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

#### November 9, 2010

The following are the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Lawrence Township Council that was held on Tuesday, November 9, 2010, at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was opened with a Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, led by the students from the Lawrence Intermediate School.

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

STATEMENT OF PROPER NOTICE: "Adequate notice of this meeting of the Lawrence Township Council being held on Tuesday, November 9, 2010, was forwarded to The Lawrence Ledger, The Times and The Trentonian on September 8, 2010 in accordance with Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act."

The roll was then called as follows:

Present: Councilmembers Bostock, Kownacki, Mount, Puliti, and 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 requested Freeholder Pat Colavita and the Groeger Family to come to the podium and advised this coming Thursday (November 11<sup>th</sup>) is Veteran's Day and one of the things Lawrence Township does is have an annual celebration, and this year they will be honoring World War II Veterans at the American Legion, Post #414 at 10:00 a.m. He further advised that there is a lot of hard work that goes into the Memorial and Veterans Day festivities, and that the person mainly responsible for paying homage to veterans during those events is Mr. Steve Groeger, who on October 24<sup>th</sup> was inducted into the Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame, where an Awards Dinner took place honoring his induction.

Prior to turning the floor over to Freeholder Colavita, Mayor Powers congratulated Mr. Groeger on his induction and read the following Proclamation into record:

#### Proclamation

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Township Council to recognize individuals who have performed their duties in an exceptional manner above and beyond what their duties require; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lawrence is extremely fortunate to have in its employ an individual who time after time when called upon to develop a new recreational program, plan a celebratory activity for a special occasion or to be involved with the dynamics of on-going annual events, does so without hesitation and always with tremendous success; and

WHEREAS, Steven J. Groeger, Superintendent of Recreation, is devoted to the residents of Lawrence Township from our most senior citizen at the Lawrence Township Senior Center to newborns at Community Day and everyone in between, constantly striving to provide new and better programs for their enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, Steven J. Groeger received statewide recognition from his fellow municipal Recreation Directors in 2008 for his 40 plus year commitment to recreation programming in Lawrence Township; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Groeger is committed to our military veterans and the men and women currently serving our country and is actively involved with programs to honor their service including the Township's annual Memorial Day Parade, Yellow Ribbon services, annual Veterans' Day ceremony with American Legion Post 414, annual Colonel Hand March and numerous special events in conjunction with the N.J. National Guard State Family Readiness Assistance Council at the Eggert Crossing Armory; and

WHEREAS, Steve literally gives his blood to save lives through his regular donation at the Community Blood Council; and

WHEREAS, Steve was recently inducted into the Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame, a fitting tribute to someone who coached soccer teams to numerous titles and NJ State Cup honors and spearheaded the development of the soccer complexes at Central Park and Village Park; and

WHEREAS, through Steve's vision, Lawrence Township has become a leader in providing excellent recreational programs and playing venues throughout Mercer County and the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that heartfelt appreciation be extended to Steven J. Groeger for his dedication to making Lawrence Township a leader among municipalities throughout the State in providing well-rounded recreational programs for the youth and adult residents of our community.

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Freeholder Colavita opened by stating there is only one Steve Groeger and they are blessed to have him here in Lawrence Township and proceeded to discuss Mr. Groeger's tremendous love for sports, children and seniors, as well as, the 150% percent he gives of himself to the community, after which he read the following Certificate of Congratulations into record:

County of Mercer New Jersey Board of Chosen Freeholders

Certificate of Congratulations to Steven J. Groeger Lawrenceville, New Jersey Inducted to Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame

The spirit, the will to win, and the will to excel are the things that endure. These qualities are so much more important than the events that occur. " – Vince Lombardi

This is in recognition of the special occasion of **Steven J. Groeger's** 2010 induction into the Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame. Steve's hard work, drive and dedication to excellence, and team work have made him a success—both on and off the soccer field. This honor is well deserved and long overdue. Congratulations!

