

**BOROUGH OF LAKEURST
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 16, 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 SIXTEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, 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
JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT
GARY LOWE: PRESENT

GLENN MCCOMAS: PRESENT
STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT
EDWARD SEAMAN: PRESENT
MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: 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.

Councilwoman Busch asked if there were any suggestions for the 2014 youth events calendar as a meeting with the recreation leaders has been scheduled for January 23, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Councilwoman Busch who abstained from the request to serve alcoholic beverages at a private event but voted in the affirmative on all other items.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Davis reported that the members of the Public Safety Committee met with Police Chief Higgins concerning ongoing projects including equipping each police officer with a personal camera by the first week in February. Mr. Davis added that the difficulty downloading the video to the server needs to be corrected with new software which will be funded by remaining bond money for the purchase. Mr. Davis further added that the new weapons have been received.

Council President Oglesby reported that there is pending legislation which would require dashboard cameras for all police vehicles which will be funded by grants for which the existing body camera software can be integrated.

Mr. Oglesby added that the Local Emergency Planning Committee was held on January 15th during which upcoming events were discussed. Mr. Oglesby further added that the annexes have been updated.

Councilman Lowe reported that three grounds and surge protectors have been installed at the Emergency Services Complex. Mr. Lowe added that he is awaiting a report from JCP & L concerning the monitoring of electrical surges to the building. Mr. Lowe further added that he had received a request from the Fire Department concerning repairs to Fire Truck 6211.

Councilman McComas reported that the Finance Department is finalizing the end of year reports and added that the audit corrections have been accomplished. Mr. McComas suggested that the fire department receive their annual funding in quarterly installments such as the First Aid Squad which has been requested by the Fire Department.

Council President Oglesby stated that “there needs to be accountability.”

Councilwoman Busch reported that she met with Public Works Supervisor/Department Head Winton during which he had informed her of the availability of a sewer/jet vacuum truck for purchase for \$25,000, the funding for which has been provided in the bond ordinance. Ms. Busch added that there is 27,000 miles on the vehicle with three hours on the jet vacuum.

Ms. Busch also reported that 380 water meters remain to be installed from the water meter installation project.

Councilman McComas added that the snow plow Mr. Winton had requested has increased in price. Mr. McComas further added that the Public Works van is “out of service.”

Borough Attorney Sean Gertner suggested contacting the Board of Health concerning grease trap inspections.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Robbins stated that Mr. Winton will be contacted regarding grease trap requirements.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:58 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:58 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

Clerk Dugan 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
CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS
MATTERS OF ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE**

It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by: Glenn McComas

Seconded by: Steven Oglesby

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

Time into closed session: 7:59 p.m.

Time out of closed session: 8:24 p.m.

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Glenn McComas

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby

Seconded by: Glenn McComas

To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 8:24 p.m.

Bernadette Dugan, RMC/CPM
Municipal Clerk