

**City of Lambertville**  
**Reorganization Meeting**  
**Tuesday, January 1, 2014, 11:00 a.m.**  
**Justice Center, 25 South Union Street, Lambertville**  
**Minutes**

**STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**ACT.** The meeting was called to order by Mayor DelVecchio at 11:01 am with a statement of compliance with the open public meeting act, with the clerk providing the required notice on Friday, December 27, 2013 to the Beacon, the Democrat, the Times, posting the agenda to the bulletin board at city hall, the website at [www.lambertvillenj.org](http://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, Councilman Sanders, Councilwoman Warner, Council President Stegman, Mayor DelVecchio.

Absent: None.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY BOY SCOUT TROOP 49.**

Boy Scout Troop 49 led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present include Scouts: Andrew Underwood, Bryce Pietras, Ryan Balog, Scott McCloughan, Seth Geis; Cubscouts: Trevor McCloughan and Seamus Connor; and Adults: Terry Underwood, Tom Emge, and Kent Carpenter.

**INVOCATION BY GENE VENETTONE, CHAPLIN, LAMBERTVILLE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS.**

Mr. Venettone asked all to stand while he gave the Invocation.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE IN RECOGNITION OF THE LAMBERTVILLE CITIZENS AND ALL OTHERS SERVING WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMED SERVICES LED BY GENE VENETTONE, CHAPLIN, LAMBERTVILLE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

Mayor DelVecchio asked all to stand while Gene Venettone led the public in a moment of silence.

**CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION.**

Mrs. Ege read the certification of the election as follows:

The following is the statement of the election held November 5, 2013 of the determination of the Board of County Canvassers, certified by Susan B. Miller, Chairman of the Board and Mary Melfi, County Clerk on the election of municipal officers and the decisions of the public questions:

Steven M. Stegman and Wardell Sanders were duly elected Member of the City Council for the term ending 12-31-2016 with 3,231 permanent register of voters and 1,501 whole number of names voted.

**OATH OF OFFICE.**

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Municipal Court Judge Ronald Pittore administered the Oath of Office to Steven M. Stegman for a three year term as Member of the City Council with Cynthia Ege holding the Bible.

Municipal Court Judge Ronald Pittore administered the Oath Administered to Wardell Sanders for a three year term as Member of the City Council with Erica Rubine holding the Bible while Lily and Ian Sanders looked on.

**ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT.**

Councilwoman Warner nominated Steven M. Stegman as Council President of the City of Lambertville. Councilman Sanders seconded the nomination. Mayor DelVecchio asked for additional nominations. There being no further nominations, Mayor DelVecchio asked for a roll call. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**OATH OF OFFICE – COUNCIL PRESIDENT.**

Municipal Court Judge Ronald Pittore administered the Oath of Office for Council President to: Steven M. Stegman with Cynthia Ege holding the Bible.

**PROCLAMATIONS.**

**RESOLUTIONS.**

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion on Resolution Numbers 01-2014 through 06-2014 and read each by title inclusive of the positions and names of appointees:

Resolution Number 01-2014: 2014 Temporary Budget

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**Resolution Number 01-2014**  
**RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TEMPORARY BUDGET**  
**FOR THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE**  
**TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR 2014**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payment is to be made prior of the final adoption of the annual Municipal budget, Temporary Appropriations shall be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner ad time therein provided; and

**WHEREAS**, the Temporary Appropriations shall be adopted within the first 30 days of the Municipality's fiscal year, and shall not exceed 26.25% of the prior year's adopted Budget, exclusive of appropriations made for Debt Service, Capital Improvements and Public Assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the total amount appropriated in the 2013 Municipal Budget, as detailed above was \$4,005,735.80; and

**WHEREAS**, 26.25% of the above amount is \$1,051,505.65

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council, that the following Temporary Appropriations be approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that an additional sum of \$20,000.00 be appropriated for Debt Service, Capital Improvements and Public Assistance, for a total Temporary Budget of \$1,071,505.65

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 02-2014: Designating Official Newspapers

The Beacon, the Democrat and the Times

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 02-2014**  
**“DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS”**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:53-1 et seq. that “*The Beacon*” be designated as the Official Newspaper; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that official notices may also be published in the daily newspaper “*The Trenton Times*”, or “*Hunterdon Democrat*” to meet time requirements.

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Resolution Number 03-2014: Designating 2014 City Council Meeting Schedule

Third Tuesday of each month, Time: 6:30 pm for Closed Session, unless otherwise specified on the agenda. Time: 7:00 pm Open to the Public.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 03-2014**  
**“DESIGNATING MEETING SCHEDULE”**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4 6 et seq., that the following is the regular meeting scheduled for 2014:

**TUESDAYS**

Wednesday, January 1, 2014  
Tuesday, January 21, 2014  
Tuesday, February 18, 2014  
Tuesday, March 18, 2014  
Tuesday, April 22, 2014  
Tuesday, May 20, 2014  
Tuesday, June 17, 2014  
Tuesday, July 15, 2014

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Tuesday, August 19, 2014  
Tuesday, September 16, 2014  
Tuesday, October 21, 2014  
Monday, November 17, 2014  
Monday, December 15, 2014  
Monday, December 29, 2014

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all meetings will be held at the Justice Complex, 25 South Union Street, Lambertville at 6:30 p.m. for closed sessions and open to the public at 7:00 pm prevailing time unless announced otherwise; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that notice of this schedule shall be published in the January 9, 2014 issue of The Beacon.

