

REGULAR MEETING
LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
COUNCIL MEETING ROOM – UPPER LEVEL

March 31, 2009

The following are the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Lawrence Township Council that was held on Tuesday, March 31, 2009, at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was opened with a Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, led by Municipal Clerk.

At the commencement of the meeting Mayor Mount read the following statement of proper notice:

“Adequate notice of this meeting of the Lawrence Township Council being held on Tuesday, March 31, 2009, has been provided through the posting of the annual meeting schedule of said Council in accordance with Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act”.

The roll was then called as follows:

Present: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
Absent: None.

Also, in attendance were Richard S. Krawczun, Municipal Manager, and Kevin Nerwinski, Esq., Municipal Attorney.

Proclamations and Honors

There were no proclamations or honors.

Review and Revisions of Agenda

Mr. Krawczun advised that there is one amendment to add to the Agenda, Resolution 8R.

On a motion by Mayor Mount, seconded by Mr. Bostock the Agenda was revised to include 8R, Authorizing Transfers of Appropriation Reserves in the 2008 Budget.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
Nays: None.

Public Participation

Mr. John Wereski, 149 Glenview Avenue, greeted the Council and advised that he has lived in Lawrence Township since 1976 and proceeded with a detailed background history of his life in the Township and how much the town has developed since he moved into the community 30+ years ago.

Mr. Wereski stated how pleased he was with the improvements that were made in his area by the Public Works Department and Mercer County Department of Corrections, improvements that he has not seen since he moved into the area in 1976. He then proceeded to publicly thank and extend his appreciation for their due diligence in improving the area.

Mr. Jolly Bansal, Tobacco Leaf Store, greeted and thanked the Council and Mr. Krawczun for all their assistance last year in helping to open his retail smoking establishment, but indicated he still has one small issue with the Health and Construction Departments regarding a small advertisement that was published in the newspaper advertising his "smoking room" at his business in the Mercer Mall.

Mr. Bansal indicated soon after the Ad was published he received a letter from the Health Department advising that he was not allowed to have a smoking room at his establishment although he was already approved by the Construction Department and issued a Certificate of Occupancy in December.

Mr. Bansal stated just yesterday he received another letter from Mr. Anthony Cermele in the Construction Department stating they granted approval for the "smoking room" only, but not for seating people for the purpose of sampling cigars. He then distributed copies of the Zoning approval letter he received in August 2006 granting him approval for seating of 10 people in the smoking area.

Mr. Bansal stated at this point he is uncertain as to what he needs to do to be in compliance with the Township's regulations so that there is no more confrontations or disputes regarding the matter and advised that he has a meeting with Mr. Krawczun on April 1st at 1:30 p.m., and invited all of Council to come down to his establishment and give him some suggestions on how he could eliminate this problem.

Mr. Bostock advised the Council that earlier in the day he did have a chance to visit Mr. Bansal's Tobacco Leaf establishment and look over the room in question, and it appeared to him to be in compliance with the things they were thinking of and discussed with respect to the ventilation system at the meeting last year when Mr. Bansal appeared before them. So, he would appreciate anything that Mr. Krawczun can do to try and clarify this situation and proceeded to discuss the matter in detail.

Mrs. Karen Jarvie, 39 Colonial Lake Drive, asked for an update with respect to the Layoff Notice that her husband, Randy Jarvie, who is a Township employee, received and if there was any final decision made with regards to the matter because Friday, April 3rd would be his last day and time is now of the essence.

Mayor Mount advised that they would be going through the 2009 Budget Review later in the meeting and welcomed Mrs. Jarvie to stay, but indicated there has been no final decision made on the matter as of yet.

Lynn Williams, Director of Operations for Chevy's Fresh Mex, advised the Council that he has applied for a Gathering Permit for the Cinco De Mayo Celebration taking place in the Mercer Mall on May 5th and is present at tonight's meeting to formally seek their approval for the event, an event they have had for the last several years with the exception of last year due to a turnover in management. After a brief discussion, the Council gave their approval pending the Administration's final approval.

There being no one else who wished to address Council, Mayor Mount closed Public Participation.

Adoption of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock, the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of January 20, 2009, were approved **with** corrections.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
Nays: None.

