

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

September 21, 2010

The following are the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Lawrence Township Council that was held on Tuesday, September 21, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.

Prior to the opening of the meeting, Mayor Powers asked everyone to standup for a moment in celebration of the Yellow Ribbon ceremony they just had to welcome back Sergeant David Snedeker from a nine month tour in Iraq. He also advised that a member of the Lawrence Township family, former Township Engineer, Christopher Budzinski, passed away at the young age of 50 and asked for moment of silence in commemoration of life.

The meeting was then opened with a Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, led by the Deputy 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, September 21, 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: 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.

Proclamations and Honors

Prior to the meeting, Mayor Powers presented the following Commendation on behalf of the Township Council to Sergeant David Snedeker in honor of his service to the Country.

Commendation

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, recognizes outstanding contributions and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, there are individuals who demonstrate a commitment to the betterment of mankind throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, this dedication to service can be provided in numerous ways, one of which is to serve in a segment of the armed forces of the United States; and

WHEREAS, such is the case of David Snedeker who has devoted himself to his chosen life endeavor as a career officer with the New Jersey National Guard; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Snedeker proudly served an assignment to Iraq for a period of 9 months and has recently returned home to Lawrence;

WHEREAS, a yellow ribbon was placed on a Memorial Tree on the front lawn of the Lawrence Township Municipal Building commemorating his deployment to Iraq as well as other Lawrence Township citizens serving our Country in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, upon the return of our soldiers the Lawrence Township Council wishes to honor them for their service with a ceremony involving the formal removing and presentation of the yellow ribbon that bears their name – which we now present to Sergeant David Snedeker.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, hereby pays its sincerest tribute to Sergeant Snedeker and extends deep appreciation to him for his service to the United States thus ensuring that our Country remains a nation where all who live here are able to enjoy the freedoms established by the Constitution of the United States of America.

Mayor Powers presented the following Proclamation declaring “October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month” to Ms. Ruth Hawthorne from Radiology Affiliates Imaging for her affiliation in bringing awareness to breast cancer and empowering women to practice the 3 steps to early breast cancer detection. He then turned the floor over to Ms. Hawthorn for further comments.

Ms. Hawthorne stated that she is lifelong resident of Lawrence Township and an employee of RAI of Hamilton and Lawrence for 8 years, and that she strongly convinced five radiologists to invest in Lawrence Township by bringing their state of the art equipment, knowledge and expertise in all areas of healthcare screenings and cancer treatments and proceeded to discuss the

organization's long-term initiatives with regards to "painting the town pink", that includes their full line of services and commitment to spreading the word about breast cancer awareness through early detection. She further advised that the event will kick off in October starting with Community Day, where they will be distributing information and answering questions on site.

Mayor Power's advised that he will also be doing his part to further promote mammogram awareness, as this month "Ask the Mayor" meeting will be held at Radiology Affiliates Imaging on October 23rd at 10:00 a.m.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, one out of eight women in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer in her lifetime. A majority of women diagnosed with breast cancer have no known risk factors outside of their gender and getting older. All women are at risk. In 2010, an estimated over 192,000 new cases of breast cancer are expected to occur among women – that is one woman every three minutes. Every three minutes, someplace, somewhere, a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer in the U.S. In 2010, an estimated nearly 2,000 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, in New Jersey, approximately 6,500 women are expected to be diagnosed in 2010. Studies show that if women followed breast health screening guidelines and women in need of a mammogram had one, the mortality rate would decrease by at least 30 percent, the screening guidelines are:

- ⚡ Do breast self-exam regularly, starting by age 20 and should be performed at the same time each month.
- ⚡ Clinical breast examination by physician or trained health professional, over age 20 every three years and annually after age 40.
- ⚡ Age 40+ annually or recommended by your physician

WHEREAS, the 17th Annual Central and South Jersey Race for the Cure continues to recommend regular mammography screening for women in their 40's and encourages women to speak promptly with their doctor about any concerns, how often to have regular screenings, their family history and other risk factors for breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence Township is proud and honored to join with The 17th Annual Central and South Jersey Race for the Cure as an advocate for breast health and to fight breast cancer. The 17th Annual Central and South Jersey Race for the Cure is a grassroots network of volunteers dedicated to eradicate breast cancer. Three-fourths of the funds raised stay in New Jersey to fund grants that provide medically underserved women with breast health education, mammography screening and early detection; the remaining one-fourth of funds are directed to the Komen Scientific Research Grants Program for 'cutting-edge' medical and scientific research.

