

December 19, 2017

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 33 Morris Farm Road, Lafayette, NJ

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

Members Absent None

Also Present: Clerk Fedish, 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.

Reports

Treasurer's Report

Cash Report for November 2017

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| Cash Balances as of October 31, 2017 | \$3,762,546.65 |
| Cash Receipts for November 2017 | \$1,581,226.57 |
| Total | \$5,343,773.22 |
| Cash Disbursements for November 2017 | \$1,036,770.42 |
| Cash Balances as of November 30, 2017 | \$4,307,002.80 |
| Account Balances as of November 30, 2017 | |
| Current – Checking | \$1,987,314.20 |
| Capital – Checking | \$1,485,820.35 |
| Escrow – Checking | \$56,091.60 |
| COAH - Developers Fees | \$10,303.49 |
| COAH - Rehab Reserves | \$29,853.50 |
| Open Space Municipal Tax | \$175,182.11 |
| Snow Trust | \$2,737.92 |
| Trust Accounts for Developers Agreement | \$547,103.11 |
| Special Rec. – Checking | \$4,928.19 |
| Special Donations | \$7,546.98 |
| Dog Trust Account | \$121.35 |
| Total Account Balance | \$4,307,002.80 |

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

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

WHEREAS, there is a need for adjustments to the 2017 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> |
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| Legal o/e | \$3,500.00 |

| <u>To</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
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| Engineering Services & Costs | \$1,000.00 |
| Animal Control o/e | \$ 300.00 |
| Celebration of Public Events | \$ 600.00 |
| Heating Oil & Propane | \$1,600.00 |
| Total Transfers | \$3,500.00 |

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

Committee Reports

Streets and Roads - D'Angeli reviewed the Road Foreman's report. The cost of taking trees down is \$4,200.00 and was approved by the Township Committee.

“No Hunting” signs need to be placed along the property lines of Township owned property. The Township Committee approved the purchase of 1,000 signs.

Buildings and Grounds - Bruning reported the gazebo roof has been repaired.

Emergency Management - Hughes reported the renewal for the high band license is being worked on.

Correspondence

- a. From Sussex Borough re: High Point High School Superintendent’s Contract
- b. From Congressman Josh Gottheimer – Update Letter
- c. Sussex Borough Resolution Supporting County Consolidated School System
- d. Sussex Borough Resolution Supporting Disclosure of Student Addresses to Municipalities

Vouchers

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| AG Pizza | 71.05 |
| Allan J. Coleman | 307.28 |
| American Wear | 138.50 |
| Amerigas-Chester | 621.31 |
| Anna Rose Fedish | 30.00 |
| Campbell Supply Co. of Sussex County | 518.00 |
| CenturyLink | 579.65 |
| Chelbus Cleaning Co., Inc. | 275.00 |
| Constellation New Energy, Inc. | 44.77 |
| Deborah Johnson | 119.00 |
| Faye Kangas | 1,125.00 |
| Finch Fuel Oil Co., Inc. | 3,517.72 |
| Fire Fighters Equipment Co., Inc. | 3,962.95 |
| General Foundries, Inc. | 1,399.00 |
| High Point Regional High School | 148,529.01 |
| Home Depot Credit Services | 788.31 |
| Howard Drake | 61.71 |
| Ideal Farm & Garden Center | 88.60 |
| JCP&L | 964.95 |
| Key-Tech | 1,350.00 |
| Kuiken Brothers Co., Inc. | 60.46 |
| Lafayette Auto Parts Supply, LLC | 67.27 |
| Lafayette Twp. Board of Education | 313,332.50 |
| Lorco Petroleum Services | 157.50 |
| Michael McCarrick | 2,150.00 |
| Montague Tool & Supply Co. | 110.43 |
| ND Engineering, LLC | 420.00 |
| Opdyke’s Sales & Service | 99.44 |
| Partac Peat Corporation | 2,350.15 |
| Pioneer Manufacturing Company | 34.75 |
| R&L Data Centers, Inc. | 417.48 |
| Rapid Wristbands | 184.50 |
| Schrader & Co., Inc. | 432.00 |
| Service Electric Cable TV of NJ, Inc. | 19.95 |
| Sherwin-Williams | 76.81 |
| Ronetco Supermarket, Inc. | 1,023.55 |
| Staples Business Advantage | 199.06 |
| Stavola Beaver Run Quarry, LLC | 398.84 |
| Syncb/Amazon | 59.05 |
| The Land Conservancy of NJ | 2,625.00 |
| Tilcon New York, Inc. | 246,369.71 |
| William Macko | 125.00 |

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

Old Business

Salary Ordinance - Mayor Corcoran opened the public hearing for the following Ordinance: AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE FOR THE YEAR 2018

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

Motion by Henderson, seconded by Hughes, to adopt the 2018 Salary Ordinance. Motion carried by roll call vote: Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Corcoran-yes.

Valley View Estates Major Subdivision - Motion by Bruning, seconded by D'Angeli, to release the maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$45,817.00 for Valley View Estates Major Subdivision per the Township Engineer's report dated December 16, 2017. Motion carried by roll call vote: Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Corcoran-yes.

Christmas Lights - The purchase of new Christmas lights will be discussed at a future meeting.

New Business

Raffle License - Motion by Henderson, seconded by Hughes, to approve a raffle license for Lafayette Twp. PTO for February 2, 2018 and waive the local fee. Motion carried by roll call vote: Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Corcoran-yes.

"Morgan" Property Purchase/Open Space - Motion by Henderson, seconded by Hughes, to award the following for the "Morgan" property purchase: Title – Title Lines for the cost of \$1,264.00; PAR – Boucher & James for the cost of \$1,955.00 + \$149 per soil sample testing; and Survey - Dykstra Associates, Inc. for the cost of \$6,930.00. Motion carried by roll call vote: Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Corcoran-yes.

Audience

Mrs. Elise McGaughran, he Center for Prevention & Counseling, asked the Township Committee to consider an ordinance to prohibit smoking and vaping at public parks. She said the Center for Prevention & Counseling feels that if recreational marijuana is legalized, it would be used freely if an ordinance is not adopted. She explained that vape shops are becoming more popular and are a problem with children..

Bruning asked for ordinances from other County municipalities for the Township Committee to review. Mrs. McGaughran will submit the information and said The Center would provide signs for the Township to post.

Mr. Gerry Fazio, Lafayette Twp. School Vice-Principal, thanked the Township Committee for its help with this year's tree lighting/social at the school.

Mr. Kevin O'Leary, LAA/OPAC member, said the LAA budget has been submitted.

Mr. O'Leary reported the County Freeholders did approve a resolution for the amount of \$100,000 for the "Morgan" property acquisition.

Mr. Bill Macko, Fire Chief, asked if the Township Committee would consider establishing a LOSAP (Longevity of Service Award Program) for the fire and EMS volunteers. This must be approved by referendum at a General Election. The Clerk will research the LOSAP.

Adjourn

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

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA ROSE FEDISH, RMC
Municipal Clerk