, Franklin Boulevard and Nieman Road. (Chap. XVIII – Amend Cross St. Re-Zoning)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Akerman, with the deletion of Item No. 7 of Section 3.

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

Not Voting: Committeeman Langert

Ordinance No. 2014-61 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on August 21, 2014.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Exchange of Certain Lands within the Township of Lakewood, in particular, Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to acquire Block 1228, Lot 5 plus additional consideration and Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to convey Block 475, Lot 2, as part of an Exchange of Lands pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-16.

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein.

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

Not present for the vote: Committeeman Langert

Ordinance No. 2014-62 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on August 21, 2014.

Committeeman Langert returned to the dais.

CORRESPONDENCE

Per list of two (2) correspondence items, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

PARKS/EVENTS CORRESPONDENCE

Per schedule of eight (8) parks/events requests, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Coles, and carried, to approve the above correspondence items.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 08/05/14

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Coles.

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

Bill List approved.

Mayor Miler advised that the way approving the Bill List works, is that the purchase orders come in and they are sent to be signed by the Manager and Purchasing Agent, and then they are sent out to the vendor to sign their portion, and then it is sent back to the Township. A few years back, to streamline this, the purchase orders were not being sent back to a utility, and the reason for that is that they are paying utilities. There is no question. They use electric, water, phone, cable, etc., and therefore the utilities are paid right away. The reason for that is with government, things take time, and it takes weeks to process the purchase orders, so they want to make sure that the Township's utilities do not get shut off. With regard to Cable and e-mail, he does not believe that the Purchasing Department has been treating those as utilities. He would like to request to the Committee that they be treated as utilities, as recently e-mails have gone down because of a lapse in payment.

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, to treat Cable and e-mail as utilities. All voted in favor.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committeeman Lichtenstein advised that the last meeting was a lengthy meeting, and they missed him, but they are happy he is back safe from his service in the military.

Mayor Miller thanked Committeeman Lichtenstein, but while they were having a rough meeting, he certainly was enjoying being at the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado. Anyone who has not been to Colorado yet, he certainly recommends that they visit. It is beautiful.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Committeeman Langert, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.