BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 20, 2014 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 DUGA:

"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 TWENTIETH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2014, 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

GLENN MCCOMAS: PRESENT

STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT

GARY LOWE: PRESENT EDWARD SEAMAN: PRESENT (8:05 p.m.)

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: 7:31 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:31p.m.

Council President Oglesby reported that he noticed several impassable sidewalks along Church Street and Union Avenue.

Municipal Clerk Dugan stated that she would refer the matter to the Police Department for action.

Mayor Robbins stated that "plows push snow to the curb line which is not permitted" and added that the Public Works Department have been instructed to notify the Police Department if snow plowing violations are observed.

Council President Oglesby commended the Public Works Department for "staying up on plowing" operations. Mr. Oglesby reported that the storm drain on Pine and Center Streets seemed to be sinking. Ms. Dugan will refer the matter to the Public Works Department.

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby Seconded by: Gary Lowe To approve minutes of February 6, 2014 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Councilman Davis and Councilman McComas who abstained due to their absence at the meeting of February 6th.

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. #14-048: Resolution re: Payment of Bills

2. #14-049: Resolution re: Extension of Shared Services Agreement with Plumsted Township to provide court services to April 30, 2014

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Robin Busch To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council President Oglesby reported that interviews were held for the positions of Court Administrator and Tax Assessor. Mr. Oglesby suggested taking action on appointments after the executive session.

Councilwoman Busch suggested a facelift for the entrance into Borough Hall.

Mrs. Busch added that \$3,000 was spent on snow removal operations for the latest storm which includes overtime and salt supplies.

Mrs. Busch also reported that a youth bingo is scheduled for Saturday, February 22nd at 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Mrs. Busch further reported that the annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 12th at 11:00 a.m. at Lake Horicon.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Robbins stated that volunteers are needed to assist with the bingo games on Saturday.

Mayor Robbins reported that Councilman Seaman is attending a Tri-Base meeting at McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst this evening.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:46 p.m.

Emergency Management Coordinator Danny Barker, 409 Cedar Street, reported that Stewart Bill 966 grant funded radios have been ordered: one for the Police Department, one for the Fire Department, and one for the Public Works Department.

Mr. Barker added that he met with the Kevin Oliver of the Lakehurst Board of Education who suggested a lock-down drill at the elementary school.

Time closed: 7:48 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: Glenn McComas Seconded by: Robin Busch To approve resolution to go into closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time into closed session: 7:49 p.m.

Time out of closed session: 8:03 p.m.

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Glenn McComas

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

RESOLUTION APPOINTING TAX ASSESSOR:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby Seconded by: Glenn McComas To approve resolution #14-050 appointing Daniel Gatti, CTA, as Tax Assessor. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING COURT ADMINISTRATOR:

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Glenn McComas To approve resolution #14-051 appointing Lesley Kirchgessner as Court Administrator (provisional). 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: 8:10 p.m.

Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM Municipal Clerk