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

August 19, 2014

The following are the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Lawrence Township Council that was held on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was opened with the Inspiration and Pledge of Allegiance, led by the Deputy Municipal Clerk.

At the commencement of the meeting Councilman Kownacki (Acting Mayor) 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, August 19, 2014, 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: Councilmembers Brame, Kownacki Maffei and Powers.

Absent: Mayor Lewis

Also, in attendance were Richard Krawczun, Municipal Manager and David Roskos, Municipal Attorney, Police Chief Mark Ubry, Lieutenant Brian Caloiaro, Friends, Family and fellow Lawrence Township Police Officers.

Special Proclamations, Recognitions and Presentations

Police Chief Ubry provided a detailed background history for Brian Caloiaro – Promotion to Police Lieutenant. Councilman Kownacki then administered the Oaths of Office and congratulated Lieutenant Caloiaro on his promotion and indicated he served in the Marines with his father and it is a real honor to swear in his son today. Thereafter, Lieutenant Caloiaro made some brief remarks and thanked his friends, family and everyone for coming out.

Public Participation (5-minute limitation per speaker)

Mr. Joseph Mislan, 4 Sunset Road, resident of Lawrence Township for 44 years spoke about the Revaluation, Listings of Real Property Values and the Tax Appeal process with Mercer County Board of Taxation and his lack of understanding as to why the Appeal has to be filed with the County and not the Township, as he feels Tax Appeals should be filed at the local level and they are just giving people the runaround.

Mr. Mislan further spoke about Senator Sweeney's S-1 Bill, reducing government cost through shared services, as it relates to the intent of the Bill and the Council as the leaders of the Township supporting and putting into practice the S-1 Bill even if it is not passed. He also discussed the Executive Session Meetings being closed to the public and asked if there is a law that governs Closed Session Meetings because he would like them "open" to the public so he can know what is going on.

Mr. James Magee, 18 Brunswick Place, Point Pleasant Beach, NJ, owner of Hamilton Auto Body, voiced his concern and objection to the passage of the new Towing Ordinance. He advised that he has been a light-duty tower for the Lawrence Township Police Department for the past 25 years and a light-duty tower for over 30 years, and he has always performed the towing duties with the equipment he currently has and that the new requirements of having a 21-foot flatbed will greatly affect him as a small business man as it will force him from the position of a light duty tower to a medium to heavy duty towers based on the weight classifications. So, he would like the Council to reconsider the passage of the new Towing Ordinance or consider grandfathering in the existing businesses.

Mr. Krawczun explained that the new Towing Ordinance brings Lawrence in compliance with the new State law known as the Predatory Towing Prevention Act and proceeded to highlight some of the changes in the ordinance. A general discussion ensued relative to some of the new requirements and how they will affect the current licensees.

Mr. Al Mattera, 1033 Potts Mill Road, Bordentown, NJ, owner of Al's Service Center formerly known as Al's Mobile Service, voiced his concern and objection to the new Towing Ordinance as well and advised that he has been towing for Lawrence Township Police Department since 1981 and his situation is similar to Mr. Magee's as he is a light duty tower with light duty vehicles, (2) two 19-foot flat beds and (2) two wreckers and in the 30 years he has been towing for Lawrence he has never left a car behind and the only time he has ever had a problem is with a limousine; but even a 21-foot bed could not handle that being a 25 or 27-foot flatbed is needed, which are far few and in between and proceeded to discuss his trucks being older but in decent condition and in order to comply with the new towing rules and regulations he would have to purchase a new 25,000lb truck as the older trucks are 12,000 to 13,000lbs.

Mr. Mattera stated if the new Towing Ordinance is adopted it will definitely pose a hardship and put him out of towing, as he would need time to purchase new equipment and hire more people to work at night to comply with the hours and then inquired when the new Ordinance takes effect; and, if he is unable to comply with the new rules and regulations will he be able to tow until December 31.

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance takes effect 20 days after adoption but the new process will actually be in place January 1, 2015, because through the months of September and October is when the renewal process takes place. And, "yes" he will be able to tow under his current authorization until the 31st.

Review and Revisions of Agenda

There was no review or revisions to the agenda.

Adoption of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Brame, the Minutes of Closed Session Meeting of July 15, 2014 were approved without correction.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brame, Kownacki, Maffei and Powers.

Nav: None.

Absent: Mayor Lewis.