WHEREAS, the statewide 17th Annual Central and South Jersey Race for the Cure will be held Sunday, October 3, 2010 at Six Flags Great Adventure, Exit 16 of Interstate 195 in Jackson, New Jersey.

WHEREAS, to benefit the health of the Lawrence Township community, this Proclamation is strongly made to increase Public Awareness and understanding of breast cancer, breast health and importance of early detection. When the public understands and learns about breast cancer awareness, women's overall health dramatically improves, early detection increases, and chances for full recovery are higher. Detecting breast cancer at the earliest, most treatable stages gives women more treatment choices and significantly results in more women able to fight the battle and survive!

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael Powers, Mayor of Lawrence Township, on behalf of the Lawrence Township Council, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2010 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and encourage all women in our community to become 'aware', to make early detection a regular part of your lives, and to discuss a screening program with your physician or health care provider. I also strongly encourage you to participate in the 17th Annual Central and South Jersey Race for the Cure on October 3rd.

Review and Revisions of Agenda

There were no revisions to the agenda.

Public Participation

A. HomeFront to Present an Update to Council on the Community Center (LNSC)

Ms. Connie Mercer, Executive Director of HomeFront, spoke briefly about the homeless families that used to live in motels along the Route 1 Corridor and stated that a lot of people have fought for a very long time to make sure that the homeless families in Mercer County are dealt with in a way that makes sense, as HomeFront now provides shelter for about 470 people, most of them being kids, and that all of shelters are places that are dignified with a variety of settings unlike the godforsaken motels they were subjected to.

Ms. Mercer continued to discuss additional services they provide - such as specialized shelters for first time pregnant girls, affordable permanent housing and various programs to help families improve their lives and indicated unlike other counties Mercer County has not seen an increase in homelessness because of all the work they have put in together; but, advised in the first two

days of September they received 297 calls from people asking for help so she doesn't know how long they will be able to meet everybody's needs.

After the quick update regarding HomeFront, Ms. Mercer stated the real reason she and Christine Lee are present, is to talk about a fun project that they were asked to take on by Mr. Krawczun with regards to the Lawrence Neighborhood Service Center (LNSC). She then turned the floor over to Ms. Lee, who she advised brought the plan to fruition.

Ms. Christine Lee, Director of HomeFront, opened her presentation by introducing Ms. Connie Mercer again for the record and advised that the organization started some twenty years ago in Ms. Mercer's basement. She then thanked the Council for giving her the opportunity to speak about the wonderful things that are taking place at the Lawrence Community Center and proceeded with an in-depth power point presentation regarding the (3) three major things that are occurring at the Center with regards to Capital Improvements, Programs and Events that are taking place and Case Management and Supportive Services they are offering. In closing, Ms. Lee discussed all the grants and contributions they received to help make the necessary improvements to the Community Center and thanked all the contributors and volunteers for their support.

Mayor Powers thanked Ms. Lee and Ms. Mercer for their presentations and indicated it is truly a win-win partnership for both sides, HomeFront and Lawrence Township, and that the Council really appreciates the improvements they have done at the Center and are excited about the things to come.

B. Discussion Relative to Proposed Sign Ordinance

Mayor Powers and Mr. Engle both provided a detailed background history for the journalist students that were present from Rider University relative to the lawsuit (State vs. DeAngelo) that was filed challenging the Township's sign ordinance that led to the Ordinance being declared unconstitutional on the grounds of the First Amendment, which resulted in the process and the important legalese they will be hearing momentarily from Mr. Engle and Mr. Slaugh addressing those legal challenges and each of their involvement with regards to the litigation.

Mr. Brian Slaugh, Township Planning Consultant and Mr. Falk Engle, Lawrence Township Resident opened the meeting by providing a brief synopsis of the final alterations of the proposed Sign Ordinance with respect to regulations governing time, place and manner of signage, after which there was an at length period of questions and comments from the Council and Municipal Manager relative to advisory data and electronic signage, agricultural signage, size of

display of window signage, traffic distraction signage, prohibition of billboards signs and balloons/streamers on real estate signs, commercial speech and viewpoint expression signage and the disbandment of content base restrictions as a whole. In closing, Mr. Engle thanked Clarke Caton Hintz and Mr. Brian Slauch for the superb research they did on the various types of signage distractions that increases the statistical probability of accidents.