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On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock, the Minutes of the Special Meetings of January 28, 2009, were approved **without** corrections.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
Nays: None.

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On a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Puliti, the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of February 3, 2009, were approved without corrections.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
Nays: None.

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On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock, the Minutes of the Closed Session Meetings of January 6, 2009 and January 20, 2009, were approved without corrections.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
Nays: None.

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On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock, the Minutes of the Closed Session Meetings of February 3, 2009 and February 17, 2009, were approved without corrections.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
Nays: None.

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On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Miller, the Minutes of the Closed Session Meeting of March 3, 2009, were approved with corrections.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

- Ayes: Councilman, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
- Nays: None.
- Abstain: Councilman Bostock.

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On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock, the Minutes of the Closed Session Meetings of March 17, 2009, were approved without corrections.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

- Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
- Nays: None.

Introduction of Ordinances

Mayor Mount read by title an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE DYSON TRACT REMEDIATION IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$4,250,575 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,165,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST."

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance is the funding mechanism for the site remediation of the Dyson Tract and the all the engineering work, and the funds will come from NJDEP Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund in the amount of \$3,085,000, and that the balance will be funds borrowed by Lawrence Township through the New Jersey Infrastructure Trust Program where half of the borrowed amount is interest free and there's an interest rate struck at the time of the borrowing for the balance of the funds. A short discussion followed relative to the repayment process and the purpose of the loan.

Mr. Miller and other members of Council thanked Mr. Bostock for all his hard work in finding the Grant funding to remediate the site, and Mr. Bostock in turn thanked Mr. Krawczun, Mr. Parvesse and his colleagues for supporting his efforts and proceeded to elaborate on the process in which he discovered the grant monies.

The Ordinance was introduced and approved on the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X					X	
Mr. Miller	X						X
Mr. Powers	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Mount	X						

Resolutions

Resolution Nos. 156-09 thru –173-09 (8A-8R) were approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X					X	
Mr. Miller	X						
Mr. Powers	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						X
Mayor Mount	X						

Cited Resolutions are spread in their entirety in Resolution Book Volume No. 2 of the Township of Lawrence.

Awarding or Rejecting of Bids

There was no award or rejection of bids.

Adoption of Ordinances

Mayor Mount read by title an ordinance entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3 OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ENTITLED ‘ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.’”

Mayor Mount asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Mount asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed.

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance would increase the number of Distribution Licenses for Alcoholic Beverages in Lawrence Township, which is

one part of a step that would allow Council to sell a license through a public bidding process. A brief discussion followed relative to the sale of the license.

Ordinance No. 2005-09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3 OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ENTITLED 'ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES'

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey that An Ordinance Amending Chapter 3 of the Lawrence Township Administrative Code entitled 'Alcoholic Beverages' be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1.

Sec. 3-4. Limitation on number of licenses.

... and the number of plenary retail distribution licenses issued and outstanding in the township at the same time shall not exceed [two] three;.....

Section 2. Repealer

All ordinances or parts of same inconsistent with any provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3. Severability

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason, the remaining portions of said ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after adoption thereof.

The Ordinance 2005-09 was adopted on the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Miller	X						
Mr. Powers	X					X	
Mr. Puliti	X						X
Mayor Mount	X						

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Mayor Mount read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A TRAFFIC CONTROL MONITORING SYSTEM."

Mayor Mount asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Mount asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed.

Mr. Krawczun stated that the Ordinance authorizes the installation and use of a traffic control signal monitoring system at Franklin Corner Road and Route 1 for red light enforcement, which is a Pilot Program that could possibly be expanded for future usage if approved by NJDOT. Some discussion followed relative to monitoring system and its safety purposes.