Therefore, on behalf of the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders, it is a distinct honor and privilege to extend this certificate to Steven J. Groeger, for his strength of character, commitment to excellence and for his outstanding achievements. Presented this day, Tuesday, November 9, 2010.

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Mr. Groeger thanked everyone for the tremendous amount of support they have shown him over the years and indicated the support of the Administration, Township Council and his family has enabled him to do the things he has done; and, although he has received recognition for his achievements it has truly been a joint venture, as the administration and various departments have played a major role in his success.

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#### Review and Revisions of Agenda

Councilman Puliti requested that Resolution (8-I) – Authorizing a Grant Agreement with New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness for the CARS-E Shopping Mall Grant be added to the Agenda.

On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mrs. Mount, the Agenda was amended to include the above revision.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Bostock, Kownacki, Puliti, Councilwoman Mount

and Mayor Powers.

Nays: None.

#### Public Participation

#### A. Kayla's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Blanket Drive

Mayor Powers asked the Jackson Family to come to the podium and stated when he took over as Mayor back in January he invited Kayla to come before Council and discuss the Blanket Drive she was organizing to help homeless people as she was just getting started and he thought it would help with publicity. Now, he is proud to report that the publicity paid off, as Kayla gathered over 200 hundred blankets last winter that were donated to various shelters, dialysis centers and those in need. And, because Kayla did such a wonderful job in making the event a success she is planning on hosting the event annually and proceeded to discuss the Township's participation in the upcoming blanket drive.

Prior to turning the floor over to Kayla and her family, Mayor Powers announced that Kayla is a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade student at the Lawrence Intermediate School (LIS), after which Kayla distributed fliers regarding "Kayla Cares if You're Cold - 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Blanket Drive" scheduled to take place between November 26<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> and discussed her goal for 2011 to collect 500 hundred blankets that will be donated to various organizations and people in need.

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### B. Lawrence Intermediate School October Safe Walk to School Program Report

Ms. Jane Millner, St. Lawrence Rehabilitation Center, stated that St. Lawrence is affiliated with National Safe Kids Campaign – "Walk This Way Program" which is a campaign designed to bring national and local attention to pedestrian safety issues regarding children, and to prevent unintentional injures to children under the age of 14 since pedestrian safety is the second leading cause of death in children under the age of 14. Therefore, they felt it was really important to educate children on how to walk to and from school safely and around their neighborhoods, as well as, how to identify hazardous conditions while walking and proceeded to discuss elected officials, organizations and schools that are involved in the walking program. She then thanked the Township Council for their support and participation in the program.

Mayor Powers invited Assistant Principal David Adam and the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade students from Lawrence Intermediate School (LIS) to the podium, after which Mr. Adam briefly discussed some of the events associated with the "Safe Walk to School Program" and the power point presentation that the students would be doing for the Council.

In closing, Mr. Adam extended his appreciation and thanks to the Township Council and all involved for their support and participation in the program. He then turned the floor over to the students who provided an in-depth review of their "Walk This Way" event, observations and recommendations with regards to pedestrian safety within the community.

Mayor Powers thanked Assistant Principal Adam and the students for a their feedback and advised when the program was initially started Eggert Crossing Road did not have a pedestrian island and they now have participating groups using the island regularly to walk safely across the heavily traveled intersection.

Mayor Powers further advised on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 566 municipalities will be attending the New Jersey League of Municipalities in Atlantic City and that one of the programs he would be moderating is the "Shaping New Jersey Program" and mentioning the "Safe Walk to School Program" during that session in hopes of encouraging other towns to follow suit, after which he turned the floor over to Freeholder Pat Colavita who spoke about the 7 years he has been involved in the program and how fortunate Lawrence is to have St. Lawrence Rehabilitation in the community, as they are really concerned about the safety of children.

