

The Lakewood Township Committee held their Annual Reorganization Meeting on Friday, January 1, 2010, at 10:00 AM, in the Lakewood Municipal Building, with the following present:

**Committee Members.....Raymond Coles
Steven Langert
Meir Lichtenstein
Menashe Miller
Robert Singer
Municipal Manager..... Frank Edwards
Municipal Clerk..... Mary Ann Del Mastro**

SALUTE TO THE FLAG.....LED BY: YITZY LANGERT

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

INVOCATION.....BY: ASSEMBLYMAN RON DANCER

**PRAYER FOR ARMED SERVICE MEN & WOMEN...BY: CHAPLAIN CAPTAIN
RAPHAEL BERDUGO**

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**OATH OF OFFICE...TOWNSHIP COMMITTEEMEN - MENASHE MILLER
MEIR LICHTENSTEIN
ADMINISTERED BY: FREEHOLDER, JAMES F. LACEY**

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF MAYOR

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Singer, appointing Steven Langert to the position of Mayor for the year 2010.

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

**OATH OF OFFICE TO MAYOR – STEVEN LANGERT
ADMINISTERED BY: FREEHOLDER, JAMES F. LACEY**

NOMINATIONS & ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Coles, appointing Menashe Miller to the position of Deputy Mayor for year 2010.

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

OATH OF OFFICE TO DEPUTY MAYOR – MENASHE MILLER

ADMINISTERED BY: **FREEHOLDER, JAMES F. LACEY**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY – LAWRENCE E. BATHGATE, II, ESQ. AND BATHGATE, WEGENER & WOLF, P.C.

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, appointing Lawrence E. Bathgate, II, Esq., as Township Attorney for the year 2010.

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

Resolution No. 2010-1 – Adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) **RESOLUTION SETTING THE ANNUAL MEETING DATES AND HOUR OF THE LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**
Resolution No. 2010-2
- 2) **RESOLUTION SETTING THE ANNUAL LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING DATES**
Resolution No. 2010-3
- 3) **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS, FOR 2010**
Resolution No. 2010-4
- 4) **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD**
Resolution No. 2010-5
- 5) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF HOLMAN & FRENIA, P.C., AS TOWNSHIP AUDITOR**
Resolution No. 2010-6
- 6) **RESOLUTION SETTING INTEREST RATES ON TAX DELINQUENCIES AND DESIGNATING PATRICIA TOMASSINI AS OFFICIAL TAX SEARCHER**
Resolution No. 2010-7
- 7) **RESOLUTION IMPOSING YEAR END PENALTIES ON TAX ARREARAGES**
Resolution No. 2010-8
- 8) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELSIE BARNEY AS ACTING ASSISTANT TO TAX COLLECTOR**
Resolution No. 2010-9
- 9) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MARY ANN DEL MASTRO AS LIQUOR LICENSE ADMINISTRATOR**
Resolution No. 2010-10

- 10) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MARY ANN DEL MASTRO AS LIABILITY ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER**
Resolution No. 2010-11
- 11) **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BANKS AS DEPOSITORIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD**
Resolution No. 2010-12
- 12) **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD.**
Resolution No. 2010-13
- 13) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONER – ROBERT W. SINGER**
Resolution No. 2010-14
- 14) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR – CHIEF ROBERT LAWSON (1-YEAR TERM)**
Resolution No. 2010-15
- 15) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT C.E.R.T. COORDINATOR – KENNETH DIX (1-YEAR TERM)**
Resolution No. 2010-16
- 16) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING DEPUTY COORDINATORS TO THE LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES – DOV DEMBITZER, MOSHE EHRMAN, MENASHE MILLER, YISROEL SCHENKOLEWSKI, SGT. FRANK WORK, KENNETH DIX, DEPUTY CHIEF CHARLES SMITH, and MICHAEL D’ELIA (1-YEAR TERM)**
Resolution No. 2010-17
- 17) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE – SCOTT J. BASEN, ESQ. (3-YEAR TERM)**
Resolution No. 2010-18
- 18) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP BOND COUNSEL - GLUCK WALRATH, LLP**
Resolution No. 2010-19
- 19) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY – SALVATORE ALFIERI, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2010-20
- 20) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE TOWNSHIP TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY – ROBERT H. TAFF, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2010-21

