BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 15, 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 FIFTEENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 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: PRESENT

JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT ROBERT MCCARTHY: PRESENT 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: 7:31 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:32 p.m.

Councilman Lowe reported that the fire department has negotiated a price for a previously owned fire truck for \$45,000. Mr. Lowe added the fire department will provide \$10,000 towards the truck from its 2018 budget amount received from the Borough and will contribute \$5,000 from their own funds.

Mayor Robbins stated the Borough will be required to provide the remaining \$30,000 to purchase the truck which is "more than a band aid and should last six years."

Administrator Childers stated he had spoken with Chief Financial Officer William Antonides who indicated the fire truck purchase can be funded with a capital ordinance which can be introduced at the next meeting and adopted at the second meeting in March.

Council President Oglesby commended the fire department for their initiative in researching the fire truck purchase.

Councilwoman Hodges asked if the capital expenditure would negatively impact the Borough.

Administrator Childers replied that the Chief Financial Officer indicated the capital expenditure would not adversely affect the Borough.

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: James Davis Seconded by: Patricia Hodges To approve minutes of February 1, 2018 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. #18-057: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
- 2. #18-058: Resolution re: Award of Contract for Pine Street Curb and Sidewalk Project Phase I

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

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilwoman Hodges reported that a meeting of the Youth and Recreation Committee has been scheduled for February 22, 2018. Mrs. Hodges added she met with a representative from NovaCare who "wants to be a partner with the community" and possibly sponsor some summer movie nights.

Mrs. Hodges also reported the personnel committee met to the review the AFSCME contract which expires at the end of 2018.

Councilman McCarthy stated there were some suggestions made by fire department members at a recent Public Safety committee meeting that existing equipment can be retrofitted for the new fire truck. Mr. McCarthy added the fire department members also stated that surplus vehicles can be auctioned or, if required, returned to the State agency from which they were received.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Robbins stated that long-term planning with the fire department can include discussion for a new truck.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:43 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:43 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

Municipal 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

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

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Time into closed session: 7:44 p.m.

Time out of closed session: 8:21 p.m.

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Gary Lowe

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: 8:21 p.m.

Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM Municipal Clerk