In closing, Freeholder Colavita extended a special thanks to Ms. Jane Millner for putting the programs together and the Lawrence Township Police Department for its participation in the Bicycle Rodeo, Car-seat Check and other important programs related to childhood safety. He also thanked the Mercer County Sheriff's Department and State Police for their participation in various programs, and the students for identifying and reporting things that pedestrians should be careful of during their travels. Some comments followed relative to the presentation.

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

#### Adoption of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mrs. Bostock, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 3, 2010 were approved without corrections.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers, Bostock, Kownacki, Mount, Puliti, and Mayor

Powers.

Nays: None.

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#### Introduction of Ordinances

Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6A'FEES: THE CONSOLIDATED LICENSE, PERMIT AND FEE CHAPTER' OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE – Dog License"

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance amends the fee to be paid for dog licenses. The fee will increase by \$1.00 for both neutered/spayed and \$1.00 for non-neutered/spayed dogs, which will generate approximately \$2500 in revenue, as the Township licenses approximately 2500 hundred dogs annually. A short discussion followed relative to a fee increase for Cat Licenses and the discontinuation of Renewal Notices being mailed out to pet owners.

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

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

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Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6A 'FEES: THE CONSOLIDATED LICENSE, PERMIT AND FEE CHAPTER' OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE – Peddler Permit"

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance amends the fees for a Peddler's Permit from \$50 to \$75 which has not been changed since December 1986, and that the Administration will be bringing forward a list of other fees to be amended, to include when the fees were last changed.

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

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

Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND USE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE TO AMEND THE REGULATIONS OF SIGNS."

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance is a reintroduction of the Lawrence Township Municipal Land Use Ordinance regulating signs and that the reintroduced ordinance reflects language changes to the previously introduced ordinance; particularly, the section dealing with commercial/real estate signs and proceeded to discuss some of the conflicting language and changes made to the ordinance. Some discussion took place relative to the dialogue that took place between the Administration and the Board of Realtors, which was productive – but needs to be further reviewed.

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

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

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#### Resolutions

Councilman Bostock thanked his colleagues for postponing the adoption of Resolution (8-A), Authorizing Cable Television Programming Policies and Procedures for Government Access Channel, due to his absence caused by a family emergency and proceeded to voice his opinion as to why a Committee should be formed to oversee and approve contents being broadcast to the public through the government access channel. He further discussed his feelings with regards to the resolution possibly causing the slanting in the direction of one political party and not representing bipartisanship. So, accordingly, he will be voting "no" on the resolution.

Mayor Powers thanked Councilman Bostock for his comments and advised that he does share his same concerns with respect to bipartisanship; but he feels the proposed resolution, particularly, the Access Policy section is very clear with respect to the concerns he raised and that adequate protection has been put in place to ensure the channel is not used for partisan purposes or in an inappropriate manner. So, for that reason, he will be voting 'yes' on the resolution.

Mrs. Mount stated it is her understanding that the government access channel would be utilized strictly for government business and not for the

purposes of advertising commercials, non-profits or personal business. Further, she appreciates all the hard work that the Committee has put forth with respect to clarifying the programming policies and procedures for the access channel and questioned for future purposes if they needed to deviate from the policies set forth how would they proceed?

Mr. Nerwinski advised once the resolution is passed it reflects the policy and procedures of the present Governing Body and that the programming policies and procedures are not locked in for infinity, so if the policies and procedures are not consistent with the views of a future Governing Body they can change it.

Mr. Puliti reiterated some of the things that were previously discussed with respect to the resolution being a starting point for the government access channel which would include holding a public forum, where dialogue and ideas can be exchanged regarding the programming policies and procedures and contents being broadcast.

A short discussion took place relative to the policy and parameters set forth regarding the utilization and the programming contents on the Government Channel, after which it was the consensus of the majority of Council to move forward with the adoption and make future revisions, if necessary.

Resolution No. 382-10 (8-A) was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

Cited Resolution is spread in its entirety in Resolution Book Volume No. 2 of the Township of Lawrence.

