

December 18, 2012

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ

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

Members Absent: None

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

Mayor Corcoran opened the meeting stating that it was being held in compliance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, Sections 4 & 13.

**Minutes** - Motion by Hughes, seconded by Henderson, to accept and place on file the minutes of December 4, 2012. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Corcoran-yes.

**Treasurer's Report**

Cash Report for November 2012

Cash Balances as of October 31, 2012	\$2,057,327.94
Cash Receipts for November 2012	\$1,993,456.03
Total	\$4,050,783.97
Cash Disbursements for November 2012	\$1,163,301.51
Cash Balances as of November 30, 2012	\$2,887,482.46
Account Balances as of November 30, 2012	
Current – Checking	\$1,188,319.25
Capital – Checking	\$1,081,931.75
Escrow – Checking	\$51,522.08
SCARC Housing	\$0.00
Green Acres Trust	\$0.00
COAH-Developers Fees	\$67,398.98
Open Space Municipal Tax	\$338,398.82
Trust Accounts for Developers Agreement	\$139,767.05
Special Rec. – Checking	\$9,145.65
Special Donations	\$7,544.48
Dog Trust Account	\$3,454.40
Total Account Balance	\$2,887,482.46

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

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

WHEREAS, there is a need for adjustments to the 2012 municipal budget appropriations; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:4-58 permits transfers to be made in the last two (2) months of the calendar year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette that the following transfers be made in the amounts so noted:

<u>From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>To</u>
Affordable Housing-COAH o/e	\$2,600.00	Propane & Heating Oil
Land Use Board o/e	500.00	Recreation o/e
Animal Control Office s/w	2,000.00	Codification of Ordinances
Electricity	600.00	Recreation o/e
Total Transfers	\$5,700.00	

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

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

**Animal Control** - Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Henderson, to accept the Animal Control report as submitted. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Corcoran-yes.

**Recreation Commission** - Motion by Bruning, seconded by Henderson, to appoint Keefe Ostertag to the Recreation Commission as a regular member which term will expire December, 2013. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Corcoran-yes.

**Streets and Roads** - D'Angeli reviewed the Road Foreman's report. The Clerk was asked to, again, contact the Hahn's to remove the bush that is obstructing sight distance.

D'Angeli reported the Road Foreman received an estimate of \$4,685 for a new plow for the mason truck. Discussion ensued regarding the possible replacement of the 2003 mason truck. This issue will be carried to the next meeting.

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Hughes, to repair the 1991 garbage truck. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Corcoran-yes.

**FEMA** - Hughes reported meetings have been held and paperwork is continuing.

**Affordable Housing** - Hughes reported the SCAR and Advance Housing projects are continuing.

**Fire Department** - Henderson reported he will give a contact to the Road Foreman to contact for the fire tanker.

**Land Use Board** - Corcoran reported a two-car garage application was approved at the land Use Board's meeting held on December 13, 2012.

**EMS** - Corcoran reported the EMS attended to 22 calls.

### **Correspondence**

- a. From Todd Deming re: Christmas Tree Lighting
- b. Stillwater Twp. Ordinances – Land Development Chapter
- c. From Richard Pompelio re: Crime Victim's Rights

### **Vouchers**

284 Aggregates, LLC	135.45
Airgas East	177.14
Allied Oil, LLC	602.91
Amerigas-Chester	371.41
Aquatic Analysts, Inc.	375.00
Aurora Electrical Supply	193.62
Central Alliance	812.00
CenturyLink	537.84
Chambers Tractor Sales, Inc.	990.00
Chelbus Cleaning Co., Inc.	275.00
Chemung Supply	2,816.60
Cintas Corp #111	564.08
D. Lovenberg's Portable Toilet	65.00
Deacon Equipment Co., Inc.	76.07
Denville line Painting, Inc.	7,499.80
Finch Fuel Oil Co., Inc.	3,358.40
Finelli Consulting Engineers, Inc.	541.25
G&G Diesel Service, Inc.	69.89
High Point Regional High School	194,665.52
International Salt Co., Inc.	14,690.03
J&B Electric Motor Service, LLC	175.00
JCP&L	1,185.78
Jean Perlee	725.00
Joe's Heating & Cooling Service	181.85
Lafayette Auto Parts Supply, LLC	155.32
Lafayette EMS	3,929.40

