



City of Lambertville
Regularly Scheduled Session of Mayor & Council
Monday, November 18, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center, 25 South Union Street, Lambertville
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Mayor DeVecchio at 6:30 pm with a statement of compliance with the open public meeting act, noting the required notice was provided on Friday, November 15, 2013 to the Beacon, the Democrat, the Times, the agenda was posted to the bulletin board at city hall and on the website at www.lambertvillenj.org, and various people on the list serve, inclusive of department heads, city attorney and city engineer were also noticed on November 15, 2013.

ROLL CALL.

Mrs. Ege called the roll as follows:

Roll Call: Councilwoman Asaro, Councilman Sanders, Councilwoman Warner, Council President Stegman, Mayor DeVecchio.

Absent: None.

**RESOLUTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS
CONTRACTS, PERSONNEL, ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY AND
POTENTIAL LAW SUITS.**

Mayor and Council will go into closed session at 6:30 pm and open to the public at 7:00 pm.

RESOLUTION

“Authorizing a Closed Session at the November 18, 2013 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 November 18, 2013, in the Justice Center 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.

The resolution was adopted on a call of ayes and nays as follows:

Ayes: Councilwoman Asaro, Councilman Sanders, Councilwoman Warner, Council President Stegman, Mayor DeVecchio.

Nays:

C: The Beacon, The Times, The Democrat, The Herald, Department Heads, the List Serve on the Website and the Bulletin Board at City Hall.

Mayor DelVecchio and City Council convened in closed session at 6:30 p.m. with a motion made by Councilwoman Warner and seconded by Councilwoman Asaro. An affirmative 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 6:58 p.m. with a motion made by Councilman Sanders and seconded by Councilwoman Warner. An affirmative 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 in the United States Armed Forces.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 15, 2013 Regularly Scheduled Session Minutes. Councilwoman Asaro seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the following Administrative Reports: Tax Collector – Cynthia McBride, Municipal Court Administrator – Barbara Halper, Police Director – Bruce Cocuzza, Acting Public Works Director – Lester Myers, City Clerk – Cynthia L. Ege, and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer – Christie Ehret. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote in favor of the motion was taken by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

NOTE: Construction Subcode Official and the Zoning Officer/Fire Safety Officer’s report were missing.

PROCLAMATION – none.

RESOLUTIONS.

Consent Agenda: *provides rapid response to items which do not require discussion.*

Mayor DelVecchio added two resolution to the consent agenda; number 165-2013 Requesting Hunterdon County take over Animal Control for all 26 municipalities and number 166-2013 Naming Rohan Tadas, CHMM, LSRP as the LSRP for the City of Lambertville for Cavallo Park.

Resolution Number 151-2013: A Resolution to Make Budget Transfers between Appropriations in the 2013 General Fund Budget.

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*RESOLUTION TO MAKE BUDGET TRANSFERS
 BETWEEN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2013 GENERAL FUND BUDGET*

WHEREAS, certain 2013 Budget Appropriation balances are expected to insufficient for the remainder of the year;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to make transfers between appropriations in the 2013 Budget for the City of Lambertville, as follows:

<u>ACCOU #</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
3-01-20-130-100	Finance - SW	4,000.00	
3-01-20-130-200	Finance - OE		2,500.00
3-01-20-135-200	Audit - OE		25.00
	Tax Collector - SW		
3-01-20-145-200	Tax Collector - OE	1,000.00	
3-01-20-150-100	Tax Assessor - SW		1.00
3-01-20-150-200	Tax Assessor - OE	1,000.00	
3-01-21-180-200	Planning Board - OE	6,000.00	
3-01-21-185-100	Zoning Board - SW		2.00
3-01-21-185-200	Zoning Board - OE		300.00
3-01-22-196-100	Fire Inspection - SW		100.00
3-01-23-215-290	Workers Compensation - OE		1.00
3-01-25-240-100	Police - SW	15,000.00	
3-01-25-240-200	Police - OE	1,429.00	
3-01-25-275-200	Prosecutor - OE		10,000.00
3-01-26-290-100	DPW -SW		8,000.00
3-01-26-290-200	DPW - OE	3,000.00	
3-01-26-305-100	Solid Waste - SW	10,000.00	
3-01-26-305-200	Solid Waste - OE		15,000.00
3-01-27-240-200	Dog Regulation - OE	5,000.00	
3-01-28-375-000	Parks & Playgrounds - OE	500.00	
3-01-31-447-270	Fuel Oil- OE		1,000.00
3-01-36-472-298	Social Security - OE		10,000.00
	Total	\$ 46,929.00	\$ 46,929.00

