

January 22, 2013

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ

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

Members Absent: None

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

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

**Minutes** - Motion by Corcoran, seconded by Henderson, to accept and place on file the minutes of December 18, 2012, 2013 Reorganization and January 7, 2013. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

**Emergency Services Recognition** - Mayor Hughes introduced and congratulated the following officers: John Elzinga, Fire Chief; John Strowe, EMS Captain and Jeff Hookway, Treasurer. He commended the emergency service organizations for their exemplary work to the community.

| <b>Treasurer's Report</b>                | Cash Report for December 2012 |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Cash Balances as of November 30, 2012    | \$2,887,554.34                |
| Cash Receipts for December 2012          | \$355,467.44                  |
| Total                                    | \$3,243,021.78                |
| Cash Disbursements for December 2012     | \$693,726.24                  |
| Cash Balances as of December 31, 2012    | \$2,549,295.54                |
| Account Balances as of December 30, 2012 |                               |
| Current – Checking                       | \$794,859.63                  |
| Capital – Checking                       | \$1,140,019.59                |
| Escrow – Checking                        | \$51,063.62                   |
| COAH-Developers Fees                     | \$67,398.98                   |
| Open Space Municipal Tax                 | \$338,398.82                  |
| Trust Accounts for Developers Agreement  | \$139,767.05                  |
| Special Rec. – Checking                  | \$9,138.26                    |
| Special Donations                        | \$7,544.48                    |
| Dog Trust Account                        | \$1,105.11                    |
| Total Account Balance                    | \$2,549,295.54                |

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

### **Committee Reports**

**Recreation Commission** - Bruning reported the Township will need a Summer Swim Director for 2013.

**Streets and Roads** - D'Angeli reviewed the Road Foreman's report:

Mr. Arthur Hahn still has not responded to the letter sent regarding the removal of the bush obstructing sight distance. The Clerk will contact the County Engineering Department on this issue as it is located on a County road.

The Clerk was asked to send letters to residents who park their vehicles in the roadway overnight, which is not permitted by ordinance.

The Christmas wreaths are approximately 20 years old and need repair. Bruning will pursue this issue.

The fire department is asking to use the Lawler house for a search and rescue drills before it is demolished. This would only involve being smoke-filled; they would not use water. The Clerk was asked to contact The Land Conservancy so as not to violate Green Acres rules.

Road Foreman Macko said he met with three (3) contractors for the proposed demolition on the Lawler property and was asked why the driveway asphalt was to be removed. After further consideration, the Township Committee decided to leave the driveway intact. The Clerk was asked to notify The Land Conservancy.

Road Foreman Macko said the Road Department is in need of a new computer tower. Mayor Hughes said this can be paid for through the Emergency Management budget. Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Henderson, to authorize the purchase of a computer tower for the Road Department for a cost not to exceed \$1,000. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

**Open Space (OSAC)** - Henderson reported a meeting is scheduled for January 29, 2013.

**Fire Department** - Henderson discussed the fire tanker.

**Land Use Board** - Corcoran reported their reorganization meeting was held on January 17, 2013.

**Emergency Management** - Hughes reported a meeting will be held in March. He said the Emergency Operations Plan needs updating. A meeting will be scheduled with Advance Housing.

**Affordable Housing** - Hughes reported the COAH Trust Fund Monitoring Report is being completed by CFO Magura. The SCARC and Advance Housing projects are continuing.

#### **Correspondence**

- a. From Stephanie Pizzulo re: Letters to owners of more than four (4) dogs
- b. From Joe Farischon re: Stephan Golembioski attaining Eagle Scout
- c. From Teresa Radcliffe re: water filtering system at fire house  
Bruning will contact Ms. Radcliffe.
- d. From Roy Kurnos re: Schering Corp/Merck 2012 tax appeal
- e. Two (2) Sandyston Township resolutions
- f. Hampton Township resolution
- g. From Amy Greene Environmental re: Emerald Ash Borer

#### **Vouchers**

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| 284 AGGREGATES, LLC                | 1,180.65   |
| A & G PIZZA                        | 139.89     |
| ADVANCED LEARNING                  | 198.00     |
| AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.  | 63.00      |
| AIRGAS EAST                        | 85.85      |
| AMERIGAS – CHESTER                 | 432.16     |
| APPRAISAL SYSTEMS, INC.            | 20,400.00  |
| BAGFUL O' BAGELS                   | 35.00      |
| CASAGRANDE USA, INC.               | 400.00     |
| CENTURY LINK                       | 535.88     |
| CHELBUS CLEANING CO., INC.         | 275.00     |
| CINTAS CORP #111                   | 497.06     |
| CUSTOM BANDAG, INC.                | 612.72     |
| D. LOVENBERG'S PORTABLE TOILET     | 65.00      |
| FINCH FUEL OIL CO., INC.           | 2,048.72   |
| FINELLI CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. | 78.75      |
| G & G DIESEL SERVICE INC.          | 93.50      |
| GATES FLAG & BANNER CO., INC.      | 99.80      |
| HIGH POINT REG. HIGH SCHOOL        | 207,104.25 |
| HOLTZ INDUSTRIES INC.              | 43.45      |
| HOLZHAUER & HOLENSTEIN, LLC        | 3,720.00   |
| JCP & L                            | 1,307.29   |
| LADDEY, CLARK & RYAN, LLP          | 195.00     |
| LAFAYETTE AMATEUR ATHLETICS, INC.  | 840.80     |
| LAFAYETTE AUTO PARTS SUPPLY, LLC   | 313.95     |
| LAFAYETTE TWP BD OF EDUCATION      | 297,750.00 |