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Resolution Number 04-2014: Designating Annual Fee for Meeting Notices.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 04-2014**  
**“DESIGNATING ANNUAL FEE FOR MEETING NOTICES”**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4 6 et seq., that the fee for mailing a copy of all meeting notices and agendas shall be \$.05 per page plus actual cost of the postage, estimated at \$.64 per month, per board, and at no fee for faxing or emailing of agendas.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this does not apply to the representatives of “The *Beacon*”, “*Hunterdon County Democrat*”, “*The Trenton Times*” or other City Officials and Boards members.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 05-2014: Appointing Richard Carmosino as the Tax Assessor and Authorizing Tax Assessor to File Corrective Appeals.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 05-2014**  
**“RE-APPOINTING RICHARD CARMOSINO AS THE TAX ASSESSOR AND AUTHORIZING THE TAX ASSESSOR TO FILE CORRECTIVE APPEALS”**

**WHEREAS**, Mayor and Council hereby re-appoint Richard Carmosino as the Tax Assessor for the City of Lambertville, and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, have been informed by the Tax Assessor that from time to time errors are made in

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computing the tax assessment covering certain property located within the City of Lambertville;  
and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Assessor has requested that the Mayor and Council authorize him to file corrections of such errors with the Hunterdon County Board of Taxation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Assessor is called upon to defend tax appeals filed with the Hunterdon County Board of Taxation and to agree to stipulations of appeals;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Assessor of the City of Lambertville be and is hereby authorized to file corrective appeals with the Hunterdon County Board of Taxation concerning those properties wherein errors have been made, to represent the City of Lambertville in defense of appeals filed with said Board and to sign stipulations of appeals on behalf of the City of Lambertville which he feels are proper and in the best interests of the City of Lambertville; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Tax Assessor sends copies of such corrected assessments to the individuals involved.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 06-2014: Authorizing Professional Service Contracts for City Attorneys.

Mayor DelVecchio read the following appointments into the record: *City Attorney* – Phillip Faherty, III of Hunt and Faherty, \$140 per hour, *Municipal Prosecutor & Assistant Prosecutor* – Phillip Faherty, III, Sean Faherty, \$140 per hour, *Public Defender* – Stanley Troy, \$5,400 Annually, *Labor Attorney* – John Lanza, \$175 per hour, *Bond Attorney* – Thomas Hastie, Capehart Scatchard, \$4,000 plus \$.85 per thousand, \$450 per ordinance, \$600 per multi-ordinance, *Planning Board Attorney* – William Shurts, \$150 per hour, *Zoning Board Attorney* – William Shurts, \$150 per hour, *Alternate Attorney for Planning and Zoning Board* – Stewart Palilonis, \$150 per hour.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 06-2014**

*“Authorizing Professional Service Contracts for City Attorney”*

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for Attorneys to serve as City Attorney, Municipal Prosecutor, and Public Defender for the Municipal Court, to handle labor related matters, to handle bonds and other financial matters and to advise the City in land use issues; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bids and the contracts themselves must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Fair and Open Process bids were received on December 6, 2012 for City Attorney, Municipal Prosecutor, Labor Attorney, and Bond Attorney; and

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**WHEREAS**, the bid proposals and documents have been reviewed and the bidders have been found to be the most advantageous, price and other factors considered; and

**WHEREAS**, sufficient funds are available in the 2013 Temporary Budget, adopted ordinances or grants, and will be made available in the 2013 Municipal Budget for the City of Lambertville for such services;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the following individuals for the year 2014, unless otherwise noted.
  - a. City Attorney: Philip J. Faherty III to serve as City Attorney at an hourly rate not to exceed \$140 per hour.
  - b. Municipal Prosecutor and Assistant Prosecutor: Philip J. Faherty III & Sean Faherty of Hunt and Faherty, Attorneys to serve as Municipal Court Prosecutor and Assistant Prosecutor at an hourly rate of \$140.
  - c. Public Defender: Stanley Troy, an Attorney to serve as Public Defender for the Municipal Court at an annual rate not to exceed \$5,400.
  - d. Labor Attorney: John Lanza of Thatcher and Lanza, an attorney to serve as Labor Consultant at a rate not to exceed an hourly rate not to exceed \$175.
  - e. Bond Attorney: Thomas Hastie of Capehart Scatchard, a Bond Attorney to serve as Bond Counsel at an hourly rate not to exceed \$205 per hour, \$4,000 per bond sale plus \$.85 per thousand dollars of bonds issued, and \$.85 per thousands of dollars of notes for temporary finances with a minimum requirement of \$1,000.
  - f. Planning Board Attorney: William Shurts of Felter Cain and Shurts, an attorney to represent the City of Lambertville in all matters related to land use and the Planning Board at a rate not to exceed an hourly rate not to exceed \$150.
  - g. Zoning Board Attorney: William Shurts of Felter Cain and Shurts, an attorney to represent the City of Lambertville in all matters related to the Zoning Board of Adjustment at a rate not to exceed an hourly rate not to exceed \$150.
  - h. Planning Board and Zoning Board Alternate Attorney: Stewart Palilonis, an attorney to represent the City of Lambertville in all matters related to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment as an alternate at a rate not to exceed an hourly rate not to exceed \$150.
2. These contracts are being awarded as described above without competitive bidding as a Professional Services” as defined under the appropriate section of the Local Public Contracts Law since the above mentioned individuals are members in good standing of their respective profession.
3. Notice of these actions shall be printed in the January 9, 2014 issue of The Beacon.

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Council President Stegman made a motion to approve Resolution Numbers 01-2014 through 06-2014. 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 approve Resolution Numbers 07-2014 through 10-2014 and read each resolution by title into the record inclusive of the position and appointee.

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Resolution Number 07-2014: Authorizing Professional Service Contract for Municipal Auditor.

Mayor DelVecchio read the following appointment into the record: Robert R. Cagnassola, Suplee, Clooney & Co., \$37,850 audit, \$425 per SDS, \$75 to \$175 per hour.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 07-2014**

*“Authorizing Professional Service Contracts for Municipal Auditor”*

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for a Registered Municipal Accountant to serve as City Auditor; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Fair and Open Process one bid was received on December 5, 2013 for Municipal Auditor; and

**WHEREAS**, the bid proposal and documents have been reviewed and the bidder has been found to be the most advantageous, price and other factors considered; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bids and the contracts themselves must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, sufficient funds are available in the 2014 Temporary Budget, adopted ordinances or grants, and will be made available in the 2014 Municipal Budget for the City of Lambertville for such services;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the following individual for the year 2014:

Robert Cagnassola of Suplee, Clooney and Company, a Registered Municipal Accountant, for the year 2014. The contract shall read as follows:

Not to exceed \$37,850 for the 2014 Statutory Audit

Additional Services provided at an hourly rate of \$75 to 175 per hour

\*\$425 for the preparation of Supplemental Debt Statements, there shall be no fee for phone consultations.

\*Shall be provided on an as needed basis.

2. The contract is being awarded as described above without competitive bidding as “Professional Services” as defined under the appropriate section of the Local Public Contracts Law since the above mentioned individual is a member in good standing of his respective profession.
3. Notice of these actions shall be printed in the January 9, 2014 issue of The Beacon.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 08-2014: Authorizing Professional Service Contracts for City Engineers.