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On a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Brame, the Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 3, 2013 were approved without correction.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brame, Kownacki, Maffei and Powers.

Nay: None.

Absent: Mayor Lewis.

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On a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Brame, the Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 17, 2013 were approved without correction.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brame, Kownacki and Powers.

Nay: None.

Absent: Mayor Lewis.

Abstain: Councilman Maffei.

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On a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Brame, the Minutes of Closed Session Meeting of January 1, 2014 was approved without correction.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brame, Kownacki and Powers.

Nay: None.

Absent: Mayor Lewis.

Abstain: Councilman Maffei.

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# Awarding or Rejecting of Bids

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

#### Resolution No. 231-14

WHEREAS, a bid was awarded to Golden Crown Contractors, Inc. for services for a project known as the Lawrenceville Fire Company Building Interior Restoration in the amount of \$17,799.00, as outlined in Resolution No. 203-14 and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to amend this contract for an additional \$2,509.70, resulting in a new contract amount of \$20,308.79, said increase allowed by statute without re-bid; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 1 reflects additional expenditures per the attached estimate dated July 2, 2014; 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 for the additional increase is 4-22-56-859-255:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an amended agreement with Golden Crown Contractors, Inc., 4099 South Broad Street, Yardville NJ 08620, represented by Christine Luizzia McGuire, President, for a revised amount not to exceed \$20,308.79, subject to appropriation in the 2014 budget and availability of funds.
- 2. Notice of this resolution shall be published in The Trentonian as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage as required by law.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brame, Kownacki, Maffei and Powers.

Nays: None.

Absent: Mayor Lewis.

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

Resolution No. 242-14

WHEREAS, on Thursday, July 31, 2014 bids were received and publicly opened for the project known as Miscellaneous Concrete & Drainage Improvements; and

WHEREAS, only one (1) bid was received, opened and reviewed by the appropriate Township Officials; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was T. Fiotakis Construction, LLC who submitted a bid in the amount of \$150,980.00, and

WHEREAS, the bid amount substantially exceeds the engineer's cost estimate and the budgeted amount for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Engineer has recommended that this bid be rejected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the bid received for the Miscellaneous Concrete & Drainage Improvements is hereby rejected pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2a, b and d, due to the fact that the bid substantially exceeds the engineer's cost estimate and the budget amount for the project.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brame, Kownacki, Maffei and Powers.

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Lewis.

Introduction of Ordinances

Councilman Kownacki read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2191-14 AN ORDINANCE TO MANDATE DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE PURSUANT TO C.52:1415F, et. seq."

Mr. Krawczun stated that the Ordinance amends a recently adopted ordinance, 2191-14, which mandates direct deposit of employee payroll checks. The original ordinance limited the mandate to only full-time employees and this ordinance will mandate all employees have direct deposit with the exception of seasonal/temporary employees.

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

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Brame	X						
Mr. Kownacki	Χ						Х
Dr. Maffei	X						
Mr. Powers	Χ					Х	
Mayor Lewis				Х			

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Councilman Kownacki read by title an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE 2021-09 BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSY, IN ORDER TO REVISE THE DESCRIPTION OF THE IMPROVEMENT HEREIN"

Mr. Krawczun stated that the Ordinance authorizes an amendment to a previously adopted bond ordinance, 2021-09, in order to expand the authorized purposes of the ordinance. The additional purpose is for drainage improvements at miscellaneous locations.

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

| COUNCIL      | AYE | NAY | PRESENT | ABSENT | ABSTAIN | MOVE | SECOND |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|---------|------|--------|
| Mr. Brame    | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Mr. Kownacki | Х   |     |         |        |         |      | Х      |
| Dr. Maffei   | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Mr. Powers   | Х   |     |         |        |         | Х    |        |
| Mayor Lewis  |     |     |         | Х      |         |      |        |

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Councilman Kownacki read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2139-12 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6A, "FEES: THE CONSOLIDATED LICENSE, PERMIT AND FEE CHAPTER" OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE CODE – Recreation Fees"

Mr. Krawczun stated that the Ordinance amends the Lawrence Township Administrative Code that establishes fees for competitive swim team participants that want an additional day per week of swimming; currently the participant fee provides for two days a week of swimming.

