

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

January 5, 2010

The following are the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Lawrence Township Council that was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2010, at 8:00 P.M.

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

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

“Adequate notice of this meeting of the Lawrence Township Council being held on Tuesday, January 5, 2010, 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: Councilmen Bostock, Kownacki, Councilwoman Mount, Puliti,  
Mayor Powers.

Absent: None.

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

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Proclamations and Honors

Mayor Powers stated although they do not have any formal proclamations or honors to come before the Council he would like to take a moment to say a few words about the fitting tribute they had at the Colonel Hand March on Saturday for Bob Immordino, the former Township Historian, who passed away last year at the age of 94.

Mayor Powers indicated it was a very cold and chilly day with twenty degree weather and 10mph head winds, and they still had 100 participants who marched from Town Hall to Notre Dame High School where a bronze plaque was dedicated to Mr. Immordino so that his memory will never be forgotten.

In closing, Mayor Powers stated in these tough economic times the Council really wants to thank Mr. Bill Agress (Colonel Hand) who approached Maurice Perilli, Chairman of Roma Bank, to get them to sponsor the bronze plaque and flagpole and proceeded to discuss a tradition the Township plans to adopt for years to come with regards to raising of the flag of the Pennsylvania Regiment in honor of Mr. Robert Immordino; a man who had a passion for history and will certainly be missed by the Township.

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#### Review and Revisions of Agenda

The Municipal Manager advised that there is a need to amend Resolution 8Z (Closed Session) on the Agenda to include discussions concerning litigation - PBA Local 119 vs. Lawrence Township.

On a motion by Mrs. Mount, seconded by Mr. Puliti, the Agenda was amended to include discussions concerning litigation.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Bostock, Kownacki, Puliti, Councilwoman Mount, Mayor Powers.

Nays: None.

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#### Public Participation

There was no public participation.

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#### Appointments to Boards and Committees

Mayor Powers stated prior to the Council meeting they had just conducted interviews for the statutory Boards and Committees and they will now conclude with the appointments. In addition, the Liaisons will be casting their nominations for the nominees appointed to the following Advisory committees:

CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Brian W. Smith – 4-year term)

Resolution No. 48-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X					X	
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

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CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS (Richard Aicher, Albert Frascella and William Hart – 4-year term)

Resolution No. 49-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X					X	
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

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ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE (Brian Friedlich, Ralph Copleman, Ellie Downs and Karen Vincent-Lavanga – 4-year term)

Resolution No. 50-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X					X	
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

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EWING-LAWRENCE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY (Harold Vereen – 5-year term)

Resolution No. 51-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki					X		
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X					X	

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GROWTH AND REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Lovette Love, Anthony Marion Jr. and Elizabeth Donahue – 3-year term)

Resolution No. 52-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X					X	

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HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (Leo S. Brummel and Liang Schweizer – 3-year term)

Resolution No. 53-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X					X	
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

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GREENWAY COMMITTEE (Anthony Colavita and David Mizenko – 3-year term)

Resolution No. 54-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X					X	
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE (Arthur Schonheiter – 4-year term)

Resolution No. 55-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X					X	
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

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OPEN SPACE AND STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Joyce Copleman and Paul Larson – 3-year term)

Resolution No. 56-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X					X	
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

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PLANNING BOARD (David Maffei and Stacy McCormack - 4-year regular term and Kim Y. Taylor - Alternate Member #1 - 2-year term)

Resolution No. 57-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X					X	
Mayor Powers	X						

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PLANNING BOARD (Michael Horan - Alternate Member #2 - 2-year unexpired term)

Resolution No. 58-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock		X					
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X					X	
Mayor Powers	X						

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (William B. Holmes and Richard MacDuff – 2-year term)

Resolution No. 59-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X					X	
Mayor Powers	X						

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RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Geoffrey R. Kimmel, Albert Pitman and Marie Tagliaferri – 3- year term)

Resolution No. 60-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X					X	
Mayor Powers	X						

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SENIOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Veronica Pickering, Lorraine Colavita and Delores Fuessel – 4-year term)

Resolution No. 61-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X					X	
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

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SHADE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Carmine DiSanzo, Alvin Geser and Doris Weisberg – 3-year term)

Resolution No. 62-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X					X	

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ZONING BOARD (Leona Maffei - 4-year regular term and John Gladwell Alternate #2 – 2- year term)

Resolution No. 63-10 was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X					X	
Mr. Puliti	X						
Mayor Powers	X						

Cited Resolutions are spread in their entirety in Resolution Book Volume No. 1 of the Township of Lawrence.

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Adoption of Minutes

There were no minutes for adoption.

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Introduction of Ordinances

Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 14 OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ENTITLED 'MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC' Handicapped Parking."

Mayor Powers advised that the Ordinance amends the Township Administrative Code by adding two handicapped parking spaces.

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

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						X
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X					X	
Mayor Powers	X						

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Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO.1947-07 OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE."

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance will amend the State law pertaining to the massage and/or somatic therapists and their establishments. The current ordinance calls for a \$100 fee and \$30 of that fee made payable to the Police Department for a fingerprint background check; and, because the service is no longer performed by the Police Department by way of Legislative change the language in the ordinance has to be amended. And, the second part of the amendment to the ordinance is the renewal application submission date and effective date which will be change from November 1 and January 1 to February 1 and April 1<sup>st</sup> to coincide with State regulations.

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

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						X
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X						
Mr. Puliti	X					X	
Mayor Powers	X						

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Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1933-07 BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN ORDER TO REVISE THE DISCRIPTION OF THE IMPROVEMENT HEREIN"

Mr. Krawczun advised that each bond ordinance stipulates the purpose for which the proceeds can be utilized and they previously adopted a capital ordinance that has excess funds available. They would now like to expand the purpose so that the funds can be utilized for intersection improvements at Cold Soil and Carter Roads.

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

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						X
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount					X		
Mr. Puliti	X					X	
Mayor Powers	X						

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Resolutions

Resolution Nos. 22-10 (8A) thru 47-10 (8Z)) were approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVED	SECOND
Mr. Bostock	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Mrs. Mount	X					X	
Mr. Puliti	X						X
Mayor Powers	X						

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

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Awarding or Rejecting of Bids

There was no award of bids.

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Adoption of Ordinances

There were no ordinances of adoption.

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**Manager's Report –**

There was no Manager's report.

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**Attorney's Report –**

There was no Attorney's report.

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**Clerk's Report –**

There was no Clerk's report.

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**Written Communications –**

There was no written communication.

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**Old Business –**

Mr. Bostock requested the consensus of the Council with respect to the Township Attorney preparing a memo outlining the process if the Township chose to undertake a study to re-examine the form of government under which they are currently operating. After some discussion relative to a charter study, there was no objection to Mr. Nerwinski to preparing a memorandum for the Council.

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**New Business –**

There was no new business.

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

7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Kathleen S. Norcia, Municipal Clerk

Attest:

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Michael S. Powers, Mayor