



City of Lambertville
Regularly Scheduled Session
Tuesday, March 17, 2015, 6:30 p.m.
Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center
25 South Union Street, Lambertville
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STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Mayor DelVecchio who read a statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. He noted that the annual meeting notice was published in the January 8th edition of the Beacon. The Clerk provided the required notice on Friday, February 13, 2015 to the Beacon, the Democrat, the Times, posted the agenda to the bulletin board at city hall, the website at www.lambertvillenj.org, and noticed various people on the list serve, inclusive of department heads, city attorney and city engineer.

ROLL CALL.

Mrs. Ege called the roll as follows:

Present: Councilwoman Asaro, Councilman Sanders, Councilwoman Warner, Council President Stegman, Mayor DelVecchio.

Absent: None.

RESOLUTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACTS, PERSONNEL, ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY, AND POTENTIAL LAW SUITS. PLEASE NOTE: Mayor and Council will go into closed session at 6:30 p.m. and reconvene in open session at 7 p.m.

RESOLUTION

“Authorizing a Closed Session at the March 17, 2015 Lambertville City Council Meeting to Discuss Contracts, Personnel, Acquisition of Property, Possible Litigation”

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Lambertville is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, provides that a closed session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by N.J.S.A 10:4-12(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville that a closed session shall be held on March 17, 2015, in the Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center, located at 25 South Union Street, Lambertville, to discuss the following matters: *Contracts, Personnel, Acquisition of Property, and Possible Litigation.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Lambertville Mayor and City Council.

ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Mayor DelVecchio and City Council convened in closed session at 6:35 p.m. with a motion made by Councilman Sanders and seconded by Council President Stegman. An affirmative voice/roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

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Mayor DelVecchio and City Council re-convened in regular session at 6:57 p.m. with a motion made by Councilwoman Warner and seconded by Council President Stegman. An affirmative voice/roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor DelVecchio led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE.

Mrs. Ege led the public in a moment of silence in honor of those serving their country in the United States Armed Forces.

PROCLAMATIONS.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING ERIC RICHARD FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE ON THE LAMBERTVILLE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY.

Mayor DelVecchio asked Mr. Richard to join him at the dais. He thanked Eric for his dedication to the citizens of the City of Lambertville. Council members took turns reading the proclamation into the record.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Eric Richard was appointed to the board of the Lambertville Municipal Utilities Authority on February 1, 2011; *and*

WHEREAS, Eric served as Chairman from 2011 to 2015, contributing significantly to numerous projects that maintained to and improved the quality of life of the residents of the City of Lambertville; *and*

WHEREAS, Mr. Richard worked tirelessly on the budget with a focus on maintaining the delivery of vital services in a cost-effective manner, and championed efforts to reduce resident complaints, and helped lead implementation of the Authority's Odor Action Plan; *and*

WHEREAS, Mr. Richard resigned from his position on the Lambertville Municipal Utilities Authority on February 3, 2015, to move with his family to the Township of West Amwell, *and*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, that Eric Richard is hereby honored and thanked for his many contributions to the City of Lambertville, including his tenure on the board of the Lambertville Municipal Utilities Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tuesday, February 17, 2015 is hereby proclaimed Eric Richard Day in the City of Lambertville; an act that is not mutually recognized in the Township of West Amwell.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Richard is hereby wished much luck with all of his future endeavors and with his move to the Township of West Amwell.

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David M. DelVecchio, Mayor

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that Eric deserves credit for the odor remediation at the LMUA. He used to call the Mayor and complain about the odor and in response the Mayor nominated him as a member of the LMUA. To his credit, he oversaw the redevelopment of the plan and significantly reduced the odor complaints. Councilman Sanders added that the redevelopment was completed in a cost effective manner. Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt the proclamation honoring Eric Richard. Councilwoman Asaro made a motion to adopt the proclamation. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Richard thanked Mayor and Council. He added that many of the council are good friends and he is going to miss the city and all of the other endeavors. He thanked Tom Horn, the executive director of the LMUA and recognized the employees of the LMUA who are often overlooked. He further commented that the odor problem is about 90% fixed.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING DEANNA'S RESTAURANT CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that he will present this proclamation to Di and Lisa on May 18, 2015.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Diana "DeAnna" Paterra opened DeAnna's restaurant in the City of Lambertville, New Jersey, in May of 1990 on the simple premise of bringing fresh, homemade Italian food to the people, and

WHEREAS, DeAnna's began on Lilly Street in a small 30-seat restaurant, but grew in acclaim and popularity to necessitate the need for expansion, leading to its current location on North Franklin Street, in the process maintaining one of the City's historic buildings as a place for friends to join together, and

WHEREAS, DeAnna's, "the hippest restaurant, in the oldest bar, in the smallest city, in the USA," has created their own "Manhattan-in-Lambertville" destination which has brought countless visitors to our community to eat in the beautiful outside courtyard, the intimate dining rooms, and the historic bar, and

WHEREAS, Diana Paterra continues to create culinary magic in the kitchen while her partner, Lisa Nichols, maintains the restaurant's beautiful decor and coordinates the front of the house, while still finding time to create numerous delicious desserts; both contributing to DeAnna's warm, friendly environment, and

WHEREAS, Diana Paterra and Lisa Nichols have honored and embraced the long and colorful history of their building at 54 North Franklin Street, a brick and stucco building built in 1863 which had been the home of Mason's Bar, a working-class establishment once featured in Weird New Jersey Magazine, and

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from which they have kept the original bar stools, neon bar sign, glass block windows, and the wainscoting around the bar, and which had also served as a canning factory, a temporary Catholic Church, and is even rumored to have been home of bootleg business run by a one-armed Italian!

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, that Chef/Owner Diana Paterra and her partner Lisa Nichols be congratulated on 25 years of service in the community and wished much success with all future endeavors!

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Monday, May 18, 2015, is hereby declared DeAnna's Day in the City of Lambertville.

Adopted this 17th day of March, 2015

Mayor David M. DelVecchio

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt the proclamation honoring DeAnna's. Council President Stegman made a motion to adopt the proclamation. Councilwoman Asaro seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Mayor asked for a motion to approve the following minutes: February 17, 2015 Regularly Scheduled Session Minutes, and February 17, 2015 Closed Session Minutes. Councilwoman Warner made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Council President Stegman seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve the following administrative reports: Tax Collector – Cynthia McBride, Municipal Court Administrator – Barbara Halper, Construction Official – Ken Rogers (January & February), Zoning Officer/Fire Inspector – John Barczyk (January & February), Police Director – Bruce Cocuzza, Acting Public Works Director – Lester Myers (January & February), City Clerk – Cynthia L. Ege and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – Christie Ehret. Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the administrative reports as listed. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS LIST.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve the amended bills list. Councilwoman Warner made a motion to approve the amended bills list. Council President Stegman seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS.