Ordinance No. 2006- 09

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL MONITORING SYSTEM

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, by P.L. 2007, Chapter 348 (the Act), the Legislature of the State of New Jersey has determined that the installation of a traffic control signal monitoring system by municipalities complementing local law enforcement could serve as an effective tool in encouraging drivers to observe and obey traffic control devices at intersections, thereby increasing traffic flow and pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence Township is desirous of installing a Traffic Control Signal Monitoring System at the intersection of Rt. 1 (Brunswick Pike) and Franklin Corner Road in the Township of Lawrence; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence Township also has a future interest in expanding the Traffic Control Signal Monitoring System to other locations in Lawrence Township if applied for and approved by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence Township has determined that adoption of this ordinance for the installation of a Traffic Control Signal Monitoring System at the corner of Rt. 1(Brunswick Pike) and Franklin Corner road is in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the Township of Lawrence and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey that:

Section 1. Installation.

(a) The Township of Lawrence hereby determines to install and utilize a Traffic Control Signal Monitoring System at the intersection of Rt. 1 (Brunswick Pike) and Franklin Corner Road and in the future may install a Traffic Control Signal Monitoring System at various intersections within Lawrence Township as approved by the New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation pursuant to the Act.

(b) The System to be installed shall be approved by the Lawrence Township Council by resolution.

(a) The Municipal Manager shall have the authority to enter into a contract, following a lawful procurement process, for the installation of the System. Any contract that shall contain provisions contrary to the Act shall not be deemed invalid but rather reformed to conform to the Act.

(b) The signs notifying drivers that a System is being utilized shall be approved by the Municipal Engineer, and shall be placed on each street converging into the affected intersection as required by the Act.

(c) The Municipal Engineer shall inspect and certify the System at least once every six (6) months from the date of its installation.

Section 2. Issuance of the Summons.

The Police Division of the Township of Lawrence shall review the recorded images produced by the System to determine whether sufficient evidence exists demonstrating that a traffic control signal violation has occurred and shall issue a summons when appropriate in accordance with the rules of the Court.

Section 3. Use of Recorded Images.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the recorded images produced by the System shall be available for the exclusive use of the Police Division for the purpose of discharging his or her duties under P.L. 2007, Ch. 348.

(b) Any recorded image or information produced in connection with the System shall not be deemed a public record in N.J.S.A 47:1A-1 et. seq., or common law. The recorded images shall not be: (i) discoverable as a public record by any person, entity, or governmental agency, except upon a subpoena

issued by a grand jury or a court order in a criminal matter, or (ii) offered as evidence in any civil or administrative proceeding not directly related to a traffic control signal violation. (This section does not deny the right of a person charged with a violation to receive discovery for the preparation of their court case.)

(c) Any recorded image or information collected in connection with a traffic control signal violation shall not be retained after (60) sixty following the collection of any fine or penalty.

(d) If a summons is not issued within forty (40) business days following the traffic control signal violation, all recorded images and any information collected with respect to the traffic control signal violation shall be removed by the Police Division within two (2) business days.

(e) The Township of Lawrence shall certify compliance of this Section by filing a report with the New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation in accordance with the Act.

Section 4. Owner's Liability.

The liability of the owner and operator of a motor vehicle for a traffic control signal violation summons pursuant to the System shall be a joint subject to provisions of the Act.

Section 5. Repealer.

Any ordinance(s) or parts of ordinance(s) inconsistent or in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed as to said inconsistencies and conflicts.

Section 6. Severability.

If any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance, and each section and subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 7. Effective Dates.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

The Ordinance 2006-09 was adopted on the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Miller	X						X
Mr. Powers	X					X	
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Mount	X						

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Mayor Mount read by title an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF DUMP TRUCK CHASSIS, BODY AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$4,798."

Mayor Mount asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Mount asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed.

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance is an amendment to an existing Bond Ordinance to expand the permitted purchase for which the funds and proceeds of an Ordinance could be utilized which is the purchase of a dump truck that exceeded what was available in the 2008 Capital Ordinance by \$4,798. So, this Ordinance would allow the purchase with the balance of the funds being appropriated from a previous bond ordinance.

Ordinance No. 2007-09

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF DUMP TRUCK CHASSIS, BODY AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT, BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$4,798

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Lawrence, New Jersey as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose

described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$4,798. The appropriation is now available from the Capital Improvement Fund.

Section 2. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose is:
Purchase of a Dump Truck Chassis, Body and Associated Equipment.

(b) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is \$4,798.