Mayor DelVecchio read the following appointments into the record: *City Engineer* – T and M Associates, \$167 per hour, \$75 to \$210 per hour for other services, *Planning Board Engineer* – Robert Clerico, Van Cleef Engineering, \$154 per hour, *Zoning Board Engineer* – Richard Arrango, Remington Vernick, \$152 per hour, *Special Projects Engineer* – Naik Consulting Group, P.C., \$60 to 200 per hour, *Special Projects Engineer* – Princeton Hydro, \$46 to 176 per hour.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 08-2014**

*“Authorizing Professional Service Contracts for City Engineer and Special Projects Engineer”*

**WHEREAS** there exists a need for Professional Engineers to serve as City Engineer and to advise on special projects; and

**WHEREAS** N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bids and the contracts themselves must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Fair and Open Process bids were received on December 5, 2013 for City Engineer and Special Project Engineers; and

**WHEREAS**, the bid proposals and documents have been reviewed and the bidders have been found to be the most advantageous, price and other factors considered; and

**WHEREAS** sufficient funds are available in the 2014 Temporary Budget, adopted ordinances or grants, and will be made available in the 2014 Municipal Budget for the City of Lambertville for such services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the following individual for the year 2014.
  - a. T&M Associates, to serve as City Engineer at an hourly rate not to exceed:
    - i. \$167 per hour, depending upon the engineer, rates varying from \$75 to \$210 per hour,
    - ii. All projects shall not to exceed 20% in aggregate of the total soft cost.
  - b. Robert Clerico of Van Cleef Engineering, to serve as Planning Board Engineer at an hourly rate not to exceed \$154 per hour,
  - c. Richard Arango, Remington & Vernick, to serve as Zoning Board of Adjustment Engineer at an hourly rate not to exceed \$152 per hour.
  - d. Naik Consulting Group, P.C., to serve as Special Engineer, at an hourly rate not to exceed \$60 to \$200 per hour, and not to exceed 20% in aggregate in total soft cost for each project.



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- e. Princeton Hydro to serve as Special Engineer at an hourly rate not to exceed \$46 - \$176 per hour.
2. These contracts are being awarded as described above without competitive bidding as a “Professional Services” as defined under the appropriate section of the Local Public Contracts Law since the above mentioned individuals are members in good standing of their respective profession.
3. Notice of these actions shall be printed in the January 9, 2014 issue of The Beacon.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 09-2014: Authorizing Professional Service Contracts for City Planner, Planner for COAH Matters, Planning & Zoning Board Planner and Grants Specialist.

Mayor DelVecchio read the following appointments into the record: Emily R. Goldman, P.P., AICP, Van Note Harvey, \$125 per hour, Ed Farmer of Millennium Strategies, \$500 per month plus \$90 per hour.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 09-2014**

*“Authorizing Professional Service Contracts for City Planners”*

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for a Planner to advise on special projects; and

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for a Grants Consultant to handle the Community Development Program and explore new sources of revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bids and the contracts themselves must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Fair and Open Process bids were received on December 5, 2013 for City Planner; and

**WHEREAS**, the bid proposals and documents have been reviewed and the bidders have been found to be the most advantageous, price and other factors considered; and

**WHEREAS**, sufficient funds are available in the 2014 Temporary Budget, adopted ordinances or grants, and will be made available in the 2014 Municipal Budget for the City of Lambertville for such services;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the following individual for the year 2014:

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- a. Ed Farmer of Millennium Strategies, as grant consultant at annual salary not to exceed \$500 per month plus \$90 per hour.
  - b. Emily R. Goldman, P.P., AICP, Van Note-Harvey Associates, PC as City Planner and Planner for all COAH matters at a rate not to exceed \$125 per hour.
  - c. Emily R. Goldman, P.P., AICP, Van Note-Harvey Associates, PC, as planner for the Planning Board at a rate not to exceed \$125 per hour.
2. This contract is being awarded as described above without competitive bidding as a "Professional Services" as defined under the appropriate section of the Local Public Contracts Law since the above mentioned individual is a member in good standing of their respective profession.
  3. Notice of these actions shall be printed in the January 9, 2014 issue of The Beacon.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 10-2014: Authorizing Professional Service Contract for City Architect.

Mayor DelVecchio read the following appointment into the record: Michael Burns, Michael Burns Architect, \$175 per hour, \$75 to 170 per hour for other services.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 10-2014**  
*"Authorizing Professional Service Contract for City Architect"*

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for an Architect to advise on special projects; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contracts themselves must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Fair and Open Process bids were received on December 5, 2013 for City Architect; and

**WHEREAS**, the bid proposal and documents have been reviewed and the bidder has been found to be the most advantageous, price and other factors considered; and

**WHEREAS**, sufficient funds are available in the 2014 Temporary Budget, adopted ordinances or grants, and will be made available in the 2014 Municipal Budget for the City of Lambertville for such services;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the following individual for the year 2014:
  - a. Michael Burns, a Licensed Architect at rate not to exceed an hourly rate not to exceed \$175 per hour.

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2. This contract is being awarded as described above without competitive bidding as a “Professional Services” as defined under the appropriate section of the Local Public Contracts Law since the above mentioned individual is a member in good standing of their respective profession.
3. Notice of this action shall be printed in the January 9, 2014 issue of The Beacon.

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Councilwoman Asaro made a motion to adopt Resolution Numbers 07-2014 through 10-2014. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor DelVecchio recognized the following members of the public: Sean Faherty – Assistant Prosecutor, Tim Korzun – Chair of the Planning Board, Christine Ballard and Krista Heinrich the City Engineer representing T & M Associates, David Morgan – Commissioner, Lambertville Board of Fire Commissioners, Al Komjothy – Chair of the Lambertville Board of Fire Commissioners, Alex DelVecchio – the Mayor’s son, Bruce Cocuzza the Police Director and Lester Myers the Acting Public Works Director.

Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt Resolution Numbers 11-2014 through 15-2014 and read the resolutions into the record by title.

Resolution Number 11-2014: *A Resolution Adopting A Cash Management Plan, Appointing Banks, Awarded through the Fair and Open Process*

Mayor DelVecchio informed the members of the public present that the banks were selected through a formal bid process which was completed in 2010 and phased in during 2011.

