



City of Lambertville
Special Session of Mayor & Council
Wednesday, March 20, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center
25 South Union Street, Lambertville
Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with a statement of compliance with the open public meeting act, providing the required notice on Friday, March 15, 2013 to the Beacon, the Democrat, the Times, posting the agenda to the bulletin board at city hall, the website at www.lambertvillenj.org, and noticing various people on the list serve, inclusive of department heads, city attorney and city engineer.

ROLL CALL.

Mrs. Ege called the roll as follows:

Present: Councilwoman Asaro (phone), Councilman Sanders, Councilwoman Warner, Council President Stegman, Mayor DeVecchio.

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor DeVecchio led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE.

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

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING.

Ordinance Number 06-2013: An Ordinance to Establish a CAP Ordinance.

Mayor DeVecchio informed the members of the public present that if a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to five percent (5%) or the index rate, whichever is less, over the previous year's final appropriations. The municipality may, in any year in which the index rate is less than five percent (5%), increase its final appropriations by a percentage rate greater than the index rate but not to exceed five percent (5%). These funds are banked in a "CAP" ordinance.

City of Lambertville
Ordinance Number 06-2013
CALENDAR YEAR 2013 - TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.0% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, by ordinance, bank the difference between its final budget appropriations and the 3.5% increase authorized by this ordinance when said difference is not appropriated as part of the final budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville in the County of Hunterdon hereby determines that this difference in the amount of \$50,376.60 that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to the final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

INTRODUCED: March 20, 2013

ADOPTED: April 23, 2013

Council President Stegman made a motion to adopt the Ordinance to Establish a CAP Bank. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution to Introduce the 2013 Budget.

Mayor DelVecchio introduced the 2013 budget which was read by title into the record. He informed the members present that the assessed value of the homes in the City of Lambertville are down approximately 3 million dollars or about .5%; the average home value is: \$353,681; the average tax bill is up approximately \$12 per year or \$1 per month; the levy is up 1.6%; surplus is down \$15,000 or 6.6% but we are left with almost \$300,000 after appropriations; this budget includes a 2% raise for all personnel with no reduction in the work force; includes a savings in the budget of \$10,000 due to the recycling program; \$2,500 in fuel due to the change at City Hall from oil to gas; \$5,900 in electric fees due to the third party purchasing agreement; the City paid down debt in the amount of \$777,000 which is the most ever in one year; saved \$51,643 from FEMA and we were able to cancel our emergencies from Hurricane Irene; and the reserve for uncollected is up \$5,000 which is 1.54%.

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Resolution Number 62-2013

A Resolution to Introduce the 2013 Calendar Year Budget

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville held a special session on Wednesday, March 20, 2013, for the purpose of introducing the 2013 CAP Bank Ordinance and the 2013 Calendar Year Budget, and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk noticed the papers of the special session on Friday, March 15, 2013, and

WHEREAS, the following is a list of Mayor and Council Members with their respective term expiration dates: David M. DelVecchio – Mayor, Term Ends 12-31-2015, Beth Asaro – Councilwoman, Term Ends 12-31-2014, Wardell Sanders – Councilman, Term Ends 12-31-2013, Steven M. Stegman – Council President, Term Ends 12-31-2013, Elaine Warner – Councilwoman, Term Ends 12-31-2014, and

WHEREAS, Cynthia L. Ege, Certificate Number C-1629 is the Registered Municipal Clerk, Christie Ehret, Certificate Number N-0738 is the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the City of Lambertville, Bonnie J. Eick is the Certified Tax Collector, Certificate Number T-1232, and Robert B. Cagnassola is the Registered Municipal Accountant, Certificate Number 50 and Phillip J. Faherty, III is the Municipal Attorney, and

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WHEREAS, the publication of the summary of the 2013 Budget will be placed in the legal section of the March 28, 2013 edition of the Beacon, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on the final adoption of the budget will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2013, and

WHEREAS, copies of this resolution along with three certified copies of the 2013 budget and the required attachments will be forwarded to the Director, Division of Local Government Services on Thursday, March 21, 2013, and

WHEREAS, a full copy of the introduced budget will be posted to the City's website at www.lambertvillenj.org, a copy will be sent to the Free and Public Library, and a copy will be made available for public inspection at City Hall during the hours from 9 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

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 2013 Calendar Year is hereby introduced with a motion made by Council President Stegman and seconded by Councilwoman Warner.

Adopted: March 20, 2013

Mayor DelVecchio asked if there were any questions about the 2013 budget. There being no questions from the public, Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to introduce the 2013 budget on first reading. Council President Stegman made a motion to introduce the 2013 Budget as submitted/as amended. Councilwoman Warner 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 23, 2013 at 7 pm at the Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

LANDLORD REGISTRATION is due by April 1, 2013. All rental units must be registered with the City of Lambertville (Ordinance 2010-23). All rental properties with two (2) or more rental units must also register with the State of New Jersey.

FOOD & VENDING MACHINE LICENSE RENEWALS are due by the end of May!

COMMUNITY AGGREGATION: The City of Lambertville is hosting a meeting on Wednesday, March 27th at 7 pm at the Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center on the topic of Community Aggregation. Community Aggregation is an energy program offered through the City which will lower electric purchases.

STREET SWEEPER STARTS April 1, 2013! Please remember to move your vehicles!

RESOLUTION NUMBER 64-2013: A Resolution to Reject the Bids for the Pay for your Meter with Your Cell Phones, Dated: September 20, 2012.

Mayor DelVecchio asked Council Members what they wanted to do with the request for proposal for the Pay for Your Meter with Your Cell Phones. The City received two very good but very different proposals. Discussion ensued. Council members collectively agreed that the City should reject the bids and consider other methods of payment for meters, such as credit cards which are thought to be more universal.

City of Lambertville
RESOLUTION 64-2013

A Resolution to Reject the Bids for the Pay for Your Meter with Your Cell Phones
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 bids received from Integrated Technical Systems, Inc. and ParkMobile on September 20, 2012 and extended through March 31, 2013 are hereby rejected.
ADOPTED: March 20, 2013

Councilman Sanders made a motion to reject the bids received for the RFP titled "Pay for Meters with Cell Phones for On Street and City Lots which were received on September 20, 2012. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

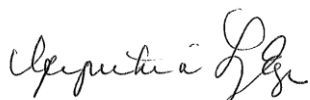
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PETITION OF CITIZENS AND PUBLIC DISCUSSION.

None.

ADJOURNMENT.

Councilman Sanders made a motion to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia L. Ege
CMR, RMC, City Clerk

These minutes were approved at the regularly scheduled session of Mayor and Council held on Tuesday, April 16, 2013.