

**BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS
MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015
AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE BOROUGH HALL
MAYOR THOMAS A. BARBERA PRESIDING
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SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE was led by Mayor Barbera

OPEN MEETING ACT– Mayor Barbera stated that adequate notice of this meeting was given by emailing the Central Record and the Courier-Post on January 5, 2015 and posting on the website and bulletin board in the Borough Hall, also on Borough’s website.

ROLL CALL recorded as present: Letts, McCunney, Mochel, DiGregorio, Cruz and Redstreak; absent: none.

MATTERS REQUIRING OFFICIAL ACTION

• **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Work Session Meeting of November 23, 2015 - The motion to approve by Councilman Redstreak, was seconded by Councilman McCunney, with Redstreak, McCunney, Letts, and Cruz in favor, none opposed and Mochel and DiGregorio abstaining.

• **RESOLUTIONS**

• **#106-2015- INSERTION OF AN ITEM OF REVENUE – DRUNK DRIVING ENFORCEMENT FUND**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality, when such item shall have been made available by law, and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs do hereby request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve **the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2015 in the sum of \$2,000.00, which is now available as a revenue from the State of New Jersey Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$2,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the title “Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund – Salaries & Wages,” pursuant to the provisions of the statute.

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- **#107-2015- APPROVING BUDGET TRANSFERS - #2**

WHEREAS , N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides that a municipal governing body may make			
Budget Transfers during the last two months of the fiscal year;			
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of			
the Borough of Laurel Springs, that the following 2015 Budget Transfers (#2) be approved:			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
		<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
<u>Account #</u>			
1-20-150-101	Tax Assessor - SW		\$100.00
1-20-150-201	Tax Assessor - OE	\$100.00	
1-26-290-105	Streets & Roads - SW	2,000.00	
1-26-290-207	Streets & Roads - OE		2,000.00
1-26-310-102	Buildings & Grounds - SW	2,000.00	
1-26-310-203	Buildings & Grounds - OE	2,000.00	
1-30-415-101	Accumulated Leave - SW		4,000.00
1-31-430-201	Electricity - OE		4,000.00
1-31-430-202	Water - OE	1,500.00	
1-31-430-203	Natural Gas - OE	1,000.00	
1-31-430-205	Gasoline & Diesel Fuel - OE	1,500.00	
1-31-430-206	Other Telecommunications - OE		1,000.00
1-36-473-202	Social Security & Med. Taxes - OE	1,000.00	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		\$11,100.00	\$11,100.00

- The motion to approve by Councilman Redstreak was seconded by Councilwoman Mochel with Redstreak, Mochel, Letts, McCunney, DiGregorio and Cruz, in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

- **#108-2015- APPROVING GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE - JUNE 2014- JUNE 2019**

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Laurel Springs Borough Council of the Laurel Springs Borough of Camden County, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

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WHEREAS, the Laurel Springs Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Laurel Springs Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Camden;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Laurel Springs Borough Council of Laurel Springs Borough, County of Camden, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Laurel Springs Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Sterling Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2015 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$ <u>32,728.00</u>
Cash Match	\$ <u>8,182.00</u>
In-Kind	\$ <u>24,546.00</u>

2. The Laurel Springs Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

- The motion to approve by Councilman Redstreak was seconded by Councilman Letts with Redstreak, Letts, Cruz and DiGregorio, in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
- RESOLVED TO PAY \$525,905.78 FROM CURRENT ACCOUNT AND \$30,892.38 FROM TRUST AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS
- The motion to approve by Councilman Redstreak was seconded by Councilwoman Mochel with Redstreak, Mochel, Letts, McCunney, DiGregorio and Cruz in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

• **ORDINANCES – Second Reading**

• **794-205-AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS FOR YEAR 2016**

- Mayor Barbera opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments; hearing none, he closed the meeting to the public
- The motion to adopt by Councilman Redstreak was seconded by Councilwoman Mochel with Redstreak, DiGregorio, Letts, McCunney, Mochel and Cruz in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

• **795-2015-AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 76 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS ENTITLED, "ANIMALS"**