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Resolution Nos. 382-10 (8-A) thru 394-10 (8-I) with the exception of Resolutions 390-10 – 393-10 (Bid Awards) were approved by the following roll call vote:

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

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

#### Awarding or Rejecting of Bids

Mayor Powers asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Powers asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed. On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock the following resolution was presented for adoption:

#### Resolution No. 390-10

WHEREAS, on Thursday, October 7, 2010 bids were received and publicly opened for the project known as HVAC & Roofing Improvements – Lawrence Neighborhood Center & Lawrenceville Fire House; and

WHEREAS, five (5) bids were received, opened and reviewed by the appropriate Township officials; and

WHEREAS, the bid results came in higher than the estimate; therefore, the bids are being rejected;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, hereby recommends that the bids be rejected.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers, Bostock, Kownacki, Puliti, Mount, Mayor Powers

Nays: None.

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Mr. Krawczun provided a detailed review of the bid that was awarded to Central Jersey Waste & Recycling for Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal and the cost-savings associated with the bid award, after which there was a question and answer period relative to curbside/garbage services and the use of clean fuel technology.

Mayor Powers asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Powers asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed. On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock the following resolution was presented for adoption:

Resolution No. 391–10

WHEREAS, on October 29, 2010 bids were received for Bid No. 10-07, Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal; and

WHEREAS, three bids were received and were reviewed by the Municipal Manager and the Director of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder for Option #1, curbside and container garbage collection including bulk waste, per bid specifications, was Central Jersey Waste and Recycling, Inc., 432 Stokes Avenue, Ewing NJ 08638, Inc. who submitted a bid in the amount of \$746,125 for the first one year period; and

WHEREAS, the Township is awarding said bid for the period December 1, 2010 through November 30, 2011 with the option to renew annually for four additional one year periods; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-14, a Certificate of Availability of Funds has been provided and the account to be charged is 0-01-26-305-252 (Garbage and Trash Removal);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the Township is hereby authorized to enter into a one year contract for Option #1, curbside and container garbage collection including bulk waste, per bid specifications, with Central Jersey Waste & Recycling, Inc. with the option to renew annually for four additional one year periods, in accordance with Bid No. 10-07, Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal, for the period December 1, 2010 through November 30, 2011.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers, Bostock, Kownacki, Puliti, Mount, Mayor Powers

Nays: None.

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Mr. Krawczun provided a detailed review of the bid that was awarded to Carnevale Disposal Company, Inc. for Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal (30 yard and 40 yard roll-off containers) and the increase associated with the bid award, after which there was a comment, question and answer period relative to the container service and the fee increase.

Mayor Powers asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Powers asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed. On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock the following resolution was presented for adoption:

#### Resolution No. 392–10

WHEREAS, on October 29, 2010, bids were received for Bid No. 10-07, Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal; and

WHEREAS, three bids were received and were reviewed by the Municipal Manager and the Director of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder for 30 yard and 40 yard roll-off containers (part of Option #4) was Carnevale Disposal Company, Inc., 225 Turnbull Avenue, Hamilton NJ 08610 who submitted a bid in the amount of \$219.50 per container subject to a maximum of \$10,000 for the first one year period; and

WHEREAS, the Township is awarding said bid for the period December 1, 2010 through November 30, 2011 with the option to renew annually for four additional four one year periods; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-14, a Certificate of Availability of Funds has been provided and the account to be charged is 0-01-26-305-252 (Garbage and Trash Removal);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the Township is hereby authorized to enter into a one-year contract for 30 yard and 40 yard roll-off containers (part of Option #4) with Carnevale Disposal Company, Inc. with the option to renew annually for four additional one year periods, in accordance with Bid No. 10-07, Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal, for the period December 1, 2010 through November 30, 2011.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers, Bostock, Kownacki, Puliti, Mount, Mayor Powers

Nays: None.

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Mr. Krawczun provided a detailed review of the bid that was awarded to Waste Management for Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal (recycling container collect, co-mingled cardboard/newspaper and office paper) and the \$10,000 component savings associated with the bid award, after which there was a comment, question and answer period relative to the collection of recyclables at multi-family locations, as well as, various factors associated with the increase in production cost.

