

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 2014
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 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE SIXTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2014, 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:

ROBIN BUSCH: PRESENT

GLENN MCCOMAS: PRESENT

JAMES DAVIS: ABSENT

STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT

GARY LOWE: PRESENT

EDWARD SEAMAN: ABSENT

MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Dugan reviewed regular meeting agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS OF HALLOWEEN DECORATING CONTEST:

Mayor Robbins announced the winners of the 2014 Halloween Decorating Contest:

FIRST PRIZE: \$100

CHARLES BROOKS
226 CHURCH STREET

SECOND PRIZE: \$50

PATRICIA BUNNELL
307 MANAPAQUA AVENUE

THIRD PRIZE: \$25

EDWARD & JEAN NEUHAUS
724 CEDAR STREET

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:32 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:32 p.m.

Council President Oglesby reported that delivery methods for the *Community Shopper* “have improved.”

Council President Oglesby requested that the Vehicle Policy for both the Policies and Procedures Manual and Employee Handbook be revised to include the words “or insured” to cover all Borough owned or insured vehicles to limit liability to the Borough.

All council members agreed to the revision.

Municipal Attorney Sean Gertner reported that the Ocean County Prosecutor’s Office has recommended that a pawn shop ordinance be adopted by the Borough. Mr. Gertner stated that the ordinance can be introduced at the next council meeting scheduled for December 4th.

Mr. Gertner added that the New Jersey Department of Transportation is requiring an ordinance prohibiting left turns onto Route 70 for the former Fantasies property. Mr. Gertner added that the ordinance can be introduced at the next council meeting scheduled for December 4th.

Mr. Gertner asked for and was given authorization to prepare both ordinances for introduction at the meeting of December 4th.

Mr. Gertner also reported that the Borough has been approached by a current tenant to add three additional antennae on the water tower. Mr. Gertner added that the matter will be discussed during executive session.

Council President Oglesby expressed concern over the temporary fencing surrounding the demolition of the former Fantasies building.

Municipal Clerk Dugan stated that she will contact the Construction Official to determine the proper fencing methods and contact the contractor.

Mayor Robbins stated that the Borough has been approached by the New Jersey State Police to utilize the conference room at the Emergency Services Complex from January, 2015 through April, 2015 to conduct breathalyzer training. Request was approved.

Mayor Robbins also stated that a request was received from the Lakehurst Elementary School to schedule a 5K run on Saturday, December 6th. Request was approved

Councilman Lowe asked Councilman Davis if the license had been received for the new repeater. Councilman Davis answered in the affirmative.

Councilman Lowe reported that a new chimney liner will be installed at the Community Center shortly and added that the Mack trash truck has been sent out for preventive maintenance.

Councilwoman Busch reported that all occupied homes have had new water meters installed.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Robbins announced that the First Aid Squad has scheduled its annual gift auction for Saturday, November 8 at the Community Center with doors opening at 4:00 p.m. and drawings beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Robbins also announced that the First Aid Squad has scheduled a fundraiser on November 13 through the 15 at Ruby Tuesday's restaurant on Route 37.

Mayor Robbins congratulated Councilwoman Busch on her re-election and newly elected Councilwoman Patricia Hodges on her election to the Governing Body.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:46 p.m.

Janie Baranyay, 408 Cedar Street, asked about the eight Class II special law enforcement officers.

Councilman Davis stated that the numbers were guidelines.

Municipal Attorney Sean Gertner stated that "this is not a place to debate the issue" and added that the Borough is "looking to replace" the Class II officers with Civil Service officers.

Council President Oglesby stated that the matter is "being dealt with."

Mrs. Baranyay stated that there is an overabundance of Class II special law enforcement officers and will take the matter elsewhere as she did not receive answers from the Governing Body.

Time closed: 7:48 p.m.