CONSENT AGENDA: *The following resolutions on a consent agenda are considered routine and shall be enacted by one motion. Should any member of City Council seek separate discussion of any item, that item shall be removed and discussed separately.*

Resolution Number 50-2015: *A Resolution to Authorize the Discharge of Mortgage for 61 Church Street in the Amount of \$18,904 for the 1998 Community Development Loan Recorded in Hunterdon County, Book 1391, Page 486.*

City of Lambertville
RESOLUTION 50-2015

A Resolution to Authorize the Discharge of Mortgage for 61 Church Street in the Amount of \$18,904 for the 1998 Community Development Loan Recorded in Hunterdon County, Book 1391, Page 486

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville received the check on March 9, 2015 from Weathervane Abstract & Settlement Services, LLC in the amount of \$18,904 in full payment of loan; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney prepared the discharge of mortgage for the Mayor to sign and the clerk to attest to.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey hereby authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the discharge of mortgage for Anthony J. and Marie B. Nanni for 61 Church Street in the amount of \$18,904.

ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Resolution Number 51- 2015: *A Resolution to Authorize the Tax Lien Redemption for Block 1010, Lot 23, in the Amount of \$657.14.*

City of Lambertville
RESOLUTION 51-2015

A Resolution Authorizing the Redemption of a Tax Lien for Block 1010, Lot 23 In the Amount of \$657.14

WHEREAS, Tax Lien Certificate 14-0006 issued on Block 1010, Lot 23 was sold to US Bank Cust for PC4 First Tax Lien Services Group, 50 South 16th st, Suite 2050 Philadelphia, PA 19102 on 11/25/2014 and

WHEREAS, payment has been received by the Tax Collector for redemption of the tax lien from Midland Mtg.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey that the check is hereby authorized to F US

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Bank Cust for PC4 First Tax Lien Services Group, 50 South 16th st, Suite 2050 Philadelphia, PA 19102 for the redemption of tax lien certificate #14-006 in the amount of:

\$607.70 Principle
9.44 Interest
40.00 Recording Fee

\$657.14 Total Amount Paid to Redeem

ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Resolution Number 52-2015: A Resolution to Establish a Green Team.

City of Lambertville
RESOLUTION 52-2015

A Resolution to Establish a Green Team Pursuant to Sustainable Jersey

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Lambertville strives to save tax dollars, assure clean air and water, improve working and living environments, and build a community that is sustainable economically, environmentally, and socially; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Lambertville wishes to build a model of government which benefits its residents with green community initiatives which are environmentally and economically sound, easy to replicate, and affordable to implement; and

WHEREAS, in an attempt to focus on green issues, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville wishes to re-establish a Green Team;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, that the Green Team will be comprised of the following membership which will be nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by Council:

1. Full membership of the Environmental Commission;
2. One member of the Recreation Commission;
3. One member of the Shade Tree Commission;
4. One member from the public;
5. City Employees (city clerk, public works director)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purpose of the Green Team is to:

- facilitate the successful completion of the requirements for re-certification of Sustainable Jersey;
- educate and encourage all city employees, residents, and businesses to participate in green initiatives;
- collaborate with public and private green committees to ensure the replication of best practices and to ensure a coordinated effort within the City of Lambertville;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Team will consist of no more than 13 members who will serve a three year term.

ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Resolution Number 53-2015: A Resolution to Support Participation in the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification Program.

City of Lambertville
RESOLUTION 53-2015

“Resolution Supporting Participation in the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification Program”

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments as steps to building a sustainable community that will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville hereby acknowledges that the residents of the City of Lambertville desire a stable, sustainable future for themselves and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville wishes to support a model of government which benefits our residents now and far into the future by exploring and adopting sustainable, economically-sound, local government practices; and

WHEREAS, by endorsing a sustainable path the City of Lambertville is pledging to educate itself and community members further about sustainable activities and to develop initiatives supporting sustainable local government practices; and

WHEREAS, as elected representatives of the City of Lambertville, we have a significant responsibility to provide leadership which will seek community-based sustainable solutions to strengthen our community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that to focus attention and effort within the City of Lambertville on matters of sustainability, the City of Lambertville and the governing body wishes to pursue local initiatives and actions that will lead to Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville that we do hereby authorize the City Clerk to serve as the City of Lambertville’s agent for the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification process and authorize him/her to complete the Municipal Registration of behalf of the City of Lambertville.

ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Resolution Number 54-2015: *A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to Sign the Memorandum of Agreement with the LMUA for the Use of Fuel Pumps at Public Works.*

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“Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Sign the Agreement with the Lambertville Municipal Utilities Authority for the Use of Fuel Pumps at Public Works”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the Memorandum of Agreement with the Lambertville Municipal Utilities Authority for the use of the fuel pumps at public works located at 120 Quarry Street.

ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Resolution Number 58-2015: *A Resolution to Establish 2015 Salary & Wages for Officials and Employees of the City of Lambertville.*

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RESOLUTION 58-2015

“Establishing the 2015 Salary and Wages for Officials and Employees of the City of Lambertville”

WHEREAS, Ordinance Number 01-2014 established the salary range for officials and employees of the City of Lambertville; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 calendar year budget included a 2% raise for non-union employees who have been working for the City of Lambertville consistently for more than 1 year, and

WHEREAS, the 2015 calendar year budget was formally adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville on Monday, March 16, 2015, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish specific salary for specific positions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following salaries be established:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>2015 Salary</u>
David M. DelVecchio	Mayor	\$4,080.00
Steven Stegman	Council President	\$2,040.00
Beth Asaro	Councilwoman	\$510.00
Wardell Sanders	Councilman	\$00.00
Elaine Warner	Councilwoman	\$510.00
Bruce Cocuzza	Police Director	\$79,104.16
Sally Lelie	Senior Police Admin. Assistant, FT	\$38,219.93
Tara Barlow	Part Time Secretary – Police	\$12.00 p/hr
Vernon Barlow	Crossing Guard	\$12.75 p/hr
Michael Vecchio	Parking Enforcement Officer, Full Time	\$16 p/hr
Dennis Stites	Parking Enforcement Officer, Part-time	\$12.75 p/hr
Sally Lelie	Police Matron (min of 3 hours)	OT Rate of \$27.57 p/hr
Barbara Halper	Court Administrator	\$38,925.96
Pamela Williamson	Violation’s Clerk&Tax Clerk, Full Time	\$23,271.3
	Additional Hours in the Court	\$15.30 p/hr
Ronald Pittore	Judge	\$12,989.19

