

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2019
MINUTES**

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 PM BY MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS

ALL STOOD FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE.

PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT READ INTO RECORD BY MUNICIPAL CLERK CAPASSO:

“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 NINETEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2019, 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:

COUNCILWOMAN BUSCH: PRESENT COUNCILMAN LOWE: PRESENT
COUNCILMAN DAVIS: PRESENT COUNCILMAN McCARTHY: ABSENT
COUNCILWOMAN HODGES: PRESENT COUNCILMAN OGLESBY: PRESENT
MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Capasso reviewed the regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:32 pm

Dona Sinton, 501 Rose Street, questioned correspondence letter.

Municipal Clerk Capasso responded the letter was praising Public Works for doing a great for keeping the Borough of Lakehurst clean and welcoming to friends and family.

Mrs. Sinton questioned the confidential funds listed on the bills list.

Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

A. RESOLUTIONS:

1. #19-141: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
2. #19-142: Resolution re: Amending Bank Signatories
3. #19-143: Resolution re: Award of Contract for Poplar Street Road Reconstruction Project
4. #19-144: Resolution re: Change Order for Pine Street Curb and Sidewalk Reconstruction Phase I Project
5. #19-145: Resolution re: Acceptance of 2018 Municipal Audit
6. #19-146: Resolution re: Adjustment to Utility Account #325-0; Block 35, Lot 1
7. #19-147: Resolution re: Hiring John Wisniewski as Temporary 120-Day Public Works Labor
8. #19-148: Resolution re: Supporting the Lawsuit by the Ocean County Board of Freeholders, Challenging the Attorney General's Immigration Trust Directive
9. #19-149: Resolution re: Raffle Licenses for Lakehurst First Aid Squad
10. #19-150: Resolution re: Approving Membership in Lakehurst Fire Department for Devon O'Donnell

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Donna M. Bowcock

Motion by: Patricia Hodges
To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Councilwoman Hodges who voted no to item #8 and Council President Oglesby voted no to item #8 and abstained to item #9 as he is a member of the First Aid Squad.

Seconded by: Gary Lowe

ORDINANCES NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby
To approve on second reading and open the public hearing of Ordinance #2019-07 entitled: "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF A PORTION OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER ROOF BY THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$25,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF". (#19-07) Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Seconded by: Patricia Hodges

Time opened: 7:40 pm

Dona Sinton, 501 Rose Street, questioned which roof on the community center is being repair and when will it be completed.

Mayor Robbins responded it is the flat roof on the community center.

Councilman Lowe responded the repair is completed adding it was an emergency.

Allen Hurley, 219 Cedar Street, asked the cost was to repair a flat roof.

Mayor Robbins responded it was not repair, it was a replacement.

Mr. Hurley asked if the borough considered replacing the flat roof with an A-frame roof adding flat roofs do not last long.

Mayor Robbins responded the borough has looked into putting an A-frame roof on the community center, but the cost is not feasible.

Time closed: 7:42 pm

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Gary Lowe

To adopt Ordinance #19-07. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilwoman Hodges reported that the ordinance committee still does not have the ordinances codified. Mrs. Hodges suggested the borough attorney call them to get everything back, stop all payments, and the borough goes to another company.

Borough Attorney Ian Goldman responded he will get information from Mrs. Hodges this week.

Councilwoman Busch reported she met with the CFO over the budget and everything is "on track".

Council President Oglesby reported the Personnel Committee has been busy adding he will give the report during executive session.

Councilman Lowe reported he met with Public Works Supervisor Dave Winton and Dave Burton, Board of Education member, to discuss Fuccile Sports Complex. Mr. Lowe added there is enough room at sports complex to add a soccer field after clearing out some trees. Mr. Lowe also reported the baseball field will be redesigned along with refacing the diamond and dugouts adding they are waiting for some numbers. Mr. Lowe further reported the basketball court will be resurface and painted.

Councilman Davis reported through the veteran's organization, 110 names will be added to the Memorial Walk at Lake Horicon on Veteran's Day.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:48 pm

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

Time closed: 7:48 pm

CLOSED SESSION:

Municipal Clerk Capasso 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:

**CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS
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: Patricia Hodges

To approve resolution to go into closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time into closed session: 7:51 pm

Time out of closed session: 8:34 pm

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Gary Lowe

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby

Seconded by: Robin Busch

To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 8:34 pm

Maryanne Capasso, RMC
Municipal Clerk