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**Resolution Number 11-2014**  
*A Resolution to Adopt a Cash Management Plan for the City of Lambertville*

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-14 requires every municipality to adopt a Cash Management Plan on an annual basis;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lambertville completed a request for proposals on December 17, 2010 and awarded the services to the banks listed through the fair and open process.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the following requirements be a part of the **2014 Cash Management Plan**, and be adhered to:

**Article I. Cash Management and Investment Objectives**

Preservation of capital; adequate safekeeping of assets; maintenance of liquidity to meet operating needs; diversification of the City’s portfolio to minimize risks associated with individual investments.

**Article II. Designation of Official Depositories**

The following banks are hereby designated as legal depositories for all municipal funds:

Bank of Princeton  
Hopewell Valley Bank  
Wells Fargo Bank  
Bank of America  
PNC

Each depository must submit to the Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer a copy of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA) notification of eligibility, which is filed semi-annually with the Department of Banking each June 30th and December 31st; This list may be amended or supplemented from time to time as Mayor and Council deems necessary.

**Article III. Cash Management**

All municipal funds received by any official or employee shall be either deposited within 48 hours to an account in the name of the City of Lambertville, or shall be turned over to the Treasurer within 48 hours of receipt, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-15;

The Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer shall minimize any accumulated idle cash in checking accounts, by assuring that excess balances are promptly swept into the investment portfolio; Investment decisions shall be guided by the cash flow projections prepared by the Chief Financial Officer or the Treasurer; Change Funds and Petty Cash Funds are not required to be maintained in interest-bearing accounts.

**Article IV. Permissible Investments**

Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America, or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America; government money market mutual funds; any federal agency or instrumentality obligation authorized by Congress that matures within 397 days from the date of purchase, and has a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or external factors; bonds or other obligations of the local unit, or school districts of which the local unit is a part; any other obligations with maturities not exceeding 397 days, as permitted by the Division of Investments; Local Government investment pools; New Jersey State Cash Management Fund; Repurchase agreements of fully collateralized securities.

**Article V. Authority for Investment Management**

The Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer is authorized and directed to make investments on behalf of the City of Lambertville. All investment decisions shall be consistent with this plan, and all appropriate regulatory constraints.

**Article VI. Safekeeping**

Securities purchased on behalf of the City of Lambertville shall be delivered electronically or physically to the Township's custodial bank, which shall maintain custodial and/or safekeeping accounts for such securities on behalf of the City.

**Article VII. Procedures for Disbursement of Funds**

Payments shall be prepared by the Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer and submitted to Mayor and Council for their approval;

No municipal funds shall be disbursed by the Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer prior to approval of the governing body, except for: Debt Service payments; Investments; Payroll turnovers to agency accounts; Tax payments to Hunterdon County, the Lambertville Board of Education, the South Hunterdon Regional Board of Education, and the Lambertville Board of

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Fire Commission, District 1 shall be made in accordance with schedules provided by each taxing district;

Checks approved for payment shall be signed by any of the following three; 1) the Mayor, 2) the Treasurer, 3) the City Clerk and 4) Council President.

Checks paid from the following accounts must contain three signatures:

- Chief Financial Officer's Current Fund
- Trust Other Fund
- General Capital Fund
- Animal Control Fund
- Rehab Loan Repayment Account
- Lilly Mansion Account
- Brewery Loan Repayment Account
- Urban Development Action Grant Account
- Regional Contribution Agreement Accounts with the following:
  - Township of Delaware
  - Township of Franklin
- SUI Reserve Fund
- COAH Residual Interest Account
- Miscellaneous Escrow Account
- COAH Trust
- FSA Medical Account
- Open Space

Wire transfers and Automated Clearing House (ACH) payments are to be made by the Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer.

**Article VIII. Reporting**

The Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer shall report to the governing body all purchases of investments in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-15.2;

The Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer shall also report to Mayor and Council the available cash in each fund and/or bank account.

**Audit**

This Cash Management Plan shall be subject to the annual audit conducted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-14.

Adopted at the reorganization meeting of Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, held on the 1st day of January 2014.

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Resolution Number 12-2014: A Resolution to appoint Susan Bacorn as Certifying Officer and Christie Ehret as Supervisor for PERS/PFRS.

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*“Appointing Christie Ehret as Supervisor and Susan Bacorn as Certifying Officer for PERS/PFRS”*

WHEREAS, there is a requirement from the State of New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits to designate a Certifying Officer for PERS/PFRS.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville that Susan Bacorn is hereby appointed as the Certifying Officer and Christie Ehret is hereby appointed as the Supervisor for PERS/PFRS with a term expiration of December 31, 2014.

Resolution Number 13-2014: Authorizing Signatures on City Bank Accounts.

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 13-2014**  
*“Authorizing Signatures on City Bank Accounts”*

**WHEREAS**, on January 1, 2014 the governing body of the City of Lambertville met to hold the annual reorganization; and

**WHEREAS**, they designated the following employees as signers on City Bank Accounts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that through 201 checks drawn or withdrawals from these accounts be signed as follows:

City Clerk’s Account and Petty Cash Account:  
Cynthia Ege, City Clerk, and

Police Petty Cash Account:  
Sally Lelie, Secretary, or Bruce Cocuzza, Police Director, and

Tax Collector’s Account:  
Cynthia McBride, Tax Collector, or Cynthia Ege, City Clerk

Municipal Court General Account and Bail Account:  
Ronald Pittore, Judge, Barbara Halper, Municipal Court Administrator

Construction Official Account:  
Kenneth Rogers, Construction Code Official, or Cynthia Ege, City Clerk

Bureau of Fire Safety Account:  
John Barczyk, Fire Prevention Official, or Cynthia Ege, City Clerk

PATF II Account:  
Helen T. Kuhl, Director of Public Assistance, or Cynthia Ege, City Clerk

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the accounts listed below by signed by three of the following officials, requiring a minimum of one elected official’s signature:

David M. DelVecchio, Mayor

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Steven M. Stegman, Council President  
Cynthia Ege, City Clerk  
Bruce Cocuzza, Police Director

Chief Financial Officer's Current Fund  
Trust Other Fund  
General Capital Fund  
Animal Control Fund  
Rehab Loan Repayment Account  
Lilly Mansion Account  
Brewery Loan Repayment Account  
Urban Development Action Grant Account  
Regional Contribution Agreement Accounts with the following:  
    Township of Delaware  
    Township of Franklin  
SUI Reserve Fund  
COAH Residual Interest Account  
Miscellaneous Escrow Account

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Payroll Account be signed by two of the following officials:

David M. DelVecchio, Mayor  
Steven M. Stegman, Council President  
Cynthia Ege, City Clerk  
Bruce Cocuzza, Police Director

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 14-2014: A Resolution Approving the Contract with CNS Cleaning Company, Inc., of Bensalem, PA for All Office Space in the Amount Not to Exceed \$13,520 for all regularly scheduled cleanings (in 2012, we paid \$15,132, in 2013 we paid: \$14,560).