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	DWI Judge	\$120.00 p/hr
Christie Ehret	Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer	\$8,323.20
Susan Bacorn	Bookkeeper	\$34,595.38
*Susan Bacorn	Deputy Treasurer	\$6,242.40
Cynthia McBride	Tax Collector	\$15,300.00
Richard Carmosino	Tax Assessor	\$24,933.46
Richard Carmosino	Tax Assessor Reassessment work	\$6,254.86
Cynthia L. Ege	Municipal Clerk	\$73,605.38
Shelley Corrado	Office Clerk/Deputy Registrar	\$28,614.63
Shelley Corrado	Finance Clerk	\$15.61 per hour
Crystal Lawton	Planning Board Administrative Officer	\$7,065.08
Crystal Lawton	Zoning Board Administrative Officer	\$3,569.70
Kenneth Rogers	Construction Code Official/Building Inspector	\$37,885.13
Tim Dieterman	Plumbing Subcode Official	\$13,248.99
John Barczyk	Zoning Officer	\$6,295.93
John Barczyk	Fire Prevention Official	\$12,730.60
Crystal Lawton	Construction Control Person	\$29,136.70
Kenneth Rogers	Fire Subcode Official	\$5,412.16
Victor Timpanero	Official/Inspector – Frenchtown Lambertville	\$37.14 p/hr \$9,550.87
Lester Myers, Jr.	Acting Public Works Director	\$26.01 p/hr
Robbin Worthington	Laborer	\$18.69 p/hr
	Sanitation Truck Driver	\$20.91 p/hr
David Kerr	Laborer	\$17.13 p/hr
David Kerr	Sanitation Truck Driver	\$20.91 p/hr
New Hire	Laborer	\$15.00 p/hr
New Hire	Sanitation Truck Driver	\$17.26 p/hr
Anthony Grecco	Laborer	\$16.79 p/hr
Anthony Grecco	Sanitation Truck Driver	\$18.32 p/hr
Inmates	Public Works Assistants	Minimum Wage, \$8.38
Helen Kuhl	Public Assistance Director	\$14,831.78
Lara M. Zinda	Historic Commission Secretary	\$1,040.40

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be retroactive to January 1, 2015 and apply to all non-union employees who have been employed with the City of Lambertville for 12 months.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Resolution Number 60-2015: A Resolution Opposing New Jersey Assembly Bill Number 4197 and any other efforts made by the Senate or Assembly to reduce funding for historic preservation.

RESOLUTION #60-2015

A Resolution Strongly Opposing New Jersey Assembly Bill NO. 4197 and Any Other Efforts Made by the Senator or Assembly to Reduce Funding for Historic Preservation

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville takes great pride in its historic character and its interest and efforts in preserving its historical assets. Settled in 1705, the City of Lambertville is one of the oldest communities in Hunterdon County. Originally established as a transit point across the Delaware River, it grew into an industrial center from the development of the Raritan Canal. In preparation for important battles of the Revolutionary War, Washington and his army crossed the Delaware River at what is now Lambertville and marched onto critical battles during the Revolution; and

WHEREAS, Lambertville flourished during the Industrial Revolution leaving a legacy of historic pre-Victorian and Victorian buildings and homes; and

WHEREAS, the historic resources of Lambertville and so many other municipalities have been an important cultural element in making New Jersey an attractive place to live, work and visit; and

WHEREAS, historic tourism has been an economic driver for all of New Jersey and certainly for the City of Lambertville; and

WHEREAS, efforts to preserve important elements of New Jersey's history have been fueled to a large degree by the New Jersey Historic Trust and its critical support for important historic elements; and

WHEREAS, the funding from the New Jersey Historic Trust has funded numerous sites in Lambertville, including the A. H. Holcombe House, also known as Lambertville City Hall, by providing \$486,180 in grants that have allowed this historic Victorian home to be partially restored in a way that combines historic preservation, functionality and good government; and

WHEREAS, funds from the New Jersey Historic Trust have also been used for the upgrade of Lambertville's Centenary United Methodist Church, a Romanesque-style church designed a Trenton architect in 1865 and the James Wilson Marshall House, a pre-Victorian home to the discoverer of gold in California in 1848; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Historic Trust has also assisted numerous historic buildings and properties in Hunterdon County, including Bethlehem Township Old Town Hall, the Case-Dvoor Farmstead in Raritan Township, the Christoffel Vought Farmstead in Clinton Township, the historic Hunterdon County Courthouse (which received grants of over a million dollars for renovation of the famous site of the Lindbergh trial), the Hunt's Mill and M.C. Mulligan & Sons Quarry in the Town of Clinton, the Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church in East Amwell, and the Locktown Stone Church in Delaware Township, among numerous other historic sites listed on the website of the New Jersey Historic Trust; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Historic Trust has also helped hundreds of historical sites throughout the State of New Jersey in every or just about every county, which are listed in the website of the New Jersey Historic Trust; and

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WHEREAS, on November 4, 2014, New Jersey voters approved, by a 65% to 35% margin, Public Question Number 2, a legislatively-referred constitutional amendment, which was designed to dedicate 6 percent of corporate business tax revenues to open space, farmland and historic preservation.

WHEREAS, the ability of the New Jersey Historic Trust to continue to fund historic projects is now threatened by New Jersey Assembly Bill No. 4197, from the 216th Legislature; and

WHEREAS, under the old formula used to allocate funds raised by bond issues for the Garden State Preservation Fund, six percent was earmarked for historic preservation and grants and the operation of the New Jersey Historic Trust (which administers grants made to non-profit and public entities for historic preservation); and

WHEREAS, under New Jersey Assembly Bill No. 4197, the percentage of money allocated to the New Jersey Historic Trust for grants and operation will be reduced by approximately 50 percent; and

WHEREAS, this change in funding will drastically reduce the amount of money available to preserve New Jersey's important historic heritage; and

WHEREAS, cutting funding for historic preservation will do irreparable damage to the culture, history and tourism opportunities for the State of New Jersey, which will have a significant impact on tourism and the numerous jobs and economic benefits resulting this multi-billion dollar economic driver in this State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, that it strongly opposes New Jersey Assembly Bill No. 4197 and any other efforts made by the Senate or the Assembly to reduce funding for historic preservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council urge members of the New Jersey Assembly and Senate to reject this effort to frustrate the will of the voters who overwhelmingly voted in 2014 to support open space and historic preservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the City of Lambertville is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the following:

1. The Governor of the State of New Jersey.
2. Each member of the New Jersey Senate.
3. Each member of the New Jersey Assembly.
4. The Freeholders of all 21 Counties.
5. Each municipality of the State of New Jersey.
6. The Lambertville Historical Society.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville request that each municipality and each county of the State of New Jersey, which will suffer from a reduction in historic funding, adopt a similar Resolution in opposition to reduction of funding for historic preservation.

