

September 19, 2017

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Lafayette Township Committee was held on Tuesday, September 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, 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 D'Angeli, seconded by Hughes, to accept and place on file the minutes of September 5, 2017. Motion carried by roll call vote: Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Corcoran-yes.

Reports

Treasurer's Report	Cash Report for August 2017
Cash Balances as of July 31, 2017	\$3,529,872.86
Cash Receipts for August 2017	\$1,982,495.33
Total	\$5,512,368.19
Cash Disbursements for August 2017	\$1,626,702.34
Cash Balances as of August 31, 2017	\$3,885,665.85
Account Balances as of August 31, 2017	
Current – Checking	\$1,513,085.32
Capital – Checking	\$1,527,418.04
Escrow – Checking	\$61,759.95
COAH - Developers Fees	\$10,302.21
COAH - Rehab Reserves	\$29,849.77
Open Space Municipal Tax	\$177,110.26
Snow Trust	\$2,737.92
Trust Accounts for Developers Agreement	\$547,034.58
Special Rec. – Checking	\$4,829.81
Special Donations	\$7,546.98
Dog Trust Account	\$3,991.01
Total Account Balance	\$3,885,665.85

Motion by Henderson, 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.

Committee Reports

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

EDC - Bruning reported: (1) The EDC suggests white lights on the trees by the silo. The Township Committee agreed.

(2) Signs at the municipal parking lots should indicate they are municipal parking lots and no overnight parking is permitted. Bruning will obtain quotes for signs.

(3) The EDC is in favor of connecting Olde Lafayette Village to the center of town utilizing the trails. Bruning reported Nick, one of the owners of OLV, likes the idea. Kevin O'Leary, OSAC member, suggested researching a grant with The Land Conservancy.

Preservation Foundation - Hughes reported Preservation will hold its Ghost Walk/Cemetery tour on Saturday, October 14, 2017.

Correspondence

a. From Debbie Wielhouwer re: Installation of bench at Lafayette Park

The Township Committee agreed to a bench being installed subject to reviewing the look and location of the bench prior to its installation.

- b. From Sandyston Township re: Code Enforcement shared service
- c. From Christopher Porrino, NJAG re: Safe Care Cam Program
- d. From NJ Municipal Clerks Assn. re: Opposing OPMA & OPRA Senate Bills

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

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS
REGARDING THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT AND OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT
SENATE BILLS 1045 AND 1046**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee took action on Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046, which amend the Open Public Meetings Act and Open Public Records Act, respectively, on June 29, 2017;

WHEREAS, the Committee released the bills to the full Senate without recommendation because the bills are unnecessary, unpopular with the public and would result in significant financial and administrative burdens on municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the bills fail to adequately protect taxpayers, municipalities and, especially, municipal clerks from abusive, harassing and purposefully confrontational individuals who submit voluminous requests for no legitimate reason; and

WHEREAS, the legislation would expand the Open Public Meeting Act to create impractical and burdensome requirements with respect to subcommittees and working groups established by the entire governing body, which would effectively limit the ability of small groups of local officials discussing issues of public concern for the purposes of informing the governing body; and

WHEREAS, under the bills, the responsibilities of municipal clerks, who the Legislature has already loaded with responsibilities beyond the scope of their office, would be stretched even further than current law requires without a single dollar of additional resources provided to, or authorized to be collected, by municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the bills would impose a financial burden on municipalities that would not be offset by a revenue source other than the property tax, making the bills unfunded mandates prohibited by the New Jersey Constitution; and

WHEREAS, some municipalities are more equipped than others to meet the burdens that would be imposed by Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046; however, without assistance of any kind from the States or the courts, every municipality would be on its own to meet the myriad new requirements of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette that the Legislature is strongly urged to reject Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046 and draft new legislation to modernize OPMA and OPRA while providing municipalities and clerks with the resources to effectuate these changes for the benefit of the public.

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the legislative sponsors of Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046 and Assembly Bill Nos. 2697 and 2699, the Speaker of the General Assembly, the President of the Senate and the Governor; and all parties are urged to listen to the concerns of local officials and prevent Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046 from becoming law.

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

- e. Green Twp. Resolution supporting exploration of County consolidated school system
- f. Branchville & Sussex Boroughs Resolution supporting County consolidated school system
- g. Frelinghuysen Twp. Resolution supporting Amending the Open Public Records Law - A4532 & S3049
- h. Sussex Borough Resolution supporting the disclosure of student addresses by Regional School Districts

Vouchers

Aaron Richards	125.00
Action Drives & Bearings, Inc.	18.92
American Wear	329.00
Aquatic Analysts, Inc.	760.00
Atlantic Communications	254.34
Banisch Associates, Inc.	1,661.40
Ben Shaffer Recreation, Inc.	504.24
Bobcat of North Jersey-East	419.40

