

January 15, 2008

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Tuesday, January 15, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ

Members Present: Mayor Hughes, Committeepersons Corcoran, Sweeney, D'Angeli, and Bruning

Also Present: Clerk Fedish, CFO Magura, Road Foreman Macko

Mayor Hughes opened the meeting stating that it was being held in compliance with the Public Laws of 1975, Chapter 231, Sections 4 and 13.

**Minutes** - Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Sweeney, to accept and place on file the minutes of January 2, 2008 - Organization Meeting. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Sweeney-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

Motion by Corcoran, seconded by D'Angeli, to accept and place on file the minutes of January 2, 2008 - Regular Meeting. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Sweeney-abstain, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

## Reports

### Treasurer

Cash Report for December 2007

Cash Balances as of November 30, 2007	\$2,844,521.71
Cash Receipts for December, 2007	\$309,663.00
Total	\$3,154,184.71
Cash Disbursements for December, 2007	\$603,280.48
Cash Balances as of December 31, 2007	\$2,550,904.23
Account Balances as of December 31, 2007	
Current – Checking	\$1,175,308.12
Capital – Checking	\$766,689.88
Escrow – Checking	\$102,998.73
Tax Map Updates	\$7,370.60
COAH-Developers Fees	\$149,195.97
Open Space Municipal Tax	\$139,008.37
Trust Accounts for Developer's Agreements	\$177,404.68
Special Rec. – Checking	\$6,076.69
Special Donations	\$22,174.00
Dog Trust Account	\$4,677.19
Total Account Balances	\$2,550,904.23

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Bruning, to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Sweeney-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

### Animal Control Officer

Month of December 2007	<u>This Month</u>	<u>To Date</u>
Total Deposits	0	\$5,237.00
Amount Paid to State of New Jersey	0	\$1,038.00
Amount Paid to Lafayette Township	0	\$4,177.61
Licenses Sold	0	536
Kennel Licenses Sold	0	3
Dogs Picked Up	0	0
Cats Picked Up	0	1
Dogs Taken to Pound	0	0
Cats Taken to Pound	0	1
Dogs Redeemed	0	0
Cats Redeemed	0	0
Miscellaneous (Kennel Licenses)	0	\$75.00
Late Fees Collected	0	\$415.00
Lost Tags	0	\$3.00

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Corcoran, to accept the ACO's report as submitted. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Sweeney-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

### **Committee Reports**

**Recreation Commission** - Corcoran reported they are awaiting quotes for begin constructing the soccer fields on the property on Warbasse Junction Road.

**Streets and Roads** - D'Angeli reported routine work was being done. He asked the Clerk to send a letter to the County Engineer to remind them of the commitment to repair the bridge on Snover/Decker Road.

**EMS** - Corcoran reviewed the December report.

**Land Use/Board of Health** - Corcoran stated the Land Use Board and Board of Health will meet later this month.

**Affordable Housing** - Hughes reported the SCARC project went out to bid and the groundbreaking will be in a few months.

**Advance Housing** - Hughes reported they were passed over this round; and a letter of support is being sent.

### **Correspondence**

1. From Jacqueline Ciekurs re: Use of municipal building  
It was the consensus of the Township Committee to allow the use of the municipal building for exercise classes for the Lafayette PTO subject to availability.
2. From Roy Kurnos to Michael Kates re: Advance Housing
3. County Board of Chosen Freeholders Resolutions:
  - a. Requesting granting waiver of VVPAT
  - b. Authorization to endorse the Sussex County 10 year plan to end homelessness