Mayor Powers asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Powers asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed. On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mr. Bostock the following resolution was presented for adoption:

#### Resolution No. 393-10

WHEREAS, on October 29, 2010, bids were received for Bid No. 10-07, Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal; and

WHEREAS, three bids were received and were reviewed by the Municipal Manager and the Director of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder for Option #3, recycling container collection, co-mingled, cardboard/newspaper, office paper was Waste Management, 107 Silva Street, Ewing NJ 08628, who submitted a bid in the amount of \$41,920 per year for the first one year period; and

WHEREAS, the Township is awarding said bid for the period December 1, 2010 through November 30, 2011 with the option to renew annually for four additional one year periods; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-14, a Certificate of Availability of Funds has been provided and the account to be charged is 0-01-26-305-252 (Garbage and Trash Removal);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the Township is hereby authorized to enter into a one year contract Option #3, recycling container collection, co-mingled, cardboard/newspaper, office paper with Waste Management with the option to renew annually for four additional one year periods, in accordance with Bid No. 10-07, Refuse Collection and Trash Disposal, for the period December 1, 2010 through November 30, 2011.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers, Bostock, Kownacki, Puliti, Mount, Mayor Powers

Nays: None.

#### Adoption of Ordinances

Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE 2020-09 BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN ORDER TO REVISE THE DESCRIPTION OF THE IMPROVEMENT HEREIN"

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

#### Ordinance No. 2067-10

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE 2020-09 BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN ORDER TO REVISE THE DESCRIPTION OF THE IMPROVEMENT HEREIN

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

#### Section 1:

a. Section 3 (a) of Bond Ordinance 2020-09, finally adopted June 4, 2009, amended by Ordinance 2031-09, finally adopted September 15, 2009 be and are hereby amended to add the following purposes:

Purchase of Various Public Works Equipment Consisting of: "...Top Dresser..."

#### Section 2:

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

#### Section 3:

This amending 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 2067-10 was adopted on the following roll call vote:

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

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Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13 OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ENTITLED 'MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC' – Handicapped Parking"

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

Ordinance No. 2068-10

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13 OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ENTITLED 'MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC'

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 13 of The Lawrence Township Administrative Code entitled 'Motor Vehicles and Traffic' be and is hereby amended as follows:

#### <u>Section 1</u>. Article II – Stopping, Standing and Parking

Sec. 13-4 – Parking prohibited – At any time, except by vehicles bearing special identification for handicapped persons.

#### (5) Special Vehicle Parking (Handicapped)

Restricted parking spaces shall be established as set forth below and only those persons who are handicapped and who possess a special vehicle identification shall park in such designated parking space.

a. 64 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Brunswick Pike and Valley Forge Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet on Valley Forge Avenue on the south side of 1894 Brunswick Pike.

- b. 138 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Brunswick Pike and Pear Street (N/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 766 Pear Street.
- c. 340 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Rt. 206 (Lawrence Road) and Fairfield Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 81 Fairfield Avenue.
- d. 165 feet westbound from the prolongated curb line of Brunswick Avenue and Vermont Street (S/W corner) for a distance of 22' in front of 11 Vermont Street.
- e. 285 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Princeton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 55 Myrtle Avenue.
- f. 180 feet westbound from the prolongated curb line of Hopewell Avenue and Slack Avenue (S/W corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 115 Slack Avenue.
- g. 155 feet southbound from the prolongated curb line of the driveway belonging to West Gate apartments (S/W corner) on Princeton Pike for a distance of 22 feet in front of 2099 Princeton Pike.
- h. 263 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Princeton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet, in front of 57 Myrtle Avenue.
- 358 feet westbound from the prolongated curb line of Brunswick Avenue and Spruce Street (N/W corner) for a distance of 22 feet, in front of 860/862\_Spruce Street.
- j. 570 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Lanning Avenue and Princeton Avenue for a distance of 22 feet in front of 933 Lanning Avenue.
- k. 335 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Slack Avenue and Princeton Pike (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 135 Slack Avenue.
- I. 370 feet westbound from the prolongated curb line of Lawrence Road and Titus Avenue (N/W corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 14 Titus Avenue.