Section 3. (a) The capital budget of the Township of Lawrence is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget capital program as approved by the Director of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for inspection.

Section 4. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

The Ordinance 2007-09 was adopted on the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						X
Mr. Miller	X						
Mr. Powers	X					X	
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Mount	X						

Manager’s Report –

Mr. Krawczun advised Council of a Public Events and Gatherings application that was received requesting the use of the Brearley House for a wedding reception, but during the review process Steve Groeger, Superintendent of Recreation, realized alcohol was being served at the event, which is not permitted in Township parks.

Mr. Krawczun stated after speaking with the Police Chief, Mr. Nerwinski and Mr. Groeger, they realized this situation created an obstacle with regards to renting the Brearley House because of the location, so the ordinance should be amended to “exempt” that location.

Mr. Krawczun further stated after conversing with Mr. Nerwinski on the matter he is requesting that the Council make a one-time exception and approve this event then afterwards they could amend the Ordinance to exclude the Brearley House which is not completely out of the ordinary, as Princeton and other surrounding towns have such exemptions.

After a short discussion and Mr. Nerwinski's assurance that the Township would be covered for any liabilities once the Ordinance is put in place, it was unanimous amongst the Council to approve the application.

Mr. Krawczun distributed copies and gave a brief overview of the (4) four bids that were received for the land lease and the construction and operation of the Cell Towers at Carter Road. A brief discussion took place relative to the bid amounts.

2009 Budget Review –

Mr. Krawczun suggested the first item of discussion be a report from Chief Posluszny on Emergency Medical Services since there have been talks of changing the way ambulance service is provided in Lawrence Township, and if they resolved to change the procedure it would affect the Appropriation side of the 2009 Municipal Budget, as well as, the rest of the conversation regarding the budget.

Chief Posluszny stated at the last meeting the Council received a list of items that the Emergency Management currently deals with concerning ambulance service and advised that the service is currently split between Lawrence Township Emergency Management Technicians and Capital Health Systems Basic Life Support employees, and as of June 1st the Township's contract with Capital Health will expire, so they are now in the process of determining in what direction to proceed.

Chief Posluszny proceeded with an in-depth review of their current hours of operation, number of employees, transport statistics for 2008, billing fees and procedures, statistics on services provided to residents and non-residents, service fees, annualized fees for providing ambulance services (\$696,000) and the projected cost of privatization versus a full-time in-house staff.

Mr. Krawczun proceeded with an in-depth review of the Emergency Medical Technicians with respect to salaries, benefits, number of required positions, per diem and overtime cost, contractual fees and bidding, collected revenues and expenses, shift schedules and duties, operational cost

associated with the hiring of new employees, as well as, a facility to house the emergency services staff and vehicles.

A lengthy conversation took place amongst the Council relative to cost of privatization, medical billing and insurance, private managed care versus in-house care, EMT'S and basic life support services, operational expenditures and public safety concerns with respect to providing emergency services to all residents of Lawrence Township.

After the discussion, Mr. Bostock felt that given the magnitude of this issue they should call a Special Meeting to order to inform the public and afford them the opportunity to speak on the matter prior to the Council taking any formal action.

After a lengthy exchange of dialogue relative to Mr. Bostock's suggestion, it was the consensus of the Council to have a Public Input Forum to allow for a public discussion before rendering any final determination on emergency services.

On a motion by Mr. Bostock, seconded by Mr. Miller, a Special Meeting was set for April 16th at 7:00 p.m. for the purposes of Lawrence Township decision-making on whether or not to move forward with full-time ambulance services.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Miller, Powers, Puliti, Mayor Mount.
Nays: None.

Mr. Krawczun's Budget Review:

Mr. Krawczun stated at this juncture the Council has had an opportunity to hear from each of the Department Heads regarding their 2009 Budgets in addition to him distributing the proposed 2009 Municipal Budget Packets at the last meeting (March 17th) for their review and consideration for tonight's meeting.

Mr. Krawczun stated if there are no specific questions for him he has nothing additional to present, but if the Council has any further items they would like to add prior to the finalized of the 2009 Municipal Budget then please feel free to present it.

