LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 19, 2006

The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2006 in the Lakewood Municipal Building, at 6:30 P.M. for the Executive Session and 7:30 P.M. for the Public Meeting, with the following present:

Committee Members......Senator Robert Singer

Menashe Miller Charles Cunliffe

Municipal Manager.....Frank Edwards
Municipal Attorney....Steven Secare

Municipal Clerk...... Bernadette Standowski

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller. Resolution No. 2006-51 – Adopted.

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, 2006 and published in the Trentonian on January 6, 2006.

ROLL CALL

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to open the meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF: 1/1/06, 1/12/06

Motion by Deputy Mayor Coles, second by Mr. Miller, for discussion, to approve the Minutes of 1/1/06.

Mayor Lichtenstein commented on an appointment that was made on January 1st. As to the appointment for the Prosecutor, he abstained on that vote.

On Roll Call - Affirmative: Senator Singer, Mr. Miller, Mr. Cunliffe,

Deputy Mayor Coles, and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Coles, second by Mr. Miller, to approve the Minutes for January 12th.

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

Deputy Mayor Coles, and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Minutes approved.

MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: None

PRESENTATIONS: None

ORDINANCES FOR DISCUSSION:

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 Lichtenstein opened the meeting to the public.

Rich Orne, Representing the Lakewood Township Airport Authority – Commented with regard to the Township and the Airport's involvement with the Disaster Recovery Plan. Also commented with regard to an Ordinance for an easement for Lot 220 at the Airport.

Alice Kelsey, 295B Malvern Court East – Commented with regard to the day labor issue as reported in the newspapers.

Larry Simons – Commented with regard to the designated official newspapers of the Township of Lakewood.

Mary Ann Allacci, MiCasa – Commented with regard to the issues of the homeless, rent control, and affordable housing.

Mike McNeil, 201 Lincoln Street – Commented on the conditions at the end of Martin Luther King Drive, where it meets Pine Street. They had talked about putting a right turn lane at that location, and he asked about the status of that project.

Mayor Lichtenstein advised he will follow up with the professionals at the end of the public comment session.

Mr. McNeil also asked about the center line of Martin Luther King Drive, and the need for restriping. When you come off of MLK Drive and Lincoln Street, there is a tough turn. If there is a car parked there, and you are trying to make a turn, there is no way you can be on the right side of the road. He provided pictures of the area, showing a school bus traveling straight down the road, and it can not stay on the right side of the road. He feels it is a dangerous situation which needs to be looked at. He suggested prohibiting no parking at the intersection, so as to allow people to turn the corner, and stay in the right lane.

Mr. McNeil also commented with regard to the new sports complex. He asked that the Committee consider the installation of some basketball courts at that location.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. McNeil to speak with the Township Engineer regarding responses to his questions about Martin Luther King Drive, which have been addressed.

As to the basketball court issue, Mr. Cunliffe advised that in the original design of the complex, they had considered basketball courts, playgrounds, and walking and jogging trails, but because of problems they experienced at the original site, they had to scale back on the original concepts. In the future they could take a look at adding those amenities to the complex.

Mr. Miller advised he is familiar with the problems at Martin Luther King Drive and Pine Street, and he suggested that traffic studies be performed during specific times of the day, and he would be in touch with the Township Engineer with regard to this matter.

Noreen Gill, 192 Coventry Drive - Commented on the designated official newspapers.

Jim Waters, 1275 Old County Line Road – Commented with regard to first amendment rights. Also commented on the ESL program.

Jeff Golub – Commented on the muster zone issue.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Commended the Committee for their leadership and good representation.

Lynn Celli, Patriots Way – Commented on the school bus and parking problems in Lafayette Greens. Asked for the Committee's help to clear up the situation. School buses are not permitted in her development because it is private property, and the streets are too narrow, but the buses are using the development to cut through to the main roads.

Mr. Miller advised he will be having a meeting with the representative in charge of the busing routes in town. They will be discussing the streets in Lakewood, certain areas which might be too narrow, and turning radiuses at certain intersections. He will bring this matter to his attention.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked Capt. Lawson to ascertain whether or not it is in fact illegal for school buses to drive through that development.

Warren Sherard, 48 Mallard Road, Bayville – Commented with regard to the newspaper issue. In terms of Ordinances and public notices, he asked if legislation requires that notice be put in only one of the four designated newspapers.