Bucket Supply & Equipment Parts	1,160.00
Campbell Supply Company of Sussex County	201.66
CenturyLink	569.72
Chelbus Cleaning Co., Inc.	275.00
Constellation New Energy, Inc.	44.81
Custom Docks, Inc.	217.00
Finch Fuel Oil Co., Inc.	822.52
Gail D. Magura, Cashier	60.61
Helenea & Brian VanHouten	38.66
High Point Regional High School	144,452.33
JCP&L	2,306.51
Johnny-On-The-Spot, LLC	318.00
JPMonzo Municipal Consulting, LLC	35.00
Laddey, Clark & Ryan, LLP	680.00
Lafayette Auto Parts Supply, LLC	644.78
Lafayette Twp. Board of Education	313,333.50
Lakeland Bus Lines, Inc.	725.00
Max R	5,029.00
MGL Printing Solutions	354.50
Morris Asphalt Supply, LLC	241.92
ND Engineering, LLC	9,128.83
NJ State League of Municipalities	90.00
R&S Business Machines	92.50
Roy E. Kurnos	90.00
Service Electric Cable TV of NJ, Inc.	19.95
Staples Business Advantage	645.90
Stavola Beaver Run Quarry, LLC	1,925.71
Stephen Braccioforte	156.50
T.A. Mountford Co.	440.00
T1D Warriors, LLC	169.20
The New Jersey Herald	37.80
Tire King	2,813.00
Weldon Quarry Co., LLC	22,441.18

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Bruning, 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

Improvements to Roads \$22,000 Spending Ordinance - Mayor Corcoran opened the public hearing for the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE, SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR ENGINEERING AND ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS ROADS AND APPROPRIATING \$22,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND – IMPROVEMENTS TO ROADS

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

Motion by Bruning, seconded by D’Angeli, to adopt the Improvements to Roads \$22,000.00 Spending Ordinance. Motion carried by roll call vote: Henderson=no, Hughes=no, Bruning=yes, D’Angeli=yes, Corcoran=yes.

Vietnam Veterans Memorial - Bruning reported he is obtaining quotes for the sidewalk and gazebo repairs at the memorial.

Gardener - Bruning reported there are four (4) people interested.

New Business

Ice Plant Road Reconstruction Award Resolution - Motion by Henderson, seconded by Hughes, to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION OF AWARD - ICE PLANT ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

BE IT RESOLVED that on September 19, 2017 the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette adopted Resolution 2017-29 to award unit bid prices for individual construction items to perform the necessary construction work to complete the Ice Plant Road Reconstruction, a New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Aid funded project with a total project grant award in the amount of \$67,000.00; and

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette does hereby award unit prices for individual construction items based unit prices as awarded under the individual contracts awarded by the Morris County Cooperative Pricing

Council bidding process with a total cost of \$64,620.60. The award is made to the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council vendors as follows:

Contract #6: Road Resurfacing, CAT.A: HOT MIX ASPHALT

Tilcon New York

9 Entin Way

Parsippany, NJ

CAT NO	DESCRIPTION	APPROX QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	
A-1	HMA Surface Course, 2" Thick, Superpave HMA 9.5-M-64	640	TN	\$61.00	\$39,040.00
A-1	HMA Surface Course, Variable Thickness, Superpave 9.5-M-64	104	TN	\$61.00	\$6,344.00
B-1	Milling 2" Depth	5,992	SY	\$2.65	\$15,878.80
	TOTAL				\$61,262.80

Contract #36 Traffic Striping On Roadways, CAT A

Denville Line Painting

2 Green Pond Road

Denville, NJ

CAT NO	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	
4	Traffic Stripes Epoxy Long Life	4,050	LF	\$0.30	\$1,215.00
7	Thermal Plastic Striping 6" (Stop Bar)	96	LF	\$1.05	\$100.80
9	Thermoplastic Traffic Markings (STOP)	128	SF	\$6.00	\$768.00
	TOTAL				\$2,083.80

Contract #14: CATCH BASINS & MANHOLE CASTINGS

CAT B: SINGLE AND DOUBLE FRAME GRATES

General Foundries, Inc

1 Progress Road

North Brunswick, NJ

CAT NO	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	
5	Phase II Storm Water Compliant NJ Standard Echo Grate	7	UN	\$182.00	\$1,274.00

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

Raffle Licenses - Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Henderson, to approve two (2) raffle licenses for Lafayette Twp. PTO for November 3, 2017 and waive the local fee. Motion carried by roll call vote: Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Corcoran-yes.

Fire Department Approvals - Motion by D'Angeli, seconded by Henderson, to approve Tyler Garzone as a Jr. Member of the Fire Department and approve Logan Drake's application to the NJ State Firemen's Association. Motion carried by roll call vote: Henderson-yes, Hughes-yes, Bruning-yes, D'Angeli-yes, Corcoran-yes.

Lafayette Park - Bruning reported the security lights at the park are in need of repair/replacement. He will obtain quotes for the repair.

Tractor Donation - Bruning reported a Karen Culver would like to donate an old tractor to be displayed by the silo. She would like it dedicated to Wayne Culver. The Township Committee agreed and is thankful for the donation.

Engineer Report - The Engineer, in his report, suggested some roads the Township should submit for the 2018 NJDOT grants. The Township Engineer will be directed to apply for grants for Monroe and Old Beaver Run Roads.

Fire Prevention Official - Interested candidates will be interviewed by Bruning and Henderson.

Audience

Wayne LeVante, Town of Newton Mayor, explained why he is proposing a consolidated county school system. He said all of the municipalities would save money. This would not affect the children's education because it only concerns administration. Mr. LeVante asked for the Township's support.

Harry Dunleavy, Frankford Township, is a retired mathematics teacher and former Sussex Tech school board member/president. He agrees with Mr. LeVante and asked the Township Committee to adopt a resolution of support.

The Clerk stated a resolution of support was adopted at the Township's meeting on September 5, 2017.

Adjourn

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

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA ROSE FEDISH, RMC
Municipal Clerk