

TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Council

FROM: Richard S. Krawczun, Municipal Manager

DATE: May 16, 2014

UPCOMING MEETING

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Presentation of Proclamations and recognition of 2014 Civilian and Police Officer Awards

Awarding and/or Rejecting of Bids

There is one contract change order and one bid award.

Resolution 8-A authorizes various clarifications/changes to the bid award to Seagrave Fire Apparatus, LLC for the purchase of a rear-mount aerial ladder. The contract for the award was authorized in December 2013. The change orders reflect final design selections. The apparatus will be assigned to Slackwood Fire Company.

Resolution 8-B authorizes a bid award to Richard T. Barrett Paving Company, Incorporated of Trenton for the paving of roads and roadway repairs caused by winter storm damage. The amount of the contract award is \$492,163.60. Funding is available from the 2013 capital improvement authorizations and previously amended capital ordinances to fund the storm damage repairs. The roads to be repaved are; Federal City, Lawn Park, Princeton Avenue from Route 206 to Fairfield, Harding Avenue and Joffre.

Introduction of Ordinances

There is one ordinance for introduction.

Ordinance 9-A authorizes the design and installation of a vehicle exhaust ventilation system at the Lawrence Township Emergency Medical Services Building. The estimated cost of the improvement is \$33,000. The project will be fully funded from the Capital Fund Balance in the General Capital Fund.

Adoption of Ordinances

There are four ordinances for adoption.

Ordinance 10-A authorizes the sale of Block 2319, Lot 42 to contiguous property owners through a process of a public bid. The parcel had been previously offered for sale and no bids were received. A contiguous owner has again requested the property be offered through public bid and it is recommended that the sale be scheduled once again. The parcel, if purchased by a contiguous property owner, is prohibited from being built upon and/or subdivided. The property will be offered for sale at a starting bid price of \$1,500.

Ordinance 10-B repeals prior ordinances regulating hours of operation for township businesses and replaces the regulations with new language. Businesses and commercial establishments in the neighborhood business, limited business, general commercial and highway development zones would be prohibited from operating before 5 A.M and after midnight Mondays through Thursdays, or after 1 A.M. Fridays through Sundays and legal holidays.

There are exceptions to businesses subject to these restrictions, such as; bars, barber shops, gas stations excluding vehicle repairs and body work, hotels/motels and businesses that have been operating during the prohibited hours if done so continuously and legally since April 8, 1992. The exclusions do not apply to new establishments within five hundred (500) feet of a residential zone or residential property.

Ordinance 10-C is a capital ordinance authorizing various capital improvements with an aggregate cost of \$1,423,850 and permits the issuance of \$1,144,550 of bonds or notes. The ordinance includes \$279,300 in funds that provide for a cash payment toward the authorized improvements, this is in excess of the statutory requirement of a minimum down payment of five-percent (5%) of the amount of bonds or notes authorized. Providing a funded amount toward the improvements in excess of the minimum required reduces the amount of debt to be issued and hedges against potential future interest rate increases.

Ordinance 10-D provides authorization for various road improvements with an aggregate cost of \$946,150 including the amount of \$220,000 from a New Jersey Transportation grant and the issuance of \$689,842 of bonds or notes.

Resolutions

The agenda includes routine administrative authorizations as well as resolutions providing for refunds, bond releases and acceptances.

Resolution 17-C supports the application of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company for approval of a connection to the sanitary sewer line for their property location at the intersection of Princeton Pike and Lewisville Road.

Resolution 17-E is a "Chapter 159" resolution authorizing the anticipation of revenue in the amount of \$4,000 and anticipating the same for insertion of the 2014 municipal budget for Police Salaries and Wages. The purpose of the grant is the 2014 Click It or Ticket Seat Belt Mobilization program.

Resolution 17-G authorizes a professional service contract award to Clarke Caton Hintz for

architectural design, construction documentation and construction administration in the amount of \$37,500. The contract includes; roof replacement at Slackwood Fire House, capping of all existing coping stones on the Municipal Building and metal roof repairs on the Lawrence Township Police building. Funding is available from capital improvement ordinances.

Resolution 17-J opposes the proposed Petition of Aqua New Jersey, Incorporated to the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities requesting approval of rate increases for water and fire hydrant supply services.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions about the agenda.