BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 17, 2013 MINUTES

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 P.M. BY MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS.

ALL STOOD FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE.

PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT READ INTO RECORD BY MUNICIPAL CLERK DUGAN:

"IN COMPLIANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO TWO NEWSPAPERS, AND POSTED, THAT A WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE SEVENTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2013, WITH THE WORK SESSION TO BEGIN AT THE HOUR OF 7:30 P.M. AND THE REGULAR MEETING TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AT THE LAKEHURST COMMUNITY CENTER, 207 CENTER STREET, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY, AT WHICH TIME, THE BUSINESS OF THE BOROUGH WILL BE CONDUCTED."

ROLL CALL:

ROBIN BUSCH: PRESENT

JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT

GARY LOWE: PRESENT

GUENN MCCOMAS: PRESENT

STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT

EDWARD SEAMAN: PRESENT

MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Bernadette Dugan reviewed regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:31 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:31 p.m.

Councilman Seaman suggested that the ball field be seeded for next year. Mr. Seaman also suggested that the pier at the Lake be refurbished to "spruce it up."

Councilwoman Busch asked if the new trash truck had a robotic arm.

Councilman Lowe responded that the truck does have the capability to pick up cans but added that providing residents with new cans would be "too costly."

Borough Attorney Sean Gertner reported that he has been working on an ordinance to codify the drug and alcohol testing policy after which the council can review and revise as necessary.

Mr. Gertner also reported that the Best Practices Checklist which is completed by each municipality scores responses to obtain the last portion of state aid. Mr. Gertner added that he had proposed an ordinance limiting the amount of workmen's compensation to 70%, as listed in the Best Practices Checklist. Mayor Robbins requested that the ordinance be listed by title only on the Consent Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Steven Oglesby To adjourn work session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby Seconded by: Robin Busch To approve minutes of October 3, 2013 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Councilman Seaman who abstained due to his absence at the meeting of October 3rd.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters to be considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. #13-182: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
- 2. #13-183: Resolution re: Sale of Surplus Property
- 3. #13-184: Resolution re: Raffles License for Lakehurst First Aid Squad
- 4. #13-185: Resolution re: Hiring Joseph DePasquale as Police Officer (provisional)
- 5. #13-186: Resolution re: Special Item of Revenue (Chapter 159) for Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund

ORDINANCES APPROVED ON FIRST READING:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED

GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH, CREATING SECTION 2-18 (A) PROVIDING TEMPORARY BENEFITS TO MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES INJURED IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR EMPLOYMENT" (#13-07)

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Edward Seaman To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Council President Oglesby and Councilman McComas who voted in the affirmative on all matters with the exception of resolution #3 (raffle licenses for the first aid squad) due to the fact that they are members of the First Aid Squad.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Seaman announced that the second outdoor movie night is scheduled for October 18th at 7:00 p.m. at Lake Horicon with the movie "Despicable Me" being shown.

Mr. Seaman also announced that the fire department is sponsoring a Halloween Dance on October 26th, the proceeds of which will benefit a young resident. Mr. Seaman added that admission is \$10.

Councilman Davis reported that members of the Public Safety Committee met with the Police Chief to discuss personnel adjustments. Mr. Davis stated that an offer for employment had been extended to a SLEO II officer who declined the position. Mr. Davis stated that there is "still no work on the communications upgrade."

Mr. Davis added that he and Councilman Lowe met with Assistant Fire Chief Danny Dries regarding a prioritized list of repairs for vehicles. Mr. Davis further added that a cost estimate is being obtained for truck repairs, and after the repair is completed, all items on the repair list will have been addressed.

Council President Oglesby reported that the last meeting for 2013 of the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting was held on October 16th and added the next meeting will be held on the third Wednesday in January.

Mr. Oglesby announced that the Lakehurst First Aid Squad has scheduled a gift auction on November 16th at the Community Center. Mr. Oglesby added that there are "a lot of nice prizes."

Councilman Lowe reported that a police car was in need of repairs which are covered under a warranty.

Mr. Lowe added that the fire department is in need of an electrical upgrade for their compressor and an additional outlet for their electric range.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Robbins announced the outdoor movie as well as the Halloween parade scheduled for October 26th at 11:00 a.m.

Mayor Robbins also announced that the Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 124, Inc. has scheduled a Cancer Walk on Sunday, October 27th.

Mayor Robbins reported that there have been problems at the Emergency Services Complex concerning the internet and telephones not functioning and added that a private contractor investigated the matter. Mayor Robbins further added that it was determined that there is no "common ground" which should be corrected with a surge protector. Mayor Robbins presented a key to the mechanical room to Councilman Seaman, with only Councilman Seaman, Public Works Supervisor/Department Head David Winton and Public Works Supervisor Bryan LeVance in possession of keys.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:49 p.m.

Jim Malden, Lakehurst Board of Education liaison, stated that the school board will be donating three lots to the Borough located on vacant land on Pine Street.

Danny Barker, Emergency Management Coordinator, reported that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department will be receiving radios from the Stewart Bill 966 funding grant. Mr. Barker added that the request for light towers for the Police Department was denied.

Mr. Barker also suggested that the tires on the Public Works trailer be replaced.

Time closed: 7:57 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

Clerk Dugan reads resolution to go into closed session:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P. L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, **and**

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lakehurst, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.

The general nature of the subject matters to be discussed is as follows:

PERSONNEL MATTERS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS POSSIBLE LITIGATION

It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by: Glenn McComas Seconded by: Edward Seaman To approve resolution to go into closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time into closed session: 7:58 p.m.

Time out of closed session: 9:10 p.m.

Motion by: Glenn McComas Seconded by: Gary Lowe To end closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: Glenn McComas Seconded by: James Davis To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 9:11 p.m.

Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM Municipal Clerk