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**RESOLUTION 14-2014**

*A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Cleaning Contract*

WHEREAS, the City of Lambertville completed the professional bid requirements for cleaning services and advertised the request for proposals in the November 14, 2013 edition of the Times, and sealed bids were received and publicly opened and read aloud on Thursday, December 5, 2013, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A., 40A:11-5 (Solicitation of Quotes), the cleaning contract would not exceed the bid threshold of \$17,500, but would be in excess of the 15% of the bid threshold or \$2,625, and is exempt from advertising and bidding, and

WHEREAS, Attorney Faherty reviewed the quote received from CNS Cleaning Company, Inc. is the most advantageous, responsive and responsible quote, price and other factors considered.

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Company	Annual Amount
CNS Cleaning Company, Inc., 501 Cambria Avenue Bensalem, PA 19020-7213	\$13,520 Annually
All Clean Janitorial Supply Co., Inc. Lawrenceville, NJ	\$16,848 Annually
Advance Building & Maintenance Company Hillsborough, NJ	\$17,004 Annually

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, do hereby authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the contract with CNS Cleaning Company, Inc. for cleaning services for 12 consecutive months beginning February 1, 2014 and ending January 31, 2015 at an amount not to exceed \$13,520 annually for regularly scheduled cleanings.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 15-2014: Appointing a Municipal Housing Liaison for the City of Lambertville.

**City of Lambertville**  
**RESOLUTION 15-2014**

*“Resolution Appointing a Municipal Housing Liaison for the City of Lambertville”*

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville petitioned the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) for substantive certification of its Housing Element and Fair Share Plan on December 30, 2008; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lambertville’s Fair Share Plan promotes an affordable housing program pursuant to the Fair Housing Act (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et. seq.) and COAH’s Third Round Substantive Rules (N.J.A.C. 5:94-1, et seq.); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:94-7 and N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et. seq., the City of Lambertville is required to appoint a Municipal Housing Liaison for the administration of Lambertville’s affordable housing program to enforce the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:94-7 and N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, Lambertville will amend its ordinances to provide for the appointment of a Municipal Housing Liaison to administer Lambertville’s affordable housing program; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville in the County of Hunterdon and the State of New Jersey that Emily Goldman and or Helen T. Kuhl, are hereby appointed by the Governing Body of Lambertville as the Municipal Housing Liaison for the administration of the affordable housing program.



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Councilwoman Warner made a motion to approve resolution numbers 11-2014 through 15-2014. 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 Resolution Numbers 16-2014 through 20-2014 and read each resolution into the record by title.

Resolution Number 16-2014: *Utilization of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) for all incident management in the City of Lambertville.*

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 16-2014**

*“Utilization of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) for all incident management in the City of Lambertville”*

**WHEREAS**, in Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) 5, the President directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, and Local governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity; and

**WHEREAS**, the 9-11 Commission recommended adoption of a standardize incident Command System; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary that all Federal, State, and Local emergency management agencies and other public safety agencies coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management; and

**WHEREAS**, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that Federal, State and Local organizations utilize standard terminology, standardized organizational structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resources management and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, the NIMS standardize procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the ability to utilize State and Federal funding to enhance County and Local agency readiness, maintain first responder safety and streamline incident management processes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the State, County and Local municipalities including all public safety and emergency response organizations training programs; and

**WHEREAS**, over fifty Federal grant programs mandate that NIMS be adopted as a prerequisite for obtaining these grants;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville hereby mandates that effective immediately that the National Incident Management System (NIMS) be utilized for all incident management in the City of Lambertville; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hunterdon County Office of Emergency Management.

Resolution Number 17-2014: Resolution naming Zach Edelman of Fairview Insurance as the Risk Manager for 2013.

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**RESOLUTION 17-2014**

**PUBLIC ALLIANCE INSURANCE COVERAGE FUND**

**Article IX. RESOLUTION APPOINTING A RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lambertville, is a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund ("PAIC") following a detailed analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bylaws of PAIC require that each entity designate a Risk Management Consultant to perform various professional services as detailed in the Bylaws and Risk Management Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bylaws indicate that PAIC shall pay each Risk Management Consultant a fee to be established by the Executive Committee;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Lambertville hereby appoints Zach Edelman of Fairview Insurance, as its Risk Management Consultant in accordance with the Fund's Bylaws.

Resolution Number 18-2014: Payment of Taxes.

**City of Lambertville**

**Resolution Number 18-2014**

*"Payment of Taxes"*

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that taxes shall be collected quarterly on February 1, 2014; May 1, 2014; August 1, 2014 and November 1, 2014 and that interest will be charged at the rate of 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00 to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date of actual payment; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that there will be a ten (10) day grace period after which unpaid taxes will be charged interest from the due date; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, pursuant to statute, if a tax delinquency is over \$10,000.00 at the end of the year, an additional flat penalty of 6% per annum shall be imposed; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall be published in the January 9, 2014 issue of The Beacon.

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Resolution Number 19-2014: *Resolution appointing Cynthia Ege as the Public Agency Compliance Officer for the City of Lambertville.*

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-2014**

*“Appointing Cynthia Ege as Public Agency Compliance Officer for the City of Lambertville”*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville hereby appoints Cynthia Ege as the Public Agency Compliance Officer effective January 1, 2014.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 20-2014: *A Resolution Authorizing Petty Cash Accounts for the Police Department and the Clerk’s Office.*

**City of Lambertville**

**Resolution 20-2014**

*Authorizing the Petty Cash Funds*

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any County or municipality by application and resolution, and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the *City of Lambertville*, County of Hunterdon to establish such a fund for the following departments:

City Clerk’s Office, custodian for this fund is Cynthia Ege in the amount of \$500  
Police Department, custodian for this fund is Bruce Cocuzza in the amount of \$200

and

WHEREAS, such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council hereby Re-authorizes such action and that these accounts were previously approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Adopted this 1st day of January, 2014.