Resolution Number 152 -2013: *A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Sign the Contract with Edmunds & Associates for the Software for Finance, Payroll and Tax Collection.*

City of Lambertville
Resolution Number 152-2013
A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to Sign the Contract with Edmunds & Associates for Software Support and Services

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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 Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign the contract with Edmunds & Associates for software and support services in an amount not to exceed \$5,329.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 153-2013: A Resolution Appointing David M. DelVecchio as the Wellness Champion for the City of Lambertville.

City of Lambertville
Resolution Number 153-2013
A Resolution Naming Mayor David M. DelVecchio as the NJWELL Wellness Champion Designation for the City of Lambertville

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 Mayor David M. DelVecchio is hereby designated as the Wellness Champion for the City of Lambertville.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 154-2013: A Resolution Awarding the Contract with Top Line Construction for the Resurfacing of York Street, Clinton to Main Street in an Amount Not to Exceed \$105,414.17.

City of Lambertville
Resolution Number 154-2013
A Resolution Authorizing/Rejecting the Contract with Top Line for the Resurfacing of York Street, Beginning on Clinton Street and ending on North Main Street.

WHEREAS, the City Engineer advertised the Notice to Bidders on Saturday, November 2, 2013 for the resurfacing of York Street beginning on Clinton Street and Ending on North Main Street, and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were received, opened and read aloud on Wednesday, November 13, 2013 at City Hall located at 18 York Street in the City, and

WHEREAS, this project has two funding sources, Ordinance Number 2007-06 and United Water, and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified funds are available in the amount of \$168,559.43, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were received from contractors:

Contractor	Address	Bid
Top Line Construction Corp.	Somerville, NJ	\$105,414.17
Mannon Excavating	Flemington, NJ	\$110,377.30
Z Brothers	Sayreville, NJ	\$119,776.00

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WHEREAS, the City Engineer and City Attorney have reviewed the bid specifications and packets received and have deemed the bids were responsive and responsible, and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has determined that the bid received from Top Line is the most advantageous, price and other factors considered.

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 Top Line Construction Corp. Is hereby awarded the bid for the resurfacing of York Street in an amount not to exceed \$105,414.17.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 155-2013: A Resolution Requesting the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the Budget of Any County or Municipality Pursuant to NJSA 40a:4-87 (chapter 159 p.l. 1948) for the Grant Received from the NJLM Educational Foundation, Inc. in the Amount of \$10,000 for 2013 Sustainable Jersey Small Grants to fund the Pilot Program for Recycling Food Waste.

City of Lambertville

RESOLUTION 155-2013

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.
40A:4-87 (Chapter 159 P.L. 1948)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of local Finance may approve the insertion of any special item if revenue in the budget of any County or Municipality when such item have been made available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the City has received a grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 for 2013 Sustainable Jersey Small Grant.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Lambertville hereby requests the Director of Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the 2013 CY Budget in the amount of \$10,000.00 which item is now available as revenue from the receipt of the 2013 Sustainable Jersey Small Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$10,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

OPERATIONS "EXCLUDED FROM CAP"
2013 Sustainable Jersey Small Grant \$10,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval, with a copy of the letter awarding the Grant.

Resolution Number 156-2013: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to Sign the Agreement for the Municipal Alliance.

City of Lambertville
Resolution Number 156-2013
A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Sign the Municipal Alliance Grant

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 Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the Fiscal Grant Extension from the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse from January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 157-2013: A Resolution to Authorize the Refund of Permit Number 13-11075 for Frenchtown in the Amount of \$153.00.