- 21) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR – ROBERT A. ROTHSTEIN, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2010-22
- 22) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS – CHARLES BAUER, ESQ., AND VALTER MUST, ESQ.,**
Resolution No. 2010-23
- 23) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF CONFLICT MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR – STEVEN A. ZABARSKY, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2010-24
- 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 GERTNER ESQ., AND GERTNER RIORDAN, LLC; PETER J. VAN DYKE, ESQ. AND KELAHER, GARVEY, BALLOU, VAN DYKE & ROGALSKI; JOHN F. RUSSO JR., ESQ., AND RUSSO & CASSIDY, LLC**
Resolution No. 2010-25
- 25) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR MEDIATION – MICHAEL A. BERMAN, ESQ.**
Resolution No. 2010-26
- 26) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ENGINEER – REMINGTON, VERNICK & VENA ENGINEERS**
Resolution No. 2010-27
- 27) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COUNTY HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE – REHABCO**
Resolution No. 2010-28
- 28) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD – ERVIN OROSS**
Resolution No. 2010-29
- 29) **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX ASSESSOR TO ACT AS AGENT OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR TAX APPEALS**
Resolution No. 2010-30

- 30) **RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP LABOR ATTORNEY – STEVEN SECARE, ESQ., AND SECARE, RYAN & HENSEL**
Resolution No. 2010-31
- 31) **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A LAKEWOOD PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER. - MARY ANN DEL MASTRO**
Resolution No. 2010-32

Motion by Committee Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Miller, to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 31 on the Consent Agenda.

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

Committee Lichtenstein recused himself from voting on Resolution Nos. 21 and 22.

Committeeman Singer abstained on Resolution No. 24.

Resolution Nos. 2010-2 through 2010-32 – Adopted.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The following appointments were read into the record by Municipal Clerk, Mary Ann Del Mastro.

ADA Compliance Committee and Disabilities Commission: (Liaison – Ray Coles)

Thomas Barry, Jean Hannon, William Sette, as Alternates, each for a one year term; David Garfield, Joan Lorenc, each for a one year term; Roslyn Baer, Michael D’Elia, Linda Halm, Hannah Havens, Thomas Lorenc, each for a two year term.

CDBG Selection Committee: (Liaison – Steven Langert)

Chavie Chase, Michael Cohen, Joseph DiMattina, Ada Gonzalez, Simcha Greenwald, Aaron Hoberman, Bernard Williams, each for a one year term.

Community Center Advisory Board: (Liaison – Robert W. Singer)

Rob Betesh, John Brown, John Craddox, Binyamin Greenspoon, Simcha Greenwald, John Marshall, Sr., Uri Shoshana, each for a one year term.

Complete Count Committee: (Liaison – Menashe Miller)

Jay Braun, Castillo Consuelo, Dovid Friedman, Moshe Gliberman, Yitzchok Halberstam, Bill Hobday, Sarah Kay, Frances Kirschner, Rob Lawson, Mike McNeil, Nancy Robinson, and Betty Rod, each for a one year term.

Downtown Merchants Commission: (Liaison – Steven Langert)

Thomas Calabro, Moshe Lankry, Hershel Hershkowitz, Dov Kaufman, Chesky Shain; and Joel Tesser, as Alternate, each for a one year term.

Emergency Planning Council: (Liaison – Meir Lichtenstein)

Neil Bryant, Scott Carter, Robert Chitren, Michael D’Elia, Ken Dix, Anita Doyle, John J. Franklin, Bernard Gindoff, Chief Robert Lawson, Meir Lichtenstein, Ranato Madarang, Menashe Miller, Ruth Molnar, Avi Pollack, Michael Saccamanno, Yisroel Schenkolewski,

Mordechai Senderovits, Deputy Chief Charles Smith, Sgt. Frank Work, Rodney Youmans, Thomas Zambrano, each for a one year term.

Environmental Commission: (Liaison – **Menashe Miller**)

Pete Smoke II, as 1st Alternate, for a two year term; David J. Hibberson, Michael Sernotti, Cathy Stillwell, each for a three year term.

Heritage Commission: (Liaison – **Ray Coles**)

Betty Aptekar, Rich Errickson, Armen Hagopian, Sanford Kalb, Charles H. Mandell, Esq., Caryl Royle, Edith Wolpin, Sheldon Wolpin, Dr. Claribel Young, each for a three year term; and, Shirley Davis, Cathy Sage, as Alternates, each for a three year term.

Housing Authority: (Liaison – **Ray Coles**)

Peter LaRosa, for a five year term.