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

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Brame	X						
Mr. Kownacki	Х						
Dr. Maffei	Х						Х
Mr. Powers	Х					Х	
Mayor Lewis				Х			

Adoption of Ordinances

Mayor Lewis read by title an ordinance entitled, "ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE SALE OF CERTAIN LANDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE – Orchard Avenue"

Ordinance No. 2192-14

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE SALE OF CERTAIN LANDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE

WHEREAS, certain land as described hereafter more particularly as owned by the Township of Lawrence but not needed for public use, and said municipality desires to sell said land by private sale in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12-12(b) and 40A:12-13.2; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence hereby determines that the said sale is in each instance a parcel both less than the minimum size required for development under the Land Use Ordinance, and without any capital improvements thereon, and must therefore be offered for purchase to the owner or owners of real property contiguous thereto on the basis of first refusal pursuant to N.J.S.A. 12-13.2;

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

(1) The Township Clerk is authorized, subject to the terms and conditions hereafter set forth, to offer for private sale pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b) all of the Township's right, title and interest in and to the certain land at the assessed value, hereby determined to be the fair market value thereof, to the owner or owners of real property contiguous thereto, as follows:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Location</u>
2319	42	Orchard Avenue

- (2) This Ordinance shall be published twice in a newspaper approved for legal publications, once not less than seven (7) days prior to the public hearing thereof in accordance with law applicable to the adoption of ordinances generally, and a second time within five (5) days after adoption hereof, at which time it shall also be posted on the bulletin board in Town Hall of the Township of Lawrence and remain so posted for at least twenty (20) days thereafter. Sworn proof of such publication shall be filed by the Township Clerk with the Director of the State Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs.
- (3) Offers by such contiguous owner(s) to purchase the said contiguous parcel may be made in writing addressed to the Township Manager, Township of Lawrence, 2207 Lawrence Road, Lawrenceville NJ 08648, for a period of twenty (20) days following the second advertisement hereof. The Township reserves the right to reject all bids in each instance where the highest bid is not accepted, and to re-advertise the parcel concerned for public sale following reconsideration within thirty (30) days of the date of adoption of this ordinance.
- (4) In the event that more than one bid is received for the parcel from multiple contiguous owners thereof, only the highest such bid will be considered for acceptance or rejection.
- (5) The conveyance of any such parcel to any successful bidder shall be for the total parcel without the subdivision of or sale of a portion thereof, shall be by standard municipal Bargain and Sale Deed without covenants of the Grantor, subject to any

statement or facts which an accurate survey would show, subject to all covenants, conditions, easements, liens and restrictions of record, as well as applicable ordinances of the Township of Lawrence shall be without obligation of the Township of Lawrence to provide access, public private, or any improvements thereon or thereto, with all sales being "as is" without any representation whatever as to character, quality or condition or otherwise, bidder being deemed to have inspected the premises bid upon and waived any objections to the conditions thereon.

- (6) The parcel to the conveyed shall be deemed to merge and become one parcel for all purposes, including taxation and land use control, with the adjacent parcel owned by the successful bidder. In the event the successful bidder is the owner or more than one adjacent lot, the successful bidder shall be entitled to designate which of the adjacent parcels shall be consolidated with the subject property. The deed of conveyance shall contain a restriction governing the subject property that neither it nor the property with which it is consolidated shall thereafter be subdivided or, without subdivision, utilized for the construction of an additional dwelling or other structure other than an accessory building (e.g. a storage shed), if otherwise permissible. The property offered hereunder shall not be utilized by the successful bidder to support an application for relief from prevailing land use restrictions (e.g. single-family residential vs. multifamily residential), other than bulk restrictions (e.g. set back requirements for structures otherwise permitted) which, by reason of the size of the previously owned property, would not reasonably qualify for consideration by the Planning Board or Zoning Board for a variance absent the additional property purchased hereunder.
- (7) The acceptance of any bid by the Township shall be subject to receipt within ten (10) days of such acceptance of a certified deposit check of the bidder (or cashier's check) in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the accepted bid price, which shall be non-refundable, the balance to be paid not later than ninety (90) days from the date of bid, again by certified or cashier's check, at which time title shall be conveyed to bidder by the Township and the Deed delivered therefore by the Township. Concurrently, with payment of the ten percent (10%) deposit, bidder shall execute an agreement to accept the terms and conditions of sale set forth herein on a form to be prescribed by the Township. The Township and successful bidder may mutually agree to extend said dates.
- (8) In the event the bidder should for any reason not pay the balance due as above provided, the Township reserves the right to cancel the sale and retain the ten percent (10%) deposit as liquidated damages for non-performance. The sale is subject to the buyer's review of existing title and the ability to accept or reject same in its sole discretion. In the event title is not insurable by the bidder at prevailing rates by a reputable title insurance company, bidder's sole remedy shall be to give written notice of cancellation of the bid to the Township within ninety (90) days of the date of bid. The Township shall refund the deposit, and there shall be no further obligation by either party to the other respecting said bid or any obligations created by the giving or acceptance of said bid.