City of Lambertville
Resolution Number 157-2013
A Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Construction Permit Number 13-11075 for Frenchtown Borough Filed by Stem Brothers In the Amount of \$153.00

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 refund to Stem Brothers is hereby authorized for construction permit number 13-11075 in the amount of \$153.00 submitted to Lambertville for the interlocal agreement with Frenchtown Borough and processed in error but is actually Kingwood property.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 158-2013: Resolution to Authorize the Contract with Earth Engineering Incorporated of West Berlin, NJ, in the Amount of \$5,280 for the Police Department.

City of Lambertville
Resolution Number 158-2013
A Resolution Authorizing the Contract with Earth Engineers & Geologists in an Amount Not To Exceed \$5,280 for Phase I of the Police Station

WHEREAS, Michael Burns, City Architect solicited for proposals for the review and study of the foundation of the Police Station, and

WHEREAS, he received three proposals from the following individuals:

- CTL, Inc., of Bordentown, NJ in the amount of \$6,510
- Earth Engineering Incorporated, of West Berlin, NJ in the amount of \$5,280

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WHEREAS, the CMFO has certified the funds are available from the following sources:
Ordinance Number 2011-07 in the amount of \$3,008.61 and 2012-10 in the amount of \$2,667.14,
and

WHEREAS, the Bond Counsel has advised the expense of funds from these ordinances are
appropriate, and

WHEREAS, the City Architect recommends the award of the contract to Earth Engineers &
Geologist for phase I of the project, not to exceed \$5,280.

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 contract with Earth Engineers &
Geologist is hereby authorized in an amount not to exceed \$5,280.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the
contract.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 159-2013: A Resolution to Authorize the Cancellation of 2013 Taxes
for the McCann Property, Block 1002, Lot 64 and 1097, Lot 7.01.

City of Lambertville
Resolution Number 159-2013
A Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of 2013 Taxes

Whereas the City of Lambertville took ownership of Block 1002 Lot 64 known as 140 York St.
and Block 1097 Lot 7.01 known as 25 Jean Street in August 2013 as per Superior Court Civil
Action.

Whereas the above noted parcels are on the tax rolls for 2013 and property taxes for the balance of
the 3rd quarter and 4th quarter 2013 should be cancelled in the amount of nine hundred and seventy
three dollars and ninety two cents (\$973.92) on block 1097 lot 7.01 and six hundred and eighty
four dollars and sixty five cents (\$684.65) on block 1002 lot 64.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City of Lambertville in the County of Hunterdon and the
State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the balance
of 3rd qtr. and 4th qtr. taxes in the amount of nine hundred and seventy three dollars and ninety two
cents (\$973.92) on block 1097 lot 7.01 and six hundred and eighty four dollars and sixty five cents
(\$684.65) on block 1002 lot 64.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 160-2013: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to Sign the
Subordination on the Mortgage for Marie Toohey for 45 N. Franklin Street in the Amount
of \$24,745.

City of Lambertville
Resolution Number 160-2013

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A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Sign the Subordination Agreement for 45 North Franklin Street, Marie Toohey

WHEREAS the City Attorney has reviewed the title search and has deemed that the City's subordination of the mortgage will not have a derogatory effect on the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Lambertville in the County of Hunterdon and the State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the subordination agreement with Marie Toohey for 45 North Franklin Street in the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 161-2013: A Resolution Supporting Elycia Lerman's Appointment to The Board of NORWESCAP of Hunterdon County.

City of Lambertville

Resolution Number 161-2013

A Resolution Supporting the Appointment of Elycia Lerman to the Board of NORWESCAP OF HUNTERDON COUNTY

WHEREAS, Elycia Lerman resides in the City of Lambertville and previously served on the Environmental Commission, and

WHEREAS NORWESCAP of Hunterdon County has asked for a resolution in support of Elycia Lerman as a board member, and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Ms. Lerman to the board of NORWESCAP Hunterdon County would be very beneficial to the organization, to the residents of Hunterdon County and to the City of Lambertville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Lambertville in the County of Hunterdon and the State of New Jersey that the Mayor and City County are hereby supportive of the appointment of Elycia Lerman to the Board of NORWESCAP Hunterdon County.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 163-2013: A Resolution to Authorize the Tax Lien Certificate 11-02, issued on Block 1030, Lot 7 in the Amount of \$51,787.331 to Pro Capital Fund LLC.