Councilman Sanders made a motion to adopt resolution numbers 16-2014 through 20-2014. Councilwoman Asaro seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote in favor of the motion was taken by all members present. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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Mayor DelVecchio asked for a motion to adopt resolution numbers 21-2014 through 26-2014 and read each resolution into the record by title.

Resolution Number 21-2014: A Resolution Authorizing Change Funds for the Clerk's Office, Construction Office and the Tax Collector.

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**Resolution 21-2014**  
**Authorizing the Change Funds**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Change Fund in any county of municipality by application and resolution, and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the *City of Lambertville*, County of Hunterdon to establish such a fund for the following departments:

Tax Collector, Cynthia McBride, in the amount of \$200  
Construction Department, Ken Rogers, in the amount of \$20  
Court, Barbara Halper, in the amount of \$50  
Clerk's Office, Cynthia Ege, in the amount of \$50

and

WHEREAS, such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby Re-authorizes such action and that these accounts do not require approval from the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Adopted this 1st day of January, 2014.

Resolution Number 22-2014: A Resolution Appointing Lester Myers, the Acting Public Works Director, as the Right To Know Coordinator/Officer for the City of Lambertville.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 22-2014**  
*"Appointing Lester Myers as Right To Know Officer for the City of Lambertville"*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville hereby appoints Lester Myers as the Right To Know Officer effective January 1, 2014.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 23-2014: A Resolution Authorizing TANS for the City of Lambertville.

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 23-2014**

*“Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$2,000,000 Tax Anticipation Notes of 2014 of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey”*

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than the majority of the full membership of the governing body) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In anticipation of the collection of taxes during the current fiscal year, there are hereby authorized to be issued tax anticipation notes of the City of Lambertville, each to be known as “Tax Anticipation Note of 2014,” in amounts not exceeding \$2,000,000. The proceeds of such notes shall be applied only to purposes provided for in the budget or for which taxes are levied for the current year.

Section 2. The following certificate has been prepared by the City of Lambertville and is filed in the office of the City Clerk:

**CERTIFICATE WITH RESPECT TO  
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES**

I, Christie Ehret, Chief Financial Officer of the City of Lambertville, In the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:

1. The tax levy for all purposes for the fiscal year of 2013 was \$13,210,708.89. The amount of miscellaneous revenues realized in cash during the fiscal year of 2013 was \$282,451.93, exclusive of amounts held as reserve for uncollected taxes.
2. The gross borrowing power in respect to tax anticipation notes for the fiscal year of 2014, being 30 percent of the tax levy for all purposes for the fiscal year of 2014, plus 30 percent of the amount of miscellaneous revenues realized in cash during the fiscal year of 2013, is \$4,047,948.25.
3. The amount of notes outstanding in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the fiscal year of 2014, except such notes as will be renewed by or paid from the proceeds of the notes to be issued, is \$0.
4. The net borrowing power, being the excess of the first over the second of the above two amounts, is \$4,047,948.25.
5. This Certificate is made with respect to \$2,000,000 of Tax Anticipation Notes of 2014, about to be authorized by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville.

Christie Ehret  
Chief Financial Officer &  
Treasurer

Section 3. The following matters in connection with the notes are hereby determined:

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- (a) All notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than 120 days following the end of the fiscal year.
- (b) All notes issued hereunder shall bear interest at such rate or rates as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer.
- (c) All notes shall be in the form prescribed by the Local Budget Law and otherwise as determined by the Chief Financial Officer and such officer's signatures upon the notes shall be conclusive as to such determination.
- (d) Notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time, provided, however, that no renewal note shall be issued later than the last day of the fiscal year.
- (e) All notes shall be executed by the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer and attested by the City Clerk.

Section 4. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the notes not determined by this or by a subsequent resolution, and such officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive as to such determination.

Section 5. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell the notes from time to time at public or private sale in such amounts as such officer may determine, at not less than par, and to deliver them from time to time to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof and payment therefor.

Section 6. Any instrument issued pursuant to this resolution shall be a general obligation of the City, and the full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest on the obligations.

Section 7. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized and is directed to report in writing to the Mayor and Council at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this resolution is made; such report is to include the amount, description, interest rate and maturity of the notes sold, the price obtained, and the name of the purchaser.

Section 8. The Chief Financial Officer, in connection with other professionals of the City acting under her direction, is hereby authorized to prepare, and to update from time to time as necessary, a financial disclosure document for the City, as it may be so updated from time to time, to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the City. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the City.

Section 9. (a) Solely for purposes of complying the Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule"), and provided that an issue of notes authorized by this resolution is not exempt from the Rule and provided that an issue of notes is not exempt from the following requirements in accordance with paragraph (d) of the Rule, for so long as an issue of notes of the Issuer remains outstanding (other than an issue of notes which has been wholly defeased), the City shall provide in a timely manner to each nationally recognized municipal securities information repository ("National Repositories") or to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, and to the appropriate State information depository, if any ("State

Depository,” and together with the National Repositories, the “Repositories”) notice of the following events with respect to an issue of notes, if material (herein “Material Events”):

- (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) Non-payment related defaults;
- (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (6) Adverse tax opinions or events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security;
- (7) Modifications to rights of security holders;
- (8) Bond calls;
- (9) Defeasances;
- (10) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities;  
and
- (11) Rating changes.

(b) The covenants and undertakings contained in this Section are made for the benefit of the holders or beneficial owners of the notes issued under this resolution.

(c) The Chief Financial Officer shall determine, in consultation with Bond Counsel, the application of the Rule or the exemption from the Rule for each issue of notes prior to their offering. Such officer is hereby authorized to enter into written contracts or undertakings to implement this resolution and is further authorized to amend such contracts or undertakings as needed to comply with the Rule or upon the advice of Bond Counsel.

(d) In the event that the City fails to comply with the resolution or the written contracts or undertakings, the City shall not be liable for monetary damages, remedy of the folders or beneficial owners of the notes being hereby specifically limited to specific performance of the covenants contained in this resolution or the written contracts or undertakings.

