

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

October 3, 2017

The following are the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Lawrence Township Council that was held on Tuesday, October 3, 2017, at 6:30 P.M.

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

Mayor Maffei then asked for a moment of silence for those affected by the disasters in Puerto Rico and Las Vegas.

At the commencement of the meeting Mayor Maffei 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, October 3, 2017, 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 Princeton Packet on December 22, 2016.

The roll was then called as follows:

Present: Councilmembers Bobbitt, Kownacki, Lewis, Powers and Mayor Maffei.
Absent: None.

Also in attendance were Kevin Nerwinski, Municipal Manager and Township Attorney David Roskos.

Special Proclamations, Recognitions and Presentations

Presentation by Dr. Dennis Waters, Township Historian

Mr. Waters greeted the Council and thanked them for giving him the opportunity to provide an update on upcoming events for "Lawrence Township History Month" and other historical happenings around the Township, and advised on Saturday, October 21st at 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. the first big history month event will be the first ever Township

Ghost Tour sponsored by the Lawrence Township Historical Society for anyone who has the nerve to ride around on a bus and visit historical sites with reputations for spectral phenomenon and a Guide will be on board to tell the story of Lawrence's apparitions.

Mr. Waters imparted this year's Mary Tanner Lecture will take place on Sunday, November 12th at Rider University at 2:00 pm and it will feature author Mary Walton discussing her biography of New Jersey Suffragette Alice Paul and her fight for women's rights during the first World War 100 years ago. The lecture is entitled "Shaming Woodrow Wilson: Alice Paul's Battle for Democracy in a World at War". Also, if anyone is interested in the story of the AT&T's "Pole Farm" he will be giving a lecture on that subject for the Mercer County Park Commission on Sunday, December 10th at the newly renovated barn behind the Hunt House at Mercer Meadows. He will also be giving a lecture at the annual meeting for the Historical Society in February 2018 called "Lawrence Love It or Leave It" the story of the Millham Succession and indicated as many of them know in 1880 Lawrence lost over half of its population when the south end of town seceded and formed its own township - an interesting story.

Mr. Waters advised members of the Historical Society were disappointed to learn that that the New Jersey Historic Preservation Office turned down the Township's proposal for a Certified Local Government grant to study the archaeology of the Princessville Cemetery at Meadow Road and Princeton Pike as the site is not only the final resting place of several African American Civil War Soldiers from Lawrence but was also the location of a Methodist Apostolic Church and the historical Princessville Inn which was built in 1808 and burned down in 1982. The good news is the reason they were denied seems to be they were not ambitious enough because in addition to the research they should have asked for sufficient money to do interpretative displays as well so they should re-apply on the next funding round. Meanwhile, they received the results from the previous CLG Grant, the final report from Dr. Ian Burrow on the archaeology of the Brearley House as well as many artifacts that were unearthed during the digs and that report is now posted on Lawrence Township's website, and Dr. Burrow will be honored next week with the Township's Podmore/Dwyer Award for his contribution to local history.

Mr. Waters stated last year he mentioned plans to add markers to the Lawrence Hopewell Trail and he is happy to report that the LHT got a small grant to perform the preliminary signage plan and that is now complete and has identified thirty potential sites for historic markers with most of the good ones being in Lawrence. And, the Hunter Research Team and he will be meeting with the LHT leadership next week to discuss next steps.

Mr. Water noted that he was pleased to learn that the new Township Manager, Kevin Nerwinski, was a history major so he has no excuses...and he just heard from the new Social Media Consultant, the ghostly Steve Groeger, that he wants to include some historical items in social media so he will be working with him on that.

Mr. Waters stated he would also like to give a special shout-out to Mayor Maffei for being on hand for four bus trips of LIS students and indicated every spring he joins the fourth grade teachers from Lawrence Intermediate School for a local history bus trip. There are three hundred fourth graders divided into four trips of 75 each and the last stop on the tour is the municipal building where they bring them through to show them the history timeline and this spring the mayor was on hand for all four trips. Not only did he welcome the students but he brought them into Council Chambers to tell them a bit about the Council work as well as a few words about one of his favorite subjects Captain Lawrence. And, on the subject of Captain Lawrence, he is very happy to see the new accessible playground at Central Park complete and in use.

