

January 4, 2011

The Annual Organization meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Tuesday, January 4, 2011 at 7 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ

The Clerk called the meeting to order stating that it was being held in compliance with the Public Laws of 1975, Chapter 231, Sections 4 & 13.

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

Members Absent None

Also Present: Clerk Fedish

Municipal Clerk AnnaRose Fedish administered the Oath of Office to Committeemen Bruning and Hughes.

The Clerk called for nominations for Mayor for 2011. D'Angeli nominated Sweeney; and Corcoran seconded the nomination. The Clerk called for further nominations and there being none the nominations were closed; and Mr. Sweeney was declared Mayor for 2011. Municipal Clerk AnnaRose Fedish administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Sweeney.

Mayor Sweeney called for nominations for Deputy Mayor. D'Angeli nominated Corcoran; and Bruning seconded the nomination. Further nominations were called for and there being none Mr. Corcoran declared Deputy Mayor for 2011. Municipal Clerk AnnaRose Fedish administered the Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Corcoran.

### **Meetings**

Motion by Bruning, seconded by D'Angeli, to continue holding regular meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Lafayette Township Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ with the exception of the first meeting in June which shall be held on the second Wednesday. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Sweeney-yes.

### **Designees**

Motion by Corcoran, seconded by Sweeney, to designate the New Jersey Herald and the Sunday Herald as the official newspapers for the Township of Lafayette. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Sweeney-yes.

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Corcoran, to adopt the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette that the Lakeland Bank and New Jersey Cash Management Fund be designated as the depositories for all current funds for the Township and the Custodian shall be CMFO Gail Magura. Mayor Sweeney, Gail Magura and AnnaRose Fedish shall sign all checks with the Deputy Mayor to sign in an emergency.

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

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Hughes, to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Township Committee has determined that it is in the best interest of Lafayette Township to provide for the orderly administration of Township business to permit the Deputy Mayor to execute any and all legal documents that the Mayor is authorized to execute in the event the Mayor is unable due to vacation, illness or general unavailability;

WHEREAS, in the recent past there have been documents that required execution where the Mayor because of vacations or other scheduling problems has not been available; and

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Township Committee has resolved that it is in the best interest of the Township to allow the Deputy Mayor to sign all documents in the Mayor's absence so long as the same are attested to by the Township Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lafayette Township Committee as follows: That the Deputy Mayor be permitted to execute and bind the Township on all documents that the Mayor would have otherwise been authorized to execute on the behalf of the Township in the event of the absence of the Mayor and the inability to secure the original signature of the Mayor.

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

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Corcoran, to adopt the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette that the rate of interest to be charged is hereby fixed at 8% per annum for amounts under \$1,500 and 18% per annum for any amount in excess of \$1500; the date of delinquency shall be ten (10) days after the quarterly due date, after which interest shall be charged from the due date of the quarter, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to collect interest at the rate aforesaid.

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

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Corcoran, to adopt the following Resolution appointing professional services:

WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 11-5 Local Public Contract Law permits Governing bodies to contract for certain professional services without competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lafayette has need for said professional services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that the following appointments be made for the year 2010:

Township Attorney: Roy E. Kurnos, One year term

Township Auditor: Nisivoccia & Company, LLP, One year term

Township Engineer: Finelli Consulting Engineers, One year term

Township Tax Map Services: Finelli Consulting Engineers, One year term

Township Insurance Agent: The Morville Agency, One year term

Township Affordable Housing Administrator: Maureen Fullaway, One year term

Township Certified Public Works Manager: Nevitt Duveneck, One year term

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette that the Township Clerk be directed to have published this Resolution in the official Township newspaper in compliance with P.L. 1971.

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

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Bruning, to appoint Kathy Schaeffer as Interim Tax Search Officer for the year 2011. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Sweeney-yes.

Motion by Bruning, seconded by Corcoran, to appoint AnnaRose Fedish as Deputy Tax Collector and Assessment Search Officer for the year 2011. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Sweeney-yes.

Motion by Bruning seconded by Corcoran, to appoint William Kaufman as Animal Control Officer for the year 2011. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Sweeney-yes.

**Land Use Board** - The following appointments to the Land Use Board were made:

Class I – Hughes

Class II - Jeff Fette

Class III – Corcoran

2 - four year appointments - Donald Leuthe & Kevin O'Leary

1 – two year appoint - Robert Taylor

**Board of Health** - The following appointment was made to the Board of Health:

1 - four year appointment - Edith McGrath

**Open Space Advisory Committee** - The following appointments were made to the OSAC: 2 - two year appointments - Kevin O’Leary & Carl Luthman

**Recreation Commission** - The following appointments were made to the Recreation Commission: 3 – three year appointments:

Kathie Reimels, Howard Drake, & Wilfred Jiroux

**Committee Appointments** - The following Committee Appointments were made:

Buildings and Grounds – Bruning

Streets and Roads – D’Angeli

Finance – Sweeney

Personnel – D’Angeli

Recreation – Bruning

Police and Fire – Sweeney

Board of Health – Corcoran

ADA Compliance Officer/Coordinator – Hughes

Sussex County Transportation Advisory Committee – Bruning

Sussex County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) - Melissa Dietz

Sussex County 208 Water Quality PAC – David Muscalo

Sussex County Strategic Growth Committee – Hughes

911 and Emergency Management Coordinator – Hughes

Court – Sweeney

**Adjournment**

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

Respectfully,

ANNA ROSE FEDISH, RMC  
Municipal Clerk