## TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE

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# **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Township Council

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**UPCOMING MEETING** 

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Special Proclamations, Recognitions and Presentations

The 2013 annual police awards for service recognition by police officers and civilians will be presented to the recipients.

#### **Introduction of Ordinances**

There are no ordinances for introduction.

### **Adoption of Ordinances**

There are four ordinances for adoption.

Ordinance 10-A approves various capital improvement authorizations. The ordinance will authorize \$1,610,000 in expenditures and further authorize \$1,529,500 in bonds or notes to fund the approved purposes. The purposes include; purchase of public works equipment, repairs to municipally owned buildings and property, acquisition of fire/rescue equipment, the third appropriation towards the replacement of a fire apparatus, acquisition of computer equipment, park and recreational facility improvements and acquisition of public safety equipment.

Ordinance 10-B approves various capital road improvements. The ordinance will authorize \$810,000 in expenditures and further authorize \$560,500 in bonds or notes to fund the approved purposes. In addition, an amount of \$220,000 for the funding of the road improvements will be received from a New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Grant. The road improvements include; Province Line Road (Route 206 to Princeton Pike), Federal City Road (Route 295 to culvert), overlay improvements to Harding, Joffre Avenue, Lawn Park Avenue, Pretty Brook Road and Princeton Pike (Fairfield to Harney's Corner), road striping and incidental concrete improvements. Please note that the combined total of

authorized bonds and notes for the two capital ordinances is less than the amount of principal pay down in 2013. The amount of new debt authorized is \$2,089,000. The 2013 principal reduction is \$3,193,234.

Ordinance 10-C amends the Lawrence Township Municipal Land Use Ordinance. The action will repeal the Planned Village Development 3 (PVD III) district and apply the Highway Commercial district use on Quakerbridge Road where it intersects with Lawrence Station Road. This is the only PVD III district in the Township so there is no longer a need to retain it in the Land Use Ordinance.

Ordinance 10-D amends the Lawrence Township Municipal Land Use Ordinance. The following summarizes the provisions of the amendment: multiple buildings and uses will be permitted in accordance with the zoning in place on a single lot except for most residential uses; a definition of a pad site has been added; the use of a convenience store is modified to remove the size limitation of 4,000 sf.; the Highway Commercial District is modified to allow shopping centers under the permitted use category; accessory uses and structures have been modified to include canopies for service stations and passenger drop off; outdoor seating standards are clarified; the service station standard has been modified to allow combined service station and other uses if the lot is increased in size to one and one-half acres; and a new requirement has been added that requires the main building in a shopping center to be built and occupied before a pad site is built and occupied. The separation requirements from a service station have been removed.

#### Resolutions

The agenda includes routine administrative authorizations as well as resolutions providing for refunds, bond releases and acceptances.

Resolution 17-A expresses support for the New Jersey Click It or Ticket seat belt mobilization and awareness program from May 20 through June 2, 2013.

Resolution 17-G authorizes use of a State Contract Vendor, Bridgestate Foundry Corporation of Berlin, New Jersey for the purchase of catch basin castings, inlets and manhole structures.

Resolution 17-H authorizes use of a State Contract Vendor, Winner Ford of Cherry Hill, New Jersey for the purchase of two marked police vehicles. The purchase price is \$49,136. Funding is available from the appropriation for Police Department, Other Expenses.

Resolution 17-O authorizes an amendment to the 2013 professional services contract of Philip Caton, PP, AICP as planning consultant to the Lawrence Township Planning Board. The increase is \$20,000 and the new contract maximum is \$106,000. Funding is available from the appropriation for Planning Board, Other Expenses.

Resolution 17-P and 17-Q are "Chapter 159" resolutions that amends the 2013 adopted municipal budget by authorizing anticipation of revenue and appropriating the same for the following purposes; rehabilitation of affordable residential housing units \$50,000 and extension of affordable price controls \$276,000.

Resolution 17-R extends the contract of Affordable Housing Administrators of Point Pleasant, New Jersey for a period of one year to provide administrative services for the Lawrence Township affordable housing rehabilitation program. The new expiration is June 2014. The amendment does not require additional funding as a balance remains from the original contract award.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions about the agenda or any other matter.