BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING APRIL 6, 2017 MINUTES

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

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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 SIXTH DAY OF APRIL, 2017, 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 PATRICIA HODGES: PRESENT

STEPHEN CHILDERS: PRESENT GARY LOWE: PRESENT

JAMES DAVIS: ABSENT STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT

MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Dugan reviewed regular meeting agenda.

PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK:

Mayor Robbins presented National Library Week proclamation to representative of the Ocean County Library (Manchester Branch).

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:35 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:35 p.m.

Council President Oglesby referred to a recent newspaper article concerning veteran's who are hired as police officers and suffer from post traumatic stress. Mr. Oglesby suggested that the Public Safety committee refer the article to Police Chief Higgins who could research programs to assist with post traumatic stress as "early intervention is the key."

Councilwoman Busch offered "kudos to the Public Works Department for the Borough Hall improvements."

Municipal Attorney Sean Gertner reported there are two tax appeals in 2017: one commercial appeal and one residential appeal.

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

Motion by: Patricia Hodges Seconded by: Robin Busch To adjourn work session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Stephen Childers Seconded by: Steven Oglesby To approve minutes of March 16, 2017 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	#17-063	Resolution re-	Payment of Bills
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2. #17-064: Resolution re: July 3rd fireworks display

3. #17-065: Resolution re: Support for 2017 UDrive. UText. UPay. Distracted Driving

Crackdown

4. #17-066: Resolution re: Amendment to Ocean County Prosecutor's Driving While

Intoxicated Enforcement Program

5. #17-067: Resolution re: Raffles License for Borough of Lakehurst Historical Society,

Inc.

6. #17-068: Resolution re: Authorizing expenditures from the capital improvement fund

for preliminary expenses for water main replacement

program

7. #17-069: Resolution re: Professional Services contract for engineering services for

water main replacement project

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Request to serve alcoholic beverages at a private event at the Community Center on April 8, 2017

ORDINANCES APPROVED ON FIRST READING:

"ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REAPPROPRIATING THE FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS" (#17-03)

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

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Childers reported he has learned the American Cancer Society is collecting plastic bottle tops and suggested that an article should be placed in newspapers alerting the public to this worthwhile cause.

Council President Oglesby reported the Public Works committee met with Public Works Supervisor David Winton to discuss several items including possible solutions to the geese problem at Lake Horicon which includes addling/oiling the eggs in the nests and the installation of strobe lights.

Councilman Lowe reported David Winton has contacted the camera installation company to install the cameras at the impound lot.

Councilwoman Hodges reported the annual Easter egg hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 8 at 11:00 a.m. at Lake Horicon.

Mrs. Hodges elaborated on the strobe light solution to discourage geese from Lake Horicon. Mrs. Hodges added there is a warranty of 180 days on the lights and suggested they be installed after any goslings which may hatch have achieved maturity as they may become accustomed to the lights while they are hatchings. Mrs. Hodges further added the strobe lights "seem to be the only viable option" with the cost for the lights estimated to be \$1,900 to \$2,000 depending on whether the lights are installed on the ground or in the water.

Council President Oglesby suggested that the electronic message board be installed at Lake Horicon warning of the ordinance prohibiting the feeding of waterfowl and associated fines for violators.

Council President Oglesby also reported that the two beds for the community garden will be ten feet by sixty feet each.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:46 p.m.

Kenny Sloan, Assistant Chief of the Lakehurst Volunteer Fire Company, stated there are a few members of the fire company who are not Lakehurst residents and suggested that the existing ordinance for the fire company be amended to include residents of Manchester Township such as exists in the ordinance concerning the First Aid Squad.

Mayor Robbins replied the existing ordinance was adopted in 1989 and in a recent Joint Insurance Fund seminar, the instructor cautioned to "pay attention to volunteer ordinances to limit liability exposure."

Assistant Chief Sloan stated "two main members live outside of town."

Municipal Attorney Sean Gertner stated the fire company will "have to make an argument that the benefit to the Borough outweighs the detriment" of having non-resident members.

Mayor Robbins stated that any member who is not a resident of the Borough of Lakehurst is suspended pending the determination by the Governing Body.

Assistant Chief Sloan requested permission to schedule a joint drill with Ridgeway, Manchester, and Whiting fire companies on Wednesday, April 19th at Lake Horicon.

Mr. Gertner stated as a municipal road will be closed for the drill, permission must be obtained from the Governing Body pending approval by Police Chief Higgins.

Motion by: Stephen Childers

Seconded by: Gary Low

To approve request from the Lakehurst Volunteer Fire Company to close Lake Street for
the joint drill on Wednesday, April 19th pending approval from Police Chief Higgins.

Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time closed: 8:04 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: Stephen Childers Seconded by: Patricia Hodges To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 8:05 p.m.

Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM Municipal Clerk