OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY
WORKSHOP MEETING
MARCH 8, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Raguseo called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilman Anzalone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mauro Raguseo, Councilman Ronald Anzalone, Councilman Stephen Lanum, Councilman George Muller, Councilman Thomas Sarlo,
Absent: Council President Roberta Henriquez, Councilwoman Peggy Steinhilber

NOTE: Council President Henriquez arrived for the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

Adequate notice of this meeting was approved by resolution adopted by the Governing Body on January 7, 2016, approved unanimously and transmitted to The Record and Star Ledger as provided by the Open Public Meeting's Act. A copy of meeting notice was filed outside of the Borough Clerk's Office and has been posted on the bulletin board outside of the Borough Clerk's Office.

OPEN TOPICS:

- Limousine Licensing

Nadeem Hussein of 18 Grand St. came forward and said the he was seeking permission to rent a parking spot from Gates on Gates Road to park his second limousine. Borough Clerk Barbara Maldonado said that according to the Borough's ordinance, only one limousine license can be issued per address and Mr. Hussein has already been issued a limousine license for one vehicle. The other issue was that the Borough Clerk is not permitted to issue a license for "stretch" limos which is the type of vehicle Mr. Hussein is seeking a license for and parking spot for. Mr. Hussein said that the Zoning Office denied his request to park the vehicle on Gates' property. Borough Attorney Joseph Monaghan said parking the vehicle on Gates' property creates a second use on their property. Gates would need to apply for a variance then. Councilman Anzalone recommended Mr. Hussein inquire with the NJ Meadowlands Commission to see if parking the vehicle in their jurisdiction would be a permitted use.

OPEN TOPICS continued:

- Concrete Borders Around Tree Pits – Main St.

DPW Superintendent William Holley said he is meeting with the Planner/Special Projects Engineer Remington, Vernick & Arango Engineers to develop a bid specification. It will cost approximately $40,000 - $50,000 to repair all the slabs. Mayor Raguseo said they are an eyesore and trip hazard. Mr. Holley said the slabs around each tree need to be handled on a case by case basis. Not all need replacement. Some just need repairs. Councilman Sarlo said there is funding is the capital account.

- Signs – Missing or Replacement of

Councilman Sarlo said the street sign budget has been increased to $15,000. He said that the Traffic Officer has provided Mr. Holley with a list of missing signs or replacements needed and Mr. Holley can now start working on this list. Mayor Raguseo asked if "welcome to little ferry" signs were included. Mr. Holley said they were not.

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- Sewer Relining

Councilman Sarlo said this project is part of the capital improvements and community development. He didn't believe Main Street was included as part of this project. A decision on whether to include Main Street needs to be made.

- 2016 Capital Projects

Councilman Sarlo said that a Bond Ordinance is on tonight's regular meeting agenda for introduction for improvements to Summit Circle and for improvements to the DPW yard which include resurfacing and lighting. Councilman Sarlo said the DPW is requesting $100,000 for two SUV's and one pickup truck. There are some funds leftover from last year, therefore $75,000 would need to be provided. $250,000 is being requested by the Fire Department to refurbish the rescue truck. There is money in the capital improvement fund. He recommended the money be spent from that account rather than bonding. Councilman Sarlo said the Police Department is requesting $10,000 a year for a three year program to replace three to four laptops in their vehicles a year. Councilman Sarlo said that the former Borough Administrator put an HVAC replacement plan in the budget for the

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Library which he was unsure of the reason. Mr. Holley said there are four units on the Library roof. The former Administrator wanted to replace them while still working. It was recommended that funds allocated be removed from the budget and the matter be dealt with as a maintenance issue. Councilman Sarlo said the budget is being introduced at tonight's regular meeting with a $26.00 increase. Funding for tax appeals was increased as old cases need to be resolved. He said that the $400,000 Hurricane Sandy loan will be off next year's budget. The 1.7 million in reserve was not touched. Debt service did go up and the Finance Committee will have to work on decreasing it. Valuations of properties continue to increase. Council President Henriquez said the Senior Citizens Organization is requesting funding for two additional bus trips ($1,600.00) as each trip is approximately $800.00.

- County Fire Truck Loaner Program

Councilman Anzalone recommended the Borough not participate in this County program as the vehicles loaned out are not always in the best condition. The Council agreed not to participate.