- (9) In addition to the bid amount, made in accordance with the process outlined above, the Bidder must pay the Township \$500.00 for legal fees and other costs necessary for the property transfer, said cost to be paid prior to title conveyance.
- (10) All ordinance or provisions thereof conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.
- (11) If any section or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such determination shall not affect the remaining provisions hereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.
- (12) This ordinance shall take effect after adoption and final publication in accordance with law.

Parcel #1

ADDRESS	BLOCK	LOT(S)	ASSESSMENT	LOT SIZE
Orchard Avenue	2319	42	\$1,500	2,100 sf

Ordinance 2192-14 was approved on the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Brame	Х						
Mr. Kownacki	Х						
Dr. Maffei	Х						Х
Mr. Powers	Х					Х	
Mayor Lewis				Х			

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Councilman Kownacki read by title an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF TOWING AND STORAGE SERVICES"

# AFTER SOME DISCUSSION THE ORDINANCE WAS TABLED FOR FURTHER REVIEW

(Township Attorney will bring forth recommendation at September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting)

Ordinance 2193-14 was tabled on the following roll call vote:

| COUNCIL      | AYE | NAY | PRESENT | ABSENT | ABSTAIN | MOVE | SECOND |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|---------|------|--------|
| Mr. Brame    | Х   |     |         |        |         |      | Х      |
| Mr. Kownacki | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Dr. Maffei   | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Mr. Powers   | Х   |     |         |        |         | X    |        |
| Mayor Lewis  |     |     |         | X      |         |      |        |

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Councilman Kownacki read by title an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09 BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN ORDER TO REVISE THE DESCRIPTION OF THE IMPROVEMENT HEREIN"

Ordinance No. 2194 -14

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09 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.

Section 3 of Bond Ordinance No. 2021-09, finally adopted June 4, 2009, is hereby amended to add the following purposes:

Road Improvements to include: "Storm Drainage pipe Between Princeton Pike and Route 206"

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.

Ordinance 2194-14 was approved on the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Brame	Х						X
Mr. Kownacki	Х						
Dr. Maffei	Х						
Mr. Powers	Х					X	
Mayor Lewis				X			

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Mayor Lewis read by title an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2128-12 BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN ORDER TO REVISE THE DESCRIPTION OF THE IMPROVEMENT HEREIN"

#### Ordinance No. 2195 -14

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2128-12 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.

Section 3 of Bond Ordinance No. 2128-12, finally adopted July 17, 2012, is hereby amended to add the following purposes:

Road Improvements to include: "Darrah Lane"

### 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.

Ordinance 2195-14 was approved on the following roll call vote:

| COUNCIL      | AYE | NAY | PRESENT | ABSENT | ABSTAIN | MOVE | SECOND |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|---------|------|--------|
| Mr. Brame    | Х   |     |         |        |         |      | Х      |
| Mr. Kownacki | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Dr. Maffei   | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Mr. Powers   | Х   |     |         |        |         | Х    |        |
| Mayor Lewis  |     |     |         | X      |         |      |        |

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# Manager's Report -

Mr. Krawczun submitted invoice listings for the month of July 2014 in the amount of \$941.514.81.

Mr. Krawczun stated that a memo was included in the Council's agenda packets regarding a proposed amendment to the Sign Ordinance for the Lawrence Township Municipal Land Use Ordinance and that the amendment will provide for Changeable Copy Signs and Electronic Billboards on I-295, Mixed Use Zone, as the current Ordinance does not allow for signs with a changeable copy. And, because they recognize that there are evolutions to the industry, as the State Department of Transportation now permits those types of signs to be posted along the State highways, they have had some discussions with the sign companies as well as the Township Attorney and Township Planners about the language. He then proceeded to highlight some of the proposed changes to the ordinance and stated if there are no objections from Council he will bring forth the Ordinance at the September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting for their consideration. There were no objections to Mr. Krawczun's proposal.

