

February 4, 2014

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Tuesday, February 4, 2014 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ

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

Members Absent None

Also Present: Clerk Fedish, Attorney Kurnos

Mayor D'Angeli 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 2014 Reorganization Meeting, January 7, 2014 and January 29, 2014 (Budget Meeting). Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes.

Reports

Tax Collector - For January 2014

Tax Map Fee	\$100.00
Prior Year Taxes	\$34,398.99
Current Year Taxes	\$390,220.07
Interest	\$2,458.92
Total	\$427,177.98

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Henderson, to accept the Tax Collector's monthly and year end penalties reports as submitted. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes.

Treasurer's Report Cash Report for January 2014

Cash Balances as of November 30, 2013	\$3,444,494.43
Cash Receipts for December 2013	\$436,026.41
Total	\$3,880,520.84
Cash Disbursements for December 2013	\$776,877.12
Cash Balances as of December 31, 2013	\$3,103,643.72
Account Balances as of December 31, 2013	
Current – Checking	\$1,149,397.42
Capital – Checking	\$1,292,375.60
Escrow – Checking	\$56,098.12
COAH-Developers Fees	\$66,364.92
Open Space Municipal Tax	\$360,475.47
Snow Trust	\$17,749.95
Trust Accounts for Developers Agreement	\$145,651.67
Special Rec. – Checking	\$7,028.60
Special Donations	\$7,544.48
Dog Trust Account	\$957.49
Total Account Balance	\$3,103,643.72

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

Committee Reports

Board of Health - Corcoran reviewed the Board of Health meeting of January 29, 2014. David Muscalo is the President; and Patricia Heaney is the Vice-President.

Corcoran reported they are tentatively scheduling the annual rabies clinic for Saturday, November 8, 2014 at the Fire House.

EMS - Corcoran reviewed the report stating the EMS responded to 20 calls in January.

Land Use Board - Corcoran reviewed the meeting of January 27, 2014.

OSAC - Henderson reviewed the meeting of January 25, 2014.

Affordable Housing - Hughes reported the annual report to COAH is scheduled to be submitted in March. Also, the affordable housing plan is being worked on.

Rehab Program - Hughes reported the rehab project is complete. The lien has been signed and will be recorded.

Emergency Management - Hughes reported a County was held at the dispatch center. They are targeting a January 2015 start date. Hughes recommends the Township consider this option for dispatch services.

Business Sustainability - Hughes reported the next business meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 26, 2014.

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

Correspondence

- a. From Manal Sous, MD re: Supporting A-4464 & A-4461
- b. From Alexander McCartney, NJDEP re: Shade Tree Act
- c. Frankford Township Ordinance Amending Zoning & Land Use Chapters
- d. From Elaine Morgan, SC Freeholder Clerk re: Capital Ordinance
- e. From Wantage Twp. to Gov. Christie re: St. Clare's Hospital reduction in services

Vouchers

Sussex County Treasurer	397,188.90
Sussex County Treasurer	11,135.29
Sussex County Treasurer	26,558.64
Sussex County Treasurer	1,996.74
Sussex County Treasurer	1,219.76
Sussex County Treasurer	35.89
Sussex County Treasurer	82.05
Sussex County Treasurer	7.69
Verizon Wireless	251.75
Scott Breen Plumbing & Heating	6,135.25

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

Old Business

Rehab Program - 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 agreement between the Township of Lafayette and Delores McDonough to impose a lien on monies advanced pursuant to the COAH Rehabilitation Program on real property owned and inhabited by her is hereby accepted and is to be recorded at the Sussex County Clerks Office.

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

Routes 15 & 94 & Sunset Inn Road Intersection - Henderson reported Senator Oroho informed his that the Township is not responsible for producing accident reports at the intersection. The State will handle this issue.

Hidden Valley Subdivision - Bruning reported the road has been paved and asked what was next to take care of. Attorney Kurnos said the developer is finishing the work and will approach the Township for road acceptance.

Tax Payments as a Prior Approval - Bruning recommended a policy being made to have taxes paid prior to the issuance of any construction permit, with the exceptions of emergencies. The Attorney will draft an ordinance.

Board Attendance - A policy will be drafted and reviewed by the Township Committee addressing unexcused absences by Board members.

New Business

Facebook Page - Corcoran recommended, and the Committee agreed, the Township have a Facebook page.

Raffle Licenses

Lafayette Twp. PTO - Motion by Henderson, seconded by Hughes, to approve two (2) raffle licenses for the Lafayette Twp. PTO for April 11, 2014 and waive the local fee. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes.

Lafayette Center Preservation Foundation - Motion by Hughes, seconded by Corcoran, to approve two (2) raffle licenses for the Lafayette Center Preservation Foundation for March 21, 2014 and waive the local fee. Motion carried by roll call vote: Corcoran-yes, Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes.

Audience

Ms. Anne Sellinger, Meadows Road, asked what the rehab program is. Committeeman Hughes explained the Rehab program.

Adjourn

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