Mr. Secare advised he did extensive research on this matter. There are statutes that require that newspapers that are published either in a municipality or a County be used as an official newspaper. Lakewood does not have a daily or even a weekly that is published in Lakewood Township. So the next best option would be a newspaper that publishes in the County, and that would be the Ocean County Observer and the Asbury Park Press. There is case law to the effect that you try to get to the best audience you can in the spirit of openness. Also, in the spirit of saving tax dollars, the cheapest newspaper to advertise in is the Ocean County Observer. You must have Ordinances and legal notices

published in a newspaper, and the statute says that the municipality may, by Resolution, designate an official newspaper, although technically you do not have to do that, but you must publish in an official newspaper. Every municipality or board that he knows of does designate an official newspaper so that on re-organization day, the members of the public would know what newspaper to go to. So it has been his recommendation to the Committee, and there is a Resolution on the Agenda this evening, that the Ocean County Observer be the official newspaper of the Township. The other three newspapers could be used, but there is no requirement to do that. The requirement, in his opinion, is to go to a newspaper that is published in the County, and that would be the Observer or the Press. Both are owned by Gannett, so any thought that there is some kind of move on to exclude the Asbury Park Press is disingenuous because it is the same parent company.

Mr. Cunliffe added that they also reach out to the website company to design a site for public notices and legal notices.

Mike Sernotti, 672 Vine Street - Commented on the newspaper issue.

Moshe Ingber, 28 Geffen Drive – Advised up until a couple of months ago, his neighborhood was a complete disaster with regard to responsibilities of the developer. He has reached out to the Committee members, and has got a very positive response. He thanked the Committee for their help. He further commented on the developers request for bond release. He advised there are still a lot of things to be done, and there are a lot of outstanding issues in the development that he would like to be noted for the record. The retention basin is still far from where it should be; the grading, back-ups, vegetation, and the fence are still not safe for children in the neighborhood; some of the houses have never received landscaping; the back yards are not draining properly; there should have been a fence running along Ridge Avenue behind those houses. Although by law the Developer is probably able to be refunded a percentage of the completed items, he is still requesting the support of the Township to help them get the outstanding items completed.

Mayor Lichtenstein advised he spoke to the Township Engineer, and to one of the residents of the community before the meeting, because he knows it was a concern. They are leaving more than ample money to cover all of the outstanding issues. They are reducing the bond being held by the Township, but they are in no way eliminating it. The Township Engineer has sent a letter to the Developer advising that the Township will be drawing down on the bond if the items are not completed.

Mr. Cunliffe thanked the residents for updating the Committee, and suggested that they also attend the Master Plan meetings in the future to voice their concerns.

Senator Singer asked for a report from the Inspection Department and the Engineering Department as to how these homes got approved for a C.O. with such deplorable conditions in the development.

Mayor Lichtenstein answered that after speaking with the Township Attorney he was advised that you can not withhold issuing C.O.'s on homes while other homes are being built. The Developer has the right to start getting C.O.'s and move people in. So people start moving in, but when the rest of the work on the outside does not get done is when the Township can draw down on the Bond to get the items completed.

Senator Singer stated that is when you should stop issuing C.O.'s.

Mr. Secare advised you can not do that. The C.O. applies to the individual home. If the individual home fails some inspection then you can not issue the C.O.

Senator Singer stated that if you do not bring the outside standards up, you do not have to issue the C.O.

Mr. Secare respectfully disagreed. You are penalizing the poor home owner who has put down money, and then you are telling them they can not move in, so he is not so sure they can do that. He would be happy to do more research on the matter.

Stan Organek, 469 E. Freehold Road, Freehold Township – Commented with regard to the muster zone issue. He feels that the Township's reversal on the policy concerning the muster zone is a huge mistake that is not going to serve the Township Committee or the people of Lakewood in the long run.

Isaac Hiziger, 712 Park Avenue – Commented that the Township Committee has one primary obligation, in his understanding, and that is to govern in the best interest of its constituents, regardless of what is written in the newspapers. Also commented on snow removal, and asked if efforts are being made to perfect the way the streets are plowed.

Mayor Lichtenstein advised that the Public Works Department is a very dedicated department, with an extremely competent department head. The town is growing very quickly, and Mr. Franklin is doing his best to keep up with the growth, and the roads that need to be plowed.

