BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 21, 2016 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 TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 2016, 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

STEPHEN CHILDERS: PRESENT

JAMES DAVIS: 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.

Council President Oglesby stated he spoke with a representative of PayGov.Us concerning a service where residents can pay tax and utility bills with a credit card. Mr. Oglesby added there would be no cost to the Borough but the user would pay a small convenience fee.

Councilwoman Busch stated the Youth and Recreation committee is seeking input for ideas for activities.

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby Seconded by: James Davis To approve minutes of December 18, 2014 Executive/Closed Session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Councilwoman Busch who abstained due to her absence at the meeting of December 18, 2014 and Councilman Childers who abstained as he was not a member of the Governing Body at the time.

Motion by: Stephen Childers Seconded by: Steven Oglesby To approve minutes of December 17, 2015 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Gary Lowe To approve minutes of January 1, 2016 Reorganization Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Councilwoman Busch who abstained due to her absence at the meeting of January 1.

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:

#16-043: Resolution re: Amendment to Lakehurst Police Association Contract
 #16-044: Resolution re: Schedule C Agreement with the County of Ocean

3. #16-045: Resolution re: Authorizing Lakehurst Volunteer Fire Department to apply for the 2014 New Jersey Forest Fire Service Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant

Motion by: Stephen Childers Seconded by: Steven Oglesby To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

ORDINANCES NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Gary Lowe
To approve on second reading and open the public hearing on Ordinance #2016-01
entitled: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF
OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, FIXING AND DETERMINING THE AMOUNT
OF SALARIES AND WAGES FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS IN
THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, AND STATE OF
NEW JERSEY." Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time opened: 7:40 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:40 p.m.

Motion by: Stephen Childers Seconded by: Steven Oglesby To adopt Ordinance #2016-01. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Davis reported he contacted Public Works Supervisor David Winton regarding upcoming snowstorm preparations. Mr. Davis added "we are in good shape for the storm with salt, sand, and a plan."

Council President Oglesby reported the quarterly Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting was held on January 20 where plans for a staged drill during 2016 were discussed. Mr. Oglesby added the drill would build on the scenario of an overturned tanker which was the subject of a November 18, 2015 tabletop exercise.

Mr. Oglesby further added storm preparations were also discussed at the LEPC meeting.

Councilman Lowe reported the new police vehicle is "on the road."

Councilwoman Busch reported a meeting of the Youth and Recreation Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, January 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Robbins urged residents to prepare for the upcoming snowstorm and move cars from the roadway and keep sidewalks clear of snow and ice once the storm ends.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:47 p.m.

Joseph Whalen of VFW Post 10061 asked if an ordinance had been drafted to create a No Parking zone along Fays Lane had been drafted.

Mayor Robbins replied he is awaiting an engineer description of the area which is required for the ordinance.

Mr. Whalen added Pay.Gov.Us is a "good company" which is used by the Federal government.

Dona Sinton, 501 Lake Street, suggested contacting the Lakehurst Elementary School to organize a focus group of students who could suggest ideas for activities.

Time closed: 7:53 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: Stephen Childers Seconded by: Gary Lowe To approve resolution to go into closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Recess from 7:54 p.m. to 8:04 p.m.

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

Time out of closed session: 8:24 p.m.

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Steven Oglesby

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Steven Oglesby To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 8:24 p.m.

Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM

Municipal Clerk