### **Vouchers**

AG Pizza	\$ 45.30
Airgas East	81.50
Amerigas-Fredon	1,302.02
Aurora Electrical Supply	5.08
Casagrande USA	6,381.27
Casagrande USA	37.19
Chelbus Cleaning Co., Inc.	275.00
Cintas Group #111	579.59
Culligan	11.00
Custom Bandag, Inc.	97.73
D. Lovenberg's Portable Toilet	65.00
Deluxe International Trucks Inc.	51.47
Diamond Sand and Gravel, Inc.	4,461.73
Embarq	400.28
Embarq Communications Inc.	47.58
Finch Fuel Oil Co., Inc.	3,443.47
Finelli Consulting Engineers, Inc.	286.00
G&G Diesel Service Inc.	25.57
G&H Service Inc.	33.38
Garden State Plumbing & Heating	275.00
High Point Regional High School	231,659.08
Home Expot Credit Services	157.70
International Salt Co.	13,071.58
JCP&L	1,590.70
Lafayette Auto Parts	96.64
Lafayette Township Fire Department	5,000.00
Lafayette Township Board of Education	278,390.00
MacMillan Oil Co of Allentown	390.00

Millside Café	225.29
Morris Land Conservancy	2,000.00
Munidex, Inc.	926.16
Nextel Communications	239.95
Nisivoccia & Company LLP	6,604.00
Opdyke's Sales & Services	325.63
Public Works Assoc. of NJ	60.00
Rowe & Company	148.48
Service Electric Cable TV	17.00
Staples Business Advantage	377.79
Sussex County League of Municipalities	110.00
T.A. Mountford Co.	900.00
TC/Treas. Assoc. Sussex/Warren	60.00
Technical Assistants Assoc. of NJ	25.00
The New Jersey Herald	291.99
Treasurer, S/NJ	841.00
Treasurer, S/NJ	450.00
Victor Technology	46.45
William Macko	112.45
Dolan & Dolan PA	177.19
Finelli Consulting Engineers, Inc.	784.26
Lisa Deutsch, ACO	274.50
Newton Veterinary Hospital	36.00
Lafayette Township Fire Department	1,713.61
Staples Business Advantage	39.77

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Sweeney, to pay the bills on the Bills List. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Sweeney-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes.

**Old Business**

**Website** - The Clerk was asked to contact the Township Attorney to discuss this issue.

**Fire Department Rescue Truck/Equipment Bids** - Hughes noted the Township Attorney will forward the information to the Clerk for the meeting on January 22, 2008, which the Clerk will readvertise to add any other business.

**New Business**

**Fencing Spending Ordinance** - Motion by Bruning, seconded by D'Angeli, to introduce the following ordinance and set the public hearing for February 6, 2008:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF FENCING AT LAFAYETTE PARK AND APPROPRIATING \$3,680.00 FROM THE RESERVE FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO RECREATION PROPERTY AVAILABLE IN THE CAPITAL FUND FOR SUCH PURPOSE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette, County of Sussex, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1: The funding for the purchase of fencing at Lafayette Park is hereby authorized and the cost is not to exceed \$3,680.00 which sum is hereby appropriated for such purposes.

Section 2. The total amount of \$3,680.00 is hereby appropriated from the Reserve for Improvements to Recreation Property available in the Capital Fund.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication of notice of final adoption as provided by law.

Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Sweeney-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes.

**Robert Scerbo Donation Letter** - The Clerk was asked to send a letter to Robert Scerbo for the donation of construction material to the Township.

**Junkyard Inspection** - D'Angeli questioned if the junkyard inspection can be done by the Construction Official instead of the Township Engineer.

**High Point Group Developer's Agreement** - This will be tabled to the meeting on January 22, 2008.

**Audience**

Ron Decker is concerned about the odor from the landfill. The Clerk was asked to send a letter to the SCMUA asking they attend the next meeting on February 6, 2008.

Joe Farischon said the Fire Department's budget information will be submitted by Friday, January 18, 2008.

Ron Decker said he received a call from Blue Ridge Rescue Squad; and the working conditions have changed.

**Adjournment**

With there being no further business, motion by Bruning, seconded by Corcoran, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA ROSE FEDISH, RMC  
Municipal Clerk