Gerry Ballwanz, Governors Road – Suggested that in order to make the meetings more orderly, that speakers take a number for their turn to comment during the public session.

Mrs. Ballwanz also commented on the newspaper issue.

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

Senator Singer commented on the muster zone issue, the newspaper issue, and the issue of problems with landlords that determine at some point that they want to kick out their tenants, and either sell their building or rent it for higher rents. The easiest way for them to do that is to make it uninhabitable, pay the fines, pay for the displacement for a period of time, and then the landlord has the place free and clear. That is abusing the system. The Township has to find some way, by Ordinance, that if the person is displaced from a residence because of failure to meet the codes, he or she must bring that back up to code to allow the residents to go back in, at least to have first option to go back in, before they can turn around and rent it to someone else. In that way, you protect the rights of the individuals being pushed out. He thinks they need to close that loophole so that people can not take advantage of the lower income people, and use it as a way to clean house so they can make more money. That is a fact that is becoming

more and more prevalent. Though the Township is making major strides in creating affordable housing, as you lose the existing housing, you are not making up the deficit. You are still in the whole, and you are creating homelessness when you do not have to, for the greed of landlords. He is making the recommendation that the Attorney look into this matter. There are ways to close that loophole that landlords can not take advantage of tenants.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked the Township Attorney to research this matter.

Mayor Lichtenstein reviewed quality of life issues from the previous meeting.

As to the lawsuit with the railroad, Mr. Secare is working on it.

Mr. Miller advised there was an incident during the past week, where the train was going by, and the lights were not working, so they used a flare. When they passed by one of the crossings on Fourth Street, the flare got down to the bottom, so the conductor threw it out and took out another one. A call was put in to the Police Department, that there was a lit flare in the middle of the road. Until the Police actually arrived, a car tried to go around it, and got stuck in that ditch.

Senator Singer asked if they can temporarily patch the area.

Mr. Franklin stated that the road that goes alongside the tracks is not Township property.

Mr. Cunliffe advised that he looked at the area. To fill the void, you would have the pave up to the rail and then you are going to knock the cars off the tracks. The problem is that where the pavement for that temporary road ends, there is a spot that does drop off, but the problem is that you can not fill that in, or pave it, because you will disrupt the way that the trains run on the rails, plus it is not Township property.

Mr. Cunliffe asked if the area can be marked with some type of reflective paint.

Mr. Franklin advised they have to wait until it is above fifty degrees.

Mayor Franklin asked the Township Attorney to advise the railroad to either have this fixed by the end of February or file a lawsuit.

Mr. Secare advised that the railroad people can put up a fence, and say that you can not cross at that location any more.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked if they could cut off Fourth Street.

Mr. Secare answered yes, absolutely. They could put up a fence, and say you can not cross here because it is their property. There are many issues.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. Secare to write a letter and say that their property is creating an unsafe condition, which crosses a public roadway....people drive over it and they are getting stuck, and it is going to be a liability if a train comes and kills someone

that is stuck in a car. Request them to fix it, or permit the Township to fix it, or the Township will take them to Court.

Mr. Secare advised that he will do that, and suggested, that with the power of the Mayor's chair, that he write to all Congressmen and United States Senators, because there is federal jurisdiction involved, and have them get involved in this matter.

Mayor Lichtenstein stated he will do that also. He asked Mr. Edwards to draft a letter to the proper parties.

Mayor Lichtenstein advised they got the memo about Fourteenth Street and Forest Avenue, with the price.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked if anyone looked at the street lighting down Fourteenth Street from Forest Avenue to Arboretum Parkway, between Fourteen Street and County Line Road.

Mr. Edwards advised that the Police Department, through Al Peters, is going to do an after-dark analysis of the street lighting, and will provide the information to the Purchasing Agent by the 27th, which is next week.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. Edwards to bring this matter back to the Committee at the next meeting.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. Franklin if he got to light up the bridge on North Lake Drive.

Mr. Franklin answered not yet, they have four contractors working on it.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked that this matter be brought back to the next meeting so that Mr. Franklin can update the Committee.

As to the request for parking on the westerly and easterly side of Kennedy Boulevard, near Princeton Avenue, Mayor Lichtenstein asked that this matter be brought up at the next meeting.

As to the left turn signal at Cross Street and Route 9, not being properly marked, the Township Engineer advised he spoke with the representatives from the State, and they are scheduling the restriping and additional signage.