- m. 346 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Brunswick Avenue and Puritan Avenue (N/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 750 Puritan Avenue
- 204 feet westbound from the prolongated curb line of Ohio Avenue and Puritan Avenue (N/W corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 716 Puritan Avenue
- 463 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Princeton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 35 Myrtle Avenue
- p. 324 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Princeton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 51 Myrtle Avenue
- q. 141 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Slack Avenue and Princeton Pike (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet, in front of 143 Slack Avenue
- r. 54 feet eastbound from the prolongated curb line of Puritan Avenue and Brunswick Pike, for a distance of 22 feet
- <u>s.</u> 518 feet westbound from the prolongated curb line of Brunswick Avenue and Lanning Avenue (N/W corner for a distance of 22 feet, in front of 944 Lanning Avenue
- <u>Section 2</u>. This ordinance supercedes all previous ordinances that relate to the\_designation of handicapped parking on streets and roadways within the Township of Lawrence.

#### Section 3. Severability.

If any provisions of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions, which shall be deemed severable therefrom.

#### Section 4. Repealer.

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

#### Section 5. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days following the adoption thereof in accordance with law.

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Deletions are bracketed	Γ	

The Ordinance 2068-10 was adopted on the following roll call vote:

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

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Mayor Powers read by title an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE MAJOR REPAIR OF COLONIAL LAKE DAM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATION \$506,230, INCLUDING GRANT FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE TO OFFSET AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$480,918.50 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THERE OF"

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

Ordinance No. 2069-10

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE MAJOR REPAIR OF COLONIAL LAKE DAM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$506,230, INCLUDING GRANT FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF

#### LAWRENCE TO OFFSET AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$480,918.50 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

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 2 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 2, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$506,230 including any grant funds expected to be received and the sum of \$25,311.50 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

**Section 2.** In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment referred to in Section 1, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$480,918.50 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

- **Section 3.** (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is the major repair of Colonial Lake Dam, including engineering and all work and materials therefore or incidental thereto.
- (b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.
  - (c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is \$506,230.

**Section 4.** All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of

payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

- **Section 5.** 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 and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.
- **Section 6.** The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated: (a) The purposes described in Section 2 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements that may be lawfully undertaken as general improvements, and no part of the costs thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (b) The period of usefulness, and the reasonable life of the project, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 15 years.
- (c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$480,918.50 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Law.
- (d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$75,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated costs indicated herein for the purpose of improvements.
- **Section 7.** The grant referred to in Section 1 and any other grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.
- **Section 8.** The Chief Financial Office of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of

the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, the in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

**Section 9.** The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 10. The Township reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditures towards the cost of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance and paid prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. No funds from sources other than the bonds or notes authorized herein has been or is reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside by the Township, or any member of the same "control group" as the Township, within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-1(f), pursuant to their budget or financial policies with respect to any expenditures to be reimbursed. The Section is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Township's official intent to reimburse any expenditures towards the costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.103-18, and no action (or inaction) will be an artifice or device in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.103-13(j) or 1.148-9(g) to avoid, in whole or in part, arbitrage yield restrictions or arbitrage rebate requirements.

**Section 11.** 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 2069-10 was adopted on the following roll call vote:

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

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#### Manager's Report -

Mr. Krawczun submitted invoice listings for the month of October 2010 in the amount of \$1,571,595.16.

Mr. Krawczun stated that the first item of business is the Twin Pines Airport where they have joint services as a joint owner-operator with Hopewell Township, and Hopewell being designated as the lead agency to put out bids for the construction of athletic fields and recreational facilities on behalf of Lawrence Township.

