

Meeting called to order as advertised and held in accordance with the Open Public meetings Act.  
Members present: Bowman, Sheppard, Miletta.

Jason Ripper, President, recreation was present and provided information on upcoming events. Baseball/softball sign ups have begun and will continue to be held on Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons at the Municipal Building through March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Registration will also be held at the Myron L Powell Elementary School during two school events. Community Day, which was rained out last year will be held the weekend before Memorial Day along with the County Sheriff's Dept. "Get Hooked on Fishing, not Drugs" contest.

The Recreation Committee plans to have the flag football program in the fall and is hoping to add a new program, safe sitter program, if the Municipal Alliance approves funding. Mr. Ripper advised that that the organization has acquired their non-profit status, and are working to acquire new playground equipment.

Land sale offer of \$1,200.00 received from K. Gates for the purchase of block 226 lot 17 reviewed. The property is landlocked and adjacent to existing owned lot. Recent sale in similar situation, minimum bid was \$1,000 per quarter acre lot. It was decided that the minimum bid would be based on acreage at 1,000 per acre. The lot is 1.63 acres, Committee would entertain a minimum bid in the amount of \$6300.00. Clerk will contact Mr. Gates to determine if he remains interested. Mr. Miletta presented a letter of intent, or interest to purchase block 190 lot 12.02 received by Bruce Cheeseman who resides on block 190 lot 12.01 reviewed. Clerk advised that final judgement has not yet been received on this property. Further consideration will be given upon final judgement.

Clerk advised Committee that time is running out on extension granted by State Fire Inspection for purchase and installation of fire rated doors and hardware. Proposals have been requested but vendors have not responded. Clerk will contact additional vendors.

Draft resolution prepared by Solicitor Seeley to authorize City of Bridgeton Building Sub Code, Electric Sub Code, Plumbing Sub Code and Fire Sub Code officials to perform inspections as necessary in Lawrence Township due to conflict, etc., reviewed. Committee satisfied with the resolution, further action will take place at the regular meeting.

Correspondence received from DEP Bureau of Water Allocation & Well Permitting regarding township owned wells currently registered with them, and wells being added, modification application submitted in June of 2018 reviewed. It was determined that an existing fire well located on Factory Rd was omitted. Clerk will contact DEP to add the well to application to modify existing registration.

Discussion held regarding complaint received about cars parked on Edgewood Ave. near the Main St. intersection. Cars belong to the resident at the corner of Main & Edgewood. Mayor Bowman agreed that it creates a hazardous condition as the roadway is not wide enough to accommodate a parked car, car exiting on to Main and car entering Edgewood. Mr. Sheppard inquired if either the Zoning Officer or Public Works Supervisor spoke to the resident. Clerk advised that the Zoning Officer would correspond with the property owner. Committee agreed if resident did not cooperate, a no parking sign should be placed to allow a 100' site triangle.

Payment of approved vouchers authorized motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Mr. Miletta advised that the tenant at bank property owned by the Township approached him in regard to issue with air conditioning. Existing unit does not cool their computer room and they are questioning if the Township would assist in installing a separate unit for just the one room. Mr. Miletta stated that he wondered if it's not an issue that might be resolved by proper exhaust as the computers heat up the room. He suggested that the Committee have Simpson Refrigeration look into it. Committee agreed.

With no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta.

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February 11, 2019  
Regular Monthly Meeting

Meeting called to order as advertised and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Members present: Bowman, Sheppard, Miletta.

Following the flag salute, Minutes of the January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> meetings approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta unanimous vote. Reports for the month of January accepted motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Public hearing opened as advertised, Ordinance No. 2019-410, Regulating the Transfer of Residential Properties. Receiving no public comments, the hearing was closed and the Ordinance adopted as motioned by Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Ordinance No. 2019-411, An Ordinance Providing For The Salaries And Wages For The Employees And Officer Of The Township Of Lawrence approved on first reading as moved by Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote. Further consideration will be given for final adoption following a public hearing to be held at the regular meeting of March 11, 2019.

Resolution 2019-18, Authorization for the Township of Lawrence to Enter Into a Inter-Local Services Agreement With The Township Of Deerfield For Zoning/Code Enforcement Services approved, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-19, Authorizing a Inter-Local Services agreement with Maurice River Township for Certified Recycling Coordinator Services approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-20, Authorization to apply for a Recycling Tonnage Grant, and authorization for K. Louann Karrer to prepare and file the grant application approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-21, Authorization for the Lawrence Township Parade and Events Committee to conduct a Memorial Day Parade on May 27<sup>th</sup>, and requesting County Freeholder Board consent to issue a road closure permit for said event approved, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

2019 Dog License fees established and grace period to obtain a dog license extended to March 30<sup>th</sup>, Resolution 2019-22, approved motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-23, Authorization for the City of Bridgeton's Building Sub-Code, Electric Sub-Code, Plumbing Sub-Code and Fire Sub-Code Officials to perform inspections in the Township of Lawrence do to conflict approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-24, Accepting LTEMs and Cedarville Volunteer Fire Co. certified LOSAP list, 2018 Benefit, approved, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Emergency Temporary Appropriation in the amount of \$361,516.30 approved, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote, Resolution 201—25.

Authorization to cancel taxes on lots donated to the Township of Lawrence approved, Resolution 2019-26, motioned Miletta seconded Sheppard, unanimous vote.

Certificate of Determination and Award for bond anticipation note sold to Oppenheimer & Co., Inc. in the denomination of \$739,000, interest rate 3.00% presented to Committee and accepted motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Payment of additional approved vouchers authorized motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta, unanimous vote.

Brief discussion held regarding addition to Senior Center for Historical Society. Clerk instructed to contact engineer Stephen Nardelli to request proposal for site plan.

Floor opened for public comment. Receiving no response floor closed and meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm, motioned Sheppard, seconded Miletta.

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Ruth Dawson, Clerk

February 21, 2019  
Budget Meeting

A special budget meeting of the Lawrence Township Committee was called to order at 5:00 PM as advertised, and held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Present: Bowman, Sheppard Miletta. Also in attendance, Auditor Fred Caltiabiano and CFO Mary Jane Lake.

Budget reviewed line for line with department heads requests made at The February 24<sup>th</sup> meeting being taken into consideration. Lengthy discussion held regarding proposed capital projects, addition to Public Works Building and Construction of a Pole Barn at Senior Center site for Historical Society. The proposed budget reflects a 3.1 cent increase, appropriations up \$70,321.00, which amounts to a \$52.80 increase to the average household, assessed at 170,000. Further consideration will be given when the budget is introduced at the regular meeting of March 11.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM, motioned Miletta, seconded Sheppard.

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Ruth Dawson, Clerk