Mr. Waters extended a big thank you to the Zoning Board and The Bridge Academy for coming up with a plan to preserve the historic character of the field off Route 206 above 5-Mile Run which was one of the locations of Colonel Hand's Holding Actions on January 2, 1777. Now, there will now be a Township easement on the property and it will be available for historical programs like reenactments. Further, an interesting opportunity came up across the street which is also a part of the battlefield and he has invited his colleague, Paul Larson, who has been doing some research on the subject to update them briefly on the matter. In closing, Mr. Waters thanked the Council for their continued support of bringing the Township's history to the public and opened the floor for questions.

Mr. Roskos inquired as to where 5-Mile Run crosses Route 206. Mr. Waters replied right by the home of the Municipal Manager on Route 206 which is sometime called Little Shabakunk Creek, one of the few bodies of water that have two official names. He then turned the floor over to Mr. Larson for the continuance of the report.

Mr. Larson distributed a map proposing they name a Colonel Hand Historical Park at 5-Mile Run and indicated the map is an excerpt from one of the tax maps in the town and the green blocks on the map (2802-2805) have been owned by the Township since the 60's and that the park has been called multiple names - Battleground Park, Battlefield Park as well as a few other names; but, it is basically an undeveloped park. The crosshatch area shown on the map is an additional 2-acres worth of paper streets that are adjacent to the park that they are never going to build on. And, Ewing-Lawrence Sewage Authority ran some sewerage through the property located directly across the street from the The Bridge Academy, which Mr. Waters spoke about during his report, and just went on the market within the last two weeks as the owner passed away and the family is now selling the property. The uniqueness of the property is that the house could be an opportunity to either put in a Lawrence History Center or a Ten Crucial Days History Center because as of now there is no Ten Crucial Days Center located in Mercer County. They have various interpretive centers such as the Center at Washington Crossing and the old house at the Princeton Battlefields... but no Ten Crucial Day Center any place.

Mr. Larson stated the property is right off of Route 206, a mile off of the Interstate 95, one of the most accessible sites in Lawrence. The property is about 1600 square feet in the house and another 400 square in an oversized garage that could be turned into a meeting space and things like that. He then provided the Council with additional information that he got from the realtor when he attended one of house tours and advised postcards have been sent out regarding the sale of property so he thinks there will soon be lots of interest in the property. He then proceeded to discuss ELSA owning a couple of tiny parcels and then directly across from the Manager's house, Lots 35 and 36, being wooded properties belonging to TRANSCO which is essentially the largest block of undeveloped properties along Route 206 from Princeton South to Trenton. So, there are some opportunities to create a historical park and he just wanted to bring it to the attention of the Council being the property just hit the market.

Ms. Lewis questioned if they are thinking passive recreation for the proposed location and have they had any discussions with anyone who would be interested in maintaining and operating the historic house. Mr. Larson replied 'yes' they are thinking passive recreation and one idea is to put a Trail in from Skillman Avenue on down for history programs, environmental study programs, etc. and they could probably solicit some volunteers for that. And, they have had various interests from various groups but things are happening so suddenly he has not had an opportunity to speak with anyone from Rider University, The Princeton Battlefield Society, members associated with setting up a new group called tencrucialdays.org to promote the project as well as other groups/organizations who are interested. So, he can assure them there is interest given they are less than 10 years away from the country's 250th Anniversary and the historic site will bring a lot of tourism to Mercer County.

Ms. Lewis stated she does not disagree with the benefit of having such a site in Lawrence. Her concern is the difficulty of maintaining and operating a historic house which Mr. Waters can attest to she would be reluctant to do that again if they do not have a concrete partner who was going to spend an active portion maintaining and operating the site. Mr. Larson imparted in this particular case he believes that could happen because the interest in the Ten Crucial Days is huge and there are a lot of people and foundations already involved that could possibly provide funding, grants, etc. and proceeded to discuss the benefits of having an historic site at that proposed location versus the location of the Brearley House.