City of Lambertville

RESOLUTION NUMBER 163-2013

A Resolution to Authorize the Tax Lien Redemption for Block 1030, Lot 7 In the Amount of \$11,641.36

WHEREAS, Tax Lien Certificate 11-02 issued on Block 1030, Lot 7 in the amount of \$11,641.36 was sold to Pro Capital Fund LLC on 10-19-13, and

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

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 Pro Capital Fund I, LLC, 1000 Haddonfield Berlin Road, Suite 203, Voorhees, NJ, 08043, for the redemption of tax lien certificate #11-02 in the amount of:

\$11,641.36	representing the amount of the original tax sale certificate
5,111.16	interest and costs on Tax Sale Certificate
<u>\$35,034.79</u>	Subsequent Payments with Interest
<u>\$51,787.31</u>	Total Amount due to Lien Holder/Amount paid to redeem

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 164-2013: A Resolution to Amend the Salary & Wage Resolution.

City of Lambertville

RESOLUTION NUMBER 164-2013

A Resolution to Amend the Salary & Wage Resolution

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 confirm the appointment of Jill McCarty to provide clerical assistance in the tax office and police department at an annual salary of \$20,280 with the following allocation, retroactive to October 11, 2013:

Police Secretary – 15 hours per week, \$9,360

Tax Clerk – 17.5 hours per week, \$10,920

ADOPTED: September 30, 2013

Resolution Number 165-2013: A Resolution Requesting that the County of Hunterdon Undertake the Animal Control Officer Responsibilities for Hunterdon County Municipalities.

City of Lambertville

RESOLUTION NUMBER 165-2013

Resolution Requesting that the County of Hunterdon Undertake the Animal Control Officer Responsibilities for Hunterdon County Municipalities

WHEREAS, the County of Hunterdon is composed of 26 municipalities whose populations range in size from the smallest, Stockton Borough, with a population of 538, to the largest, Raritan Township, with a population of 22,185; eight of the municipalities in the County have a population of under 2,000 and 22 of the 26 municipalities have a population of under 6,000. Accordingly, the vast majority of municipalities in Hunterdon County are smaller ones which do not have large administrative staffs; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the size of the majority of municipalities in the County, *N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.16* requires the governing body of each municipality appoint a certified animal control officer responsible for animal control within the jurisdiction of the municipality and who shall enforce and abide by statutory requirements for such an office; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.16.a.* establishes the certification requirements for animal control officers and mandates the establishment of rules and regulations for the training and educational qualifications for certified animal control officers; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.16* mandates municipalities take into custody and impound dogs and other animals which are believed to be strays, dogs off the premises of the owner, any off

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premises female dog in season, any dog or other animal which is suspected of being rabid, any dog off the premises of the owner judged by the certified animal control officer to be ill, injured or creating a threat to public safety or welfare; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.16 establishes the procedure as to how the certified animal control officer is to take into custody and impound dogs or other animals required to be collected and further provides that those animals are to be turned over to a shelter, pound or kennel; and

WHEREAS, prior to the adoption of the more demanding requirements for certification of animal control officers and the collection of animals meeting the definition of the statutory requirements, dog and other animal control activities were often carried out by humane shelters or individuals known as dog catchers; and

WHEREAS, the increased professionalism required of animal control officers has decreased the number of suitable candidates for this position; and

WHEREAS, the number of shelters which are convenient to municipal locations willing to take dogs or other animals collected by the animal control officer has diminished for various reasons; and

WHEREAS, it has become increasingly difficult for municipalities in the County of Hunterdon to fulfill their statutory responsibilities with respect to stray dogs and other animals; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has a strong policy to encourage shared services to reduce the costs of municipal services; however, there are few economic benefits to be achieved by individual municipalities sharing an animal control officer because of the nature of the service. However, significant efficiencies of scale could be achieved if a county-wide animal control officer was created; and

WHEREAS, in larger municipalities the animal control officer usually reports to the municipal health officer; and

WHEREAS, in Hunterdon County most, if not all, municipalities do not have their own health officer, but delegate the administrative responsibilities of their Boards of Health to the County of Hunterdon Division of Public Health Services; and

WHEREAS, having a countywide animal control officer(s) under the jurisdiction of the Hunterdon County Division of Public Health Services will increase professionalism, reduce the cost of providing animal control services and provide for more efficient use of the vehicles and equipment.