Mr. Krawczun advised that he will be bringing forth a matter for Council's consideration in the near future regarding a change in the Township's Ordinance for off-duty traffic work for police officers and that the last amendment was in 2004, 10 years ago, and that the request was brought forward by the Police Union and they are assembling information on the rates charged by other towns in Mercer County. The current Ordinance requires if someone wants an officer to work off-duty for traffic control and no officer signs up then it defaults to overtime; so, what is occurring is the Officers are not signing up for the work, they are signing up for the overtime...just so happens the rates they are seeing from the other towns is within a dollar or two of what they recommend. But, because the overtime rate is the same rate that is paid, but for off-duty officers filters over to the overtime rate, it creates a lot of administrative work having to do reimbursements through the overtime account when they receive the payments from the contractors for the traffic control work. So, when he brings forth the Ordinance the Council will see that this is problematic more from an accounting standpoint versus the Officers being paid the same amount of money through the Trust Account.

Mr. Krawczun noted that there were (6) six individuals in the audience during the swearing in of Lieutenant Caloiaro who are new recruits for the Lawrence Township Police Department and the Administration is proceeding with the process of hiring new officers with an anticipated start date in the second week of September provided everything goes according to plan. And, indicated at the end of September they will have 9 out of the 10 in the academy, one who received partial academy training and only needs specific classes and one other officer who is working in another jurisdiction. So, they will have 10 more officers to begin work.

Mr. Krawczun stated that they received a report that was filed with the IRS for tax reporting purposes regarding the Pit Stop and what he found interesting is that NJDEP hired a company to prepare the report that shows over \$7.1M was expended on the clean-up of the Pit Stop site. So, he thinks that is important when they hear inquiries about that site that there is a lot of work that has taken place at that site and not inexpensive work.

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### Attorney's Report -

Mr. Roskos stated that the Simone litigation continues to be active, primarily, with the other parties filing additional claims against one another; but, he will move for Motion of Summary Judgement with Judge Hurd in the next several weeks as Lawrence Township needs to proceed to extricate themselves from the case. So, he will be moving for dismissal in that matter. Further, they have a certain number of outstanding Tax Appeals that he will continue to work on.

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# Clerk's Report -

There was no Clerk's report.

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#### Old Business -

There was no old business

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#### New Business -

There was no new business.

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### Public Participation (3-minute limitation per speaker) –

There was no public participation.

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#### Resolutions

Mr. Krawczun noted the two Shared Services Agreements listed on the Agenda, Resolution (18-P), Agreement with the County of Mercer for Public Health Preparedness, and Resolution (18-S), Agreement with Ewing Township for Drainage Repairs on Eggert Crossing Road.

Resolution Nos. 232-14 (18-A) thru 252-14 (18-U) with the exception of Resolution (18-K) were approved by the following roll call vote:

| COUNCIL      | AYE | NAY | PRESENT | ABSENT | ABSTAIN | MOVE | SECOND |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|---------|------|--------|
| Mr. Brame    | Х   |     |         |        |         | X    |        |
| Mr. Kownacki | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Dr. Maffei   | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Mr. Powers   | Х   |     |         |        |         |      | Х      |
| Mayor Lewis  |     |     |         | X      |         |      |        |

Cited Resolutions are spread in their entirety in the Resolution Books of the Township of Lawrence.

Resolution No. 243-14 (17-K) was approved by the following roll call vote:

| COUNCIL      | AYE | NAY | PRESENT | ABSENT | ABSTAIN | MOVE | SECOND |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|---------|------|--------|
| Mr. Brame    | Х   |     |         |        |         | Х    |        |
| Mr. Kownacki | Х   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Dr. Maffei   | Х   |     |         |        |         |      | Х      |
| Mr. Powers   |     |     |         |        | Х       |      |        |
| Mayor Lewis  |     |     |         | Х      |         |      |        |

Cited Resolution is spread in its entirety in the Resolution Books of the Township of Lawrence.

# Council Initiatives/Liaison Reports -

• There were no Liaison Reports.

#### Written Communications -

There was no written communication.

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| There being no further business to con | ne before this Council, the meeting adjourned. |
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| 7:40 p.m.                              |                                                |
|                                        | Respectfully submitted by,                     |
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|                                        | Tonya D. Carter, Deputy Municipal Clerk        |
| Attest:                                |                                                |
| Cathleen M. Lewis, Mayor               |                                                |