MINUTES

EXECUTIVE MEETING; LODI BORO COUNCIL; TUES., JANUARY 12, 2016; 6 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor called meeting to order.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
NOTICE of this meeting was made by Borough Clerk by paid legal advertisement on October 26, 2015 in the Record

ROLL CALL
PRESENT: (4) CM Martin, CW Cima, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.
ALSO PRESENT: Municipal Manager, Borough Attorney, Borough Auditor, Borough Engineer, and C.F.O.

Borough Engineer Report:

1. 2014 Community Development Road Program – NEA is working with the County to secure approval of the new project limits (Home Place and Columbia Lane). NEA was advised that the Borough was awarded $220,120.00 under this program. A meeting with the County is scheduled for January 13, 2016 regarding project implementation and scheduling.
2. 53 River Street (Resident Complaints) – NEA visited the site in question to review the river embankment erosion. Additionally, this office recently performed an actual field survey of the site in question; to serve as a basis of the proposed improvement project. Said project will require review and approval of the NJDEP for Land Use activities.
3. FY 2015 Bergen County Open Space Trust Fund Program –The County has initiated the next funding round for the 2015 County Trust Fund Municipal Program – Central Sub region. TFMP grants are used to fund improvements or development of only outdoor recreation facilities located on municipally-owned public parkland. NEA prepared an application which included rehabilitation of the existing basketball courts at the Municipal Complex, and same was submitted to the County by the September 3, 2015 deadline.
4. FY 2014 Bergen County Open Space Trust Fund Program (Voto/Tedesco Field) – NEA submitted an application in October 2014 to rehabilitate Voto/Tedesco Field, in the approximate amount of $110,000. The improvements included the complete rehabilitation of the northeastern most field and the abandonment of the southern field. The County awarded the Borough a grant in the amount of $54,320. And to that end, this office is coordinating all improvement efforts with the Borough's Public Works Department. (as needed)
5. NJDOT FY 2016 Municipal Aid Program – NEA submitted the NJDOT FY 2016 application by the October 20, 2015 deadline. The project submitted under the FY 2016 Program included the Central Avenue Phase II project (grove Street to Woodside Avenue).
6. NJDOT FY 2014 Municipal Aid Program- The Borough awarded a contract to Cifelli & Son Contracting of Nutley, New Jersey, in the amount of $265,577.50. Said project is being supplemented via the NJDOT FY 2014 MAP with a grant amount totaling $149,000. As this project had a late Fall Start, all the concrete work was completed, but milling and paving had to be pushed to Spring 2016.

Mayor and Council Members went over the agenda scheduled for approval at the Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2016.
Action was taken on number 21 of the agenda (Resolution No. 16-21).
Resolution No. 16-21 adopting 2016 Calendar Year Temporary Municipal Budget.
MOTION: CM Martin, second CW Cima to approve and adopt.
Ayes: (4) CM Martin, CW Cima Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

Number 5 of the agenda (Resolution No. 16-14 appointing Geoffrey Santini, Certified Animal Control Officer as Animal Control Officer for the Borough of Lodi for the period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016) will be taken off the agenda. Municipal manager spoke about the cost difference with the Borough of Lodi going with the County of Bergen Health Services. Manager reported that he has received a proposal from the County and will explain the pros and cons.

Numbers 7, 8, & 9 (Resolution Numbers 16-07, 16-08, & 16-09) entering into Municipal Services Agreement with Lodi Manor, LLC, Marlborough House Association, Inc., A condominium, and an Agreement with Terhune Courts Condominium Association, Inc. (For Solid Waste for 2016) were discussed with Borough Attorney.

WAJ Construction Tax Appeal Settlement was explained by Borough attorney. (Resolution No. 16-16) There was a mix- up and was way off the assessment.

Municipal Alliance Coordinator for the Borough of Lodi (Resolution No. 16-18). The appointment was discussed. The term is January 16, 2016 through December 31, 2016. The former coordinator went over the program with the future coordinator.

Resolution No. 16-25 (Emergency Repair work in connection with the sudden force main break in the sanitary sewer at 205 Main Street, Lodi) was discussed.

Garbage Contract with Sterling was discussed and a letter is needed from the Manager to extend the contract for two additional years as pursuant to said contract).