WHEREAS, it would make sense for the County of Hunterdon to create the office of animal control officer within the Division of Public Health Services, which has the experience and administrative capacity to efficiently hire animal control officers and oversee their day-to-day activities.

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, as follows:

1. The City of Lambertville strongly urges the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders to initiate a study of the appropriate benefits of a County take over the functions of the municipal animal control officer in any municipality which, by Resolution, requests that the County take over its animal control requirements; and
2. The City of Lambertville requests that the State Senators and Assemblymen who represent municipalities in the County of Hunterdon, petition the State of New Jersey to provide funding for the study of a plan to have the County of Hunterdon take over the animal control responsibilities from municipalities which request that service; and
3. The City Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the following:
 - A. The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders;
 - B. The Mayor and Governing Body of each of the 26 municipalities in the County of Hunterdon; and
 - C. Each State Senator and Assemblymen who represent any municipalities in the County of Hunterdon.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Resolution Number 166-2013: A Resolution Naming Rohan Tadas, CHMM, LSRP of T and M Associates as the LSRP for the City of Lambertville for Cavallo Park.

City of Lambertville

RESOLUTION NUMBER 166-2013

Resolution Naming Rohan Tadas, CHMM LSRP of T and M Associates as the LSRP for the City of Lambertville for Cavallo Park

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, that Rohan Tadas, CHMM, LSRP of T and M Associates is hereby named the LSRP for the City of Lambertville for Cavallo Park.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the resolutions on the consent agenda. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Signs Insert:

APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST.

Councilwoman Warner made a motion to approve the Bills Lists dated November 18, 2013. Councilwoman Asaro 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 22-2013: *An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 7, Traffic, Section 4.5, Removing Parking Meters from South Union Street Beginning at Ferry Street and Traveling South.*

Mayor DelVecchio read Ordinance Number 22-2013 by title into the record. He informed the members of the public present that this came about because of the request for a mid-block crosswalk on Bridge Street and the removal of 3 meters and is to amend Chapter 7, by removing the meters on South Union Street beginning at Ferry Street and ending at Swan Street, and adding meters on Ferry Street beginning at Union and ending at Main Street. Those who reside on Ferry Street between Union and Main will then be eligible for parking permits which would include parking in the Library parking lot.

City of Lambertville
ORDINANCE NUMBER 22-2013
An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 7, Traffic, Section 4.5

7-4.5 Parking Time Limited on Certain Streets. No person shall park a vehicle for longer than the time limit shown, at any time between the hours listed of any day upon any of the streets or parts of the streets described below.

This subsection shall not apply to Police, firefighting or rescue squad vehicles in the performance of their duties.

Adds:

<i>Name of Street Sides</i>	<i>Limit</i>	<i>Time Hours</i>	<i>Location</i>
Ferry Street South Street	2 hours	Mon-Sat 9:00 am to 9:00 pm Sunday 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm	From the Union to Main

Removes:

Union Ferry Street side of	Both	4 hours	Mon-Sat 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sun 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	From the south side of Street to the north Swan Street
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First Reading and Introduction:	November 18, 2013
Second Reading and Public Hearing:	December 17, 2013
Final Adoption:	

Mayor DelVecchio explained this ordinance is the result of a meeting with the residents of Ferry Street on November 11, 2013. Councilman Sanders was also present at that meeting.

Public Comment:

John Franzini of South Union Street commented that he attended the meeting held with Ferry Street residents and the meeting needs to be a neighborhood wide discussion. Parking has been impossible for some time. The demand out strips the supply. The flow of traffic on South Main Street when it was changed to one way turned South Union Street into a thoroughfare.

