

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2016
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 FIFTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016, 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	PATRICIA HODGES: PRESENT
STEPHEN CHILDERS: PRESENT	GARY LOWE: PRESENT
JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT	STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT
MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT	

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Municipal Clerk Bernadette Dugan reviewed the regular meeting agenda.

Municipal Attorney Sean Gertner reported on a settlement with the Lakehurst Board of Education for Block 45; Lot 3 and added he is seeking authorization for approval of the agreement.

Councilwoman Hodges asked if the Board of Education has agreed to the settlement.

Mr. Gertner replied at the meeting between Board Members and Mayor Robbins and Council President Oglesby in June the terms were agreed upon as fair for both sides so he drafted the settlement for approval by the Borough. Mr. Gertner added if the Board does not agree with the settlement, they will not approve it.

To approve on second reading and open the public hearing of Ordinance #2016-10 entitled: "ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER-SEWER SYSTEM, AND TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$75,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, FULLY FUNDED BY THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND" Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time opened: 7:48 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:48 p.m.

Motion by: Stephen Childers

Seconded by: James Davis

To adopt Ordinance #16-10. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Davis reported an "End of Summer Cruise Night" is scheduled for Friday, September 30th from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Union Avenue in the downtown business area.

Mr. Davis also reported he had received a quote for the construction of the proposed community garden from Mr. Winton. Mr. Davis added the garden would consist of two 10' x 50' raised, mulched beds with fencing and an irrigation system for \$2,637 based on 2016 prices.

Mr. Davis further reported that the Borough is in need of a new gasoline vendor as Hall's Gulf will not be selling gasoline. Mr. Davis added Mr. Winton has a meeting with the owner of Phillips 76 scheduled for tomorrow to discuss the purchase of gasoline for Borough vehicles with the exception of the police vehicles.

Council President Oglesby reported a fully staged drill was held on August 24 with the focus on an overturned chemical tanker. Mr. Oglesby added it was primarily a fire response and commended Emergency Management Coordinator Danny Hourigan for the drill. Mr. Oglesby further added a critique of the drill has yet to be scheduled.

Mr. Oglesby also reported members of the Personnel Committed have met with Police Chief Higgins concerning renewal of his contract.

Councilman Lowe reported police vehicle #1303 has received an estimate for front end work for \$900.

Mr. Lowe added pump tests and generator preventive maintenance on all fire company vehicles cost \$6,618 and added \$12,000 has been spent of vehicle maintenance, the same amount as last year.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:55 p.m.

Dona Sinton, 501 Rose Street, stated she was having difficulty opening several attachments on the website.

Clerk Dugan stated she will contact the website administrator.

Mrs. Sinton asked if she could put a container at the Borough Hall to collect box tops for the school.

Ms. Dugan stated she should bring it to Borough Hall so that residents and visitors can assist in the project.

Time closed: 7:56 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**

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

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

