



WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the executive session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that they will conduct an executive session to discuss the following topic(s) as permitted by *N.J.S.A. 40:4-12*:

\_\_\_\_\_ A matter which Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court requires be kept confidential or excluded from discussion in public (Provision relied upon:

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\_\_\_\_\_ A matter where the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

\_\_\_\_\_ A matter whose disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy;

\_\_\_\_\_ A collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions thereof (Specify contract: \_\_\_\_\_);

\_\_\_\_\_ A matter involving the purpose, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed;

\_\_\_\_\_ Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection;

\_\_\_\_\_ Investigations of violations or possible violations of the law;

\_\_\_\_\_ Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party; (The general nature of the litigation or contract negotiations is): The public disclosure of such information at this time would have a potentially negative impact on the municipality's position in the litigation or negotiation; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the potential for negative impact no longer exists.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his or her ethical duties as a lawyer or the public disclosure of such information at this time would have a potentially negative impact on the municipality's position with respect to the matter being discussed; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the potential for negative impact no longer exists.); The general nature of the matter is:

  X   Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective or current public officer or employee of the public body, where all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected have not requested in writing that the matter(s) be discussed at a public meeting; (The employee(s) and/or general nature of discussion is: And whereas the public disclosure of such information at this time would violate the employee(s) privacy rights; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the threat to privacy rights no longer exists. – **Business Administrator Candidate Interview**

\_\_\_\_\_ Deliberation occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty or loss of a license or permit;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Committee hereby declare that their discussion of the subject(s) identified above may be made public at a time when the Township Attorney advises them that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the Township or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Committee, for the reasons set forth above, hereby declare that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place.

The public meeting reconvened at 6:48 p.m.

### **Department of Public Works**

Mr. McKee informed that Committee that a DPW employee has tested positive for COVID. Three other employees who were in close contact with the employee have been tested and are awaiting test results. It was decided to close the building for the week. It will be cleaned prior to staff returning to work. Emergency procedures are in place if there should be a winter storm.

### **Township Engineer**

Mr. McKee stated that he and the DPW Manager have received three proposals for the Engineer's position. He and Warren will be meeting to review the proposals. The Planning Board is happy with the current Engineer.

Bayer-Risse Engineering has the better pricing.

### **Reorganization Meeting Event**

Ms. Koehler noted that she has been advised that the individual who pays for the Reorganization party event is liable for any issues that may arise.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS – limited to agenda items only.**

*Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Laul, and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee opened the public comment portion of the meeting.*

There were no comments from the public

*Motion by Ms. Koehler, seconded by Mr. Laul and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee closed the public comment portion of the meeting.*

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to come before the Committee a motion was made by Mr. Wilson seconded by Mr. Laul and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Karen J. Sandorse, RMC/CMC  
Municipal Clerk

Approved: February 16, 2022

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Mike Schmidt, Mayor