Mayor DelVecchio acknowledged Mr. Franzini's concerns and said the change on South Main Street provided additional parking to those residents but did have some unintended consequences.

John Franzini continued that there is no place to park. He said someone parked in front of his garage. This will displace people who are parking there now.

Mayor DelVecchio added that this will allow the residents of Ferry Street to park in the Library parking lot.

John Franzini stated that people on South Union Street can't purchase a sticker to park on Ferry Street or in the Library parking lot.

Mayor DelVecchio stated he was in the same boat. Eight businesses park in front of his house every day.

John Franzini asked if Mayor and Council would locate the meters where there are businesses like in the north part of town. This has serious repercussions to the neighborhood. Ferry Street residents will still be able to park on South Union Street, Main Street but residents on South Union Street won't be able to park on Ferry Street.

Mayor DelVecchio stated that he felt it would make it better.

John Franzini asked Mayor DelVecchio to consider engaging someone to do a parking study. Mayor said they could bag the Bridge Street Crosswalk. John Franzini stated that cars won't stop for people in the crosswalk anyway.

Mayor DelVecchio asked Council members for their input. He said they could:

- 1: go back to the way it was,
- 2: go ahead and see how it works,
- 3: take a look at it.

Councilman Sanders stated that there was a cost associated with the project. Councilwoman Asaro proposed option 4: meters elsewhere. Councilman Sanders stated that he previously lived on Coryell Street and had 2 parking permits and sometimes it works. There was a lot of support for the mid-block crosswalk on Bridge Street. Whenever there is a change there are consequences and he didn't want to give up on the mid-block crosswalk on Bridge Street. The revenue is necessary.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that the City downsized the police department by one patrolman, we are in a shared services agreement for Animal Control, the clerk's office is down ½ employee, the court is down ½ employee, and public works is down 1 employee. We have been focusing on the recycling program and are branching out to the food waste program in an effort to cut additional expenses from the budget. We can't afford to let revenue walk away and we don't have many options to find reoccurring sources of revenue. He asked Council members how they wanted to proceed and outlined the options as follows: 1: blow this up, 2: go forward, 3: explore with an expert, or 4: move meters.

Caren Franzini of South Union Street suggested that Mayor and Council increase the fees for the parking permits at the Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center. Mayor DelVecchio stated that the City looked into paying by credit cards for meters, pay by phone options but nothing was fluent.

A resident of 31 Ferry Street stated that he was a new owner and he had no idea about what was going on. He felt moving meters multiple times would cause an additional expense to the City and offered to conduct a survey among the residents.

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that he met with the residents of Ferry Street on Veteran's day and they were committed to revisiting this in 2014. The resident of 31 Ferry Street asked what happens if this doesn't work? John Franzini asked for a neighborhood meeting. He said we had dense housing. Caren Franzini stated that there wasn't a parking problem in front of her house until the City added the meters on South Union Street. She felt that by changing the location of the meters would just be moving the problem. She said she was advocating for more thought rather than a rush to decision. She asked what the dollar value was and said it would be better to add \$.10 to the meters. She asked Mayor and Council to take a look at the problem and then find the solution. Mayor DelVecchio commented that he is losing \$2,000 on the three meters plus parking tickets. Council President Stegman said if they raise the fee for the parking meters and the permits for the parking lots, it will encourage people to park on the street. John Franzini said the residents currently ride around until a spot opens up. Council President Stegman suggested that they see how many cars they can meter on Ferry Street and survey the residents for the number of cars to obtain the need for the number of spaces. This will allow Mayor and Council to get a handle on the number of spaces that will be displaced. Councilman Sanders felt it was not a bad thing to have more information. People may be working the night shift or be a part time resident. The residents of Ferry Street came to a consensus at the meeting on Veteran's Day.

John Franzini asked what the merit was to the mid-block crosswalk. He felt the consequences would be more detrimental. Councilman Sanders stated that Lambertville is a pedestrian friendly town and the crosswalk would prevent pedestrians from darting out into traffic. The markings on the street and the signage would make it much safer.