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| MONTAGUE TOOL & SUPPLY CO.          | 163.93   |
| MUNICIPAL SOFTWARE, INC.            | 6,086.50 |
| MUNIDEX, INC.                       | 281.54   |
| ND ENGINEERING, LLC                 | 408.00   |
| NJ STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES   | 350.00   |
| OPDYKE'S SALES & SERVICE            | 2,393.18 |
| PUBLIC WORKS ASSOC. OF NJ           | 60.00    |
| ROWE & COMPANY                      | 121.58   |
| ROY E. KURNOS                       | 1,296.00 |
| RR DONNELLEY                        | 57.00    |
| SCMCA                               | 60.00    |
| SERVICE ELECTRIC CABLE TV           | 17.00    |
| SPRINT                              | 141.38   |
| STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE          | 650.20   |
| STRUCTURAL METAL FABRICATORS, INC.  | 519.20   |
| TC/TREAS ASSOC OF NJ                | 100.00   |
| TC/TREAS ASSOC SUSSEX/WARREN        | 30.00    |
| THE NEW JERSEY HERALD               | 136.80   |
| TOWN OF NEWTON                      | 9,180.00 |
| TOWNSHIP OF RANDOLPH                | 1,100.00 |
| TREASURER, S/NJ                     | 572.90   |
| U.S. POSTAL SERVICE                 | 500.00   |
| WALTS AUTO RADIATOR, LLC            | 350.00   |
| WELDON QUARRY CO., LLC              | 72.76    |
| BRADY & CORREALE, LLP               | 412.50   |
| LADDEY, CLARK & RYAN, LLP           | 90.00    |
| ND ENGINEERING, LLC                 | 744.50   |
| UNCLE MATTY'S TREE & LANDSCAPING    | 412.25   |
| NJ DEPT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES | 26.40    |
| BERGEY'S COMMERCIAL TIRE            | 1,076.02 |
| GAIL MAGURA                         | 100.00   |
| HERMAN GOBLE                        | 677.50   |
| LAFAYETTE HOUSE                     | 962.40   |

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

### **Old Business**

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

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF A HP PROLIANT ML 350 SERVER AND APPROPRIATING \$5,100.00 AVAILABLE IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR SUCH PURPOSE

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

Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Bruning, to adopt the Server Spending Ordinance. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

**Pavilion Violation** - Bruning reported he has had conversations with Cindy Randazzo from the NJDEP about reducing/eliminating the application fees and was told this is being worked on.

Motion by Bruning, seconded by D'Angeli, to authorize the Engineer to proceed with according to his proposal dated December 18, 2012 with a cost not to exceed \$12,750. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

**2013 Budget Meeting** - The budget meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 30, 2013 at 3:00pm.

**Lawler Property Farming Lease** - Motion by Henderson, seconded by Bruning, to approve the farming lease as drafted for the Lawler property and forward it to The Land Conservancy. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

**Nuisance Ordinance** - Attorney Kurnos is waiting to hear from the municipal court judge as he wants the ordinance of each municipality to be uniform.

**Foreclosures** - Attorney Kurnos is working on the foreclosures.

**New Business**

**Fire Department Member** - Motion by Bruning, seconded by D'Angeli, to approve Hunter Barnes as a full member of the Lafayette Township Fire Department. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

**Amended Resolutions**

Motion by Bruning, seconded by Corcoran, to adopt the following amended resolutions:

**RESOLUTION 2012-47**

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>         |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Land Use Board-Legal o/e     | \$ 7,000.00   | Legal Services    |
| Engineering Services & Costs | 5,000.00      | Gasoline & Diesel |
| Group Insurance for Emp      | 500.00        | General Liability |
| Group Insurance for Emp      | 3,000.00      | Gasoline & Diesel |
| Animal Control Office s/w    | 2,000.00      | Bd of Health o/e  |
| Recreation s/w               | 1,500.00      | Recreation o/e    |
| Total Transfers              | \$19,000.00   |                   |

**CERTIFICATION**

Certified as a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lafayette Township Committee, Sussex County, New Jersey at a meeting held on November 20, 2012.

Anna Rose Fedish, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

Certified as a true copy of amended Resolution 2012-47 previously adopted on November 20, 2012.

Anna Rose Fedish, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

Dated: January 22, 2013

**RESOLUTION 2012-49**

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>                  |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| Land Use Board-Litigation 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    |                            |

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

**Cancel Ordinances Resolution** - Motion by Henderson, seconded by D'Angeli, to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2013-12

WHEREAS, certain General Capital Improvement appropriation balances remain dedicated to projects now completed; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended balances may be returned to each respective Capital Improvement Fund or credited to Surplus, and unused debt authorizations may be canceled;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette, New Jersey, that the following unexpended and dedicated balances of the General Capital Appropriations be canceled:

Ordinance 2011-19

Drilling of a well for the Lafayette Township Fire House

\$12,000.00

Total Improvements Canceled \$12,000.00

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

**Raffle Licenses** - Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Henderson, to approve two (2) raffle licenses for the Lafayette Township PTO for April 12, 2013 and waive the local fee. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Bruning-yes, Hughes-yes.

**Outdoor Lighting & Reserve Disposal Area Ordinances** - To be carried to the next meeting scheduled for February 5, 2013.

**Adjournment**

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

Respectfully,

ANNA ROSE FEDISH, RMC  
Municipal Clerk