

QUALITY OF LIFE

Mayor Miller reviewed quality of life items from the previous meeting.

With regard to Committeeman Lichtenstein's request for a crossing guard to be assigned to the intersection of Williams Street and Prospect Street temporarily, Sgt. Miick responded that Traffic and Safety advised that when guards are available they will be assigned to that intersection.

Committeeman Lichtenstein asked Mr. Staiger when the traffic light installation is scheduled.

Mr. Staiger responded that it is scheduled for Fall or Winter construction by the County.

Committeeman Lichtenstein asked that Mr. Staiger follow up on his request, and to provide a date for the next meeting as to when the County intends to commence construction.

With regard to Deputy Mayor Akerman's request that Traffic & Safety look into making Third Street a two-way street between Clifton Avenue and Madison Avenue.

Sgt. Miick advised that he received a response that it is not recommended.

With regard to the request for right and left turning signals on Oak Street, Mr. Staiger responded that he spoke with the County, and they have indicated that it does appear to be feasible to install an additional turning lane, and they expect to have a plan submitted to the Engineering Department within the next few weeks for review. The Township would then have to pass a No Parking Ordinance for the setbacks for the distances for the turning lanes.

With regard to the request for Do Not Block the Box striping at the intersection of Squankum Road and Kennedy Boulevard, it has been completed.

With regard to Committeeman Lichtenstein's request for Mr. Burdge to look at Private Way between Fifth and Sixth Streets, Mr. Burdge advised that the road has been repaired, but he advised that the road needs to be overlaid.

Committeeman Lichtenstein advised they soon will be submitting a plan for the overlay of various streets in the town.

With regard to Committeeman Lichtenstein's request for Mr. Burdge to look at the area of Apple Street, near the railroad tracks where the path area needs to be cleaned up, Mr. Burdge responded that the area has been cleaned up.

With regard to Committeeman Langert's request that homeowners be advised to clean up the areas between their fences and sidewalk, in the area of James Street, across from the Water Company, between Sunset Road and the railroad tracks, Marilyn Rodriguez advised that fifty percent has been done, and the other fifty percent of homeowners have received summonses.

Comments from Committeeman Members on Quality of Life Items –

Committeeman Lichtenstein asked Mr. Staiger whether or not Title 39 regulations have been applied to the streets in Whispering Woods.

Mr. Staiger responded that he would have to look into it and review the project file.

Committeeman Lichtenstein requested that Mr. Staiger follow up with him regarding this item.

Committeeman Langert commented with regard to the overlay plan. He asked that they look at Eighth Street from Clifton Avenue down to where it terminates at Monmouth Avenue.

Committeeman Langert asked Mr. Burdge to look at that area to see if there are any major potholes on Eighth Street that they can take care of in the meantime, between Clifton Avenue and Monmouth Avenue.

Comments from the public will be heard for a limit of one (1) hour. Each speaker will have four (4) minutes and shall be limited to one time at the podium.

Mayor Miller opened the meeting to the public.

Jeff Spector, 9 Silversprings Road – Spoke on behalf of his father, Martin Spector, who is a member of the Four Season's community, with regard to the recent contract award to Lightpath. He does not feel that the contract meets the needs of the Township, and stated that their Board is disappointed that the Committee would act in a way which may be irresponsible and potentially improper.

Isaac Fajerman – Commented on his findings as a result of an OPRA request that he made with regard to the award of a contract to Lightpath.

Alex Libman – Advised he is homeless and living in Lakewood in violation of homeless laws.

Seeing no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Miller closed the meeting to the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Township of Lakewood and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

1. Resolution Approving a Corrective Action Plan as part of the 2013 Annual Audit Process.
Resolution No. 2014-288
2. Resolution Cancelling Unexpended Balances of Certain General Capital Improvement Appropriations.
Resolution No. 2014-289
3. Resolution Amending the 2014 Capital Budget.
Resolution No. 2014-290
4. Resolution Authorizing the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue into the 2014 Municipal Budget for Funding under the 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Local Solicitation, in the amount of \$31,395.00.
(Chap. 159 – Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant)
Resolution No. 2014-291
5. Resolution Authorizing the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue into the 2014 Municipal Budget for Funding under the State of New Jersey FFY 2014 Citizen Corps Grant, in the amount of \$1,250.00. **(Chap. 159 – Citizen Corps Grant)**
Resolution No. 2014-292
6. Resolution Awarding a Contract to Newlink Communications LLC, for the 2014 Cabling Project, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. in the amount of \$17,500.00.
Resolution No. 2014-293
7. Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Energy Generation Services for Public use on an Online Auction Website.
Resolution No. 2014-294

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, to approve Resolution Nos. 1 through 7 on the Consent Agenda.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Resolution No. 2014-288 through 2014-294 – Adopted.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 189.01, Lot 186, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at Private Sale pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq.