Council President Stegman asked if Lilly Street was better. John Franzini said he wouldn't know but felt it would be misplacing people.

Mayor DelVecchio suggested that the City move forward with the current ordinance with the public hearing scheduled for Tuesday, December 17th. The following information will be discussed: 1: the number of parking spaces lost with the move to Ferry Street, 2: Measure revenue taking into consideration the lost revenue from Bridge Street and the gains on South Union Street, 3: Survey results from the mid-block crosswalk (Ward Sanders will obtain).

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance Number 22-2013. Council President Stegman made a motion to introduce Ordinance Number 22-2013. Councilman Sanders 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 this will be the subject of a public hearing on **Tuesday, December 17, 2013.**

Ordinance Number 23-2013: *An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 8, Article III, Residential Parking Permits, To Allow Ferry Street Residents Between Union and Main to Park in the Metered Parking Lot at the Library With the Purchase of a Residential Parking Sticker.*

Mayor DelVecchio read Ordinance Number 23-2013 into the record by title. He informed the members of the public present that this will allow the residents of Ferry Street between Union and Main to purchase parking stickers to park at the meters on Ferry Street and in the parking lot of the Library.

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ORDINANCE NUMBER 23-2013
An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 8, Article II, Residential Parking Permits

7-4.5 Parking Time Limited on Certain Streets. No person shall park a vehicle for longer than the time limit shown, at any time between the hours listed of any day upon any of the streets or parts of the streets described below.

This subsection shall not apply to Police, firefighting or rescue squad vehicles in the performance of their duties.

Adds:

k. Residents of Ferry Street, between Union and Main Streets, are eligible for parking stickers if they meet all of the requirements in this ordinance, and reside on Ferry Street between Union and Main Streets. They may also park in the Library parking lot at 6 Lilly Street.

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l. Residents of North Union Street, between Bridge and Coryell Streets, are eligible to park in the North Union Street parking lot in addition to on the street, if they meet all of the requirements of the ordinance and reside on North Union Street between Bridge and Coryell Streets.

First Reading and Introduction: November 18, 2013

Second Reading and Public Hearing: December 17, 2013

Final Adoption:

Public Comment:

Mayor DelVecchio asked for an amendment to the ordinance to permit residents of North Union Street who reside between Bridge and Coryell Streets to park in the North Union Street parking lot.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to introduce Ordinance Number 23-2013 as amended. Council President Stegman made a motion to introduce Ordinance Number 23-2013. Councilman Sanders 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 this will be the subject of a public hearing on **Tuesday, December 17, 2013.**

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND FINAL ADOPTION – None.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SPOKE WORKS BUSINESSES: A letter requesting a street sign at the corner of North Union and Elm Streets.

TOWNSHIP OF READING: a Resolution Requesting that the County of Hunterdon Undertake the Animal Control Responsibilities for Hunterdon County Municipalities.

LAMBERTVILLE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY: Letter to NJDEP In Response to Plans Submitted for Lambertville Water Lofts.

LAMBERTVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL: A Letter from Dr. Kozak commending the Police Department for their assistance during a power outage.

BOROUGH OF HAMPTON: Resolution Number 72-13 Requesting that the County of Hunterdon Undertake the Animal Control Officer Responsibilities.

JAMES ODELL: Letter regarding speeding on Lambert Lane, requesting Speed Limit Signs and Speed Bumps.

WINTER FESTIVAL: the parade will take place on Saturday, January 25, 2014.

HUNTERDON COUNTY OEM: Mayor DeVecchio stated that Dave Burd, OEM Coordinator had good news for the City about a FEMA Grant. OEM Coordinator Burd stated that the City was the recipient of grant funds in the amount of \$151,000 for the purchase of generators due to paperwork filed by the City Clerk. Mayor DeVecchio said the City's contribution will be approximately \$80,000.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Update on Various Construction Improvement Projects.

City Hall – no update.

Police Station – the phase I investigation was approved by resolution this evening.

Construction Projects.