Ms. Lewis posed a question to Mr. Roskos as to whether the Township would be permitted to use their Green Acres funds for something that included an education component like a museum. Mr. Roskos advised that the Green Acres grant is pretty liberal; but, because they are not just acquiring farm acreage it would be how they proposed it would answer the question, so they would have to do some research on the matter.

Mr. Larson further advised they should also follow-up with Renee Jones with Green Acres and the New Jersey Historic Commission to see about funding and tapping into their operational funds as well. So, there is potential; it is just a matter of putting all the players, bits and pieces together and he wanted to bring this totally unexpected opportunity to the attention of the Council being it just hit the market and continued to discuss in detail Lawrence Township not owning much frontage along Route 206 or interpretative opportunities and the Historic House at 5-Mile Run being their best bet to interpret Colonel Hand.

Mr. Waters noted there is no organization at the present time that has agreed to step up and take on the responsibility and that the Lawrence Historical Society already has two houses to wrangle with and he is not sure if they are in a position to take on a third one; although, he can certainly asked. And, in his opinion, this project is more of a regional opportunity with Lawrence being there is no other place in Mercer County that has a central location that was actually on of the routes of the Five Crucial Days and has the opportunity to serve not only Lawrence but all the surrounding communities as well.

Mr. Larson echoed the sentiment of Mr. Waters with regards to the Historical Society being a partner in the venture...but not the driver and proceeded to elaborate on the ownership, cost and condition of the property which was built in 1962 and is not historic. A general discussion and comment period took place relative to the solicitation of the Historic Preservation and/or Open Space funds and the funding being utilized to create additional parking spaces to make the site usable if the plan comes to fruition; petitioning the help of Congresswoman Bonnie Watson-Coleman, Mercer County and other interested group for funding.

Mr. Bobbitt stated he thinks the proposal would be wonderful if there were some sort of joint group that could bring together both the Old Barracks, Washington Crossing and the Princeton Battlefield groups to help with this kind of a project because he thinks the difficulty is having the volunteers and manpower to maintain and publicize all of it attributes which he knows happened with the Brearley House and Port Mercer Canal House.

In closing, Mr. Larson thanked the Council for their time and advised he likes to "think big" so he has some ideas and will report back to them at the next Council Meeting.

Public Participation (5-minute limitation per speaker)

Mr. Paul Larson, Chair of Lawrence Township Trails, Open Space and Stewardship Advisory Committee and Trustee for Lawrence Historical Society, complimented Greg Whitehead, Director of Public Works and his staff for the great work they have done on Eggert Crossing Road, The Loveless Tract, Central Park and the north entrance on the Johnson Trolley Line. He also complimented Jim Parvesse, Township Engineer on his effort with the Lawrence-Hopewell Trail and everyone else involved in the opening of the latest segment of the Lawrence-Hopewell Trail.

Ms. Amber Lee, 107 Canal View Drive, greeted the Council and advised that both of her boys, when they were in the 3rd Grade, interviewed various members of Council for their social studies project and one of her sons is present this evening because his Boy Scouts project requires him to find out why the Brearley House renovation is an issue of urgency and/or issues of concerns to the greater Lawrence Township Council and community.

Mayor Maffei replied that the Township Historian gave a presentation earlier in the evening but has since left the building and he would be the one to answer her question. Ms. Lewis noted that the question pertained to a particular ordinance that was previously up for adoption and if she waits around to after the meeting she is sure someone can help answer her question. Mr. Nerwinski further advised that she can call or email him and he would be happy to sit down and talk with them.

Review and Revisions of Agenda

There was review or revision of the agenda.

Adoption of Minutes

There was no adoption of minutes.

Awarding or Rejecting of Bids

Mayor Maffei asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Maffei asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed.