After the lengthy debate, it was the consensus of Council to leave the Sign Ordinance as it stands with the exception of the size of window signage, after which Mr. Slauch provided a quick synopsis of the introduction and adoption process that would include the Ordinance being introduced by Council, sent back to the Planning Board for review and recommendation then forwarded back to the Council for a public hearing and possible adoption.

Mayor Powers thanked Mr. Slauch and Mr. Engle for all their hard work and extended a special appreciation to Mr. Engle for his pro-bono efforts at no expense to the Township given the economic times.

Mr. Leonard DiDonato, 2 Tall Timbers Drive, stated on the Agenda under Resolutions the Council has a closed session scheduled to discuss pending litigation and ask if permitted could they inform the public about the litigation they will be discussing during that meeting.

Mr. Nerwinski advised that they will be discussing the litigation concerning the Cellco matter and Carter Road litigation.

Mr. DiDonato stated he suspected that being his Homeowner Association has been hearing rumors from several sources that the Council is considering appealing the recent Appellate Court decision that overturned the Mercer Superior Court Judge and the Zoning Board decisions concerning cell towers at the Peterson site, to the State Supreme Court and asked if that is one of things they are considering.

Mayor Powers stated that the Council did receive the Appellate Court's decision and they will be meeting with the Township Attorney during that session to discuss their best legal options as to how to proceed.

Mr. DiDonato stated that he does not know whether or not the Council has had an opportunity to read the 20-page Appeal, but it simply points out the same issues raised by his Association at the Zoning Board hearings and proceeded to discuss two of the main issues that led the Appellate Court's decision ordering the Zoning Board of Adjustment to reconsider the Cellco application for a use variance to build a cell tower at the Peterson site instead of the Carter Road site.

In closing, Mr DiDonato briefly discussed the hundreds of thousand of dollars that has been spent in reference to the Peterson case over the last 7 or 8

years and pleaded to the Council to let the Court ruling stand and the Zoning Board follow through with the reconsideration of the Peterson application without the consideration of the Carter Road site. Afterwards, Mayor Powers thanked Mr. DiDonato for his comments.

Adoption of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Puliti, seconded by Mrs. Mount, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 6, 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.

Introduction of Ordinances

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'"

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Ordinance authorizes an additional handicapped parking space in front of 1618 Brunswick Pike.

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 | | | | | | |

Resolutions

Mr. Krawczun provided a detailed review of Resolution (8-1) Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between the Township of Lawrence and the City of Trenton for Lead Poisoning Case Management Services, after which there was a question and answer period.

Resolution Nos. 335-10 (8A) thru 348-10 (8N) with the exception of Resolution (8F) were 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 | | | | | 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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Resolution No. 340-10 (8F) 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 | | | | | X | |
| Mayor Powers | X | | | | | | |

Cited Resolution is spread in its 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. Bostock, seconded by Mr. Puliti the following resolution was presented for adoption:

Resolution No. 349-10

WHEREAS, on Thursday, September 9, 2010 bids were received and publicly opened for the project known as **2010 Road Improvement Program – Various Location**; and

WHEREAS, three (3) bids were received and reviewed by the appropriate Township Officials; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was Gres Paving Company who submitted a bid in the amount of \$295,382.50; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:50-14, a Certificate of Availability of Funds has been provided and the accounts to be charged are C-04-55-333-230 and C-04-55-339-244; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to the recommendations of the Municipal Engineer, the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Gres Paving Company, 2475 East State Street, Trenton NJ 08619 in the amount of \$295,382.50; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Manager is hereby authorized to draft the necessary agreement, subject to the approval of the Municipal Attorney as to form and content thereof.

Same was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Bostock, Kownacki, Puliti, Mount, Mayor Powers
Nays: None.

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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. Bostock, seconded by Mr. Puliti the following resolution was presented for adoption:

Resolution No. 350-10

WHEREAS, on Thursday, September 9, 2010 bids were received and publicly opened for the project known as **2010 Road Improvement Program – Province Line Road**; and

WHEREAS, eight (8) bids were received and reviewed by the appropriate Township Officials; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was Top Line Construction Corporation who submitted a bid in the amount of \$230,597.50 (which includes the base bid for Lawrence Township in the amount of \$172,790.00 and the base bid for Princeton Township in the amount of \$57,807.50); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:50-14, a Certificate of Availability of Funds has been provided and the account to be charged is C-04-55-333-230; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to the recommendations of the Municipal Engineer, the Mayor and Municipal Clerk

are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Top Line Construction Corporation , 22 Fifth Street, Somerville NJ 08876 in the amount of \$230,597.50; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Manager is hereby authorized to draft the necessary agreement, subject to the approval of the Municipal Attorney as to form and content thereof.