Mayor Mount advised the public that a rough draft of the 2009 Municipal Budget was presented to Council at the last meeting for their review and consideration and proceeded with a brief review of what has taken place

since the last meeting with respect to budgetary Appropriations, Revenues and cost reductions.

Mr. Krawczun continued with an in-depth review of the recommended amendments to the Budget with respect to increases and decreases in the Appropriations and Revenues sides of the Municipal Budget – such as the proposed increase in Construction fees, a small Grant increase of \$6,600, the reduction of \$122,708 in State Aid, revenue from the reserve on premiums for Bonds & Notes, regeneration and usage of the Surplus and increased expenditures in the 2009 Budget.

Mr. Krawczun proceeded to elaborate on other suggested sources of Revenue to help balance the Budget and reduce the 3-cent tax increase to a different number that is based on the sale of a Liquor License, a one-time source of Revenue in the amount of \$300,000; but, cautioned that there must be a Contract of Sale in place prior to the adoption of the 2009 Municipal Budget. In addition, they also run the risk of a budget gap in the subsequent year as they will no longer have that source of revenue.

An at-length discussion took place relative to Mr. Krawczun's report on the proposed Municipal Budget as it relates to budget cuts, increasing revenues and the rules and regulations governing furloughs. Some additional dialogue took place relative the introduction and the adoption of the 2009 Municipal Budget.

In closing, the Mayor and Council thanked Mr. Krawczun for all his hard work in preparing the proposed budget and helping to keep the tax rate as low as possible, and Chief Posluszny for his report on Emergency Services.

Attorney's Report –

Mr. Nerwinski advised that Falk Engle dropped off the proposed Sign Ordinance that he has worked diligently on and that he would be thoroughly reviewing the language and highlighting the policy changes prior to distributing the final version to the Council so that they could have a discussion on the matter.

Clerk's Report –

Mrs. Norcia advised of memo that was sent out by the Recreation Department regarding the Easter Egg Hunt scheduled to take place on Sunday, April 5th at 2:00 p.m.

Mrs. Norcia inquired as to whether or not the Council has given any thought to the dates they would like to cancel for the summer schedule. It was the consensus of the Council to get back to the Mrs. Norcia on that matter.

Written Communications –

There was no written communication.

Old Business –

There was no old business.

New Business –

Mayor Mount advised the Council of a ceremony that is scheduled to take place on Friday, April 3rd at 12 Noon where many organizations get together including the YWCA to “ Pledge and Stand Against Racism” which is a commitment to promote peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all people in the community and in the world.

Mayor Mount further advised of a joint meeting scheduled for Monday, April 6th at 7:00 p.m. between the Planning Boards of the Township of Lawrence, Township of Ewing, City of Trenton and the Mercer County Planning Board to discuss the Mercer Crossings Project which is the future redevelopment plans for the Princeton Avenue/Spruce Street area. Some discussion followed relative to the Township’s commitment to the plan.

Mayor Mount asked Mr. Krawczun if the Administration and the Public Safety Committee could possibly look into the idea and regulations relative to people renting rooms in their houses or apartments to help pay their rent or mortgage due to the economic crisis and advised this was something that was very helpful to her mother when her father passed away. A brief discussion took place relative to public safety concerns.

Mr. Bostock spoke about the sadness of the passing of Alvin McNair who was 46 years of age and lived in the Township on Darrah Lane and indicated he was very, very, active in all the Recreation Programs, in addition to being a girls’ softball coach and a coach at the schools for a couple of years.

Mr. Bostock advised on Friday night he went to pay his respect during visiting hours from 6 pm – 8 pm and they arrived around 6:15 p.m., and it was an hour and half before they even got in to see the family, and the thing that was particularly touching was how many kids turned out in their uniforms who had been coached by him over the years.

Mr. Bostock indicated Mr. McNair was a very, very dedicated volunteer in the Recreation Programs and in many other ways in Lawrence Township, and he just wanted to make note of his passing and extend the Township’s sympathy to his family... a real loss to the community.

Mayor Mount thanked Mr. Bostock very much for those comments and the public for attending this evening’s meeting.

There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting adjourned.

9:26P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kathleen S. Norcia, Municipal Clerk

Attest:

Pamela H. Mount, Mayor