Section 10. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 24-2014: A Resolution Authorizing the Parking Permits for City Employees, Mayor and Council, and Board Members.

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**RESOLUTION 24-2014**

*A Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Issue Parking Permits*

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2010-03 of the City of Lambertville was first introduced at the regularly scheduled session of Mayor and Council on January 18, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance was the subject of a public hearing at the regularly scheduled session of Mayor and Council of February 16, 2010 and was finally adopted at the regularly scheduled session of Mayor and Council of March 15, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance was published and finally adopted on April 10, 2010, and

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WHEREAS, the following positions are in need of parking permits and are hereby issued and limited to hours of employment in order to complete their jobs efficiently within the City of Lambertville: Police Director, Municipal Court Judge, Municipal Clerk, Construction Code Official, Electric Subcode Official, Plumbing Subcode Official, Fire Subcode Official, Fire Prevention Official, Substitute Official, Secretary to the Zoning Board, Planning Board and Historic Preservation Secretary and

WHEREAS, the membership of the following boards and commissions shall have the privilege of parking in the parking lot at the Justice Center during meeting times only: Mayor and Council, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Planning Board, Office of Emergency Management, Fire Commission, Historic Preservation Board, Environmental Commission, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, Council President and Judge will be issued a permit to allow them to park at a metered space whenever they are on official City business; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk will provide a list of names and meeting dates to the Police Director for tracking purposes, and

WHEREAS, the permits issues shall be limited to the days and hours of current employment and it is the responsibility of the employee to bring any and all changes to the attention of the City Clerk to ensure the proper authorities are advised.

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 City Clerk is hereby directed to issue parking permits to the above listed names of employees and membership of boards and commissions noting the limitations of approval as noted.

Adopted at the reorganization meeting of Mayor and Council of January 1, 2014.

Resolution Number 25-2014: A Resolution Appointing Lester E. Myers, Jr. as the Recycling Coordinator for the City of Lambertville.

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**Resolution Number 25-2014**

*A Resolution Appointing Lester E. Myers, Jr. As the Recycling Coordinator*

**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 Lester E. Myers, Jr. is hereby appointed as the Recycling Coordinator for the City of Lambertville.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Resolution Number 26-2014: A Resolution Authorizing Contract with JWS Computers for Technology Services for 2014 at an amount not to exceed \$7,200 annually, plus offsite storage fees.

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**RESOLUTION 26-2014**

*A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Contract with JWS Computers, Inc. for Technology Services*

WHEREAS, Technology Services for Municipalities require a skilled professional who is highly trained in municipal functions, and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk solicited for quotes from the following vendors:

JWS Computers, Inc., Lambertville, \$7200 plus \$99.50 for offsite storage,  
eSOZO IT, Flemington, \$22,054.00 plus \$1,504.60 for offsite storage,  
Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, decided not to bid,

WHEREAS, the quote received from JWS Computers was the most advantageous, cost and other factors considered.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to sign the contract with **JWS Computers, Inc.** for Technology services for the City of Lambertville at a rate no to exceed **\$7,200 annually**, plus \$99.50 for offsite storage of files.

ADOPTED: January 1, 2014

Council President Stegman made a motion to adopt resolution numbers 21-2014 through 26-2014. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor DelVecchio recognized the following people present: Ronald Pittore – Municipal Court Judge, Stewart Palilonis – Chair of the Hunterdon County Board of Elections, Paul Kuhl – Planning Board, Helen (Bambi) Kuhl – Director of Public Assistance and he informed the public that she is responsible for placing people in emergency housing when there is a fire or flood, Paul Freda – Suplee Clooney – the City’s auditing firm, Dave Burd – OEM Coordinator, and Gene Venettone – retired Fire Chief and Chaplain for the Lambertville Board of Fire Commission.

**ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING.**

Ordinance Number 01-2014: *A Resolution Authorizing the Salary & Wage Ranges for the Employees of the City of Lambertville.*

Mayor DelVecchio read Ordinance Number 01-2014 by title into the record. He informed the members of the public present that this ordinance is to amend the ranges of salary for City employees and is being updated to comply with the recent changes in the minimum wage.

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**ORDINANCE NUMBER 01-2014**  
*An Ordinance to Amend the Salary & Wage Ordinance for the City of Lambertville*  
**ARTICLE X. SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE**

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**BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey as follows:**

**SECTION ONE:** The following shall be the range of compensation for the officials and employees of the City of Lambertville not covered by separate bargaining units:

Police Director	\$50,000 - \$85,000
Senior Police Administrative Assistant	\$23,000 - \$45,000
Secretary, Part-time	\$11.00 - \$24.00 per hour
Crossing Guard	\$10.00 - \$20.00 per hour
Parking Enforcement Officer, Full Time	\$12.00 - \$25.00 per hour
Parking Enforcement Officer, Part-time	\$11.00 - \$25.00 per hour
Class I Special Police Officer	\$11.00 - \$30.00 per hour
Police Officer, Part-time	\$12.00 - \$45.00 per hour
Matron	\$12.00 - \$30.00 per hour
Court Administrator	\$26,000 - \$45,000
Deputy Court Administrator Part Time	\$11.00 - \$25.00 per hour
Municipal Court Judge	\$10,000 - \$20,000
Municipal Court Judge, DWI	\$110.00 - \$175.00 per hour
Chief Financial Officer/Director of Finance	\$7,000 - \$55,000 or \$29 to 60 per hour
Tax Collector	\$15,000 - \$43,000
Tax Assessor	\$20,000 - \$35,000
Tax Assessor, Reassessment work	\$5,000 - \$10,000
Mayor & City Council	\$500 - \$5,000
Municipal Clerk	\$50,000 - \$80,000
Administrative Assistants	\$20,000 - \$40,000
Bookkeeper/Deputy Treasurer	\$20,000 - \$45,000
Planning Board Administrative Officer	\$3,000 - \$10,000
Zoning Board Administrative Officer	\$3,000 - \$10,000
Zoning Officer	\$4,000 - \$10,000
Construction Code Official	\$17,000 - \$60,000
Electric Subcode Official	\$9,000 - \$20,000
Plumbing Subcode Official	\$4,000 - \$20,000
Fire Subcode Official	\$4,000 - \$13,000
Fire Prevention Official	\$10,000 - \$18,000
Sub Code Officials – Hourly Rate	\$18.00- \$45.00 per hour
Fire Prevention Secretary	\$10.00 - \$25.00 per hour
Construction Control Person/TACO	\$18,000 - \$40,000
Substitute Official/Inspector	\$18.00 - \$40.00 per hour
Custodian	\$11.00 - \$25.00 per hour
Public Works Director	\$25.00 - \$55.00 per hour
Public Works Foreman	\$16.00 - \$40.00 per hour
Solid Waste Driver	\$15.00 - \$30.00 per hour
Solid Waste Collector	\$8.25 - \$12.00 per hour
Truck Driver/Labor	\$14.00 - \$25.00 per hour
Labor	\$14.00 - \$25.00 per hour
Public Works Operator	\$15.00 - \$30.00 per hour
Librarian	\$15.00 - \$30.00 per hour
Children’s Librarian	\$14.00 – \$30.00 per hour
Library Assistant	\$8.25 - \$25.00 per hour
Public Assistance Director	\$7,000 - \$30,000
Animal Control Officer	\$4,000 - \$9,500
Historic Commission Secretary	\$250 - \$2,000