Lafayette Twp. Board of Education	297,750.00
Montage Enterprises, Inc.	147.27
Montague Tool & Supply Co.	32.24
ND Engineering, LLC	2,805.00
Petroleum Traders Corp.	4,898.92
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	48.00
Rowe & Company	400.41
Roy E. Kurnos	256.50
Service Electric Cable TV	17.00
Sprint	141.73
Staples Business Advantage	92.39
Storr Tractor Company	1,840.42
Sussex County League of Municipalities	20.00
The New Jersey Herald	162.80
Town of Newton	9,000.00
Trius, Inc.	487.76
U.S. Postal Services	449.46
Weldon Quarry Co., Inc.	2,197.22
William Macko	125.00
MES – Depository Account	2,240.00
Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	675.00
ND Engineering, LLC	1,561.00
Stan and Emma Cope	292.75
MGL Printing Solutions	347.00

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

### **Old Business**

**Farmland Inspection Fee Ordinance** - Mayor Hughes opened the public hearing for the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER II, ADMINISTRATION, OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE TO PROVIDE FOR A FEE FOR FARMLAND INSPECTIONS

With there being no comments from the public, Mayor Hughes closed the public hearing.

Motion by Henderson, seconded by Bruning, to adopt the Farmland Inspection Fee Ordinance.

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

**Salary Ordinance** - Mayor Hughes opened the public hearing for the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE FOR THE YEAR 2013

With there being no comments from the public, Mayor Hughes closed the public hearing.

Motion by D’Angeli, seconded by Bruning, to adopt the Farmland Inspection Fee Ordinance.

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

**Reorganization/Regular Meeting** - Motion by Bruning, seconded by Henderson, to schedule the 2013 Reorganization/Regular Meeting for Monday, January 7, 2013 at 7:00pm. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Henderson-yes, D’Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Corcoran-yes.

**New Pavilion Violation** - Bruning will contact Cindy Randazzo from the NJDEP to set up a meeting to tour Lafayette Park and discuss the application fees.

Corcoran said he sent a letter to Senator Oroho asking for assistance.

**Township/Business Owners Meeting** - Hughes reported a meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 30, 2013 with the Township business owners.

### **New Business**

**Open Space-Warbasse Junction Road Property RFP’s** - Henderson reported RFP’s will be sent by The Land Conservancy for the demolition of buildings on the Lawler property recently purchased by the Township. Motion by Henderson, seconded by Bruning, to authorize RFP’s being sent for the demolition of the houses and garage and to remove the asphalt from the

driveway but keep the aggregate. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Corcoran-yes.

**Farming Lease** - Henderson reported any lease to farm the Lawler property must be approved by Green Acres; and this must go out to public bid. Motion by Bruning, seconded by Hughes, to keep the property farmed and maintained and to bid for a lease. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Corcoran-yes.

#### **Audience**

Kurt and Debbie Nussberger, Hampton Heights Road, said they have a busing issue with their daughter who attends Sussex County Technical School. The original bus stop was two (2) miles away from their home and was subsequently moved to the phone company on Route 94, which is a dangerous road. Kittatiny High School was contacted by High Point's transportation committee; and Kittatiny would pick up on the corner of Sid Taylor Road and Route 94. They have made presentations to the High Point Board of Education since June, 2012.

The Nussberger's said this is dangerous as there are no shoulders to walk on along Sid Taylor Road. They did receive a letter of support from the State Police stating this is a very dangerous route.

The Nussberger's are asking for a letter of support from the Township Committee that the bus stop be moved for the safety of a student.

Bill Macko, Dennis Road, asked that preference for the farming lease be given to Township residents.

Ron Decker, EMS Captain, explained a recent emergency call to Advance Housing and not having a smoke detector in the hallway of the building along with inside the apartments. Committeeman Hughes recommended, and will pursue, a meeting being held to discuss all issues.

#### **Adjournment**

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

Respectfully submitted,

ANNAROSE FEDISH, RMC  
Municipal Clerk