

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Edward Post called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated that in compliance with the "Open Public Meeting Act" this is a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee as published in the Hunterdon Review, the agenda has been posted at the Municipal Building and distributed to the Hunterdon Review, Courier News, the Express Times, the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Star Ledger.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Post asked everyone to stand for the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present - Ed Post Patricia Schriver Jay Weeks
George Piazza Francis Monahan

Absent -

Also Present – Attorney Phil George and Clerk Karen Sandorse and 9 members of the public.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Motion by Ms. Schriver, seconded by Mr. Monahan and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved the September 19, 2007 regular meeting minutes.

Motion by Mr. Piazza, seconded by Ms. Schriver and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved the September 19, 2007 executive session minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Ms. Schriver, seconded by Mr. Monahan and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved Resolution No. 68-2007 and convened in executive session at 7:05 p.m. Action may be taken when the regular meeting is reconvened.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
RESOLUTION NO. 68-2007

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of

Lebanon, that in compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, this meeting will be closed to the Public to discuss the following matters:

Contract Negotiations – Municipal Court

Mayor Post stated that the Township Committee is in process of reviewing proposals from the North Hunterdon Municipal Court and also contemplating a proposal from Clinton Township. NHMC Administrator Robin Manfredi was present on behalf of the Court.

Motion by Ms. Schriver, seconded by Mr. Piazza and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee reconvened the Regular Committee meeting at 7:42 p.m. and amended Resolution No. 68-2007 in suspending the Resolution and going back to the regular order of business and will be recommenced later in the meeting.

Attorney George stated that all members of the Governing Body present at the commencement of the executive session were present at the recommencement of the open session as well as the Township Clerk and the Township Attorney. Attorney George stated that the Committee reviewed the potential Interlocal Services Contract terms and reviewed finances and comparative statements. Discussion was held with Ms. Manfredi as to the timeline for participating in the negotiating of the Interlocal Services Contract, the parameters necessary, were discussed and the Committee decided to come back into the open session and reconsider the Contract under Old Business on this evenings agenda.

Motion by Mr. Monahan, seconded by Ms. Schriver and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved renewing the Interlocal Services Contract with North Hunterdon Municipal Court pending the successful negotiations of the Agreement.

OLD BUSINESS

Authorized the Release of Performance Bond – Centex Homes LLC – Grandview at Lebanon

Motion by Ms. Schriver, seconded by Mr. Piazza and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee authorized the release of the Performance Bond for Centex Homes LLC – Grandview at Lebanon.

Marie Taluba – Library Clerk Personnel Matters

Library Clerk Marie Taluba, is requesting to have three Saturdays off in November. In January 2007, the Committee informed Marie that she would be granted one Saturday off per month with the exception of September, which she will have two. The Committee stated that any requests for additional Saturdays off, during the year, would be excessive.

Marie stated that she did not use any Saturdays in January or February and asked if the Committee would be flexible with the time.

Library Roof Bids

Clerk Sandorse advised the Committee that she has received the specifications for the Library roof and has forwarded them on to the Township Engineer for his review and approval. Once received, the notice will be placed in the paper.

Teetertown Ravine Drainage

Warren Gabriel, DPW Asst. Supervisor stated that he will be meeting with Steve Risse, the Hunterdon County Engineer and John Trontis to walk the site.

Water Tank Ordinance

Warren Gabriel stated that the Fire Company reviewed the proposed ordinance and it is satisfactory. The ordinance can be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Post stated that in the Spring the DEP had come up with 2000 locations in NJ that needed remedial action in the past. The Township received notification that a biennial certification was required, however, it was thought to be for the Fire Co.#1 site only. It has been since discovered that the First Aid Squad site was also in need of the certification. TRC has submitted a contract to perform the testing and for submission to the DEP.

Motion by Mr. Piazza, seconded by Ms. Schriver and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved the TRC Contract at \$2500.00 and authorized the Mayor to sign.

PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS

Motion by Ms. Schriver, seconded by Mr. Piazza and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved the October 3, 2007 in the amount of \$214,675.09.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bunnvale Library Committee Meeting Minutes – September 12, 2007

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Mr. Monahan, seconded by Ms. Schriver and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee opened the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

Nancy Darois asked if the executive sessions could be held before or after the meeting.

Bruce Cunningham questioned, that due to the \$2500.00 remediation cost associated with the Biennial testing, was it ever investigated to see if the DEP would sign off on the need for remedial action being required?

Heather Taluba asked if the Committee would be taking action when they come out of executive session.

Motion by Mr. Piazza, seconded by Ms. Schriver and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Ms. Schriver, seconded by Mr. Monahan and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved Resolution No. 68-2007 to go back into executive session at 8:09 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of Resolution No. 68-2007 for the reasons as set forth in said resolution.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON RESOLUTION NO. 68-2007

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, that in compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, this meeting will be closed to the Public to discuss the following matters:

Personnel Matters
Possible Contract Issues

Motion by Ms. Schriver, seconded by Mr. Piazza and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee reconvened the Regular Committee meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Attorney George stated that all members of the Governing Body present at the commencement of the executive session were present at the recommencement of the open session as well as the Township Clerk and the Township Attorney. The Township Committee discussed two matters relative to contract negotiations and personnel matters. The personnel matter was the request of Marie Taluba which was discussed earlier in the public portion of the meeting and the other was the written request for PBA Contract negotiations.

Mayor Post explained to Marie Taluba that they did deliberate on her request and as stated back in January 2007, it is the opinion of the Committee that one Saturday a month is a reasonable

request for time off. To the extent that her vacation plans were consistent with that, it is fine, but if they are not, it is not acceptable. The Committee is expecting Marie to honor that agreement.

Marie asked what about the week that her daughter gets married. It would be over two Saturdays. Mayor Post stated that that would not be consistent with what has been approved.

Motion by Ms. Schriver, seconded by Mr. Piazza and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee authorized the Clerk to seek applications for a new Zoning Officer.

ADJOURN

Having no further business to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Mr. Piazza, seconded by Mr. Monahan and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen J. Sandorse, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

Approved

Edward L. Post III, Mayor