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Administration would be meeting with Hopewell Officials soon; but nothing has been scheduled yet, although, they have been conversing by telephone. And, at the present time they only have rough numbers regarding the cost, as Hopewell is assembling information that the Township still needs. But, he thought it would be a good idea to get the consensus of the Governing Body as to how they may want to proceed in those discussions prior to the meeting date and proceeded to discuss in detail the Township's financial responsibility (\$1,463,000) with regards to the field and parking improvements, to include drainage under the parking lot and the common elements – such as electric supply, water supply, etc.

Afterwards, an at length comment, question and answer period took place relative to the joint purchase items, shared cost, conduit/drainage work and additional funding needed for the project, after which it was the consensus of the Council for Mr. Krawczun to discuss cost-efficient ways within the context of the bids that would help reduce the Township's share of the expense.

Mr. Krawczun advised that tomorrow he would be meeting with five out of the seven Unions at various times throughout the day to discuss with them the Preliminary Analysis of 2011 Municipal Budget and 2% Tax Levy Cap Implications and how the \$500,000 shortage will be addressed with regards to concessions from the unions and proceeded with an in-depth review of the tax levy, tax levy add-ons, appropriation increases/decreases and added/eliminated revenues, after which an at length comment, question and answer period took relative the municipal budget and state aid, capital place to appropriations/expenditures, taxes and debt service and employee furloughs as it relates to staying within the 2% cap.

Mr. Krawczun reported that the Administration has begun testing through the Police Department an Online Police Reporting System for minor offenses and through the testing they recognize that there are some adjustments that need to be made to the program with regards to how certain items are reported or categorized, and that the system ties directly into Computer Aide Dispatch System (CADS) and is designed to help citizens record or retrieve a police report without the physical presence of a police officer. So, they will be moving forward with the testing and he will keep the Council posted as to the results.

Mr. Krawczun stated that they met with the vendor concerning the Red Light Camera Program and they are shooting for a December test period, as there are still a lot of details to be worked out.

Mr. Krawczun further reported that they recently met with officials from NJ American Water regarding the issue of low water pressure in the Kingsbrook development, stemming from an interconnection opening on Princeton Pike which causes a drop in pressure due to the elevation in that location. So, they will be doing some testing in that area to see what modifications can be made to eliminate future problems. In addition, they will be placing a device as a test on the fire hydrants to test water pressure at the location in the event the water is interconnected, which they will coordinate with the Fire Marshall and Emergency Management personnel. Further, they will be establishing a protocol to inform the Township when the interconnection is going to be opened, as they understand the safety issue.

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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 were no written communications.

#### Old Business -

Mrs. Mount advised that Lawrence Township has been recertified as a sustainable community through the Sustainable Jersey Program and the Township would be receiving a plaque at the New Jersey League of Municipalities Conference in Atlantic City on Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, and indicated they were granted their certification last year with 100 points and this year they recertified with 200 points, so they had a lot of activity taking place with the Green Team and others, to include Jim Parvesse, Township Engineer, who communicated all the written materials that had to be verified on the application.

#### New Business -

Mayor Powers briefly discussed the proposed resolution put forth by Councilman Bostock calling for legislative support that would remove the current property tax exemption for housing provided by not-for-profit educational institutions to members of their administration, faculty or staff, which will be up for consideration at the New Jersey League of Municipalities Conference. Some discussion followed relative to the possibility of Councilwoman Mount having a conflict of interest and whether she should abstain from the vote.

Mayor Powers advised that the League of Women Voters had a meeting regarding the matter of extending the office for the Mayor for a two year term under the present form of government and he would like Council's thoughts on the matter, after which a brief discussion took place relative to the requirement for an annual Reorganization Meeting, and Mr. Nerwinski providing the Council an opinion on the matter.

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

8:53 P.M.	
	Respectfully submitted by,
	Kathleen S. Norcia, Municipal Clerk
Attest:	
Michael S. Powers, Mayor	