

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2021**

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 P.M. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT OGLESBY.

ALL STOOD FOR 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 SIXTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2021, 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 HODGES: PRESENT	COUNCILMAN LOWE: ABSENT
COUNCILMAN DAVIS: PRESENT	COUNCILMAN McCARTHY: PRESENT
COUNCILMAN DiMEO: PRESENT	COUNCILMAN OGLESBY: PRESENT
MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: ABSENT	

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Capasso reviewed the regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:33 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:33 p.m.

Councilman Davis announced the Cruise Night scheduled for tomorrow night is canceled due to the forecasted weather.

Council President Oglesby, on behalf of the First Aid Squad, furnished the First Aid Squad's annual rent and annual audit report.

Mr. Oglesby asked the status report on the rock wall at Lake Horicon Park.

Mr. Davis replied he will reach out to Dave Winton, Public Works Department Head, to discuss the rock wall.

Councilwoman Hodges questioned the vandalism to the bathrooms at the lake.

Municipal Clerk Capasso answered the bathrooms are open adding it is the outside that was damaged. Mrs. Capasso stated Mr. Winton is in the process of getting quotes for the repairs.

Mr. Oglesby questioned why there is no security cameras at the lake.

Mr. Davis answered Mr. Winton was in the process of getting quotes from G&C Electronics, the company that supplies cameras at the police station, but the president of the company has since passed away and added Mr. Winton is now looking at another company.

Mr. Oglesby reported the First Aid Squad is asking permission for a key fob at their entrance into the Emergency Services Complex (ESC) stating the numbers on the push button security lock are faded. Mr. Oglesby stated the First Aid Squad offered to pay for the key fob although the building is borough owned.

Mr. Davis stated he has no problem replacing the entry lock.

Councilman McCarthy stated the hardware is in place already adding it should just be a matter of changing push button to key fob. Mr. McCarthy suggested the fire department might want to share the cost to have their entry lock replaced as well.

Discussion continued over replacing the entry lock to the first aid's entrance door at the ESC.

Roll call vote for the borough to replace the entry lock with a key fob at the first aid's entrance at the ESC. All votes affirmative with exception of Councilwoman Hodges who voted no and Council President Oglesby who abstained due to being a member of the First Aid Squad.

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Patricia Hodges

To adjourn work session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Brian DiMeo

Seconded by: James Davis

To approve minutes of September 2, 2021 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Councilman McCarthy who abstained due to his absence at the September 2nd regular meeting.

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. Resolution #21-118 re: Payment of Bills
2. Resolution #21-119 re: Clerk 2 Permanent Appointment for Tammy Duffy
3. Resolution #21-120 re: Approving Membership in Lakehurst Fire Department for Shariya S. Brown
4. Resolution #21-121 re: Approving Membership in Lakehurst Fire Department for Henry W. Seeger

RESIGNATIONS:

Acceptance of resignation of Recreation Leader Debby Pease

Motion by: Patricia Hodges

Seconded by: James Davis

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

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilwoman Hodges asked about the audit report.

Municipal Clerk Capasso replied she has given all councilmembers a copy of the audit report to review and added the audit will be approved at the October 7th meeting.

Mrs. Hodges reported the Ordinance Committee will be meeting on Monday to start reviewing the ordinances adding she and Municipal Clerk Capasso did glance at the ordinance and noticed a few things that need to be resolve before the codification is adopted.

Councilman DiMeo reported the Youth and Recreation had their monthly. Mr. DiMeo announced the Annual Halloween Parade will be held on October 23rd this year. Mr.

DiMeo announced that Youth and Recreation Leader Debby Pease resigned due to personal reasons and thanked her for her support for last year and a half.

Council President Oglesby asked about the Voice over Internet Protocol.

Mr. DiMeo replied there was an issue with what phone provider had what phone lines within the borough, that issue has since been resolved and added he will be meeting with the new phone vendor next week to port the phone numbers to the new system.

Mr. Oglesby questioned the October 1st deadline.

Mr. DiMeo replied the deadline is October 31st.

Councilman McCarthy reported the Board of Education has scheduled a meeting for September 21st at 4:30 p.m. to set board goals adding he will be in attendance. Mr. McCarthy also reported the Police Department has received training on the new body cameras that were received through the grant program adding the body cameras will be utilized starting next week. Mr. McCarthy stated that all police officers have signed off on the Hold Harmless Agreements to operate the gym. Mr. McCarthy further reported the Easy Clocks have been installed at both Borough Hall and Public Works adding there are a few “bugs” to work out because both departments piggybacked into the existing police department’s account who has different work hours.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:49 p.m.

Bob Vosseller, Manchester Times, asked about the bathrooms at Lake Horicon.

Council President Oglesby replied that the bathrooms have been vandalized on the outside adding they are operable.

Time closed: 7:50 p.m.

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.