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, "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. 2063-10

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:

Section 1. 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 special vehicle identification shall park in such designated parking space.

- a. 64 feet eastbound from the prolonged 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 prolonged 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 prolonged 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 prolonged 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 prolonged 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 prolonged 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 prolonged 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 prolonged curb line of Princeton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet, in front of 57 Myrtle Avenue.
- i. 358 feet westbound from the prolonged 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 prolonged 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 prolonged curb line of Slack Avenue and Princeton Pike (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 135 Slack Avenue.
- l. 370 feet westbound from the prolonged curb line of Lawrence Road and Titus Avenue (N/W corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 14 Titus Avenue.
- [m. 297 feet eastbound from the prolonged curb line of Brunswick Avenue and Puritan Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 749 Puritan Avenue]
- n. 346 feet eastbound from the prolonged curb line of Brunswick Avenue and Puritan Avenue (N/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 750 Puritan Avenue.
- o. 204 feet westbound from the prolonged curb line of Ohio Avenue and Puritan Avenue (N/W corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 716 Puritan Avenue.
- p. 463 feet eastbound from the prolonged curb line of Princeton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 35 Myrtle Avenue.
- q. 324 feet eastbound from the prolonged curb line of Princeton Avenue and Myrtle Avenue (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet in front of 51 Myrtle Avenue.
- r. 141 feet eastbound from the prolonged curb line of Slack Avenue and Princeton Pike (S/E corner) for a distance of 22 feet, in front of 143 Slack Avenue

Section 2. 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.

Additions are underlined _____
Deletions are bracketed []

The Ordinance 2063-10 was adopted 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 | | | | | | |

Manager’s Report –

Mr. Krawczun reported that he had an opportunity to meet with all the Union members who represent unionized employees and that the agenda for the meetings were for consideration of a Volunteer Furlough Program for 2011 by municipal employees and they discussed in general terms a program where employees could voluntarily take up to 12 furlough days per year pending the approval of their Department Directors. Additionally, they discussed a couple of other concerns with respect to days being coupled with vacations or holidays and numerous questions related to the how the furlough days would affect employees’ pensions and insurance benefits.

Mr. Krawczun advised at this juncture they have had very little response; but they did let the unions know that they need something more definitive by the latter part of November as they begin to develop the 2011 budget. A short discussion followed with regards to furlough days as it relates to employees qualifying for unemployment benefits.

Mr. Krawczun distributed copies of a checklist of Local Government Best Practices, which has been distributed to all municipalities in the State of New Jersey that requires the Chief Financial Officer’s response to each of the 88 questions as presented and based on the number of yes or no responses to the questions, the last payment of State aid to a municipality could be withheld in varying percentages of 0% to 5% percent.

Mr. Krawczun advised that the Administration has been working on the checklist to identify the items they feel they are compliant with, in addition, to having each of the departments review their respective area of operation, and they have also gone over the common areas and just recently received some guidance from Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, to help identify some of the areas they might have to answer no to or are not applicable – such as the question concerning a MUA which the Township does not have.

Mr. Krawczun further advised that the guidelines that came out concerning the checklist are a requirement under the law by way of authorization for the 2011 State budget, and if they answer at least 76 of the 88 questions in the affirmative then the municipality will receive their full payment of State aid; and, at this juncture, he does not foresee any reason for the Township's aid to be reduced by any percentage as he believes they will be compliant with affirmative number of answers required.

Mr. Krawczun stated at the last Council meeting they decided to discuss the matter regarding the Cable website policy at tonight's meeting, but in the interest of time he suggested they push off the discussion until the next Council meeting. There was no objection from the Council to the proposal.

Attorney's Report –

There was no Attorney's report.

Appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment –

Mayor Powers stated that the Council met to conduct interviews to fill some positions on the Zoning Board and suggested that the appointments be moved to the beginning of the meeting instead of the end, so that the applicants do not have to sit through an entire meeting, after which he turned the floor over to Mr. Puliti who announced the following individuals were appointed for the following terms of office.