- Mayor Barbera opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments; hearing none, he closed the meeting to the public
 - Nancy Bonsall- representing "Residents against Puppy Mills" from Cherry Hill Township - Came to support Council in decision to adopt this Animal Ordinance limiting sales of puppy mill animals in Pet Shops

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- The motion to adopt by Councilman Redstreake was seconded by Councilwoman DiGregorio with Redstreake, DiGregorio, Letts, McCunney, Mochel and Cruz in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
- **796-2015-AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 74 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS ENTITLED "TAXATION"**
 - Mayor Barbera opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments; hearing none, he closed the meeting to the public
 - The motion to adopt by Councilman Redstreake was seconded by Councilwoman DiGregorio with Redstreake, DiGregorio, Letts, McCunney, Mochel and Cruz in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
- **APPOINTMENT**
 - Matt Holden as Seasonal Part Time Public Works Laborer – the motion to appoint by Councilman Redstreake was seconded by Councilwoman Mochel with Letts, McCunney, Mochel, DiGregorio, Cruz and Redstreake in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

- **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, BOARDS, SERVICES-** Council President Redstreake read the Sewer Utility Report for the month of November, 2015 a copy of which is on file and available for review. Councilman Redstreake also reported on the Public Works Department saying all was well and working out with the new public works laborer. He had a sample of hand carved lettering to potentially use at Crystal Springs to inscribe Whitman quotes on the boardwalk with whatever grant money may be remaining in the grant. There was discussion of sink holes on Glen Avenue that appear to be resolved with no more issues.
- **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS –** Councilman McCunney reported on the award of Grants to 14 municipalities throughout New Jersey. There were ten \$10,000 grants and four \$30,000 grants for energy efficiency awarded. Laurel Springs was one of the four municipalities to receive \$30,000. This money is intended for the Cord Mansion Project.
- **DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL COURT –** Councilwoman DiGregorio read the Municipal Court Report for November, 2015 as submitted by Jacqueline Vicari, Municipal Court Administrator, copies of which are on file and available to review. Mayor Barbera mentioned the surprise Retirement Party for Judge Larsen that a flyer was distributed for. Any Laurel Springs representation should let Municipal Clerk Amadio know, so that the RSVP can be forward to Berlin Borough.
- **DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE –** Councilman Letts read the CFO's Report for the Month ending November 20, 2015 as submitted by CFO Ciminera, a copy of which is on file and available for review.
- **DIRECTOR OF RECREATION –** Councilman Cruz reported on the Tree Lighting Ceremony, which he described as having an amazing turn out. He thanked Mike Brown for the fantastic job that was done in decorating the tree. A Second Chance Prom will be held on February 20, 2016. The Second Annual Tree Tossing Event will be held January 9, 2015.

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- **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY – POLICE AND FIRE** - Councilwoman Mochel read the Fire Department report for the month of November, 2015 and the Police Department Report for the month of November, 2015, copies of which are on file and available for review.
- **MAYOR'S REPORT** – Mayor Barbera read his report which reviews his activities from the date of the last regular Meeting, a copy of which is on file and available for review. Mayor Barbera thanked the Police and Public Works Department and the Recreation Commission for the fine time that was had at the Monster Bazaar Event.

CORRESPONDENCE

- From JIF regarding Cyber Liability – Booklets have been printed outlining the risks associated with Cyber Liability. A supplement was also included with the information. It was available at the meeting to be reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA – None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – none

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Tuesday, December 15, 2015 @ 4 pm – Ordinance Review @ Borough Hall*
- *Wednesday, December 16, 2015 @ 7 pm – School Board Meeting @ Laurel Springs School*
- *Thursday, December 17, 2015 @ 7 pm – Combined Land Use Meeting @ Borough Hall – Cancelled*
- *Thursday, December 24, 2015 – Borough Offices are closed in celebration of Christmas Eve*
- *Monday, December 28, 2015 @ 7 pm, Work Session Meeting @ Borough Hall*

ADJOURNMENT –There being no further business a motion was made by Councilman Redstreak, which was seconded by Councilwoman Mochel to adjourn at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn T. Amadio, RMC
Municipal Clerk