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-58 adopted on second reading.

Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Block 417, New Lot 22.02, in the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, at Private Sale pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq.

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-59 adopted on second reading.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey Authorizing the Exchange of Certain Lands within the Township of Lakewood, in particular, Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to Acquire Block 444, Lot 1 and Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to Convey Block 444, Lot 2 as part of an Exchange of Lands pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-16.

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Langert.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-60 adopted on second reading.

Committeeman Langert advised he will absent himself with regard to the following Ordinance and removed himself from the dais.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter XVIII of the Lakewood Township Unified Development Ordinance of 2005 Rezoning Residential Areas along Cross Street, Newport Avenue, Franklin Boulevard and Nieman Road. **(Chap. XVIII – Amend Cross St. Re-Zoning)**

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller opened the meeting to the public.

Walt Lucas, Newport Avenue – Advised he looked at the Ordinance that was approved last month, and reviewed tonight's Ordinance. He feels they were both given a lot of thought and were done properly. Provided maps to the Committee and discussed various details of the Ordinance. Pointed out one area that may have fell through the cracks.

Mr. Wouters advised, for the record, that pursuant to the Land Use Ordinance, this Ordinance was forwarded to the Planning Board for its review, and the Planning Board, by memo dated August 13, 2014, addressed to the Mayor and Township Committee, advised that at the Planning Board meeting of August 12, 2014, the Board members discussed the merits of this proposed Ordinance. The Planning Board is in favor of the proposed Ordinance which follows a recent update to the Land Use Element of the Master Plan.

Committeeman Lichtenstein asked if the Planning Board referenced the properties that Mr. Lucas commented on.

Mr. Wouters answered no, they referenced the Ordinance. It was an open public hearing on the Ordinance itself.

Mr. Lucas added that the Planning Board agreed that it had fallen through the cracks.

Mayor Miller responded that they can re-look at this, and have another Ordinance if necessary.

Seeing no one else wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Not Voting: Committeeman Langert

Ordinance No. 2014-61 adopted on second reading.

Committeeman Langert returned to the dais.

An Ordinance of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Exchange of certain lands within the Township of Lakewood, in particular, Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to acquire Block 1228, Lot 5 plus additional consideration and Authorizing the Township of Lakewood to convey Block 475, Lot 2, as part of an exchange of Lands pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-16.

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Miller opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one wishing to be heard, the hearing on this Ordinance was closed to the public.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Akerman.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Negative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Langert

Ordinance No. 2014-62 adopted on second reading.

ORDINANCE FIRST READING (Second reading and Public Hearing 09/04/14)

Bond Ordinance Providing for the Construction of a Basin and Road Improvements on Oak Street, Appropriating \$250,000.00 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$237,500.00 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the Costs thereof, Authorized in and by the Township of Lakewood, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey.

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Committeeman Langert.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Ordinance No. 2014-63 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on September 4, 2014.

CORRESPONDENCE

Per list of one (1) correspondence item, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

PARKS/EVENTS CORRESPONDENCE

Per schedule of seven (7) parks/events requests, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Motion by Committeeman Langert, second by Committeeman Coles, and carried, to approve the above correspondence items.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: 08/19/14

Motion by Deputy Mayor Akerman, second by Committeeman Coles.

On Roll Call – Affirmative: Committeeman Coles, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Committeeman Langert, Deputy Mayor Akerman and Mayor Miller.

Bill List approved.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Committee members wished Committeeman Coles a Very Happy Birthday.

Mayor Miller advised that the County, as a result of Hurricane Sandy, came to Lakewood and cleaned up after the storm. Lakewood was on the hook for ten percent of the cost; the County took care of the rest. They were hoping to get the ten percent from FEMA, and they are still hoping to get that last ten percent from FEMA, and FEMA is just taking its time. The town already has \$167,000 from FEMA to go back to the County. He believes the town still has to give them another \$300,000. The Township needs to pay back the County. The Township will get this money back from FEMA, but it is taking time. In the interim, they need to do a Resolution.

Mr. Reinman advised they need to do an Emergency Appropriation. Basically, the Township would adopt a Resolution, if the Committee votes that way, and then apply to the Local Finance Board for approval for the Township to do this Emergency Appropriation, which would then go into the Municipal Budget for next year. Hopefully during that time, the FEMA money will come in.

Mayor Miller advised that they are reaching out to Congressman Smith's Office for assistance in expediting the money. They are getting this money; the question is when.

With regard to this matter, the Motion was offered by Committeeman Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Akerman. All voted in favor. Motion carried.
Resolution No. 2014-295 – Adopted.

Mayor Miller advised of the passing of Noreen Gill's husband, who was a member of the local school board. Mayor Miller and the Committee members expressed their condolences to Mrs. Gill and family.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Committeeman Coles, second by Deputy Mayor Akerman, and carried, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.