BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 1, 2011 MINUTES

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 P.M. BY MAYOR TIMOTHY J. BORSETTI.

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 FIRST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011, 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, CORNER OF PINE AND CENTER STREETS, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY, AT WHICH TIME, THE BUSINESS OF THE BOROUGH WILL BE CONDUCTED."

ROLL CALL:

JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT
PAT FORD: PRESENT
SIDNEY HOOPER: PRESENT
HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

MAYOR TIMOTHY J. BORSETTI: 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.

REQUEST FROM MANCHESTER HAWKS YOUTH FOOTBALL & CHEER, INC. TO UTILIZE FORMER FIRE TRUCK BAYS FOR CHEER PRACTICE IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

Councilman Davis suggested that the truck bays be "checked over" by the Public Works department to secure any hazards and provide a "structural review" of the area. Mr.

Davis also suggested that the group provide a porta-john as the area has no accessible restrooms.

Consensus reached to approve the use of the former truck bay area by the Manchester Hawks Youth Football and Cheer, Inc. after review of the area by the Public Works Department and Code Enforcement Officer.

Councilwoman Ford reported that graffiti has been painted on the Proving Ground Road sign indicating the location of the fire department.

Councilman McComas commended the Public Works Department on the storm clean-up and added that it "was nice to see."

Borough attorney Sean Gertner reported that the municipal clerk was presented with a petition for a proposed ballot question. Mr. Gertner added that, pursuant to statute, the municipal clerk has until the next meeting to certify the petition after reviewing and checking if the form of petition and question is correct. Mr. Gertner added that a ministerial resolution will be added to the consent agenda to authorize the clerk to review the petition and report to the governing body at the next meeting.

Mayor Borsetti reminded residents that due to the Hurricane Irene clean-up, recycling will be collected on Friday, September 2, 2011 along with mixed paper and metal.

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Glenn McComas
To adjourn work session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Harry Robbins Seconded by: James Davis To approve minutes of August 18, 2011 Work Session/Regular Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

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. #11-138: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
- 2. #11-139: Resolution re: Cancellation of Mortgage for CDBG funding for façade improvements for Stanley Enterprises in the amount of

\$27,000

3. #11-140: Resolution re: Raffle License for VFW Post 10061

4. #11-141: Resolution re: Concurring with creation of bus stops on county roads

Union Avenue and Center Street

5. #11-142: Resolution re: Authorizing municipal clerk to review and certify petition

and report to the governing body

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence from Lakehurst Volunteer Fire Department (To be discussed in executive/closed session)

RESIGNATIONS:

Acceptance of Resignation of Special Police Officer Ryan Valeri

Motion by: Harry Robbins Seconded by: Steven Oglesby

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

ORDINANCES NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by: Harry Robbins

Seconded by: James Davis
To approve on second reading and open the public hearing on Ordinance #2011-03
entitled: "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR WATER TOWER
IMPROVEMENTS AND APPROPRIATING \$850,000 THEREFOR AND
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE
COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST,
IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY." Roll call vote held. All votes
affirmative.

Time opened: 7:42 p.m.

Mayor Borsetti explained that the bond ordinance will fund refurbishment of the water tower and the water tank located at the water plant.

Administrator MacLean reported that the water tower refurbishment bid opening resulted in a bid for \$338,500. Mr. MacLean added that after legal review and certification of funds by the Chief Financial Officer, the contract can be awarded.

Mayor Borsetti added that the bond ordinance funds both refurbishment projects.

Time closed: 7:43 p.m.

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Glenn McComas

To adopt Ordinance #2011-03. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Harry Robbins

To approve on second reading and open the public hearing on Ordinance #2011-04
entitled: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST AMENDING
CHAPTER VII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH
OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ENTITLED
TRAFFIC." Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time opened: 7:45 p.m.

Administrator MacLean stated that Ordinance #11-04 contains three elements, the first creating diagonal parking stalls at Lake Horicon, the second creates a no parking zone for parts of Manapaqua Avenue and Chestnut Street, and the third concerns solicitations for funds on Borough streets (required to bring the Borough into compliance).

Time closed: 7:45 p.m.

Motion by: Glenn McComas Seconded by: Harry Robbins To adopt Ordinance #2011-04. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Hooper reported that the summer fishing contest has ended. Mr. Hooper added that the contest was a "huge success" with a record number of participants.

Mr. Hooper reported that he will be attending the October 3, 2011 meeting of the Joint Base committee.

Councilman Davis gave "kudos to Mr. Barker, Mr. Oglesby, members of the fire department, first aid squad, and police department who "performed tremendously" during Hurricane Irene. Mr. Davis added that "we dodged a bullet."

Councilman Oglesby stated that he "was exceptionally pleased" with the emergency response as this was "the first time the Emergency Operations Center was activated." Mr. Oglesby added that there was "wonderful cooperation, coordination, and communication" with all responders, including the police department, fire department, first aid squad, and public works department. Mr. Oglesby reported that a debriefing meeting was held to critique the response. Mr. Oglesby further reported that the Borough will be submitting paperwork to FEMA seeking reimbursement for hurricane response related expenses.

Mr. Oglesby announced that he has volunteered to be the contact person for the Barnegat Bay Blitz scheduled for October 19, 2011.

Councilman McComas stated that while a few trees came down, the Borough was fortunate that there was not more damage during Hurricane Irene.

Council President Robbins echoed the sentiments of governing body members commending the outstanding efforts of the emergency response to Hurricane Irene.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Borsetti stated that "everyone worked together well" during Hurricane Irene and added that the reason everything worked so well was because "everyone did their jobs."

Mayor Borsetti also stated that the Public Works department had lowered the lake in anticipation of the storm and to inspect the dam after the recent earthquake. Mr. Borsetti further stated that lowering the lake allowed Public Works personnel to repair a section of the road before the storm. Mr. Borsetti added that we "hope for the best but prepare for the worst."

Mayor Borsetti reported that the school will be obtaining their Certificate of Occupancy for the recent construction project after final inspections before school opens next week.

Mayor Borsetti announced the winners of the August fishing contest:

	PICKEREL	
First Place Second Place	Billy Dawson Ken Mount	19" 18 ½"
	CAT FISH	
First Place	William Sloan	15 ½"
Second Place	Ken Mount	12 3/4"
Third Place	Chris Burton	12 ½"
Fourth Place (Tie)	Billy Dawson	11 ½"
	Jay Laird	11 ½"

Mayor Borsetti stated that the governing body will have the report concerning the petition at the next council meeting scheduled for September 15, 2011.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:56 p.m.

Bobbi Pratt, 703A Oak Street, presented a letter to the governing body expressing her concern for what she believes to be a "vendetta" circulating within the town regarding the salaries of the Municipal Administrator and Municipal Clerk. Ms. Pratt added that she would like "everyone to come together" and resolve any issues.

Time closed: 8:03 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

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

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Harry Robbins To approve resolution to go into closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time into closed session: 8:04 p.m.

Time out of closed session: 9:15 p.m.

Motion by: Glenn McComas Seconded by: James Davis

To end closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Glenn McComas To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 9:15 p.m.

Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM Municipal Clerk