



LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
Council Meeting Room – Lower Level
Tuesday, March 16, 2021
6:30 p.m.

Uberconference.com/townshipcouncil
(Recommended through Google Chrome)
609.445.2558 (no pin number required)

In Person Attendance (limited number admitted with COVID Restrictions)

1. Mayor's Welcome

STATEMENT OF PROPER NOTICE: "Adequate notice of this meeting of the Lawrence Township Council being held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, 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." Said Notice was forwarded to The Trentonian, The Times and The Ledger on December 18, 2020.

2. Inspiration

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

5. Special Proclamations, Recognitions and Presentations

A. 2021 Department Head Budget Presentation

Carol Chamberlain, Health Officer

B. Proclamation Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Ratification of the 26th Amendment to the Constitution

6. Public Participation (5-minute limitation per speaker)**

7. Review and Revision of the Agenda

8. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

- A. Closed Session – February 9, 2021
- B. Closed Session – February 16, 2021
- C. Regular Meeting – February 9, 2021

9. Awarding and/or Rejecting of Bids*

- A. #120 Authorizing the Awarding of Bid #21-02 for Lawn Services

10. Introduction of Ordinances**

- A. Ordinance No. 2385-21 – AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE, RELEASE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL DEDICATION OF PUBLIC RIGHTS IN OR TO A CERTAIN PORTION OF RIGHT OF WAY IN FRONT OF 20 TEXAS AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE SAME IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
- B. Ordinance No. 2386-21 – ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BACK FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER

11. Adoption of Ordinances*

12. Manager's Report

- A. #115 Authorizing the Open Space Tax Rate for 2021
- B. #116 Authorizing the Introduction of the Municipal Budget for 2021

13. Attorney's Report

14. Clerk's Report

15. Unfinished Business

16. New Business

17. Public Participation (3-minute limitation per speaker) **

18. Resolutions

A. Bond Acceptance

- 1) #110 Safety & Stability Guarantee Bonding for Amazon, SP-09/20

B. Bond Release

- 1) #111 Authorizing the Release of Performance Bond for the 2020 Road Improvement Program - Phase 1 (Maintenance Bond Received)

C. Escrow Release

D. Refunds

E. Special Items of Revenue

F. Professional Services Agreements

- 1) #112 Authorizing a Conflict Planning Consultant for the Zoning Board
- 2) #121 Authorizing an Attorney for Civil Action Involving ELSA, the Township of Lawrence and the Township of Hopewell
- 3) #122 Authorizing Amending the Agreement for Veterans' Park Drainage

G. Grants

H. Miscellaneous

- 1) #113 Authorizing Amending the Contract for the Rehabilitation of 1126 Colts Circle
- 2) #114 Authorizing a Lien on Properties for the Abatement of Ordinance Violations
- 3) #117 Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Approval for Revenue and Refunding Bonds for Rider University
- 4) #118 Authorizing a Closed Session of Council Immediately Following the Regular Meeting to Discuss Items Dealing with Contractual Matters and Mt. Laurel Matters
- 5) #119 Authorizing an Amendment to the 2021 Temporary Budget
- 6) #123 Authorizing the Planning Board to Conduct a Preliminary Investigation as to Whether 40 Enterprise Avenue Should be Designated as a Non-Condemnation Area in Need of Redevelopment

19. Council Initiatives & Liaison Reports

20. *Written Communications*

21. *Executive Session (if authorized)*

22. *Adjournment*

Next Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

*with public participation

**no public participation can be made regarding Ordinance Introduction