Resolution no. 61-2015: A Resolution of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Documents for the Award of a contract to a third party power supplier to provide electric generation service to South Hunterdon Renewable Energy Cooperative Community Energy Aggregation (shrec cea) program participants and to provide government energy aggregation services in connection with the Shrec cea round 2 program pursuant to n.j.a.c. 14:4-6.

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*Resolution of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Agreement for the Award of a Contract to a Third Party Power Supplier to Provide Electric Generation Service to South Hunterdon Renewable Energy Cooperative Community Energy Aggregation (shrec cea) Program
shrec cea round 2 program pursuant to n.j.a.c. 14:4-6*

WHEREAS, the Government Energy Aggregation Act of 2003 (PL. 2003, C24) governs the establishment of a government energy aggregation program, which is a government-operated purchasing cooperative through which multiple energy consumers join together for the purchase of electric utility services by a government aggregator; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has promulgated rules (N.J.A.C. 14:4-6) for the implementation of government energy aggregation programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville passed an ordinance dated October 10, 2013 (Ordinance No. 19-2013) authorizing the formation of a Government Energy Aggregation in the City of Lambertville, New Jersey, named the South Hunterdon Renewable Energy Cooperative Community Energy Aggregation (“SHREC CEA”) Program; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Amwell passed an ordinance dated September 9, 2013 (Ordinance No. 12, 2013) authorizing the formation of a Government Energy Aggregation in the Township of West Amwell, New Jersey, and authorizing the City of Lambertville to act as the Lead Agency for the program named the South Hunterdon Renewable Energy Cooperative Community Energy Aggregation (“SHREC CEA”) Program

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville is acting as the Lead Agency of the SHREC CEA; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Lambertville and West Amwell are included in the SHREC CEA on an “opt-out” basis, as set forth in applicable rules (N.J.A.C. 14:4-6).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the documents required for the community aggregation of electric.

David M. DelVecchio, Mayor

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that the consent agenda includes a salary & wage ordinance with a 2% raise for employees. Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve the resolutions listed on the consent agenda. Councilman Sanders made a motion to approve and adopt the resolutions listed on the consent agenda. Council President Stegman seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING.

Ordinance Number 07-2015: *An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Lambertville, Chapter 7: Traffic to Create a Handicapped Parking Space In Front of 11 Church Street at the Request of Diane Sowers.*

Mayor DelVecchio read the ordinance into the record by title. He asked the Acting Public Works Director to meet with the Police Director to review this request and report back. He informed the members of the public present that this ordinance will create a handicapped parking space in front of 11 Church Street.

City of Lambertville

Ordinance Number 07-2015

An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinance of the City of Lambertville, 1990, Chapter 7: Traffic: Create a Handicapped Parking Space at 11 Church Street

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Lambertville, 1990, Chapter 7: Traffic, be amended as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 7-4.7 Parking Restricted for Use by Handicapped Persons is amended by adding the following location:

Handicapped parking space in front of 11 Church Street.

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption according to law.

Introduced: March 17, 2015
Public Hearing: April 21, 2015
Final Adoption:

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance Number 07-2015. Councilman Sanders made a motion to introduce Ordinance Number 07-2015. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that the public hearing for Ordinance Number 07-2015 will be at the April 21st regularly scheduled session of Mayor and Council.

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Ordinance Number 08-2015: A Capital Ordinance in the amount of \$35,000 for the redesign of the city website, filing cabinets and carpet for the construction office, filing cabinets for the Tax Office and for two welcome signs.

Mayor DelVecchio read the ordinance into the record by title. He informed the members of the public present that this ordinance is to fund upgrades to the website, equipment and carpeting for city hall, welcome sign, change of zone, review of codification of the land use ordinances and street scape. This is a capital ordinance which will reduce surplus to \$650,000.

City of Lambertville
ORDINANCE NUMBER 08-2015

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REDESIGN OF THE CITY'S WEBSITE AND RELATED EXPENSES AND THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AND ITEMS IN AND FOR THE CITY AND APPROPRIATING \$59,300 TO FUND THE SAME.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. For the purpose of the re-design of the City's website and related equipment and expenses, and including expenses incurred in the planning, design and bidding thereof, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$25,000 from the City's Capital Account.

Section 2. Section 2. For the following purposes, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate sum of \$34,300:

- a. Filing Cabinets for Construction Office in the sum of \$1,800.00;
- b. Filing Cabinets for the Tax Office in the sum of \$1,200.00;
- c. Carpeting for the Construction & Finance Office in the sum of \$4,000.00;
- d. Design and Installation of the Welcome Sign in the amount of \$3,000.00;
- e. Change of Zone, Zoning Ordinances in the amount of \$5,800.00;
- f. Review of Codification of Ordinances in the amount of \$3,500.00; and
- g. Street Scape in the amount of \$15,000.00

Section 3. The capital budget or temporary capital budget (as applicable) of the City is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. In the event of any such inconsistency and amendment, the resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget or amended temporary capital budget (as applicable) and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance Number 08-2015. Councilman Sanders made a motion to introduce Ordinance Number 08-2015. Councilwoman Asaro seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

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Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that the public hearing is scheduled for April 21, 2015.

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND FINAL ADOPTION.

Ordinance Number 04-2015: *An Ordinance to Authorize the Change in the Zoning for the Lambertville Music Hall for 57 Bridge Street, block 1042, lot 28.*

Mayor DelVecchio read the ordinance into the record by title. He informed the members of the public present after some consideration, it was thought best to kill the ordinance and start over. The ordinance as written will only correct the Lambertville Music Hall property.

City of Lambertville
ORDINANCE NUMBER 04-2015
An Ordinance to Amend Zone Line Change and the Zoning Map of the City of Lambertville for 57 Bridge Street, Block 1042, Lot 28

WHEREAS, the Planning Board members and board professionals reviewed the application submitted by the Bridge Street Foundation for 57 Bridge Street, block 1042, lot 28 at their December 4, 2014 regularly scheduled session, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board members and board professionals determined the rezoning of the rear portion of the property currently located in the Residential 2 Zone to the Central Business District to be consistent with the property's frontage on Bridge Street, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board members have recommended the City Council approve the revision of the zoning map to rezone the rear portion of the property currently located in the Residential 2 Zone to the Central Business District, and

WHEREAS, Planning Board members would also like the City Council to consider revisions to the zoning map to be consistent with the zoning of properties that have split zones, like those located on Ferry Street; which include:

CBD DESIGNATION:

Block 1042, Lot 18	Block 1042, Lot 23	Block 1042, Lot 28
Block 1042, Lot 21	Block 1042, Lot 24	Block 1042, Lot 29
Block 1042, Lot 24	Block 1042, Lot 27	

RESIDENTIAL 2 DESIGNATION:

Block 1042, Lot 5	Block 1042, Lot 7	Block 1042, Lot 16
Block 1042, Lot 6	Block 1042, Lot 8	Block 1042, Lot 26

FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION: February 17, 2015

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING: March 17, 2015

Mayor DelVecchio opened the public hearing on Ordinance Number 04-2015 and asked if there were any comments from the public. There being no questions from the public, Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to close the public hearing on Ordinance 04-2015. Council President Stegman made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance Number 04-2015. Council President Stegman made a motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance Number 04-2015. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An opposing vote was taken defeating the motion. MOTION DEFEATED.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that this ordinance will be the topic of further discussion at the April 1st planning board meeting.

Ordinance Number 05-2015: An Ordinance to Amend Chapter Five, Licensing, For Taxicabs, Establishing a Complaint Procedure and Requiring Training for Drivers.

Mayor Delvecchio read the ordinance into the record by title. He informed the members of the public present that this ordinance will formalize a complaint procedure.

City of Lambertville
ORDINANCE NUMBER 05-2015

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter V, General Licensing, Taxicabs; Establishing a Complaint Procedure, the Contract Compliance Review Board

The City of Lambertville, in accordance with the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. 48, is licensing all autobuses, liveries, limousines and taxicabs in accordance with the State of New Jersey Statutes, 48:16, 2C:24, 2C:39, 2C: 35, 2A:168A. Therefore, it is a requirement in the City of Lambertville for all autobuses, liveries, limousines and taxicabs to be registered and licensed and to comply fully with the requirements of the State of New Jersey and the City of Lambertville.

I. AUTO CAB, TAXICAB,

- a. Definition as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:16-1, shall mean and include automobile or motor car, commonly called taxi, auto cab, omnibus, or by whatever name or designation they may now or hereafter be known or designated as "taxicab", engaging in the business of carrying passengers for hire, which is held out, announced or advertised to operator run, or which is operated to run over any of the streets or highways of the City, and particularly accepts and discharges such persons as may off themselves for transportation from points or places within the City, or which is hired by charter, or for a particular contract, or by the day or hour or other fixed period, or to transport passengers to a specified place or places, or which charges a fare or price agreed upon, in advance, between the operator and the passenger. Nothing in this section contained shall be construed to include any motor vehicle by whatever name or designation used and employed solely in transporting school children or teachers, or auto buses which are subject to the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners, or any motor vehicle owned or operated by the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, or operated by any nonprofit organization in the business of transporting persons not for profit.

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- b. License Required; Fees for License, as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:16-2, necessity of municipal consent before operating auto cab; limited on license fee. No auto cab shall be operated along any street in any municipality until the owner thereof shall obtain the consent of the elective governing body or member thereof having control of the public streets in the municipality. The City of Lambertville, in accordance with P.L. 2011, c. 135, licenses will be the subject of a public auction for the license.
- c. Issuance of License, Inspection of Taxicabs, In accordance with P.L. 2011, Chapter 135, a municipality shall publish a notice in the newspaper circulating generally within the municipality state the number of new or additional licenses to be authorized and the application period for the new or additional licenses. The notice shall specify a time and date after which no further applications will be accepted. The notice shall be published at least twice and at least one week apart, with the second notice published at least 30 days prior to the time and date specified in the notice as the time and date after which no further applications will be accepted.

The Mayor's designee shall have the power to issue or refuse to issue a license, in pursuance of the terms of this section. The number of licenses shall not exceed 4, one license per vehicle.

Any license hereafter issued may be transferred upon the payment of a transfer fee of fifty (\$50) dollars for each and every such transfer, and subject to the provisions of subsection 5-1.5, upon obtaining approval, in writing, of the Mayor's designee.

- d. Application Information: shall include the name, address, phone number of the owner and each operator, copies of insurance, State of New Jersey Business Registration, Sales Tax Certificate, Fingerprinting results and any other information as deemed necessary by the Police Department and/or the City Clerk.
- e. Requirements for Applications: No license to operate a taxicab shall be granted to any person unless he is a citizen of the United States, or shall have declared his intention to become such a citizen. In the case of a co-partnership, no license shall be granted to operate a taxicab unless such corporation is either incorporated or is duly authorized to do business under the laws of this State. All applicants and prospective taxicab drivers must:
 - i. Prior to the issuance of a license:
 - 1. submit to criminal history checks (fingerprinting) at a designated Live Scan facility;
 - 2. have reached his or her 21st birthday;
 - 3. not have had a license revoked in any other state; and
 - 4. possess a currently valid, State of New Jersey issued driver's license.
- f. Fingerprinting: No license shall be granted to operate a taxicab to any person, or to any partnership or corporation who is not, or the members of or officer of which are not persons of good moral character, or who has, or if any of the members of the partnership, or officers of the corporation have been convicted of any following crimes: aggravated assault, arson, burglary, escape, extortion, homicide, kidnapping, robbery, aggravated sexual assault, sexual assault or endangering the welfare of a child pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4, whether or not armed with or having in his possession any weapon enumerated in subsection r. of N.J.S.A. 2C:39-9, or other than a disorderly persons or petty disorderly persons offense for the unlawful use, possession or sale of a controlled dangerous substance as defined in N.J.S.A. 2c:35-2. In any other state, territory, commonwealth, or other jurisdiction of the United States, or any country in the world, as a result of a

conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction, a crime which in that other jurisdiction or country is comparable to one of the crimes enumerated in paragraph one (1) of the subsection. If a person who has been convicted of one of the crimes outlined in this ordinance or in P.L. 2011, c.135 (A1471 3R), and can produce a certificate of rehabilitation issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2A:168A-8 or if the criminal offense occurred outside New Jersey, an equivalent certificate from the jurisdiction where the criminal offense occurred, the criminal offense shall not disqualify the applicant from operating or driving an auto cab and/or taxicab.

- g. Issuance of License; Number Limited; Transfer Fee: In accordance with P.L. 2011, Chapter 135, a municipality shall publish a notice in a newspaper circulating generally within the municipality stating the number of new or additional licenses to be authorized and the application period for the new or additional licenses. The notice shall specify a time and date after which no further applications will be accepted. The notice shall be published at least twice and at least one week apart, with the second notice published at least 30 days prior to the time and date specified in the notice as the time and date after which no applications will be accepted.