Mr. Cunliffe asked if they are going to have a lead left, and leave the intersection clear.

The Township Engineer answered that is their intention.

Mr. Cunliffe asked that until that is done, it appears that the light is alternating green, but there is no sign telling people that it is a delayed green, so what is happening now is people who have driven that way for twenty years assume they have a green light, and then you have people moving against the red and they have no idea. There is going to be an accident. They need to have that marked as either delayed green or alternating green, because people are not aware of that. He believes that happens Route 9 also.

Mr. Cunliffe was advised that it happens only east and west.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked this be brought back to the next meeting.

As to the comments by Mr. Hobday regarding the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Prospect Street, the Township Engineer advised that the proper no parking signs have been installed, and that traffic appears to be moving safely. The sight distance is no longer a problem.

As to the commercial parking problem, that matter was discussed, and an Ordinance is being drafted and will come back to the Committee for consideration.

As to Mr. Shain's comments regarding no turn on red intersections, Mr. Shain will provide the intersection information.

As to Martin Luther King Drive and Cedar Bridge Avenue, this matter was discussed earlier in the meeting.

As to the bike lanes, Mr. Miller advised they are not bike lanes; they share the road, but they are not bike lanes.

As to the left turn arrows on Cedar Bridge Avenue, turning onto Hurley, the Township Engineer has looked at the site, will contact the County with regard to this matter. Mayor Lichtenstein asked that this matter be brought back to the next meeting.

As to the break-ins at Tiara Estates, Lions Head and Four Seasons, Capt. Lawson reported that the Police Department reviewed the past one hundred days and at Tiara Estates, there were ten calls for service and only one was for a burglary, it is a very low crime area. As to Lions Head and Four Seasons, they are also very low crime areas; there have been several small problems, but nothing major. The statistics do not show an increase in crime in those areas, but they have increased patrols in that area, as requested.

As to the issue brought up by Mr. McNeil, that was discussed previously in the meeting.

Senator Singer commented on the sign located at Madison Avenue and Second Street, which says Madison Avenue. It is a state sign and it is very faded. He asked that the State be requested to replace the sign.

Senator Singer advised he was driving through town today, along Monmouth Avenue and came across to come up to Clifton Avenue. He commented that on at least four or five of those streets, people are parking within the sight triangles, which is forcing people to come out into Clifton Avenue to make the turn. You can not see around the cars that are parked there. You have to make sure those sight triangles are striped in yellow, and no parking is posted at those corners, and it has to be enforced. It is a traffic hazard.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked these matters be brought back to the next meeting for follow up.

At this time, the professionals left the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

The below listed items 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.

- Resolution approving Bingo and Raffle Applications: Temple Beth Am, Lakewood Hadassah, Osbornville Elementary School, Southard School PTA, Aldrich School PTO. Resolution No. 2006-52
- 2. Resolution authorizing appropriation reserve transfers in the 2005 Municipal Budget. Resolution No. 2006-53
- 3. Resolution amending the 2006 Temporary Appropriation Budget. Resolution No. 2006-54
- 4. Resolution authorizing the Tax Assessor to act as agent of the Township of certain Tax Appeals.

Resolution No. 2006-55

Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Resolution No. 2006-56

- 6. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Transportation Board. Resolution No. 2006-57
- 7. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Parks and Recreation Advisory Board/Special Events Committee.

Resolution No. 2006-58

- 8. Resolution appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer. Resolution No. 2006-59
- 9. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Development Corporation. Resolution No. 2006-60
- 10. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Industrial Commission. Resolution No. 2006-61
- 11. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Heritage Commission. Resolution No. 2006-62
- 12. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Board of Health. Resolution No. 2006-63

13. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Environmental Commission.

Resolution No. 2006-64

14. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Community Center Advisory Board.

Resolution No. 2006-65

- 15. Resolution appointing a member to the Lakewood Township Civil Rights Commission. Resolution No. 2006-66
- 16. Resolution appointing a member to serve as Police Chaplain for the Township of Lakewood.

Resolution No. 2006-67

17. Resolution appointing members to the Community Development Block Grant Committee.

Resolution No. 2006-68

18. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Municipal Alliance Committee.

Resolution No. 2006-69

19. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township ADA Compliance Committee and Disabilities Commission.