On a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Ms. Lewis, Resolution (9-C), Authorizing Amending the Contract with Diamond Construction for the 2017 Concrete Program – Change Order #1 was presented for adoption.

Resolution No. 361-17

WHEREAS, a bid was awarded to Diamond Construction for a project known as the **2017 Concrete Program** in the amount of \$186,850.00, as outlined in Resolution No. 231-17 and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to amend this contract in the amount of \$36,368.00, resulting in a new contract maximum of \$223,218.00, said increase allowed by statute without re-bid; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 1 reflects quantity adjustment and supplemental items required during construction; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-14, a Certificate of Availability of Funds has been provided and the accounts to be charged for the additional increase are C-04-55-429-242 (Ordinance 2257-17 Concrete Program) \$20,000.00 and C-04-55-427-242 (Ordinance 2257-17 Various Roads) \$16,368.00;

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 Diamond Construction, 35 Beaverson Boulevard, Suite 12C, Brick NJ 08723 represented by John Kovacs, for a revised amount not to exceed \$223,218.00 and availability of funds has been certified for said amount.
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 Bobbitt, Kownacki, Lewis, Powers and Mayor Maffei.
Absent: None.

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Mayor Maffei asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Maffei asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed.

On a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Bobbitt, Resolution (9-D), Authorizing Amending the Contract with Top Line Construction for Fackler Road Change Order, was presented for adoption.

Resolution No. 362-17

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to Top Line Construction Corporation for a project known as the **Road Improvement Program – Fackler Road** in the amount of \$234,253.75, as outlined in Resolution No. 127-17 and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to amend this contract in the amount of \$19,594.97 (Change Order No. 1), resulting in a new contract amount of \$253,848.72, said increase allowed by statute without re-bid; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 1 reflects final quantity adjustment and supplemental items required during construction; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-14, a Certificate of Availability of Funds has been provided and the accounts to be charged for the additional increase C-04-55-428-249 (Ordinance 2257-17 Miscellaneous Guide Rail Replacement) \$8,810.00; C-04-55-418-240 (Ordinance 2229-16 Various Roads – Fackler Road) \$10,746.25 and C-04-55-395-243 (Ordinance 2208-15 Various Roads) \$38.72;

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 Top Line Construction Corporation, 22 Fifth Street, Somerville NJ 08876 represented by Steve Castela for a revised amount not to exceed \$253,848.72 and availability of funds has been certified for said amount.
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 Bobbitt, Kownacki, Lewis, Powers and Mayor Maffei.  
Absent: None.

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Mayor Maffei asked for comments from the public. There being none, Mayor Maffei asked for comments from Council. There being none, public participation was closed.

On a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Bobbitt, Resolution (9-E), Authorizing Awarding Contract to Neumann Construction for the Home Improvement Program Rehabilitation for 102 Slack Avenue, was presented for adoption.

Resolution No. 365-17

WHEREAS, on Friday, July 28, 2017, bids were received and publically opened for the rehabilitation of 102 Slack Avenue; and

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received and reviewed by the appropriate Township Officials; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was Neumann Construction that submitted a bid in the amount of \$18,450.00 to perform the tasks required in the rehabilitation; 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 G-02-41-048-299 (2014 Lawrence Township Affordable Unit Rehabilitation); and

WHEREAS, Neumann Construction has performed satisfactorily;

WHEREAS, the owner of 102 Slack Avenue has been deemed eligible to participate in the rehabilitation program;

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 Manager, the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk hereby authorize the acceptance of the bid and the execution of a contract with Neumann Construction, 429 David Street, South Amboy NJ 08879 in the amount of \$18,450.00 for the purpose of rehabilitating 102 Slack Avenue;

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 Bobbitt, Kownacki, Lewis, Powers and Mayor Maffei.  
Absent: None.