South Franklin & Weeden Street Drainage Project – rain gardens remain and will be completed once DEP is finished with the testing of the soil at Cavallo Park.

North Union Street Phase III will be rebid in January with the paving projects for Cottage Hill.

York Street/United Water Project – resurfacing was approved by resolution this evening

Update on projects for flood relief:

Swan Creek – approved for submittal to FEMA. The Mayor is in the process of scheduling a meeting with Lt. Col. Hatfield.

Miscellaneous – none.

Update on various non-construction projects:

Shared Services.

SHRHS Regionalization Work Group: Mayor DeVecchio stated that this was more complicated now. There are six boards that will be in operation until June 30th of 2014 at the very least.

SHREC: the bids for Community Aggregation will be received soon.

Garbage & Recycling.

2013 Recycling to date is up. The 2013 Garbage to date is down 44%. The 2012 Recycling to date is up by 2% over the 2011 Recycling which is 17% more than 2011.

Food Waste Survey is in process. The survey has been put on the City's website, sent out via the list serve, and put on Facebook. They plan to send someone door to door to provide assistance to the public.

NEW BUSINESS.

Appointments & Resignations from Boards.

UNITED WAY OF HUNTERDON COUNTY: Amy Anderson was present to discuss the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program run by United Way of Hunterdon County. She commented that this is the fourth year of the program in Hunterdon County. In 2013, they completed 900 tax returns. 93 were from Lambertville residents. There are 3,500 tax returns by the 08530 zip code. 400 are low elderly income, 1600 are low income, and 180 are earned income tax credits. She asked for assistance in getting the word out to the public that they provide this service. Mayor DeVecchio asked her to work with the City Clerk in making the information available on the City's website and Facebook accounts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING: the City of Lambertville will hold their annual tree lighting on Saturday, November 30th beginning at 4 p.m. at the corner of Union and Bridge Street. The festivities begin with performances by the Lambertville Volunteer Drum and Bugle Corps and the Downtown Players from the Downtown Performing Arts Center. All are invited to participate! After the tree lighting, our special invited guest, Santa Claus will listen to each child's Christmas wish at the Justice Center. At 6:45 p.m., the ACME Screening Room will feature a free showing of the holiday classic, "A Christmas Story".

ANNUAL CHANUKAH LIGHTING: Rabbi Eli Kornfeld Executive Director of Chabad of Hunterdon County will light the Menorah on Sunday, December 1st at 7 pm at the corner of Bridge and Union Streets. All are invited to participate!

RECYCLING OF FOOD WASTE: Attention, City residents! The City of Lambertville is interested in your feedback on a new initiative to collect and compost food scraps and other organic materials from your curb on a weekly basis. The City sends about 3.4 million pounds of trash a year to landfills or incinerators. This new program, if successful, would drastically reduce that amount, saving the City money and reducing our carbon footprint. In addition, residents would be entitled to free compost several times a year. Please click here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LvilleOrganicWaste2013> to complete a very short survey about the program.

Also, the City is pleased to announce that it will now collect and recycle "K Cups", "Nespresso Capsules", and other similar single-serving coffee containers. A designated drop-off location has been established at the Quarry St Public Works yard. Please drop off your used single-serving coffee containers and spread the word to your neighbors!

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PETITION OF CITIZENS AND PUBLIC DISCUSSION.

Caren Franzini stated that she had two comments. First she wanted to speak with the Council President about Chanukah for 2014. The second issue is Swan Creek Flood Gates and she wanted the Mayor to know that she reached out to Lance's Office on the City's behalf. She wanted the Mayor to get in touch with FEMA about doing a presentation with the members of

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the public on flood mitigation programs. Mayor DelVecchio stated that he wanted to keep the focus on the application for Swan Creek Flood Gates. Discussion ensued.

Ed Padilla of Lambert Lane asked for a future meeting to discuss the parking proposal behind the Lambertville Station. Mayor DelVecchio felt this may be a discussion for the Planning Board. Discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cynthia L. Ege". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and "E".

Cynthia L. Ege
CMR, RMC, City Clerk

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