Resolution No. 2006-70

- 20. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Planning Board. Resolution No. 2006-71
- 21. Resolution appointing members to the Lakewood Township Rent Control Board. Resolution No. 2006-72
- 22. Resolution appointing a member to the Lakewood Township Shade Tree Commission. Resolution No. 2006-73
- 23. Resolution releasing a Performance Guarantee posted by Allied Leasing Corporation and waiving the Maintenance Bond Requirement in Connection with block 386 Lot 18. Resolution No. 2006-74
- 24. Resolution authorizing a conditions release of a Performance Bond posted by Auto Zone Store in connection with Block 104 Lots 42 and 43.

 Resolution No. 2006-75
- 25. Resolution releasing a Performance Bond posted by Church and Dwight Company Inc. and waiving the Maintenance Bond Requirement in connection with Block 1160 Lot 269. Resolution No. 2006-76

26. Resolution authorizing a condition release of a Performance Bond posted by Kedma I in connection with Block 190 Lots 58 to 61 and 146 to 149.
This item was removed from the Consent Agenda

- 27. Resolution authorizing a Performance Guarantee Second Reduction posted by Kedma I, in connection with Block 190 Lots 44, 49, 50, 52 & 158. Resolution No. 2006-77
- 28. Resolution authorizing release of a Maintenance Bond posted by Menk Corporation in connection with Block 1440 Lot 1. Resolution No. 2006-78
- 29. Resolution releasing a Performance Bond posted by Permacel and waiving the Maintenance Bond requirement in connection with Block 1607 Lot 7. Resolution No. 2006-79
- 30. Resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Service Agreement between the Township of Lakewood and the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority. Resolution No. 2006-80
- 31. Resolution authorizing award of State Contract to Princeton Nassau/Conover Ford of Princeton, New Jersey for the purchase of three (3) 2006 Ford F250 Super-Cab 4 Wheel Drive Pickup trucks with options.

 Resolution No. 2006-81
- 32. Resolution amending and supplementing a Resolution of the Township of Lakewood establishing Official Newspapers for the Township of Lakewood.

 Resolution No. 2006-82

Mayor Lichtenstein asked for a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Items 1 through 32, but they have a memo to remove Item No. 26.

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, to remove Item No. 26 from the Consent Agenda.

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

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, to approve Resolutions 1 through 32, with the exception of No. 26.

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

Deputy Mayor Coles and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Resolution Nos. 2006-52 through 2006-82 – Adopted.

Mr. Secare advised the Committee that they needed to vote on No. 26, to deny.

Mayor Lichtenstein stated they already did that....that was the first vote.

Mr. Secare answered no, that they had voted to remove it, but they have to vote to deny it.

Mr. Miller asked if they were going to deny it, or table it.

Mr. Secare advised you can not table it, you have to vote to deny it by law.

Deputy Mayor Coles stated he would like to move Resolution No. 26. And for purpose of discussion, Mr. Cunliffe offered a second to the Motion.

26. Resolution authorizing a conditional release of a Performance Bond posted by Kedma I in connection with Block 190 Lots 58 to 61 and 146 to 149.

Negative: Senator Singer, Mr. Cunliffe, Deputy Mayor Coles, Mayor Lichtenstein

Abstain: Mr. Miller

RESOLUTION NOT INCLUDED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution reappointing Robert Singer to the Municipal Utilities Authority, for a five year term. Motion by Deputy Mayor Coles, second by Mr. Miller.

On Roll Call - Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Mr. Cunliffe, Deputy Mayor Coles

and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Abstain: Senator Singer

Resolution No. 2006-84 – Adopted.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING - None

ORDINANCES FIRST READING (2nd Reading and Public Hearing 2/9/06)

 An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of Block 1085, Lot 4, in the Township of Lakewood, at a private sale pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. (Route 70 & Farry 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 Coles and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Ordinance No. 2006-1 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the sale of Block 536, Lot 183, in the Township of Lakewood, at a private sale pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. (Ocean Ave.)
 Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2006-2 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An Ordinance Amending the Code of the Township of Lakewood, Chapter 18, Unified Development Ordinance, by adding regulations for the location and approval of wireless telecommunications towers and antennas in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean.

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2006-3 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending and supplementing Chapter XI of the Code of the Township of Lakewood entitled "Traffic" (No Parking both sides of Courtney Rd. Between Clifton & Madison between 7:00 a.m. and 5 p.m. for a max of 5 hours Monday thru Thursdays) Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles.

