BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 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 SEVENTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020, 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:

COUNCILMAN DAVIS: PRESENT COUNCILMAN DIMEO: PRESENT

COUNCILWOMAN HODGES: PRESENT

COUNCILMAN LOWE: PRESENT

COUNCILMAN McCARTHY: ABSENT

COUNCILMAN OGLESBY: PRESENT (VIA TELEPHONE)

MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Capasso reviewed the regular meeting agenda.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO LIEUTENANT JAMES:

Municipal Attorney Ian Goldman administer the oath of office to Lieutenant James

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:37 PM

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:37 PM

Councilwoman Hodges gave kudos to Public Works Department Head Dave Winton and Public Works Supervisor Bryan LeVance for a job well done at the water treatment plant. Mrs. Hodges stated an energy assessment was conducted by New Jersey Rural Water Association at the plant and added that although the plant is operating exceptionally well, there are some recommendations for energy saving costs.

Council President Oglesby reported the trees to consider for planting along Union Avenue would be the Japanese Cherry or the Bradford Pear. Mr. Oglesby stated these trees are ideal for the limited space adding they do not get too wide or too tall. Mr. Oglesby also stated that there is possible grant money available to help offset the cost.

Mayor Robbins suggested mix and match trees so that they bloom different times of the year. Mayor Robbins reported Dr. Brian Klohn stated he would like to donate the money to replace the trees.

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby Seconded by: Patricia Hodges To approve minutes of September 3, 2020 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.

A. RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. #20-133: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
- 2. #20-134: Resolution re: Promotion of Police Sergeant Iain James to Police Lieutenant

- 3. #20-135: Resolution re: Cancel General Capital Improvement Authorizations
- 4. #20-136: Resolution re: Approving renewal contract for Web Site Maintenance
- 5. #20-137: Resolution re: Renewal of liquor license for Lakehurst Pizzeria (Luigi')
- 6. #20-138: Resolution re: Renewal of liquor license for Carlo & Sons (3 B's Bar & Bistro)
- 7. #20-139: Resolution re: Renewal of liquor license for Boemio's Market LLC
- 8. #20-140: Resolution re: Renewal of liquor license for Italy's Best

ORDINANCES APPROVED ON FIRST READING:

"ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$135,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, FULLY FUNDED BY THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND" (#2020-05)

"ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER-SEWER UTILITY SYSTEM AND TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$100,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, FULLY FUNDED BY THE CAPITAL IMROVEMENTS FUND" (#2020-06)

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Brian DiMeo

To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilwoman Hodges reported the Ordinance Committee along with the Borough Attorney Ian Goldman met and added they went over the Lake Ordinance. Ms. Hodges stated the committee did strike a few items including badge ordinance and added the completed ordinance will be distributed to the council for input. Ms. Hodges further added the next ordinance to address is the Land Use Ordinance.

Councilman DiMeo reported the Youth and Recreation Committee met to discuss having fall activities along with being safe during the pandemic. Mr. DiMeo stated Proving Ground Church will be having a Fall Festival on October 17th in the afternoon and added the Youth and Recreation Committee would like to have the borough's Halloween Parade the same day being the children are already in costumes. Mr. DiMeo also stated the committee will assist with the fun activities adding that everyone of all faiths is welcomed to attend the outside event. Mr. DiMeo also reported Trick-or-Treating will be on October 31st and the Youth and Recreation Committee next meeting will be the first week of October.

Councilman Lowe reported the soccer fields at Fuccile Park have nets and added the children have been enjoying the fields. Mr. Lowe also reported the plates for the baseball fields will be delivered next week as well as the gates for the fields.

Mayor Robbins responded Lakehurst Elementary School can now form teams adding it will be nice to enjoy a game.

Mr. Lowe reported rolling stock inspections will be completed at the end of the month.

Mr. Lowe asked about the portable bathrooms.

Mayor Robbins responded the bathrooms are on order and will be installed in time for next summer.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:46 pm

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:46 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:

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: Patricia Hodges Seconded by: Gary Lowe To approve resolution to go into closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time into closed session: 7:47 pm

Time out of closed session: 7:59 pm

Motion by: Brian DiMeo Seconded by: James Davis

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: Patricia Hodges Seconded by: Gary Lowe To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 7:59 pm

Maryanne Capasso, RCM Municipal Clerk