Industrial Commission: (Liaison – **Steven Langert**)

Solomon Katz, Jan Kokes, each for a five year term

Lakewood Development Corporation: (Liaisons – **Ray Coles & Robert W. Singer**)

Raymond Coles and Robert Singer, each for a one year term; Ruth Ann Burns, Chana Jacobowitz, Ada Gonzalez, Abraham Muller, Gregg Stafford-Smith, each for a two year term.

Municipal Alliance: (Liaison – **Meir Lichtenstein**)

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

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board/ Special Events: (Liaison – **Ray Coles**)

Jorge Esmart, Fred Ponti, Toni Ponti (PALS Liaison), Sgt. Frank Work, each for a one year term; William Lindsey, Donna Santoli-Riegel, each for a three year term.

Planning Board (Liaison – **Menashe Miller**)

Class IV Appointments, each for a four year term: Aisik Akerman, Michael Neiman, and Elazar (Lou) Follman.

Rent Control Board: (Liaison – **Menashe Miller**)

David Farkas (Alternate No. 2), David Garfield (Non Landlord Member), Moshe Raitzik, (Tenant), Jonathan Rubin (Landlord Member), William Schlameuss (Non 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.

Shade Tree Commission: (Liaison – **Menashe Miller**)

Scott Siegelman, 1st Alt., for a five year term.

Transportation Board: (Liaison - **Steven Langert**)

David Hibberson, Roseanne Work, each for a two year term.

Zoning Board of Adjustment: (Liaison – Steven Langert)

Moshe Lankry, fill unexpired term ending 12/31/10; Lee Mund, Alt. 1, for a two year term.

MAYOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEES

One Year Terms:

Mayor's Council of Presidents of Adult Communities: Gene Cautillo, Don Esandrio, Carole Fierro, Arlene Gietter, Rabbi Mordechai S. Goodman, Carol Jameson, Jim Lithgow, Maureen Muranee, Charles J. Orlando, Jr.; each for a one year term.

Tourism Advisory Committee:

Betty Aptekar, Stanley Banas, Michael Billig, Mary Cranwell, Ceil DeMaria, Lorraine Franklin, Ruth Schreiner, Sheldon Wolpin.

Veterans Advisory Committee:

John Z. Balla, Captain Raphael Berdugo, Michael Berman, William Doyle, Vito Imperiale, Bill Keating, Bernie Lesiak, Thomas Lorenc, Joan Ordino, Joseph Qualiano, Sr., Joe Rangell, and Sheldon Wolpin.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Planning Board

Class I/Mayor's Designee Appointment (one year term) – **Angela Koutsouris, Esq.**

Class I Appointment (one year term) – **Steven Langert, Mayor**

Class II Appointment (one year term) - **John J. Franklin**

Class III Appointment (one year term) - **Menashe Miller**

2010 MAYOR'S LIAISON APPOINTMENTS

RAY COLES

ADA COMPLIANCE & DISABILITIES
CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
HERITAGE COMMISSION
HOUSING AUTHORITY
LAKEWOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
PARKS & RECREATION/SPECIAL EVENTS
TAX COLLECTOR
TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD

STEVEN LANGERT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS COMMISSION
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

MAYOR'S COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS OF ADULT COMMUNITIES
TAX ASSESSOR
TOWNSHIP CLERK
TRANSPORTATION
ZONING BOARD

MEIR LICHTENSTEIN

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
FIRE DEPARTMENT
FIRST AID & EMT
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE
MUNICIPAL COURT
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
POLICE COMMISSIONER
REGISTRAR
STREET LIGHTING

MENASHE MILLER

ADVERTISING AND CIVIC DISPLAY
CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
PLANNING BOARD
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC RELATIONS
RENT CONTROL BOARD
SHADE TREE COMMISSION
VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION

ROBERT SINGER

AIRPORT
BOARD OF HEALTH
COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
LAKEWOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
LEGAL DEPARTMENT
MAYOR'S COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS OF ADULT COMMUNITIES

MAYOR'S ADDRESS

Mayor Langert wished everyone in attendance a Happy New Year. He thanked Mary Ann Del Mastro, Municipal Clerk, for helping him in his transition; Mr. Edwards for his direction and assistance; the Township Attorneys for their guidance and advice; the members of the Township Committee for their guidance and assistance; the members of his family for their support and encouragement; his friends and relatives in attendance.