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Introduction of Ordinances

Mayor Maffei read by title, an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13 OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ADMINSTRATIVE CODE ENTITLED 'MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC'" – Handicapped Parking

Mr. Nerwinski advised that the Ordinance adds an additional resident handicap parking space on Brunswick Avenue at the curb line as it intersects Pine Street and will include a statement requested by NJDOT regarding compliance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) regulations.

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

| COUNCIL      | AYE | NAY | PRESENT | ABSENT | ABSTAIN | MOVE | SECOND |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|---------|------|--------|
| Mr. Bobbitt  | X   |     |         |        |         |      | X      |
| Mr. Kownacki | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Ms. Lewis    | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Mr. Powers   | X   |     |         |        |         | X    |        |
| Mayor Maffei | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |

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Adoption of Ordinances

Mayor Maffei read by title, an ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE, RELEASE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL DEDICATION OF PUBLIC RIGHTS IN OR TO CERTAIN PORTIONS OF UNNAMED STREET BETWEEN EAST COAST KAWASAKI AND KENNECTIONS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER NEW JERSEY STATE OF NEW JERSEY"

Mayor Maffei asked for comments from the public or from the Council.

Mr. Roskos stated he does not have a copy of Exhibit A explicitly described in the ordinance regarding the reservation of the 24-Foot Wide Access Easement but he would like to make sure that the language in the Ordinance is very broad so the Township is not questioned later about any trucks or other vehicles they might bring through that street.

Mr. Nerwinski advised that the Application pertaining to the ordinance was heard at last month's Planning Board Meeting and it is on the record about the Township's concern, making sure that the language is broad and that the intent and purpose is going to be preserved, and he is really confident that is going to happen. Further, the attorney for the Planning Board as well as the Applicant's attorney is working on the language regarding the easement.

There being no additional comments, public participation was closed.

Ordinance No. 2277-17

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE, RELEASE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL DEDICATION OF PUBLIC RIGHTS IN OR TO CERTAIN PORTIONS OF UNNAMED STREET BETWEEN EAST COAST KAWASAKI & KENNECTIONS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, there exists a certain tax map page number 35.03, whereon is shown unnamed right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received a request to vacate this right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Township notified all abutting property owners of the intention of said vacation; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer notified all utility companies and Township departments of the intention of said vacation and received no comments; and

WHEREAS, the Township, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(b), expressly reserves and excepts from vacation all rights and privileges which may be possessed by a public utility or any cable television company in the right-of-way to be vacated; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence has determined that the public interest will be best served by vacating this portion of said roadway releasing and extinguishing the public rights in and to such vacation; and

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

- I. Any and all public rights be and the same are hereby vacated, released and extinguished in and to all or any portion of the unnamed right-of-way between East Coast Kawasaki and Kennections with the exception of a 24' wide access easement to be provided to access Township Lot 27, particularly described in Schedule A "Description of 24-Foot Wide Access Easement, Lots 13, 14.01, 16, 17 & 18, Block 3507, and attached hereto as Schedule "A".
- II. The tract of land to be conveyed to Lot 13 in Block 3507 is more particularly described in "Description of Road Vacation to be vacated by Lawrence Township, Mercer County, New Jersey and conveyed to Lot 13 in Block 3507". Description prepared by Harris Surveying, Inc., Thomas A. Harris, PLS #16205, revision dated August 7, 2017 and attached hereto as Schedule "B".

III. The tract of land to be conveyed to Lot 14.01 in Block 3507 is more particularly described in "Description of Road Vacation" to be vacated by Lawrence Township, Mercer County, New Jersey and conveyed to Lot 14.01 in Block 3507". Description prepared by Harris Surveying, Inc., Thomas A. Harris, PLS, #16205, revision dated August 7, 2017 and attached hereto as Schedule "C".

Repealer

All ordinances or parts of same inconsistent with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Severability

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason, the remaining portions of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

Notification

Immediately upon adoption of this ordinance, the Municipal Clerk shall file a copy of this ordinance with the Mercer County Clerk as required by law.

Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final adoption thereof.