Mr. Miller suggested this Ordinance be amended to reflect that since there is no school during the Summer, he suggested it be changed to read, during school days.

Mr. Secare advised that the signage has to read specific hours. He suggested that the Ordinance be adopted as is, and then an amendment can be drafted.

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

Ordinance No. 2006-4 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending Ordinance No. 2005-113 establishing the annual minimum and maximum salary ranges for the offices and positions of persons employed by the Township of Lakewood. (Aide to the Mayor) 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 Coles and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Ordinance No. 2006-5 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending Ordinance No. 2005-100 establishing salaries and positions of persons employed by the Township of Lakewood for certain employees of Lakewood Township Local IBT Local 469 Teamsters Union. (Supervisor Garage Services) Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2006-6 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An 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 Moses and Minna Shvarzblat for facilities located at Block 536, various lots, 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 Deputy Mayor Coles.

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

Ordinance No. 2006-7 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An 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 Excel Corporate Park IV for facilities located at Block 402 Lot 1 and authorizing the Mayor and the 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 Deputy Mayor Coles.

On Roll Call - Affirmative: Senator Singer, Mr. Miller, Mr. Cunliffe,

Deputy Mayor Coles and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Ordinance No. 2006-8 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending and supplementing Chapter XI of the Code of the Township of Lakewood entitled "Traffic" (Pine River Village)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles.

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

Deputy Mayor Coles and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Ordinance No. 2006-9 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, vacating all right, title and interest of and to the public in streets or portions of streets, indicated in section two of this ordinance in the Township of Lakewood, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:67-1 et seq. (East 8th St.) (Fern 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 Coles and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Ordinance No. 2006-10 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

 An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending and supplementing Chapter XV of the Code of the Township of Lakewood entitled Rental Housing. (Rooming and Boarding House Licenses) Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles.

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

Deputy Mayor Coles and Mayor Lichtenstein.

Ordinance No. 2006-11 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on February 9, 2006.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Vito Imperiale of the Catholic War Veterans requesting permission to solicit funds by a poppy drive in the Township between April 26, 2006 through May 5, 2006.

Letter from Ocean County Bowling Association requesting to use the auditorium on May 7, 2006 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Mr. Franklin recommends approval, with a \$100.00 per hour fee, for a total of \$200.00.

Letter from Mike Emkin who is a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 441 requesting to use the auditorium on March 18, 2006 at 1:00 PM for his Eagle Scout Ceremony. Mr. Franklin has recommended approval waiving the fee.

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles, and carried, to approve the above three (3) items of correspondence.

PARKS AND EVENTS CORRESPONDENCE

Per schedule of eleven (11) items attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles, and carried, to approve the above requests.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 1/17/06

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Deputy Mayor Coles.

On Roll Call - Affirmative: Mr. Miller, Mr. Cunliffe, Deputy Mayor Coles and

Mayor Lichtenstein.

Negative: Senator Singer

Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Senator Singer commented with regard to the muster zone. There are certainly validities on all sides of the discussion. He suggested that a forum be held on this issue, inviting the Chamber of Commerce, some of the local minority groups, interested parties, and the professionals, to discuss what they conceive as a solution to the problem. Subsequent meetings could be held to discuss it, so that the Committee can come forward with a solution to this problem. It is not a unique problem just to Lakewood. There are solutions to everything if good people put their heads together in the right sense, and that is what they are trying to do. He makes this suggestion and hopes that the Committee will take it under consideration.

Mr. Miller acknowledged his mother's attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Cunliffe agreed with Senator Singer's comments regarding the forum on the muster zone issue. It is a complex problem, and a national issue.

Mayor Lichtenstein asked Mr. Secare if they have this forum, could more than two Committeemen attend.

Mr. Secare answered they could, if the meeting is advertised.

Senator Singer suggested that it be held on a Thursday night when a regular Township Committee meeting is not scheduled, when everyone will be available, and there is plenty of notice.

Mayor Lichtenstein commented with regard to the muster zone. He stated that no one is looking to hurt any specific part of the community. As a responsible Township Committee, it is their obligation to balance everyone's needs, and that is exactly what they are trying to do. He thinks that Senator Singer's idea for a forum is a good one.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Cunliffe, second by Mr. Miller, and carried, to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.