Mayor Langert continued with comments with regard to a few points which he feels that the town is going to have to deal with this year; the biggest one being how will they balance the social needs of the citizens against the fiscal responsibility they have to show for the town. There are a couple of issues that Senator Singer started dealing with, and they have to continue, including the homeless situation. Other issues include the downtown area and merchants; the concerns of the adult communities; and budgetary concerns.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committee Lichtenstein thanked everyone for attending, his friends and family for their support and encouragement; his running mate, Miriam Medina; those who worked on his campaign for their support; and his fellow Committee members for their guidance. There are many challenges they will face this year, including the tough financial times. He thanked his wife and family for always being there and for all their support. He wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Committee Singer thanked the Committee members for his past year as Mayor. He thanked Mary Ann Del Mastro, the Municipal Clerk, for her assistance; Mr. Edwards and his staff; the Township Attorneys for their hard work; his fellow Committee members and looks forward to working with them in the coming year. He commented on the tough times ahead, on the State, County and local levels. He wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year. He also thanked Ben Heinemen for the improvements to the Township website.

Deputy Mayor Miller thanked everyone for coming today. He thanked his fellow Committee members for their hard work and diligence. Congratulated Mayor Langert on his appointment and Committee Lichtenstein on his re-election. He thanked his running mate, Hannah Havens, for her assistance, and the Republican Club members for their help with his campaign. He thanked his wife and family for their support. He is committed to serving each and every resident with fairness and integrity, and is honored and humbled to serve on the Township Committee, working together for all of Lakewood. He wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Committee Coles thanked his fellow Committee Members, and thanked Mr. Edwards for his knowledge and hard work over the years. He wished the Committee members well in the coming year, and offered his assistance and support to work as a team. He thanked everyone for coming out, and wished everyone a happy New Year. He asked everyone for their prayers to get through the tough year ahead.

Before opening the meeting to the public, Mayor Langert wanted to clarify some points of information with regard to the EMS. (Opening Remarks, dated January 1, 2010, attached hereto and made a part hereof)

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

Mayor Langert opened the meeting to the public.

Sam Christopher – Congratulated Mayor Langert on his appointment, and wished him well. Congratulated Mr. Bathgate on his appointment as Township Attorney. Wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Yehuda Shain, 1140 Forest Avenue – Read statement attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Shannon Ortiz _____, President of FMBA Local 380, representing the EMS – Commented on issues concerning the EMS.

Charlie Cunliffe, Jennifer Drive – Wished the Committee members a happy New Year. Commented on issues facing the town in the coming year, and issues concerning the EMS. Commended the Lakewood EMS and urged the Committee not to replace them with an outside service.

Ann Richardson, 1870 Lanes Mill Road – Wished everyone a happy New Year. Commented on issues concerning the EMS.

David Fox, Attorney for the NJ FMBA, for the Local EMS – Commented on issues with regard to the EMS.

Bill Lavin, President of the NJ FMBA – Commented on issues concerning the EMS.

Robert Rocco, Lakewood EMS – Commented on issues concerning the EMS.

Dorit Attais, 405 East Fifth Street, an employee of Lakewood Township – Commented with regard to a personnel matter.

Larry Simons, 7 Schoolhouse Court – Commented on Township issues, and the EMS matter.

Denise Petneo, 2810 Hickory Court – Commented on issues concerning the EMS.

Sherry Labar, Paramedic, and Vice President of the IAFF Local 4610 – Commented on issues concerning the EMS.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Congratulated Mayor Langert and Deputy Mayor Miller on their appointments. Commented on issues facing the Township in the coming year.

Debbie Garritson, 119 Glenn Avenue – Commented on issues concerning the EMS.

Vincent LoBello, 4 Mulberry Lane – Congratulated Mayor Langert on his appointment. Commented on issues facing the Township in the coming year, and the EMS matter.

Scott Carter – Commented on issues concerning the EMS.

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

Committeeman Lichtenstein, EMS Liaison, stated they received a letter from their Attorney advising them that, at this time, it is not the proper time for them to have direct communication between Committee members and the Union and the Supervisors of EMS. If at any point the legal team or the Administration team feels it is the proper thing to do, he is willing to sit and do that.

Mayor Langert advised they will try to do what they can to have open communication with the EMS to see what they can do to work something out, if possible.

BENEDICTION – BY: RABBI AARON GRUMAN

“GOD BLESS AMERICA” – PERFORMED BY: CANTOR AVRUMI FLAM

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committee Lichtenstein, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM.