

# STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.

Mayor DelVecchio called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and read a statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act into the record, noting that the meeting was advertised in the January 8<sup>th</sup> issue of the Times, notice was provided to the Democrat and the Times, and sent out through the city's list serve to assorted individuals and department heads and a copy of the meeting agenda was posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and on the city's website at www.lambertvillenj.org.

# **ROLL CALL.**

The City Clerk called the roll as follows:

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

Absent: None.

# **CLOSED SESSION.**

#### RESOLUTION

"Authorizing a Closed Session at the March 20, 2018 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 20, 2018, 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 20, 2018

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

Mayor DelVecchio and City Council re-convened in regular session at 6:54 p.m. with a motion made by Council President Stegman and seconded by Councilwoman Asaro. 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.

The City Clerk led the public in a moment of silence in honor of those serving in the United States Armed Forces.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve the following minutes as amended: February 20, 2018 Regularly Schedule Session Minutes, February 20, 2018 Closed Session Minutes, and March 5, 2018 Special Session about Ely Field. Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the minutes as listed on the agenda. Councilwoman Warner 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 administrative reports. Councilwoman Warner made a motion to approve the following administrative reports: Tax Collector – Cynthia McBride (January Amended Report, February Report), Municipal Court Administrator – Patricia Wozniak, Construction Official – Kenneth Rogers, Zoning Officer – Frank D'Amore, Fire Inspector – Frank D'Amore, Police Director – Bruce Cocuzza, Public Works Director – Lester E. Myers, Jr., City Clerk – Cynthia Ege and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – Christie Ehret. Councilwoman Asaro 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.

<u>Resolution Number 55-2018</u>: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk to Execute the Discharge of Mortgage for Cecelia D. DiSalvi for 222 South Main Street, Block 1048, Lot 49.06 in the Amount of \$15,985.00.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the discharge of mortgage for 222 South Main Street, Block 1048, Lot 49.06 for Cecelia D. DiSalvi in the amount of \$15,985.00.

ADOPTED: March 20, 2018

<u>Resolution Number 56-2018</u>: A Resolution Requesting \$72,000 from the Lambertville Municipal Utility Authority In Accordance with N.J.S.A., 40A:5A-12.1.

#### **RESOLUTION 56-2018**

A Resolution Requesting \$72,000 from the Lambertville Municipal Utility Authority

WHEREAS, P.L. 2204, c. 87 established a formal procedure for local authorities to transfer funds to their creating government agency; and

WHEREAS, the Lambertville Municipal Utility Authority was created by the governing body of the City of Lambertville; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A., 40A:5A-12.1 in part states:

"To the extent there is available an undesignated fund balance or unreserved retained earnings by .... (a covered authority) ... an amount in that undesignated fund balance or unreserved retained earnings, not to exceed 5% of the annual costs of operation of the authority may be appropriated for use in the local budget of the municipal or county that created the authority unless otherwise restricted by bond covenants;" and

WHEREAS, the law required payments to the municipality shall be made no later than 30 days prior to the close of the municipality fiscal year, or anytime sooner as made by mutual agreement; and

WHERAS, the City of Lambertville has anticipated the Lambertville Municipal Utility Authority appropriation of \$72,000 as a Special Item of Revenue in the proposed 2017 municipal budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey does hereby request that the Lambertville Municipal Utility Authority transfer \$72,000 to the City of Lambertville.

ADOPTED: March 20, 2018

<u>Resolution Number 57-2018:</u> A Resolution Authorizing the Refund of First Quarter 2018 Tax Overpayments to Corelogic for Various Properties in the Amount of \$36,616.86.

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 57-2018**

A Resolution to Authorize the Refund of First Quarter 2018 Tax Overpayments to Corelogic Centralized Funds for Various Properties in the Amount of \$36,616.86

**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 refund to the Corelogic Centralized Funds, PO Box 8202, Coppell, TX, 75019-9760, for overpayments in the first quarter 2018 tax cycle in the amount of \$369,616.86 for the following properties is hereby authorized:

Block- 1058 lot 12-	2,283.37
Block- 1096 Lot-15	1,827.21
Block 1002.01 Lot-48	2,877.81
Block-1058 Lot-10.15	1,674.39
Block-1014 Lot-1	3,358.98
Block 1028 lot 9	2,631.36
Block-1053 lot- 1.10	1,830.78
Block-1067 lot- 6	2,134.89

Block 1042 lot-8 1,736.38 Block-1027 lot-9 2,797.20 Block-1059 lot16.29 2,431.86 Block-1064 lot-3 1,893.54 Block-1002.01 lot- 68 2,946.70 Block-1059 lot-24 2,286.43 Block-1026 lot-2 1,717.86 Block-1063 lot-6 2.188.10

Grand TOTAL-

36,616.86

ADOPTED: March 20, 2017

<u>Resolution Number 58-2018:</u> A Resolution to Authorize the City Clerk to File the Raffle Application with the State of New Jersey Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission for the Application Filed by RAS St. Johns for a June 3, 2018 Raffle of Gift Cards.

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 58-2018**

A Resolution to Authorize the City Clerk to Submit the Raffle Application Filed by RAS St. John's for a June 3, 2018 Raffle of Gift Cards

WHEREAS, RAS St. John's filed a raffle application in the clerk's office on Thursday, March 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed by the City Clerk and it has been deemed complete and ready for submission to the State of New Jersey Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission Identification Number; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the application was submitted to the Police Department on March 1, 2018 and they have recommend approval; and

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 City Clerk is hereby authorized to submit the raffle application filed by RAS St. John's for a June 3, 2018 raffle of gift cards.

ADOPTED: March 20, 2018

<u>Resolution Number 59-2018</u>: A Resolution Authorizing the Redemption of a Tax Lien for Block 1069, Lot 7 In the Amount of \$2,943.50 Plus a Premium in the Amount of \$500.00.

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**WHEREAS,** Tax Lien Certificate 170008 issued on Block 1069 Lot 7 was sold to US BANK CUST BV002 TRST & CRDTRS, 50 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 on 10/30/17 and

**WHEREAS**, payment has been received by the Tax Collector for redemption of the tax lien from a mortgage company.

**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 US BANK CUST BV002 TRST & CRDTRS, 50 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 for the redemption of tax lien certificate #170008 in the amount of: \$2,943.50

In addition the City is holding a premium in the amount of 500.00 and upon redemption this is due back to the lienholder. There will be 2 checks for the lienholder: Check 1= \$2,943.50; Check 2= for premium= \$500.00

ADOPTED: March 20, 2018

<u>Resolution Number 60-2018</u>: A Resolution of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, Authorizing the Sale of \$5,580,000 Principal Amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018; and Authorizing Other Matters Relating Thereto.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 60-2018**

#### RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF \$5,580,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2018; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "City") has adopted the Bond Ordinances listed on the attached <u>Appendix A</u> authorizing the issuance of obligations of the City for the purpose of financing the general capital improvements set forth in the respective Bond Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has determined to finance permanently a portion of the costs of the general capital improvement projects undertaken pursuant to the respective Bond Ordinances by the issuance of \$5,580,000 principal amount of general improvement bonds; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (not less than a majority of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), as follows:

**Section 1.** <u>Combination of Certain Issues of General Improvement Bonds.</u> The principal amount of general capital improvement bonds under the respective Bond Ordinances described in <u>Appendix A</u> hereto are hereby combined into a single and combined issue of \$5,580,000 aggregate principal amount of general improvement bonds (the "General Improvement Bonds"). The average period of usefulness for the general capital improvements financed by the General Improvement Bonds taking into consideration the respective amounts of obligations presently authorized to be issued pursuant to the Bond Ordinances and the period or average period of usefulness determined in the Bond Ordinances, is 17.76 years.

Section 2. <u>Public Sale of Bonds.</u> The General Improvement Bonds shall be issued and sold as a combined issue of bonds, designated "General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018" (the "Bonds") at public sale in accordance with the provisions hereof and of the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented (the "Local Bond Law").

**Section 3.** <u>Term of the Bonds.</u> The Bonds shall be dated the date of delivery, shall be in book-entry only form, shall bear interest from the dated date, payable semiannually on March 1<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, commencing September 1, 2018, at the rate or rates to be specified by the successful bidder. The Bonds shall mature, subject to prior redemption, on March 1<sup>st</sup> in the annual principal amounts and years as set forth below:

	Principal <u>Amount</u>
Year	
2019	\$200,000
2020	310,000
2021	335,000
2022	365,000
2023	375,000
2024	395,000
2025	400,000
2026	400,000
2027	400,000
2028	400,000
2029	400,000
2030	400,000
2031	400,000
2032	400,000
2033	400,000

The Bonds shall contain such other terms and conditions as are specified in the Notice of Sale approved in Section 5 hereof (the "Notice of Sale").

Section 4. <u>Redemption</u>. The Bonds maturing prior to March 1, 2026 are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on or after March 1, 2026 are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the City, as a whole at any time or in part from time to time on or after March 1, 2025, in such order of maturity as the City may direct at a redemption price equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the principal amount to be redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption.

Any Bond subject to redemption as aforesaid may be called in part, provided that the portion not called for redemption shall be in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. If

less than all of the Bonds of a particular series or maturity are to be redeemed, Bonds of that series or maturity shall be selected by the Chief Financial Officer (or, if appointed, pursuant to Section 12 hereof, the Paying Agent) by lot.

When any Bonds are to be redeemed, the Chief Financial Officer (or, if appointed pursuant to Section 12 hereof, the Paying Agent) shall give notice of the redemption of the Bonds by mailing first class mail in a sealed envelope with postage pre-paid to the registered owners of any Bonds or portions thereof which are to be redeemed, at their respective addresses as they last appear on the registration books of the City at least thirty (30) but not more than sixty (60) days before the date fixed for redemption. Such mailing shall not be a condition precedent to such redemption, and failure to so mail or receive any such notice to any of such registered owners shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of the Bonds. Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Bonds, or portions thereof so to be redeemed, shall, on the date fixed for redemption, become due and payable at the redemption price specified therein plus accrued interest to the redemption date and, upon presentation and surrender thereof at the place specified in such notice, such Bonds, or portions thereof, shall be paid at the redemption price, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. On and after the redemption date (unless the City shall default in the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest), such Bonds shall no longer be considered as outstanding hereunder. If moneys sufficient to pay the redemption price and accrued interest have not been made available by the City on the redemption date, the Bonds called for redemption shall continue to bear interest until paid at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption.

During any period in which DTC (or any successor thereto) shall act as securities depository for the Bonds, the notices referred to above shall be given only to such depository and not to the beneficial owners of the Bonds, any failure of such depository to advise any of its participants or any failure of any participant to notify any beneficial owner of any notice of redemption shall not affect the validity of the redemption proceedings.

Section 5. <u>Approval of Notice of Sale</u>. The Notice of Sale containing the terms and provisions of the Bonds and setting forth the conditions of the sale thereof, all of which are hereby approved, shall be substantially in the form attached to this Resolution as <u>Appendix B</u> and made a part hereof. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise the Notice of Sale in accordance with the terms of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. <u>Approval of Summary Notice of Sale</u>. The Summary Notice of Sale setting forth a summary of conditions of the sale of the Bonds, all of which are hereby approved, shall be substantially in the form attached to this Resolution as <u>Appendix C</u> and made a part hereof. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise the Summary Notice of Sale in accordance with the terms of the Local Bond Law.

Section 7. <u>Publication of Notice of Sale</u>. The Notice of Sale substantially in the form attached to this Resolution shall be published at least once in a newspaper published and circulating in the City and the Summary Notice of Sale substantially in the form attached to this Resolution shall be

published at least once in <u>The Bond Buyer</u>, a newspaper published in the City of New York and State of New York. The advertisement of said Notice of Sale and Summary Notice of Sale in each such newspaper shall be published not less than seven (7) days prior to sale date for the Bonds.

**Section 8.** Designation of Chief Financial Officer to Award Bonds. Proposals for the purchase of the Bonds shall be received by the Chief Financial Officer on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 as provided in the Notice of Sale and the Summary Notice of Sale; as such date may be revised with the advice of the City's Auditors or bond counsel. The City Council hereby designates the Chief Financial Officer to sell and award the Bonds in accordance with this Resolution and the Notice of Sale. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to report, in writing, to the City Council at its first meeting after the sale of the Bonds as to the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the Bonds sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 9. <u>Authorization for Official Statement.</u> The proper City officials and advisors are hereby authorized to prepare and distribute to the prospective purchasers of the Bonds a Preliminary Official Statement and a final Official Statement containing information relating to the City, its financial condition and the terms of the Bonds and other material facts customarily included in official statements for general obligation bonds in the State of New Jersey.

The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized on behalf of the City to approve and "deem final" the Preliminary Official Statement prepared in connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds for the purposes of Rule 15c2-12, as amended and supplemented (the "Rule"), promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, with the exception of certain information permitted to be omitted thereby, in consultation with Bond Counsel.

**Section 10.** <u>Approval of Form of Bonds.</u> The form of the Bonds, substantially as set forth in <u>Appendix D</u> attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby approved. The Bonds shall be executed in the name of the City by the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer and the seal of the City, or a facsimile impression thereof, shall be affixed to the Bonds and attested by the manual signature of the City Clerk.

Section 11. <u>Appointment of Securities Depository.</u> The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), shall act as securities depository for the Bonds. The ownership of one fully registered bond for each maturity of the Bonds each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. Pursuant to the book-entry only system, any person for whom a DTC Participant acquires an interest in the Bonds (the "Beneficial Owner") will not receive certificated Bonds and will not be the registered owner thereof. Ownership interests in the Bonds may be purchased by or through DTC Participants. Each DTC Participant will receive a credit balance in the records of DTC in the amount of such DTC Participant's interest in the Bonds, which will be confirmed in accordance with DTC's standard procedures. Receipt by the Beneficial Owners (through any DTC Participant) of timely payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds, is subject to DTC making such payment to DTC Participants and such DTC Participants making payment to Beneficial Owners. Neither the City nor the Paying Agent will have any direct responsibility or obligation to such DTC

Participants or the persons for whom they act as nominees for any failure of DTC to act or make any payment with respect to the Bonds.

DTC may determine to discontinue providing its services with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving notice to the City and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law. Under such circumstances, the City shall designate a successor securities depository or deliver certificates to the beneficial owners of the Bonds.

**Section 12.** <u>Paying Agent.</u> The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to select and to enter into an agreement with a Paying Agent to ensure that the City can meet its obligations undertaken herein to the holders of the Bonds. The Chief Financial Officer may, however, elect not to select a Paying Agent for the Bonds, and may elect to select a Paying Agent at any time prior or subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds. However, the Chief Financial Officer shall select a Paying Agent upon any determination to cause the Bonds to be registered in the names of the Beneficial Owners thereof, as provided in Section 11 hereof.

**Section 13.** <u>Tax Covenant.</u> The City hereby covenants with the holders from time to time of the Bonds that it will make no investment or other use of the proceeds of the Bonds or take any further action (or refrain from taking such action) which would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or under any similar statutory provision or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder (the "Code"), or would cause interest on the Bonds to be includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, and that it will comply with the requirements of the Code and said regulations throughout the term of the Bonds.

Section 14. <u>Pledge of City.</u> The full faith and credit of the City is hereby pledged for the payment of the principal, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds. The Bonds shall be direct obligations of the City, and the City shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds without limitation as to rate or amount.

**Section 15.** <u>Continuing Disclosure</u>. To comply with Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the City hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed by the City and dated the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds, as originally executed and as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**Section 16.** <u>**Ratification of Prior Actions.</u>** Any actions taken by the proper officers and agents of the City to effectuate the purposes of this resolution and hereby confirmed and ratified</u>

**Section 17.** <u>Further Action.</u> The proper officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed to take all such action as may be necessary to affect the issuance and delivery of the Bonds.

Section 18. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: March 20, 2018

<u>Resolution Number 62-2018</u>: A Resolution to Authorize the Refund of Fire Safety Permit for 17 Church Street, Block 1038, Lot 17 to Nina Burns of Callaway Henderson in the Amount of \$50.00 because the Inspection Was not Required.

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 62-2018**

A Resolution to Authorize the Refund of Fire Safety Permit for 17 Church Street, Block 1038, Lot 17 to Nina Burns of Callaway Henderson in the Amount of \$50.00 because the Inspection Was not Required.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, that the refund for a fire inspection in the amount of \$50.00 payable to Nina Burns is for 17 Church Street hereby authorized.

ADOPTED: March 20, 2018

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt the resolutions on the consent agenda. Council President Stegman made a motion to adopt the resolutions on the consent agenda. Councilwoman Asaro seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Resolution Number 61-2018</u>: A Resolution to Authorize and Accept the Grant from the Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund Administered by the New Jersey Historic Trust for the A.H. Holcombe House in the Amount of \$76,119, and Authorize the Mayor, City Attorney, CMFO and City Clerk to Execute the Agreements.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that this resolution will approve the grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust to put the porch back on at City Hall. Council President Stegman added that historic preservation has long been the emphasis of the City and this is just one of the many projects of the City. He said that the porch will look much like the Little Haven Building located on Studdiford Street on Cottage Hill.

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 61-2018**

A Resolution to Authorize and Accept the Grant from the Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund Administered by the New Jersey Historic Trust for the A.H. Holcombe House in the Amount of \$76,119, and Authorize the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk and CMFO to Execute the Agreement

WHEREAS the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey desires to further historic preservation through a grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust, State of New Jersey in the amount of \$76,119.00 for the following project: A.H. Holcombe House.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey that David M. DelVecchio, Mayor of the City of Lambertville, is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement with the State in an amount up to that awarded for the proposed project and to seal the grant agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Cynthia L. Ege is hereby appointed as the grant administrator for the purposes of filing and uploading required documentation to comply with grant requirements.

Introduced and passed March 20, 2018.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt Resolution Number 61-2018 authorizing the grant with New Jersey Historic Trust. Councilman Sanders made the motion to adopt Resolution Number 61-2018. Councilwoman Asaro seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Resolution Number 63-2018</u>: A Resolution to Award/Reject the Bids Received for Clinton Street Phase I, Proposals A - F.

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 63-2018**

A Resolution to Award/Reject the Bid for Clinton Street Phase I for Proposals A and B, Plus Proposals C - F

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville is the recipient of a grant from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation in the Amount of \$222,000.00 and

WHEREAS, an advertisement soliciting for proposals was placed in the legal section of the February 22, 2018 edition of the Times; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2018, the following bids were received and publicly opened and read aloud:

Company	Proposals A&B	Proposals C –F	Total
Diamond Construction	482,624.80	61,444.94	544,069.74
Your Way Construction	377,694.45	52,232.26	429,926.71
A-Team Construction	377,983.80	59,854.94	437,838.74
Top-Line Construction	391,584.66	28,515.87	420,100.53
Earle Asphalt	404,613.13	26,700.00	431.313.13

WHEREAS, the City Engineer recommends awarding the bid to the lowest bidder for the total of proposals a through f, and has reviewed and certified that this is the most advantageous bid, price and other items considered; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney has reviewed the bids received and has determined that they are responsive and responsible; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has issued a certificate of funds available from Ordinance Numbers 16-2016 and 20-2017.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, that Top-Line Construction is hereby awarded the bid for proposals A through F in an amount not to exceed \$420,100.53.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the agreement with Top-Line Construction.

ADOPTED: March 20, 2018

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt Resolution Number 63-2018. Councilman Sanders made a motion to adopt resolution number 63-2017. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>Resolution Number 44-2018</u>: A Resolution to Accept/Reject the Bids Received for Eprocurement of Electric for Municipal Government and Authorize the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk to Sign the Agreement.

Mayor DelVecchio read the resolution by title into the record and he informed the members of the public present that this is a 24-month contract with an overall savings of 13 percent. We are pursuing an extension of the contract with TriEagle Energy for the street lighting.

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 44-2018**

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk to Sign the Agreements for the Eprocurement of Electric Supply for the South Hunterdon Renewable Energy Cooperative to East Coast Power & Gas of New Jersey, LLC

**WHEREAS,** the South Hunterdon Renewable Energy Cooperative executed a formal request for proposals for the eProcurement of electric and gas supply through a reverse auction process as defined by the State of New Jersey through T&M Associates; and

**WHEREAS**, the project was advertised on March 6, 2018 in the Times and with notice provided to all eligible bidders, with a reverse auction date of March 20, 2018; and

**WHEREAS,** if the contract is awarded, it will commence with the meter read date in June 2018 and will commence for 24-months.

**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 as the lead agency for the South Hunterdon Renewable Energy Cooperative, the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk are authorized to sign the contract with the successful bidder for the eProcurement of:

1. Electric supply for RSCP Accounts (Buildings) to East Coast Power & Gas of New Jersey, LLC for a 24-month term at a rate not to exceed \$0.07847 kWh

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Council reject the Bids received for RSCP Accounts (Lighting); and for gas supply.

ADOPTED: March 20, 2018

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt resolution number 44-2018. Council President Stegman made a motion to adopt Resolution Number 44-2018. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

# **APPROVAL OF THE BILLS LIST.**

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to approve the Bills List and the Amended Bills List. Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the bills as listed on the Bills List and the Amended Bills List. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

# **PROCLAMATION.**

**WHEREAS**, Donald "Tex" Huggins has been an active member of the Lambertville-New Hope Ambulance and Rescue Squad since 1967, dedicated to providing emergency care and rescue services to the City of Lambertville and surrounding communities; *and* 

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**WHEREAS**, Tex is married to Patricia, is the father of Brian and Tracy, and the grandfather of Logan and Cameron; is a retired Major in the United States Marine Corps with 22 years of active and reserve service, a retired Lieutenant in the New Jersey State Police with 29 years of service and is employed as a State Civilian Investigator assigned to the New Jersey State Police; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, Tex served as President of the Rescue Squad and Captain of Rescue Services;, an emergency medical technician (EMT), CPR instructor, airboat instructor and operator, technical rescue specialist, and search and recovery diver; *and* 

**WHEREAS**, throughout his years of service, Tex was an integral member of the team that received four 1<sup>ST</sup> Place World Championship titles (1982, 1985, 1986, and 1995); in 1986, the Rescue Squad's All-Male First Aid Team won 1<sup>ST</sup> place in the New Jersey State First Aid Competition; *and* 

WHEREAS, there have been significant acts of bravery in Mr. Huggins volunteer career and they include:

1970: Tex was lowered over the face of a 200 foot cliff during a high angle rescue of an injured teenage girl who had fallen onto a rock ledge;

1993: Assisted with his airboat crew in the rescue of 3 canoeists and a U. S. Coast Guard Rescuer who became stranded in a tree from raging flood waters in Northampton, Pennsylvania;

1994: As Captain of the Squad's Technical Rescue Team, assisted at the scene of the Edison, New Jersey gas pipe explosion; and

1999: Assisted with the airboat crew in water rescues in Bound Brook, New Jersey during Hurricane Floyd.

2011: As a member of the New Jersey Urban Search & Rescue Task Force, was deployed for 10 days at Ground Zero in search and recovery operations.

**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 Donald "Tex" Huggins is hereby recognized for his 50 years of service in the Lambertville-New Hope Ambulance and Rescue Squad and for his many acts of bravery.

ADOPTED: March 20, 2018

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt the proclamation honoring Don Huggins for his years of service in the Lambertville-New Hope Ambulance Rescue Squad. Councilwoman Asaro made the motion to adopt the proclamation and Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

### **ORDINANCES – FIRST READING.**

<u>Ordinance Number 05-2018</u>: An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, Chapter VI, Traffic, Section 4.7 Parking Restricted for Use by Handicapped Persons, to Add a Handicapped Parking Space at 46 Swan Street.

Mayor DelVecchio read the ordinance into the record by title. He informed the members of the public present that this ordinance will create a handicapped parking space in front of or near 46 Swan Street. He asked the Police Director and Public Works Director if they had the opportunity to review this request.

#### **ORDINANCE NUMBER 05-2018**

> An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Chapter VII, Traffic, Section 4.7 Parking Restricted for Use by Handicapped Persons, Adding a Handicapped Parking Space in Front of 46 Swan Street.

SECTION 4.7 PARKING RESTRICTED FOR USE BY HANDICAPPED PERSONS is hereby amended to include the following:

Name of Street	Sides	Location
Swan Street	South	46 Swan Street

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING: March 20, 2018

ADOPTION AND SECOND READING: April 17, 2018

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance Number 05-2018. Councilman Sanders made a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance Number 05-2018. Council President Stegman seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

The public hearing is scheduled for April 17, 2018.

# **ORDINANCES – SECOND READING.**

<u>Ordinance Number 02-2018</u>: A Bond Ordinance of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, Providing for the Purchase of An SUV for the Police Department in the Amount of \$50,000 and for the Purchase of Technology Equipment and Software for the Police Department and City Hall in the Amount of \$25,000 With A total Cumulated Bond in the Amount of \$75,000.

Mayor DelVecchio read the ordinance into the record by title. He informed the members of the public present that this is a bond ordinance that will allow the City to purchase a new SUV for the police department and new computer equipment for City Hall and the Police Department.

#### **ORDINANCE 02-2018**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT OF AND FOR THE CITY, APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$76,000 IN GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY TO FINANCE 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.** The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the City as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$80,000, including the sum of \$4,000 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment has been made available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

**Section 2.** In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment or otherwise provided for hereunder, negotiable bonds or notes are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$76,000, pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

**Section 3.** (a) The purpose for which the bonds or notes are to be issued is the acquisition of various equipment, including but not limited to (i) a police sports utility vehicle, including the installation of related equipment to prepare the vehicle for its intended use and (ii) computer equipment including servicers, printers and computer terminals or similar equipment and including logistical support to install and initial troubleshooting of the same, and further including all work and related materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose authorized herein is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor.

**Section 4.** All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(a). The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time, at not less than par and accrued interest, at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

<u>Section 5</u>. The capital budget or temporary capital budget (as applicable) of the City is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond 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 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are improvements or purposes the City may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 5 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the City as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$76,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$15,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the improvement or purpose.

(e) The City reasonably expects to commence the acquisition of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof, and to advance all or a portion of the costs in respect thereof, prior to the issuance of bonds or notes hereunder. To the extent such costs are advanced, the City further reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures from the proceeds of the bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance, in an aggregate amount not to exceed the amount of bonds or notes authorized in Section 1 hereof.

**Section 7.** Any grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof, exclusive of the State Grant already appropriated herein, shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

**Section 8.** The full faith and credit of the City is hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the City, and the City shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

**Section 9.** The City Council hereby covenants on behalf of the City to take any action necessary or refrain from taking such action in order to preserve the tax-exempt status of the bonds and notes authorized hereunder as is or may be required under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder (the "Code"), including compliance with the Code with regard to the use, expenditure, investment, timely reporting and rebate of investment earnings as may be required thereunder.

<u>Section 10</u>. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Mayor DelVecchio opened the public hearing for Ordinance Number 02-2018 and asked for questions or comments.

There being no questions or comments, Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to close the public hearing for Ordinance Number 02-2018. Councilwoman Warner made a motion to close the public hearing. 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, granting final approval for Ordinance Number 02-2018. Council President Stegman made a motion to adopt on second reading, granting final approval of Ordinance Number 02-2018. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

### CORRESPONENCE.

DELAWARE RIVER TOWNS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Request for approval to launch fireworks on the following dates:

- i. May 12, 2018, Pride Flag Drop, 1 pm, Short burst
- ii. First Fridays, 9:30 p.m., June through September, full show
- iii. Zombie Crawl, 4 pm, short burst
- iv. Tree Lighting, November 25, 2018, short burst

Mayor DelVecchio read the request by the chamber into the record and he asked for a motion to authorize the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk to execute the Memorandum of Understanding for this request with the Delaware River Towns Chamber of Commerce. Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the request made by the Delaware River Towns Chamber of Commerce. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

ANNUAL GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST: Lambertville-New Hope Rescue Squad, 8 – 9 AM, cost is \$15 per person.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DOT: Notice of award of a grant to improve George (between Jefferson & York Street) & Coryell Street (between Main and North Franklin Street) in the amount of \$178,250.

ELIZABETHTOWN GAS: Notice of public hearings on the Rates and Tariff on 03-13-18 and 03-15-18. Additional information can be found on their website at www.elizabethtowngas.cm/rates-and-tariff.

NEW HOPE CELEBRATES: Request for approval of the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual NHC Pride Parade on Saturday, May 19. Road closures from 9 am to 12 pm for the following: York Street, North Union Street and from 11 am to 1 pm for Bridge Street. The request includes police presence and assistance with closing off streets.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to authorize the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the New Hope Celebrates for the annual NHC Pride Parade scheduled for Saturday, May 19. Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the request and Councilwoman Warner seconded the request. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

HUNTERDON COUNTY COMMUNITY DAY: Saturday, June 20, 2018 at the County Fairgrounds, South County Park, Route 179, Ringoes, 11 am to 4 pm. Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Vendors, Reptile Show.

COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH: Information regarding the County's mosquito control program.

# UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS.

Mayor DelVecchio gave an overview of the following projects:

CRS COMMITTEE: The City went from a rating of 10 to a rating of 8 and we are now a 7 which represents a 15% savings on flood insurance for the City and for our residents in the flood plain. We are working on getting to a level 6. Tom Eagan and Councilwoman Warner will give an update at the April meeting.

SUSTAINABLE JERSEY: The City has hired Keziah Groth-Tuft to work on our application. The goal is to obtain an energy gold star and the Silver Award.

