

**LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SAFETY
COORDINATING COMMITTEE
2207 Lawrenceville Road
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648**

MINUTES

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale Robbins, Fire Marshal; Carol Chamberlain, Health Officer; Chief Mark Lenarski, Slackwood Fire Company; Chief Michael Byrd, Lawrence Road Fire Company; Anthony Cermele, Construction Official; Mike Burzachiello, Community Representative; William Holmes, Community Representative; Jitesh Patel, Community Representative and Elissa Grodd Schragger, Community Representative.

MEMBERS ABSENT: James, Kownacki, Council Liaison; Richard Krawczun, Municipal Manager; Chief Mark Ubry, Lawrence Township Police; Chief Gary Wasko, Lawrenceville Fire Company; Jack Oakley, Emergency Management Coordinator; Roseann Manghisi, Community Representative and Michael Oakley, Community Representative.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Dale Robbins at 6:31pm.

The committee members introduced themselves and welcomed newest member, Jitesh Patel to the committee.

Minutes: The regular monthly meeting minutes for February 9, 2015 were reviewed by the committee. A motion was made by Mike Burzachiello and seconded by Mike Byrd to approve the minutes as written. All were in favor.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation at the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

HEALTH REPORT: Carol Chamberlain had nothing to report. Dale Robbins added that there will be one more Bloodborne Pathogen training scheduled and that he has a meeting with the Joint Insurance Fund in the next two weeks.

EMERGENCY APPARATUS REPORTS: The Slackwood and Lawrence Road Fire Companies report all apparatus in service at this time. Dale Robbins reported that he was aware that Rescue 23 was currently out of service for a problem with the brakes. All of Lawrence Township Emergency Services apparatus is in service at this time.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEDIA ARTICLES: There was nothing to report. However, if anyone has any ideas for articles, you are urged to contact Chief Mark Ubry with the information.

NEW BUSINESS

PIT STOP PROPERTY: William Holmes questioned the ongoing status of the Pit Stop property. Anthony Cermele and Carol Chamberlain explained that the property has been assessed by the DEP. There is a cost recovery group and the owner's are responsible for the payment of the work being done on the site to remedy the problems. The Township Administration and the Engineering Office are in contact with Carol in regard to the site. Anthony Cermele further explained that this is not a current application for a full demolition of the building (due to the contamination). The building is not ready to fall down.

ORDINANCE WITH REGARD TO FARM ANIMALS ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES: William Holmes questioned whether there is currently an ordinance governing farm animals in residential areas in the township. Mr. Holmes expressed a concern for an ongoing problem. Anthony Cermele suggested that Mr. Holmes contact the Township Engineer, Jim Parvese.

LAWRENCE SHOPPING CENTER PARKING LOT PROBLEMS: Mike Burzachiello inquired about the status of the parking lot repairs slated for the Lawrence Shopping Center as he has observed the “sinkholes” becoming worse with time and the fenced in area seems to be becoming larger. Anthony Cermele explained that the township is monitoring the sinkholes and there is no current sign of structure issues. The new owners of the shopping center are investing money to remedy the problem.

PLAN REVIEWS

There were no plans to be reviewed by the committee.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

VARIOUS COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES: Anthony Cermele discussed various commercial properties that are currently under permit.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to be brought before the committee, a motion was made by Mike Burzachiello and seconded by William Holmes to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Cynthia L. Turek