

February 16, 2016

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ

Members Present: Mayor Henderson, Committeemen Hughes, Corcoran, Bruning

Members Absent D'Angeli (excused)

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

Mayor Henderson 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 Hughes, to accept and place on file the minutes of February 2, 2016. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Bruning-abstain, Henderson-yes.

| <b>Treasurer's Report</b>               | Cash Report for January 2016 |
|---|------------------------------|
| Cash Balances as of December 31, 2015   | \$2,772,434.97               |
| Cash Receipts for January 2016          | \$565,472.12                 |
| Total                                   | \$3,337,907.09               |
| Cash Disbursements for January 2016     | \$585,139.93                 |
| Cash Balances as of January 31, 2016    | \$2,752,767.16               |
| Account Balances as of January 31, 2016 |                              |
| Current – Checking                      | \$1,029,941.38               |
| Capital – Checking                      | \$1,243,428.90               |
| Escrow – Checking                       | \$61,615.35                  |
| COAH - Developers Fees                  | \$11,797.24                  |
| COAH - Rehab Reserves                   | \$44,121.62                  |
| Open Space Municipal Tax                | \$159,283.43                 |
| Snow Trust                              | \$1,669.82                   |
| Trust Accounts for Developers Agreement | \$185,794.30                 |
| Special Rec. – Checking                 | \$3,866.70                   |
| Special Donations                       | \$7,545.91                   |
| Dog Trust Account                       | \$3,702.51                   |
| Total Account Balance                   | \$2,752,767.16               |

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

### **Committee Reports**

**Affordable Housing** - Hughes reported bids will be received on Wednesday, February 17, 2016 by 3:00pm for the rehabilitation project.

Hughes reported the Fair Share Plan is due to the State shortly; and a joint meeting with the Land Use Board is scheduled for Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 7:30pm.

Hughes reviewed a proposal by Nouvelle for their property located on Route 15 and the north side of Sunset Inn Road. The proposal consists of approximately 166 marketable units, 30 affordable units and 50,000 square feet of commercial space. The proposed development would, also, have a small package sewage treatment plant on site, which the SCMUA would maintain.

Hughes said the Township's COAH obligations are only 13 and not the 30 that Nouvelle is proposing. Also, this proposal is more than what is allowed in the Gateway Ordinance.

This would be a private development that would need to take care of its own garbage and recycling collection and road plowing/maintenance. Water would be provided through the Sparta Water Company.

Hughes reported Nouvelle is proposing a cemetery on their property on the south side of Sunset Inn Road, which would require a zone change.

**Open Space** - Henderson said the trail grant walk was postponed due to the weather.

Henderson reported the hunting issue on both properties on Warbasse Junction Road was discussed at the last meeting. The Township can disallow hunting on both parcels; but it cannot prohibit non-residents from hunting the “Lawler” parcel because Green Acres is involved.

This issue will be discussed at the next meeting on March 1, 2016.

**Streets and Roads** - Road Foreman Macko reported a short in the loader cannot be found. He is awaiting the delivery of a manual to diagnose and fix the problem. If he cannot fix the problem, a technician will be needed.

Road Foreman Macko said the Road Department is in need of a plasma cutter. One can be purchased for approximately \$1,300. The Township Committee asked that the purchase be delayed for a few months.

Road Foreman Macko said tenants are still parking illegally at the Mabee House after letters have been sent to the landlord saying this is not permitted. The Clerk will research information for towing illegal vehicles.

**Vouchers**

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| AG Pizza                             | 72.60      |
| Allied Oil, LLC                      | 3,046.83   |
| American Wear                        | 152.00     |
| Amerigas-Chester                     | 431.88     |
| Associated Artists                   | 275.00     |
| Atlantic Communications              | 1,215.88   |
| Beaver Run Farms                     | 110.24     |
| Bergey Tire Service                  | 1,687.46   |
| CenturyLink                          | 617.86     |
| Finch Fuel Oil Co., Inc.             | 234.73     |
| Frankford Township                   | 15,696.39  |
| G&G Diesel Service, Inc.             | 993.50     |
| Gramco                               | 567.50     |
| Hamburg Plumbing Supply Co., Inc.    | 79.70      |
| Hampton Diner                        | 74.13      |
| High Point Regional High School      | 175,732.50 |
| JCP&L                                | 1,342.90   |
| Jersey Central Power & Light         | 1,811.46   |
| Johnny On The Spot, LLC              | 65.00      |
| Lafayette Auto Parts Supply, LLC     | 757.30     |
| Lafayette Twp. Board of Education    | 526,937.50 |
| Montague Tool & Supply Co.           | 63.04      |
| Municipal Software, Inc.             | 6,086.50   |
| ND Engineering, LLC                  | 1,705.00   |
| Nisivoccia & Company, LLP            | 15,000.00  |
| NJ Dept. of Health & Senior Services | 496.80     |
| Opdyke’s Sales & Service             | 65.60      |
| Public Works Assoc. of NJ            | 60.00      |
| R&S Business Machines                | 135.00     |
| Roy E. Kurnos                        | 4,800.00   |
| ReadyRefresh by Nestle               | 3.99       |
| Service Electric Cable TV            | 17.00      |
| Sheaffer Supply, Inc.                | 139.90     |
| Staples Business Advantage           | 453.43     |
| TC/Treas. Assoc. Sussex/Warren       | 65.00      |
| The New Jersey Herald                | 507.90     |
| Township of Wantage                  | 2,111.25   |
| Weldon Quarry Co., LLC               | 2,078.23   |

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

**Old Business**

**Routes 15 & 94 and Sunset Inn Road Intersection** - The Clerk reported she is waiting for an answer from the NJ Department of Transportation.

**Pelletown Road** - Henderson reported he has spoken to Bill Koppenaar, Assistant County Engineer, and was told the County will make improvements to the intersection due to accidents.

**New Business**

**Raffle License** - Motion by Corcoran, seconded by Hughes, to approve two (2) raffle licenses for Lafayette Preservation Foundation for April 8, 2016 and waive the local fee. Motion carried by roll call vote: Hughes-yes, Corcoran-yes, Bruning-yes, Henderson-yes.

**Audience**

Mr. Kevin O'Leary, Open Space Committee Secretary, said that if the Township does disallow hunting, it should be posted.

**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