The Mayor's designee shall have the power to issue or refuse to issue a license, in pursuance of the terms of this section. The number of licenses shall not exceed four (4), one per vehicle, four (4) vehicles in total. Any license hereafter issued may be transferred upon the payment of a transfer fee of fifty (\$50) dollars for each and every such transfer, and subject to the provisions of subsection 5-1.5, upon obtaining the approval in writing of the Mayor's designee.

- h. Inspection Required Before Issuance of License: No Auto cab or Taxicab shall be licensed until it has been thoroughly and carefully inspected and examined by the Police Department and found to be in a thoroughly safe condition for the transportation of passengers. Such licensed taxicabs shall be clean, fit and of good appearance and well painted and varnished. Side curtains or shades shall not be permitted on any such licensed vehicles. The Department shall refuse a license to any applicant or, if already issued, revoke or suspend the license of any vehicle found to be unsafe for the transportation of passengers. All reports of such inspections and examinations, after having been submitted to the Mayor's designee shall be filed with the City Clerk and become a part of the application filed for the licensing of such vehicle, as hereinafter provided.
- i. Contract Compliance Review Board: The Contract Compliance Review Board shall consist of the Mayor or the Mayor's designee, the police director and one member of the local Chamber of Commerce. It is the responsibility of the Contract Compliance Review Board to take measures to ensure that all provisions of this ordinance have been met.

- i. The first complaint or inspection by the police department when a taxicab company is found to be noncompliant will result in the immediate suspension of services of the taxicab service until the company can provide the proper documentation or address the area of concern to the satisfaction of the Contract Compliance Review Board;
- ii. The second complaint or documented review where the company is found to be out of compliance or negligent, a hearing will be scheduled with the Contract Compliance Review Board. The Review Board will decide whether to suspend or terminate the license or to allow the company to continue provide services under the license.

- iii. In the event of a suspension or termination of a license, the City of Lambertville will not prorate the fee of a license.
- j. Display Requirements: Every licensed taxicab shall display prominently in the interior of the auto/taxicab and in a manner required or approved by the Mayor's designee, the following:
 - i. its City license number;
 - ii. a photo identification of the driver; and
 - iii. a contract compliance placard, provided by the City, which advises the public on how to submit a complaint to the Contract Compliance Review Board.
- k. Register to be Maintained: The City Clerk shall keep a register of the name of each person owning or operating vehicle or vehicles licensed under this section, together with the license number and the description, make dimension of such vehicles, with the date and complete record of inspections made of them. All applications for licenses shall be filed by the City Clerk and carefully preserved for reference. All licenses issued shall be recorded in books provided for that purpose, which shall be in such form as the Mayor's designee shall prescribe. All such records shall be open to the inspection of the public at all reasonable times and shall be deemed the official records of the Department and of the City.
- l. Inspection, Written Reports Required: The Police Department shall maintain a constant vigilance over all taxicabs to see that they are kept in a condition of safety for the transportation of passengers, and to this end shall have the right at any and all times to inspect any and all licensed vehicles, and shall maintain a record, in writing of a report of such inspections. All taxicabs found to be out of compliance with this ordinance will be given one warning. The second time they are found to not be in compliance with this ordinance will require an appearance before the Compliance Review Board.
- m. Insurance: as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:16-3, no such consent shall become effective until the owner of the auto cab shall have filed with the clerk of the municipality in which such operation is permitted, an insurance policy of a company duly licensed to transact business under the insurance laws of this State conditioned for the payment of business unless the applicant shall have complied with the provisions of Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1926, embodied in N.J.S.A. 48-16, et seq., N.J.S.A. 39:6B-1 and P.L. Chapter 135, Assembly number 1471 of the State of New Jersey, and the acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto, relating to the filing of an insurance policy covering the owner or operator of such vehicles for damages to person for which he may become liable by reason of the ownership, maintenance or use of the vehicle, not less than \$35,000 of motor vehicle liability insurance coverage, or the rate established and set by State of New Jersey Statutes. All such insurance policies shall be issued to cover the term of the license issued by the City.
- n. Licenses Revoked or Suspended: Licenses granted under the preceding sections may be revoked or suspended at any time after notice and hearing by the Compliance Review Board if the vehicle shall not be in a safe condition for the transportation of passengers or not kept in conformity with the terms of this ordinance or if used or its use permitted for any improper, immoral or illegal business or purpose, or for the violation of any statute or law of the State of New Jersey or of the United States, or for the violation of any of the provisions of this section, or any of the rules and regulations made by the Appropriate Authority.

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- o. Mayor and Council to Designate Stand: The Mayor and Council are hereby authorized to designate such place or places within the Central Business District or Highway Commercial Zones of the City as public taxicab stands as the Mayor and Council, in its judgment, may deem necessary as may be required for the proper transportation of passengers. The City Clerk is hereby further authorized to grant permits for the operation of taxicabs from private premises as it may deem necessary and proper. No taxicab shall occupy any public taxicab stand unless such taxicab shall have been licensed as provided in this section.
- p. Regulations: No taxicab, while waiting for employment by passengers shall stand on any public street or space other than that at or upon a taxicab stand designated or established in accordance with this section, nor shall any driver of such taxicab seek employment by repeatedly and persistently driving his taxicab to and fro in egress from any theater, hall, hotel, public resort, railroad station or other place of public gathering, and no driver shall solicit passengers for a taxicab except when sitting upon the driver's seat thereof, nor shall any driver of a taxicab solicit employment in the transportation of passengers by driving in or through any public street or public place a slow rate of speed, commonly designating as "cruising."

Upon request, no owner or driver of a taxicab or other vehicle regulated under this article, unless previously engaged, shall refuse or neglect to carry an orderly person anywhere within the City of Lambertville. Upon request, every driver of a taxicab is required to provide each passenger with a receipt indicated the driver's name, fee and description of the trip

No person operating a taxicab shall permit or allow any person other than a passenger being transported for hire in or about such taxicab when in service as a taxicab.
- q. Penalties for Violations: The penalties for violation of this ordinance shall be as set forth in Chapter I, Section 1-45 of the Code of the City of Lambertville.
- r. The City of Lambertville retains the right to accept or reject applications for taxicab licenses for any reason. Fees will not be prorated or refunded should the applicant be found to be non-compliant.

All other previous ordinances pertained to Taxicabs are hereby repealed.

