

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 1, 2011
MINUTES**

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 P.M. BY MAYOR TIMOTHY J. BORSETTI.

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 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011, 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, CORNER OF PINE AND CENTER STREETS, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY, AT WHICH TIME, THE BUSINESS OF THE BOROUGH WILL BE CONDUCTED.”

ROLL CALL:

JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT

GLENN MCCOMAS: PRESENT

PAT FORD: PRESENT

STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT

SIDNEY HOOPER: PRESENT

HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

MAYOR TIMOTHY J. BORSETTI: PRESENT

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Dugan reviewed regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:32 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:32 p.m.

REQUEST FROM MANCHESTER HAWKS YOUTH FOOTBALL & CHEER, INC. TO UTILIZE FORMER FIRE TRUCK BAYS FOR CHEER PRACTICE IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

Councilman Davis suggested that the truck bays be “checked over” by the Public Works department to secure any hazards and provide a “structural review” of the area. Mr.

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Harry Robbins

To approve on second reading and open the public hearing on Ordinance #2011-04 entitled: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST AMENDING CHAPTER VII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ENTITLED TRAFFIC." Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time opened: 7:45 p.m.

Administrator MacLean stated that Ordinance #11-04 contains three elements, the first creating diagonal parking stalls at Lake Horicon, the second creates a no parking zone for parts of Manapaqua Avenue and Chestnut Street, and the third concerns solicitations for funds on Borough streets (required to bring the Borough into compliance).

Time closed: 7:45 p.m.

Motion by: Glenn McComas

Seconded by: Harry Robbins

To adopt Ordinance #2011-04. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Hooper reported that the summer fishing contest has ended. Mr. Hooper added that the contest was a "huge success" with a record number of participants.

Mr. Hooper reported that he will be attending the October 3, 2011 meeting of the Joint Base committee.

Councilman Davis gave "kudos to Mr. Barker, Mr. Oglesby, members of the fire department, first aid squad, and police department who "performed tremendously" during Hurricane Irene. Mr. Davis added that "we dodged a bullet."

Councilman Oglesby stated that he "was exceptionally pleased" with the emergency response as this was "the first time the Emergency Operations Center was activated." Mr. Oglesby added that there was "wonderful cooperation, coordination, and communication" with all responders, including the police department, fire department, first aid squad, and public works department. Mr. Oglesby reported that a debriefing meeting was held to critique the response. Mr. Oglesby further reported that the Borough will be submitting paperwork to FEMA seeking reimbursement for hurricane response related expenses.

Mr. Oglesby announced that he has volunteered to be the contact person for the Barnegat Bay Blitz scheduled for October 19, 2011.

Councilman McComas stated that while a few trees came down, the Borough was fortunate that there was not more damage during Hurricane Irene.

Council President Robbins echoed the sentiments of governing body members commending the outstanding efforts of the emergency response to Hurricane Irene.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Borsetti stated that “everyone worked together well” during Hurricane Irene and added that the reason everything worked so well was because “everyone did their jobs.”

Mayor Borsetti also stated that the Public Works department had lowered the lake in anticipation of the storm and to inspect the dam after the recent earthquake. Mr. Borsetti further stated that lowering the lake allowed Public Works personnel to repair a section of the road before the storm. Mr. Borsetti added that we “hope for the best but prepare for the worst.”

Mayor Borsetti reported that the school will be obtaining their Certificate of Occupancy for the recent construction project after final inspections before school opens next week.

Mayor Borsetti announced the winners of the August fishing contest:

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| First Place | Billy Dawson | 19” |
| Second Place | Ken Mount | 18 ½” |

CAT FISH

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| First Place | William Sloan | 15 ½” |
| Second Place | Ken Mount | 12 ¾” |
| Third Place | Chris Burton | 12 ½” |
| Fourth Place (Tie) | Billy Dawson | 11 ½” |
| | Jay Laird | 11 ½” |

Mayor Borsetti stated that the governing body will have the report concerning the petition at the next council meeting scheduled for September 15, 2011.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:56 p.m.

Bobbi Pratt, 703A Oak Street, presented a letter to the governing body expressing her concern for what she believes to be a “vendetta” circulating within the town regarding the salaries of the Municipal Administrator and Municipal Clerk. Ms. Pratt added that she would like “everyone to come together” and resolve any issues.

Time closed: 8:03 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