Ordinance No. 2277-17 was introduced and approved on the following roll call vote:

| COUNCIL      | AYE | NAY | PRESENT | ABSENT | ABSTAIN | MOVE | SECOND |
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| Mr. Bobbitt  | X   |     |         |        |         |      | X      |
| Mr. Kownacki | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Ms. Lewis    | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Mr. Powers   | X   |     |         |        |         | X    |        |
| Mayor Maffei | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |

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Mayor Maffei read by title, an ordinance entitled, "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$1,425,000, WHEREAS ANY TRANSPORTATION TRUST GRANT FUNDING TO BE USED TO OFFSET BONDS OR NOTES AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,325,000 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF"

Ordinance No. 2229-16

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$ 1,425,000, WHEREAS ANY TRANSPORTATION TRUST GRANT FUNDING TO BE USED TO OFFSET BONDS OR NOTES AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,325,000 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 2 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Lawrence, New Jersey as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 2, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$1,425,000 and the sum of \$100,000 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment or the grant referred to in Section 1, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$1,325,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds to be issued is the: (1) Fackler Road Mill, Overlay and Reconstruction (Route 206 to Princeton Pike); including construction, design and inspection; (2) road improvement program: Federal City (Denow Road to Coach Drive), Shadowstone Road, Ridings Development (Coach Drive, Paddock Drive, Surrey Drive, Bridle Path), Pavement repairs (Van Kirk, Carson Road and Princeton Pike), Eldridge Park (Arcadia Avenue, Alcazar Avenue, Manitee Avenue, Hazelhurst Avenue, Rose Street, Rolfe Avenue and Zoar Street), Meadowbrook Avenue, Vinch Avenue, Lakedale and Polk Drive Intersection (Drainage), Valley Forge, Central Park Rear Parking Lot, Community Center Parking Lot; including construction, design and inspection of all authorized purposes; (3) Miscellaneous Guide Rail Replacement; (4) road striping; (5) Province Line Road and Bannister Road Pedestrian Activated Crossing; (6) concrete improvements incidental to overlay and all work and materials therefore or incidental thereto and all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefore on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk, which plans are hereby approved.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is \$ 1,425,000.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The capital budget of the Township of Lawrence is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any 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 the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The purposes described in Section 2 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements that may be lawfully undertaken as general improvements, and no part of the costs thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, and the reasonable life thereof, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law is 17.16 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance

by \$1,325,000 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$48,750 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated costs indicated herein for the purpose of improvements.

Section 7. The grant referred to in Section 1 when received will be applied to the direct payment of the cost of the improvements authorized herein. Any other grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 8. The Chief Financial Office of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, the in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 9. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 10. The Township reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditures towards the cost of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance and paid prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. No funds from sources other than the bonds or notes authorized herein has been or is reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside by the Township, or any member of the same "control group" as the Township, within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-1(f), pursuant to their budget or financial policies with respect to any expenditures to be reimbursed. The Section is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Township's official intent to reimburse any expenditures towards the

costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.103-18, and no action (or inaction) will be an artifice or device in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.103-13(j) or 1.148-9(g) to avoid, in whole or in part, arbitrage yield restrictions or arbitrage rebate requirements.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Ordinance No. 2229-16 (re-adoption) was introduced and approved on the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Bobbitt	X						X
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Ms. Lewis	X						
Mr. Powers	X					X	
Mayor Maffei	X						

Manager’s Report –

Mr. Nerwinski submitted invoice listings for the month of September 2017 in the amount of \$1,330,392.54.

Mr. Nerwinski reported the item of discussion relates back to Darrah Lane and the Route 1 Project that was discussed at the last Council Meeting and that NJDOT would like for Lawrence Township to enter into an Agreement with an estimated project cost of \$100,000 and the Township contributing 25-percent as required. And, he knows the Council had a concern about the specifics of the project and he sent an email out to all of Council providing them with a basic site plan of the project, and Mr. Parvesse indicated to him that this is all they will receive at the present time; but, once they enter into the agreement they will all have a seat at the table and participate fully and have an opportunity to voice their concerns regarding the outcome of the project. , NJDOT is not willing to speak or exchange ideas about the project until they say yay or nay to at least the concept of the project.