Ordinance No. 2016-01 was discussed with Mayor and Council. It was decided to take action tonight and introduce ordinance.
INTRODUCTION; ORDINANCE NO. 2016-01; AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SEVERAL POLICE AND PERSONNEL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LODI AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 192-5, 193-24, AND 505-16 SO AS TO AMEND THE TABLE OF ORGANIZATION OF THE LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT.
MOTION: CW Cima, second CM Martin to approve Ordinance No. 2016-01.
Ayes: (4) CM Martin, CW Cima, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

Mayor's Report

1. Mayor preformed three weddings.
2. At the Senior Citizen meeting, he introduced Bruce T. Masopust as our new Municipal Manager.
3. Mayor attended the Senior Citizens Winter Wonderland and the Senior Citizen Officers were sworn in by him.
4. He stated one of the concerns of the residents was a pick-up truck on Hunter Street. The vehicle had an expired registration and no parking sticker. Discussion of parking stickers with the Mayor and Council took place.
5. Another concern with the residents was with property known as 454 Harrison Avenue There are approximately 12 to 14 people living there and there have been numerous garage sales.

Municipal Manager's Report

1. Met with department Heads
2. Contacted many State and County Officials and surrounding Managers, Mayor and workers.
3. Developer's drawings for East side of Main Street to State DOT for purchase of State property.
4. Recycling post cards- some streets did not get the schedule which caused recycling confusion. There was a double week of the same.
5. Drug Alliance Coordinator discussed.
6. Would like to invite the Developer to the March 8th work session meeting so we can have an update.
7. Budget- preliminary stages- waiting for the year end closeout.
8. Negotiations will have to be set up for employee contracts.
9. Saddle Brook sewer repairs

10. Police Vehicles- older vehicles went to other departments for use. The vehicles were handed down.
11. 2013 & 2014 CD money for streets
12. Specs for Curbs and Sidewalks- asked DPW Director to come up with guidelines to protect the Borough.
13. E-mails for Council Members will be set up
14. Frequently used forms on the website
15. Welcome packet/Newsletter for new residents.
16. Street signs. There are more green on hand. Change blue to green and also comply with new state standards.
17. Parking signs- proper locations per state law and ordinances (per 5 year project) DPW Director is working with Sgt. Inserra.
18. Saddle River Flooding Meeting – Bob Davison. Would like to get together with surrounding towns once again.
19. VFW Lease- recreation to use.
20. Emergency Operation Plan- waiting on Ambulance Corp.
21. Garbage Contract (3/31/16) has option of 1 or 2 years.
22. Congratulate Police Quatrone – Advanced Chief Executive- the highest designation a Chief of Police can achieve in the State of New Jersey, one of only 38 police chiefs in the State of New Jersey to achieve this award.

MOTION: CM Masopust, second CM Martin to go into closed session to review and discuss resumes submitted to Borough Clerk for the vacancy of a Council Member, to discuss Emergency in connection with force main break in the sanitary sewer at 205 Main Street, Lodi and to discuss litigation, possible litigation and personnel.
Ayes: (4) CM Martin, CW Cima, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.
TIME: 7:15 P.M.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Licata, second CW Cima to go back into open session and take action on some items of business.
Ayes: (4) CM Martin, CW Cima, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.
TIME: 8:15 P.M.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-26 DECLARING A PUBLIC EMERGENCY AND EXIGENCY
WHEREAS, a public emergency and exigency exists in connection with the sudden force main break in the sanitary sewer at 205 Main Street, Lodi, New Jersey in or about August 2015 pursuant to the letter dated January 11, 2016 from the Special Engineer Maser Consulting, PA. The Special Engineer and the Borough are looking into the methodology to make the necessary repairs in order to prevent the flooding and backing up of the sanitary sewer line and causing further damage and endangering the health and safety of the residents of the Borough as well as looking into potential financial contribution from potential responsible parties; and
WHEREAS, the Borough anticipates imminently adopting a more specific Resolution declaring public emergency and exigency at its next Mayor and Council Meeting; and
NOW, THERE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Lodi in the County of Bergen, that a public emergency and exigency exists requiring the expenditure of funds which will be addressed by a further Resolution Declaring Public Emergency and Exigency at the next Mayor and Council Meeting once more specific information is obtained from the Special Engineer and potentially contributing parties.
Adopted this 12th day of January, 2016.
MOTION: CM Martin, second Deputy Mayor Licata to approve
Ayes: (4) CM Martin, CW Cima, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-28 appointing ALBERT DICHIARA as Council Member.
MOTION: CM Martin, second Deputy Mayor Licata.
Ayes: (5) CM Martin, CW Cima, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

MOTION: CM Martin, second Deputy Mayor Licata to adjourn.
Ayes: (4) CM Martin, CW Cima, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

TIME: 8:20 P.M.