

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2018  
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 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE FIRST DAY OF MARCH, 2018 TO BEGIN AT THE HOUR OF 7:30 P.M. 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: ABSENT	GARY LOWE: ABSENT
JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT	ROBERT MCCARTHY: ABSENT
PATRICA HODGES: PRESENT	STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT
MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT	

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Dugan reviewed regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:32 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:32 p.m.

Councilwoman Hodges asked about the shared services agreement with the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office.

Mayor Robbins replied the agreement approves the supplying of Borough police officers to work as undercover officers with the Prosecutor's Office.

Administrator Childers reported he had met with Chief Financial Officer Antonides regarding voucher system and bill list. Mr. Childers added that the Governing Body will receive the bills list with their meeting packet and can contact him if there is any question over the bills list, but the actual purchase orders will not be signed at the council meeting.

Council President Oglesby urged the council to "stay engaged" to verify items on the bills list and added "don't become a rubber stamp."

Councilman Davis commended Public Works Supervisor David Winton for contacting the New Jersey Department of Transportation concerning a large pothole which disabled a motorist. Mr. Davis added that Mr. Winton "went above and beyond" his scope of duties.

Due to lack of voting members, Ordinance #18-02 entitled "ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A POLICE VEHICLE AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$42,000 AND THE ACQUISITION OF A FIRE TRUCK AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$30,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, FULLY FUNDED BY THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND" will be introduced at the council meeting scheduled for March 15, 2018.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

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

Seconded by: Patricia Hodges

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby  
To approve minutes of February 15, 2018 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Seconded by: James Davis

#### 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. #18-059: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
2. #18-060: Resolution re: Tonnage Grant
3. #18-061: Resolution re: Professional Services agreement for CDL testing

4. #18-062: Resolution re: Salary increase for Bryan LeVance
5. #18-063: Resolution re: Shared Services Agreement with Ocean County Prosecutor's Office for participation in the Prosecutor's Special Operations Group
6. #18-064: Resolution re: Capital Budget
7. #18-065: Resolution re: Refund of tax overpayment for Block 40, Lot 11

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Steven Oglesby

To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

#### COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilwoman Hodges reported that the Youth and Recreation committee met recently to plan upcoming events. Mrs. Hodges added that a representative from Nova Care, the physical therapy office located in the Lakehurst shopping center, was present and offered to assist with events. Mrs. Hodges further added a game night is scheduled for April 6th, a zumba for charity while be scheduled in May along with the annual bicycle rodeo in June.

Councilwoman Hodges also reported the personnel committee met with Administrator Childers and Mayor Robbins to discuss the AFSCME contract which expires on December 31, 2018.

Mayor Robbins added he is glad to see community organizations such as VFW Post 10061 once again expressing interest in youth and recreation events.

Council President Oglesby reported that members of the Public Safety committee will be meeting with Police Chief Higgins on Monday.

Councilman Davis reported that the community garden is "generating a lot of interest" and added Andrew Hodges will again serve as Master Gardener for the project.

Mr. Davis added the annual antique car show committee is again planning for the July 4th event.

Administrator Childers reported that on March 19th for a two-week period the New Jersey Department of Transportation will be erecting detours over the railroads tracks on Brown and Union Avenues for track restoration.

#### COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:43 p.m.

Mrs. Debbie Pease, 305 Manapaqua Avenue, stated that the Girl Scouts are interested in participating in the Youth and Recreation events.

Mrs. Pease expressed concern over funds raised by the Revitalization Association.

Municipal Attorney Sean Gertner stated there is a process to be followed regarding the Association which has members of the Governing Body on its Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Pease inquired about recent construction on Manapaqua Avenue.

Mayor Robbins replied that the Public Works Department is "testing water pits" for the upcoming water main project.

Time closed: 7:49 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: Patricia Hodges

Seconded by: Steven Oglesby

To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 7:49 p.m.

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Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM  
Municipal Clerk