A general discussion ensued relative to the Township doing general enhancements to address the issues of accessibility, speeding, traffic safety and increasing pedestrian safety in that area as well as the Council meeting with the Trails and Open Space Committee to discuss some ideas they have regarding pedestrian walkways needed to make that intersection more pedestrian friendly. It was the consensus of the Council to move forward with the agreement.

Attorney's Report –

There was no Attorney's report.

Clerk's Report –

Ms. Norcia distributed copies of agenda for the joint meeting with Lawrence Township School Board and questioned if the items on the Agenda is their understanding as what the meeting is going to entail with the School Board at the October 17th meeting.

Councilman Bobbitt stated personally he thought the Council having a joint meeting with the Board of Education was to have a conversation between the two Body's about things that affect the Township that they both can address, not to have what seems in essence a forty minute regular meeting for the School Board first.

Councilwoman Lewis pointed out that Lawrence Township Council is having their Regular Council Meeting after the joint session and they could probably find space in the building for the School Board to have their own meeting given there is only one item on the agenda that has a tangible connection to the Township which is the Ralph Copleman Award that was already presented. Ms. Norcia advised that the School Board is having their Executive Session prior to the joint meeting and the Regular Meeting afterwards at Town Hall. Councilmen Kownacki and Powers echoed the same sentiments as the other members of Council with respect to discussion being about the School Board and Lawrence Township budget issues, priorities and goals being aligned and not contrary going forward. Additional dialogue took place relative to the assumption that the School Board meeting was going to be as it had been in prior years and the Municipal Clerk reaching out to the Board to clarify the agenda of the joint meeting.

Unfinished Business –

There was no unfinished business.

New Business –

Mr. Kownacki advised that November 25th, the weekend of Thanksgiving, is the 2nd Annual Football Game between the Finest and Bravest at Notre Dame High School and he was asked to relay the information and find out how many members of Council will be able to attend. They are also sponsoring the Toys for Tots drive so the admission will be \$10.00 or a gift in the same amount.

Public Participation (3-minute limitation per speaker) –

There was no public participation.

Resolutions

Resolution Nos. 363-17 18 –A.1 through 375-17 18-H.6 were approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Bobbitt	X						X
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Ms. Lewis	X					X	
Mr. Powers	X						
Mayor Maffei	X						

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

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Resolution Nos. 359-17 (9-A) was approved by the following roll call vote:

| COUNCIL      | AYE | NAY | PRESENT | ABSENT | ABSTAIN | MOVE | SECOND |
|--------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|---------|------|--------|
| Mr. Bobbitt  | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Mr. Kownacki | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |
| Ms. Lewis    | X   |     |         |        |         |      | X      |
| Mr. Powers   | X   |     |         |        |         | X    |        |
| Mayor Maffei | X   |     |         |        |         |      |        |

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Resolution Nos. 360-17 (9-B) was approved by the following roll call vote:

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Mr. Bobbitt	X						
Mr. Kownacki	X						
Ms. Lewis	X						X
Mr. Powers	X					X	
Mayor Maffei	X						

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

Council Initiatives/Liaison Reports –

Ms. Lewis noted that last Sunday, October 1st, was Community Day and the Superintendent of Recreation and her staff did a wonderful job in putting on what she thought was the most interactive community events that she has seen in a long time and asked the Municipal Manager to convey that compliment to the department. Mayor Maffei stated he concurs with Ms. Lewis’ remarks, and Mr. Bobbitt indicated he was unable to attend the event but he heard at the end the kids discovered that the horns worked... on the Public Works and Fire Department vehicles which he missed.

There were no additional Liaison Reports.

Written Communications –

There was no written communication.

There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting adjourned at 7.18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kathleen S. Norcia, Municipal Clerk

Attest:

David C. Maffei, Mayor