- Update on Telephones

Councilman Sarlo said the Borough will be on a month-to-month agreement effective April 1st. Borough Administrator Paula Cozzarelli will be reviewing the telephone services. She said she contacted Verizon to get a better understanding of our system.

- Turf Field – Lakeview Park

Borough Engineer Kenneth Job said the bid specifications were sent to Musco Lighting and Turf Field for their review/input.

- Woodland Ave. – Traffic

Eduardo Fernandez, resident of Woodland Ave., came forward with several other residents of Woodland Ave. Mr. Fernandez said that his dog was recently hit and killed by a speeding car on Woodland Ave. He complained of speeding cars on a daily basis. Mayor Raguseo said that years ago the majority of residents on Woodland Ave. did not want to have the street paved and wanted the street kept as concrete. This time, the majority wanted the street paved, therefore the Borough honored their request. Mr. Fernandez said the nearby car lots are using

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their street for the test driving of vehicles. He recommended speed bumps being installed. Mayor Raguseo said the problem with speed bumps is that they cause a problem for the snow plows and trucks traveling over them create a lot of noise. Mr. Job said that legally speed bumps are not permitted. Approval would be needed from the Department of Transportation and they would not approve the request for this street. There is a liability issue and a maintenance problem for snow plows. He said that speed bumps would not resolve the problem. They help in the beginning but eventually the drivers get use to them and continue to speed. Neighbors will hear the vehicles going over the speed bumps. He said that the only way make an impact and to address this problem is enforcement by the Police Department. Mr. Fernandez said that drivers use their street as a cut through. Police Chief Ralph Verdi said the area is dual zoned, residential and commercial, and therefore trucks can travel down Woodland. Chief Verdi said he will be leaving the speed trailer on the block which tells the date, time and speed of each vehicle. He said he will make note of the busiest times of speeders and post a detective car on the block during those time periods. Chief Verdi said he did contact one of the car lots that has been utilizing Woodland Ave. for test drives. Mayor Raguseo asked Mr. Holley if a "SLOW DOWN" message could be painted on the road. Mr. Job said a "no thru street" sign could be posted but DOT approval would be needed be make it a dead end. It would be difficult to warrant this though. Mayor Raguseo recommended to first post new signs with additional signs being added, using the speed trailer and unmarked detective car. He said the situation will continue to be monitored. Mayor Raguseo said that possibly in the spring, visual markings could be made on the road. Mr. Fernandez asked if "children at play" signs could be posted. Mr. Holley said yes.

CITIZENS HEARING:
Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Open Citizens Hearing:
Motion by: Councilman Muller
Second by: Council President Henriquez
All Ayes.

Mike Scerbo, Operations Manager of Future Sanitation (Borough's contractor for solid waste/bulk & recyclables) said that they will have a performance bond in place within 60 days and will continue to service the town.

Since there was no one wishing to speak, Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Close Citizens Hearing:
Motion by: Councilman Lanum
Second by: Councilman Muller
All Ayes.

RESOLUTION:

105. Closed Session Resolution

The Governing Body did not go into Closed Session during the Workshop meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS: RESOLUTION(S) – ORDINANCE(S) FOR CONSIDERATION AT REGULAR MEETING:

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:

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RESOLUTIONS continued:

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ORDINANCE NO. 1457-06-16 – AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE WAGE RATE OF THE DEPUTY ZONING OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1458-07-16 – BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING $1,095,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $1,040,250 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FINAL ADOPTION:

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Since there was no other business to be discussed, Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Adjourn.
Motion by: Council President Henriquez
Second by: Councilman Muller
All ayes

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Minutes transcribed and respectfully submitted by Borough Clerk Barbara Maldonado. I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true account of the Workshop Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on March 8, 2016.

Barbara Maldonado

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- Limousine Licensing
- 2016 Capital Projects
- Concrete Borders Around Tree Pits – Main St.
- Update on Telephones
- Signs – Missing or Replacement of
- Sewer Relining
- County Fire Truck Loaner Program

CITIZENS HEARING:

Motion to Open Citizens Hearing:
Invitation to Speak:
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CLOSED TOPICS:

- Litigation – Future Sanitation & World Video
- Personnel – Deputy Zoning Officer

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105. Executive Closed Session Resolution

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MOTION TO ADJOURN: _____ TIME: _____ P.M.