ZONING BOARD - (John Gladwell: Regular-Unexpired 4-Year term, Bruce Kmosko: Alternate 1 - Unexpired 2-Year term, Samuel Pangaldi: Alternate No. 2 - Unexpired 2-Year term)

Resolution No. 351-10 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 | | | | | X | |
| Mayor Powers | X | | | | | | |

Clerk’s Report –

There was no Clerk’s report.

Council Initiatives/ Liaison Report –

Councilmember Kownacki’s report:

- Mr. Kownacki reported that the Planning Board meeting regarding the 20-year expansion plan for the Quaker Bridge Mall was very long and still in negotiations. Afterwards, Mayor Power provided a brief summary relative to the General Development Plan for the project.

Councilmember Mount’s report:

- Ms. Mount reported that the Nature Center has been very active with lots of families and lots of kids having a great time and learning all kinds of fun things and that the family program offered once a week during the summer was extremely successful and they are now focusing on rain garden project.
- Mrs. Mount advised that the Green Team has been meeting and they took on three priorities this year - energy, water and the local economy and under the water priority they are working and helping people learn about the importance of rain gardens and rain barrels and proceeded to discuss the rain garden demonstration they are planning to have sometime in October at the Nature Center.
- Mrs. Mount reported that the Safe Walk to School Program given by the 3rd Graders at Lawrence Intermediate School is scheduled for October 6th, and they will be discussing walking and biking safely back and forth to school and through the neighborhood. In addition, they will have a safety demonstration in the Fed Ex truck, street crossing safety and a route safety review, after which they

will come before the Council and report their findings and recommendations.

- Mrs. Mount stated that the Greenway Committee is working on a big project in conjunction with the Canal Commission who owns a piece of property where they are trying to connect the Tow Path with Princessville Road that is located off Franklin Corner Road.

Councilmember Puliti's report:

- Mr. Puliti stated that Mr. Groeger deserves a big round of applause for the Kids Triathlon designed to help youngsters engage in physical activities and raised money for the fireworks and indicated it was a wonderful event with lots of involvement.
- Mr. Puliti stated Community Day is October 3rd from 12-4 p.m. at Village Park and advised that they will have a walk starting at 11:00 a.m. from Village Park to the Northwest Park and encouraged all to attend.
- Mr. Puliti reported that the Public Safety Committee appointed a Subcommittee to bring back a recommendation on purchasing fire apparatus and a need assessment for such equipment, as it is very expensive.

Councilmember Bostock's report:

- Mr. Bostock reported that the Senior Executive Committee had its first meeting in the new Conference Room at the Senior Center and they are very, very pleased with the Center, as well as, the food; however, they did have a few suggestions with regards to the hard surfaces.
- Mr. Bostock reported that the Environmental Resources Committee did not meet this month, but they do plan on meeting on Community Day, where they will be passing out literature regarding watersheds which is a huge issue and not well understood and proceeded to elaborate on the environmental hazards related to watersheds.

Mayor Powers' report:

- Mayor Powers reported at Community Day they are going to provide the "Dog Days of Summer" at the dog park, where Officer Buchanan will be doing demonstrations and exhibits with Shadow, the Township's K-9 dog as well as other dogs that are present.

- Mayor Powers reported that the “Ask the Mayor” for the month of September took place at Mrs. G’s and advised that she is celebrating her 75th Anniversary on Saturday, September 25th and they are planning big celebration in honor of that for those who would like to attend.
- Mayor Powers further reported on October 23rd they will have the “Ask the Mayor” meeting at Radiology Affiliates Imaging in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
- Mayor Powers stated the Growth and Redevelopment Committee is in the final stages of the October 14th Annual Business Awards Programs, where they are partnering with the County Chamber of Commerce and that the event will take place at Rider University in the Mercer Room and encouraged everyone who plans to attend to get their tickets as soon as possible.
- Mayor Powers stated that the County Agricultural Board had meeting at Terhune Orchards and they had a great conversation regarding immigration issues, state planning issues and issues related to family farms being handed down to the next generation and advised that Congressman Rush Holt and Assemblyman Reed Gusciora were both present for the discussion.
- Mayor Powers reported that he and Mrs. Mount were present at the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new turf field for the Women’s Soccer Team and that the field looks so real people would think it is real grass and not Astroturf.

Written Communications –

There were no written communications.

Old Business –

There was no old business.

New Business –

There was no new business.

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

8:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kathleen S. Norcia, Municipal Clerk

Attest:

Michael S. Powers, Mayor