DOT GRANTS: The City received a grant for George Street from Jefferson to York Street and Coryell Street from Main to Franklin Street. The City Engineer will begin work on surveying for the plans.

LED STREET LIGHTS: JCP&L has been delayed due to the snow storms but the next phase of the project is Route 29 and Route 179.

PENNEAST PIPELINE: the City adopted three resolutions, one to ban fracking on the Delaware, one to request a re-hearing by FERC, and one to ask the DEP to roll back the requirements for the wetlands.

D&R CANAL PARKING: we will revisit this in April.

CLINTON STREET PHASE II: met with the residents and the Engineer is finalizing the plans.

CLINTON STREET PHASE I: we awarded the bid this evening.

THIRD PARTY PURCHASING OF ELECTRIC: we awarded the bid this evening and this will save the city 13% on our electric bills.

COAH LAW SUIT: The City has a follow-up court date for April 19<sup>th</sup>. We are waiting for Merrick Wilson to submit his amended plan.

COMMUNITY AGGREGATION AUCTION: the bid date is April 3.

ELY FIELD: we are waiting on amendments to the layout by the City Engineer.

LMUA FORCE MAIN/SWAN CREEK FLOOD GATES: Dr. Ruth from DEP provided assistance to the City with determining what permits were required. We are in the comment period. The Mayor asked Tom Eagan to join him with the meeting at DEP with Tom Horn of the LMUA and the City Engineer.

FENCE AT PUBLIC WORKS will be installed by April 15.

JUSTICE CENTER bid opening is scheduled for April 17.

VIDEO TAPING MEETINGS: the goal is for the April meeting.

SUMMER CAMP: the Recreation Commission just approved the materials and is in the process of scheduling interviews.

SUMMER IN THE CITY: The Mayor has been working with a group of volunteers to have films in Cavallo Park and in the North Union Street Park over the summer. They are also working on Parkletts, much like they have in Princeton and Trenton. Alcohol will not be allowed and it will be a controlled environment. This is a work in progress.

FIRE COMMISSION: Councilman Sanders and Council President Stegman will give an update at the next meeting.

# **NEW BUSINESS.**

### BOARD APPOINTMENTS.

Mayor DelVecchio made the following nominations: Human Rights Council – Roni Todd Marino, Planning Board: Filomena Hengst – unexpired term 12/31/2020 and Michelle Komie – Alternate II, Environmental Commission – Mark Donlon to fill an unexpired term ending 12/31/2020, and Halloween Parade – Lorie Howe and Beth Asaro.

Council President Stegman made a motion to confirm the Mayor's nominations. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

<u>DRIVEWAY APPLICATION</u>: Daniel Ranieri, 112 North Union Street, Block 1019, Lot 7. The request is to construct a 10 x 27 foot a driveway in on the North Union Street side.

Council President Stegman commented that the City didn't have enough information to make a decision on this application for a driveway. The application was delayed to the March 29, 2018 special session of the Governing Body.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS.

LANDLORD REGISTRATIONS are due by April 1, 2018 to avoid the \$50 late fee.

PARKING PERMITS for metered parking expired on December 31, 2017. The fee is \$45 and you must bring your driver's license and registration for the application.

JUSTICE CENTER PARKING: Currently space numbers 16, 18 and 22 are available for lease at the Justice Center. The fee is \$55 per month. Call Shelley at 609-397-0110 for additional information.

WEDNESDAY'S GARBAGE AND RECYCLING will be picked up on Thursday due to the snow.

# PUBLICPARTICIPATION/PETITION OF CITIZENS AND PUBLIC DISCUSSION.

# HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL/WE ARE ONE

Councilwoman Asaro asked for approval to close Mount Hope Street for the annual "We Are One" event planned jointly by the City of Lambertville's Human Rights Council with Fisherman's Mark. The event is scheduled for June 3, 2018 at Cavallo Park.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the road closure subject to the Committee reaching out to the Inn of the Hawke. Councilwoman Asaro made a motion to authorize the road closure and the placement of portable bathrooms in the city's right of way. Council President Stegman seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

# ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m. with a motion made by Council President Stegman and seconded by Councilwoman Warner. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cynthia L. Ege, CMR, RMC, City Clerk



The March 20<sup>th</sup> regularly scheduled session minutes were approved at the regularly scheduled session of the Governing Body held on April 17, 2018.