INTRODUCED: February 17, 2015
PUBLIC HEARING: March 17, 2015
FINAL ADOPTION: April __, 2015

Mayor DelVecchio opened the public hearing on Ordinance Number 05-2015 and asked for public comment. There being no public comment, Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Sanders made a motion to close the public hearing on Ordinance Number 05-2015. Councilwoman Asaro seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance Number 05-2015. Council President Stegman made a motion to adopt Ordinance Number 05-2015. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE.

COUNTY OF HUNTERDON BOARD OF HEALTH invitation to the March 24, 2015 meeting to discuss programs and services; emerging health issues in Hunterdon County, new digital inspections for retail food establishments, kennels and public pools; attendance at Board of Health meeting by Health Department staff. Mayor DelVecchio asked the clerk to attend representing Lambertville.

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP's letter to the Freeholders regarding the proposed PennEast Pipeline project.

GREATER-LAMBERTVILLE-NEW HOPE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: request for approval of the Third Lambertville Food Fair for Thursday, June 11, 2015. The Chamber requests road closures (North Union Street from Bridge to York Street and Church Street from Union to George Street), use of the North Union Street Parking Lot, City Services (Police and Public Works), and approval of the one day social affairs permit. The Chamber would like to work with the city to identify any additional needs to help make this event successful.

Derek Roseman, Secretary for the Greater Lambertville-New Hope Chamber of Commerce was present to discuss this event. Mr. Roseman stated that the Chamber would like to reduce the beer gardens to one and use the space on Church Street between Union and George for picnic tables so our guests have a place to sit and eat.

Mayor DelVecchio commented that the Chamber will need to finalize their plans and meet with city officials to finalize the plans. He asked for a motion to approve the request of the Greater-Lambertville-New Hope Chamber of Commerce for the June 11th Food Truck Event. Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the request, inclusive of the one day social affairs permit, road closures, use of public works and police providing the Chamber reimbursed the city for all fees associated with this event. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

BONDEX INSURANCE COMPANY: Notice requesting waiver for the submission of a bond document from the US Treasury Department Circular 570 for the Library Roof Bid.

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP: Notice of an ordinance supplementing and amending the ordinance entitled "The Land Use Ordinance of the Township of Delaware" by permitting noncontiguous clustering in the A-1 and A-2 Districts (#2015-03LU).

HUNTERDON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY: Notice of closures of the recycling depot, clean-up information, household hazardous waste collection days and community paper shredding days.

LAN ASSOCIATES: Replacement of Pedestrian Bridge for Swan Creek at D&R Canal State Park, Block 1043, Lot 6, DPMC Project #P116-17, LAN Job #2.3397.152. The Clerk was asked to obtain additional information on the project.

BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS: Resolution opposing the PennEast Pipeline.

RON WOOTERS: copy of a thank you letter to the State for keeping the state highways in Lambertville safe this winter.

2015 NEW HOPE CELEBRATES PARADE is scheduled for Saturday May 16th with step off at 11:30 a.m. with pedestrians entering the parade from York Street and the floats entering from Delevan Street. The floats will use the Holcombe Jamison Farmstead near the Toll Bridge for the staging area. The committee is asking for Delevan Street to be closed for the floats from 11 am to 12 noon. The parade route will begin at York Street on North Union Street and march south towards Bridge Street. They will turn right onto Bridge Street and then cross the Lambertville-New Hope Free Bridge to New Hope.

The Clerk was asked to set up a meeting with Sharon Fronabarger of the New Hope Celebrates Committee. Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve the request from the 2015 New Hope Celebrates Parade Committee. Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the request as submitted. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS.

CHERRY & NORTH UNION STREET PARK PRESENTATION.

Brad Campbell representing the Environmental Commission was present to discuss the park and the plans.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that the North Union and Cherry Street park was the subject of an application for 8 housing units. After their first appearance before the Planning Board, it was reduced to 6 units. The neighborhood was in favor of preserving this as open space so the city held a referendum which was overwhelmingly supported by the voters. The Environmental Commission and the Recreation Commission worked together to have a design charrette which resulted in the final plan which is being presented tonight. He thanked those involved in the process and turned the meeting over to Brad Campbell, the Chairperson for the Environmental Commission.

Mr. Campbell presented a two sided copy to the members of council and gave a brief overview of the process followed. He started by thanking Lester Myers, the Acting Public Works Director and said he was a great partner with the Food Waste Recycling Program. Mr. Campbell said this was a wonderful process to examine different elements. They obtained an open space planning grant. They received support from Councilman Sanders, Council President Stegman, Mayor DelVecchio along with 40 plus members from the community at the first meeting and more attendees at the second meeting. Residents express vision thoughts and there was strong support for a dog park. After consideration, all recognized that this was not the highest and best use of the space. The property owners located by the park would like it to stay as is and others supported an active use element. The photo is the result of a public process. Residents voted for the elements they liked.

Scheme A is the preferred option by both the Environmental Commission and the Recreation Commission. Early on in the project the neighbors reported an issue with stormwater management. The rain gardens will address that issue. Mayor DelVecchio asked the clerk to investigate if the rain gardens would satisfy the city's issue with the DR Canal Commission from the South Franklin Street project.

The committee would like a hybrid of scheme A, adding the curve walk from scheme B into plan A.

Mr. Campbell asked Mayor and Council to approve the concept, spending capital funds on the park and to permit fundraising.

The committee is exploring options for the future which include a super glide rink but they have more homework to do. Mayor DelVecchio commented that less is more.

Council President Stegman asked Mr. Campbell to explain the garden rooms with benches. Mr. Campbell responded that they aren't actually rooms just outdoor spaces for people to gather. Council President Stegman asked about the proximity of the LMUA pumping station and if they thought about asking them for restrooms. Mr. Campbell stated that they were considering asking for help with screening the site and asking CVS to have the rear of the building painted with a mural.

Mayor DelVecchio asked who prepared the conceptual design. Mr. Campbell said Michael Chaney, Julia Taylor's husband, who is a landscape architect. Mr. Campbell further commented that he wanted to recognize the work of a number of local leaders; Julia Taylor, various local businesses like Rojo's for their contributions. He said it was a wonderful pulling together of resources.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve the conceptual plan and fundraiser for the North Union and Cherry Street Park. Council President Stegman made a motion and Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor DelVecchio commended the Environmental Commission, the Recreation Commission, and Brad Campbell for the public process which was well advertised and well attended. He thanked Mr. Campbell.

FOOD WASTE COMMITTEE.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that the City wanted to grow the Food Waste Recycling Committee. He announced the responsibilities would be delegated to the Environmental Commission who would be charged with reviewing and analyzing the data, reporting back to the Mayor and making a recommendation on the best way to grow the program. Councilwoman Asaro asked to be appointed to the committee.

