

The Lakewood Township Committee held a meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2011, in the Lakewood Municipal Building, at 5:45 PM for the Executive Session, and 7:30 PM for the Public Meeting, with the following present:

Mayor..... Menashe P. Miller
Deputy Mayor..... Steven Langert
Committee Members..... Albert D. Akerman
Raymond Coles
Meir Lichtenstein
Municipal Manager..... Michael Muscillo
Deputy Municipal Manager..... Steven Reinman
Municipal Attorney..... Lawrence E. Bathgate II, 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, and published in the Asbury Park Press on, September 26, 2011.

ROLL CALL

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 2011-292

ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PRAYER

OPEN SESSION

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

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF: 09/22/11

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

MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: 09/22/11

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, and carried, to approve the above Closed Session Minutes.

PRESENTATIONS - None

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.

Michael Cohen, 21 Rose Park Crescent – Commented with regard to the homeless camps; complained about the air quality in the area and the increasing amount of campfires and wood burning stoves at the camps. The poor air quality is affecting his health and quality of life.

Mr. Cohen also commented with regard to parks and recreation. He wishes there were more recreational opportunities for the youth in Lakewood. He suggested that the Township utilize some of their vacant land and convert the lots into parks. He also requested more bicycle lanes and racks throughout the town.

Larry Simons, 7 Schoolhouse Court – Asked when the demolition of 314 Fifth Street and the adjacent building will begin, who was awarded the contract to do the work, and how long before the parking lot is ready for use.

Committeeman Coles responded that this matter will be discussed at the LDC meeting to be held on Tuesday. He will have answers to his questions after that meeting.

Rabbi Sabo, 96 Mulford Street – Commented with regard to a matter concerning Arlington Avenue. He spoke against the closing of the street; feels that the street is needed as a thoroughfare to help alleviate traffic congestion in the area.

Yisroel Zirkin, 525 Marc Drive – Commented with regard to Arlington Avenue; spoke against the closing of the street.

_____, 129 Daniel Drive – Commented with regard to Arlington Avenue; spoke against the closing of the street.

_____, 136 Ashley Avenue – Commented with regard to Arlington Avenue; spoke against the closing of the street.

Levi _____, 141 Forest Park Circle – Commented with regard to Arlington Avenue; spoke against the closing of the street.

Gerry Ballwanz, Governors Road – Commented with regard to the air quality at the homeless camps. Also commented with regard to Arlington Avenue; stated that the people who live on Arlington Avenue bought their homes with the understanding that the street would not be opened and would remain a dirt road for emergency access. Now other individuals who have moved into the area want the street opened.

Shlomo Weiss, Arlington Avenue – Advised he lives in the neighborhood of Arlington Avenue. Stated that the MLK Drive and Pine Street intersection is a difficult intersection to navigate. He spoke in favor of the installation of a traffic signal at this intersection. But stated that opening up the street will just exasperate the problem of the increasing traffic congestion in the area.

Michael Zucker, 150 Spruce Street – Commented with regard to the Arlington Avenue matter.

John Blackmeyer, Lakewood DPW – Commented with regard to the purchase of three (3) more trucks for the department. Also commented with regard to the problems that the department has concerning snow plowing.

Seeing no one else 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 Authorizing the renewal of Towing Licenses for the Year 2011-2012.
Resolution No. 2011-293**
- 2. Resolution Cancelling various Grant Receivable and Grant Appropriated Reserve Balances.
Resolution No. 2011-294**
- 3. Resolution Releasing a Performance Guarantee posted by Shmuel Friedman in connection with Application SD#1683 – Shmuel Friedman Minor Subdivision, (Cushman Street), Block 430, Lots 9 and 54, in the amount of \$55,790.00.
Resolution No. 2011-295**
- 4. Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Winston Financial Services, Inc., as Broker/Administrator of Voluntary Insurance Program and Authorizing Execution of Agreement.
Resolution No. 2011-296**

5. **Resolution Reducing the Performance Guarantee (First Reduction), posted by Adeer Builders Inc., in connection with SD#1713, (Eleventh Street), Block 112, Lot 8, from \$12,630.00 to \$6,920.00.
Resolution No. 2011-297**
6. **Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of FAA Grant #3-34-0076-013-2011 in the amount of \$162,890.00.
Resolution No. 2011-298**
7. **Resolution Amending the 2011 Capital Budget.
Resolution No. 2011-299**
8. **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean relative to FY 2012, 966 Reimbursement Program.
Resolution No. 2011-300**
9. **Resolution Declaring October 10, 2011 "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day".
Resolution No. 2011-301**

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 9 on the Consent Agenda.

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

Resolution Nos. 2011-293 through 2011-301 – Adopted.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey, amending Ordinance No. 2003-48 of the Township finally adopted August 7, 2003 to provide for an amendment of the purpose set forth in Section 3 (F) thereof.

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 Lichtenstein.

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

Ordinance No. 2011-49 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing, Extinguishing and Vacating the Rights of the Public in a Portion of a Paper Street known as Freeman Road, in the Township of Lakewood. (St. Vacation – Freeman Rd.)

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 Langert, second by Committeeman Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2011-50 adopted on second reading.

ORDINANCE FIRST READING (Second reading and Public Hearing 10/27/11)

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey, providing for various projects for the Township of Lakewood Police Department and appropriating \$425,000 therefor and providing for the issuance of \$403,750 in Bonds or Notes of the Township of Lakewood to finance the same.

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Deputy Mayor Langert, second by Committeeman Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2011-51 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on October 27, 2011.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Releasing and Discharging a portion of a Deed Restriction contained in the December 9, 2005 Deed between the Township of Lakewood and Bnos Rivka, Inc.

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Deputy Mayor Langert, second by Committeeman Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2011-52 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on October 27, 2011.

CORRESPONDENCE

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

PARKS AND EVENTS CORRESPONDENCE

Per schedule of two (2) picnic/event requests, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Akerman, and carried, to accept the above correspondence items.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 10/04/11

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, to approve the above Bill List.

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

Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committeeman Lichtenstein advised that Chief Lawson has recently had surgery and is doing well. He has been in communication with the department and will be back in Lakewood within a few days. He asked everyone to keep him in their thoughts and prayers.

Committeeman Coles stated he was saddened to hear that Eileen D'Esposito passed away. He asked that everyone keep the family in their prayers.

Mayor Miller echoed Committeeman Coles' comments regarding the passing of Eileen D'Esposito. She will be sorely missed.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.