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 57-2015

A Resolution to Appoint the Committee to Study the Food Waste Recycling Program

Whereas, the City of Lambertville established a Food Waste Recycling Pilot Program in April of 2014, and

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WHEREAS, approximately 80 families participate in the Food Waste Recycling Pilot Program; and WHEREAS, the members of the governing body of the City of Lambertville wish to grow the program. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey that the members of the Environmental Commission (Brad Campbell, Gina Fischetti, Julia Taylor, Craig Chianese, Lauren Rosenthal, Kyle Strumfels, Julie Anne Hajdusek), Cindy Jahn and Councilwoman Beth Asaro on the Food Waste Recycling Program and will be charged with the following tasks:

1. Review and analyze the pilot program;
2. Report all findings back to the Mayor and Council;
3. Make recommendation on the best way to expand/grow the program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Environmental Commission will report back to Mayor.
ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve Resolution Number 57-2015. Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilwoman Asaro seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

PARKING COMMITTEE TO STUDY PARKING SOLUTIONS ON THE SOUTHERN END OF THE CITY.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present of the formation of a Parking Committee to study parking solutions in the southern end of the city adjacent to the railroad and DRC. He announced that Brad Campbell will chair the committee. The committee will be charged with analyzing the cost of the project, the return on investment, environmental impact, etc.

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 59-2015

A Resolution to Establish A Parking Committee to Study Parking Solutions At the Southern End of the City
WHEREAS, the members of the governing body of the City of Lambertville wish to establish a Parking Committee to study parking solutions at the southern end of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has nominated the following people to serve on the Committee: Brad Campbell as the Chairperson, Edward Padilla, Daniel Whitaker, Executive Director of the Greater Lambertville-New Hope Chamber of Commerce - David Morgan, Vice-President of the Greater Lambertville-New Hope Chamber - Glenn Davis, Executive Director of the LMUA - Thomas Horn Council President Stegman, Councilwoman Warner; Doug Gravier; and

WHEREAS, the committee will be charged with the following:

- The process to use in leasing or acquiring the property,
- The number of parking spaces,
- The best design of the parking lot,
- Meters verses Kiosks for customer payments,
- Funding the project

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey that the Parking Committee is hereby established to study the parking situation at the southern end of the city.

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ADOPTED: March 17, 2015

Caren Franzini asked if there would be representation from the Chamber on the Committee. Mayor DelVecchio responded that both David Morgan – executive director and Glenn David – vice president are representatives of the Chamber. He informed the members of the public present that many years ago Caren Franzini was the Executive Director of the EDA she introduced him to a parking expert from Chicago. They spoke of a parking deck and it was quickly determined that it would not be an option for Lambertville.

Ms. Franzini asked if the committee would be looking at parking in other locations. Brad Campbell responded that they would be looking to see where they might be able to pick up added spaces.

Council President Stegman said this was a great idea for the community. He previously sat on a committee with Ed Padilla. In his opinion, it will need to be advertised well to encourage the community to use it.

Mayor DelVecchio commented that initially they discussed a “loop” but it is not feasible for cars to cross the canal. They will need to enter and exit through the same manner. A pedestrian crossing is feasible.

Brad Campbell encouraged the public to visit SPLASH which is an excursion on the river.

Richard Park of New Hope, PA, a member of the Swan Creek Rowing Club asked if this was the concept that was discussed in the Bucks County Herald which would increase parking by 400 spaces. Mayor DelVecchio responded by saying that it is not necessarily the case. The City has had a couple of initial discussions but there are issues with the railroad and state. Mr. Park stated that the Swan Creek Rowing Club has a defined lease for use of the property. Mayor DelVecchio asked for a copy of the lease and said it would be helpful to the committee.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve the resolution, confirming his appointments. Councilman Sanders made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

BOARD APPOINTMENT.

Mayor DelVecchio nominated Rob Carmenini to the vacant position on the Recreation Commission. Councilman Sanders made a motion to confirm the Mayor’s nomination. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS.

UPDATE ON VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

Cavallo Park. The following applications have been filed: NJEDA (HDSRF PA/SI/RI funding), DRCC, DEP, SOIL CONSERVATION (HCSCD), SHPO. We are waiting on DEP and Soil

Conservation. The final application will be to Green Acres and they need to have the approval letters from all agencies, the site investigation reports and the City's ROSI.

Bidding & Construction

Advertise for Bids – April 2015
Receive Bids – Late April 2015
Award Contract – May 2015
Begin Construction – May 2015
Complete Construction – July 2015

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that he informed the City Architect and Engineer that the Council would hold a special session if needed to facilitate the reconstruction and remediation of the park.

Upper York Street and Washington Street (from York to Route 179): The City Engineer had a pre-application meeting with DEP on March 16.

Library Roof – bids were accepted on 02-26-14 publicly opened and read aloud at City Hall located at 18 York Street.

Generator Projects: the application was filed with SHPO. Once approved, the application with the DRCC will be filed. Then we can bid the project.

UPDATE ON PROJECTS FOR FLOOD RELIEF.

Swan Creek Flood Gates: The new grant has not been released as of this date. The City Engineer will participate in a webinar about funding options.

Caren Franzini informed the members of the public present that Dick Zimmer sent her information on a flood mitigation grant and loan program. He is interested in hearing from the City.

Mayor DelVecchio asked Caren Franzini to touch base with Zach from Senator Booker's office on the status of his request to the legislature.

Mayor DelVecchio asked the City Clerk to contact the city's representative from DEP to set up a meeting with Frank Scangarelli. Participants include the city engineer, and the committee members.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that Senator Booker's office has been very helpful.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

LANDLORD REGISTRATION is due by April 1, 2015. All rental units must be registered with the City of Lambertville (Ordinance 2010-23). All rental properties with two (2) or more rental units must also register with the State of New Jersey.

SPECIAL SESSION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL is scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2015 for the public hearing and final adoption of the 2015 Budget.

SHAD RUN, sponsored by the Friends of Ely Park, will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2015.

SHAD FESTIVAL, sponsored by the Greater Lambertville-New Hope Chamber of Commerce will be held on Saturday and Sunday, April 25 and 26.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

John Anderson was present from JCP&L to give an update on the work to upgrade the West Amwell substation. He happily reported that the project is ahead of schedule and he projects it to be completed and online in May.

Council President Stegman thanked him for the outreach efforts within the past year. He said he receiving information about outages, restorations, storm warnings and it has been a good experience.

ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. with a motion made by Councilman Sanders and seconded by Councilwoman Warner. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia L. Ege
CMR, RMC, City Clerk

The March 17th minutes were approved at the April 21, 2015 regularly scheduled session of Mayor and Council.