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Director – Bruce Cocuzza, Elementary School – Geoff Hewitt, High School – Mark Collins, City Clerk – Cynthia Ege, and Mayor David M. DelVecchio.

Council President Stegman made a motion to approve the nominations made by Mayor DelVecchio to the Cable Television Advisory Board and to the Office of Emergency Management. 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 nominated the following people to fill appointments to the Environmental Commission, Historic Preservation, Lambertville Free and Public Library, Local Economic Assistance Board, the Lambertville Municipal Utilities Authority and the Planning Board. He read the names of the appointments into the record.

Environmental Commission: Julia Taylor – three year term, Craig Chianese – to fill an unexpired term.

Historic Preservation: James Amon, Class A Member – four year term, Nora Linderman, Alternate I – two year term.

Lambertville Free and Public Library: Emily Carone – three year term, Jacqueline Sornstein – three year term, and Cynthia Ege – Mayor’s representative.

Local Economic Assistance Board: Susan Rovello – One year term.

Lambertville Municipal Utilities Authority: Robert J. Hayes, Vacant - Alternate II.

Planning Board: Kenneth Rogers – Class II – one year term, Steven Stegman – Class III – one year term, Paul Kuhl – three year term, John Miller – three year term, David Morgan – two year term for Alternate I.

Councilwoman Asaro made a motion to approve the Mayor’s nominations to the Environmental Commission, Historic Preservation Board, Lambertville Free and Public Library, Local Economic Assistance Board, Lambertville Municipal Utilities Authority, and the Planning Board. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor DelVecchio nominated the following people to fill positions on the Recreation Commission, the Shade Tree Commission, the Zoning Board of Adjustment, Memorial Day Parade Commission, the Halloween Parade Committee, the City Historian and the Representatives to the Division of Senior Services. Mayor DelVecchio read the appointments into the record.

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Recreation Commission: Robert Pierman – three year term, Johanna Ludwig – three year term, Vacant - Alternate I, Vacant - Alternate II.

Shade Tree Commission: Deborah Galen – three year term, Irene Rudolph – three year term.

Zoning Board of Adjustment: Fred Eisinger – three year term, Marcus N. Rayner– three year term, George Hambach – three year term, and Jane Wesby – two year term.

Memorial Day Parade Committee: John Baker, Commander of the VFW, Commander of the American Legion.

Halloween Parade Committee: Cheryl Pittore, Muriel Meserve, Sharon Burd, Pamela Baker and Mary Freedman.

City Historian – Lou Toboz.

Division of Senior Services – Marie Rossiter and Trudy Compton

Councilwoman Asaro made a motion to confirm the nominations made by the Mayor to the Recreation Commission, the Shade Tree Commission, the Zoning Board of Adjustment, the Memorial Day Parade Committee, the Halloween Parade Committee, the City Historian and the Representatives to the Division of Senior Services. Councilwoman Warner seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present. MOTION CARRIED.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

DOG AND CAT LICENSES are available for purchase starting Thursday, January 2, 2014 at City Hall, 18 York Street. The fee for a spayed dog or cat is \$15. Licensing of dogs a requirement of the NJSA 4. A \$25 late fee imposed beginning March 1, 2014.

PARKING PERMITS for those residing on metered streets will be available for purchase starting the week of December 23rd at City Hall. The annual fee is \$45 for a Permanent Residential Parking Permit, \$60 for a Transferrable Permit, and \$25 for a Temporary Parking Permit.

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.

Schedule of 2014 Reorganization Meetings

Mayor and Council, Regularly Scheduled Session, January, 21, 2014, 6:30 PM  
*Third Tuesday of every month, except holidays.*

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Planning Board	January 8	7:00 p.m.	Justice Center
<i>First Wednesday of every month, except January and November. December meeting date will be determined at the annual reorganization meeting.</i>			
Library Board	January 14	7:00 p.m.	Library
<i>Second Tuesday of every month.</i>			
Recreation Commission	January 15	7:30 p.m.	Justice Center
<i>Second Wednesday of every month.</i>			
Historic Preservation	January 14	7:30 p.m.	Justice Center
<i>Second Tuesday of every month.</i>			
Environmental Commission	January 22	7:00 p.m.	Justice Center
<i>Third Wednesday of every month.</i>			
Office of Emergency Mgt	January 9	7:00 p.m.	Justice Center
<i>Quarterly Meetings</i>			
Shade Tree Commission	January 28	7:30 p.m.	Justice Center
<i>Last Tuesday of every month.</i>			
Board of Adjustment	January 30	7:30 p.m.	Justice Center
<i>Last Thursday, except in November and December. Both Meetings shall be combined and the date will be determined at the annual reorganization meeting.</i>			
<i>All meeting agendas are posted on the Bulletin Board at City Hall and may be available on the City's Website.</i>			

**STATE OF CITY ADDRESS**

Mayor DeVecchio gave the State of the City Address.

Good morning and happy new year! On behalf of the Governing Body, I welcome you all.

I would like to offer my congratulations and thanks to both Council President Stegman and Councilman Sanders, who have just been sworn in to their new terms.

This body works best when it works as a team, and we are indeed fortunate to have Steve and Ward with us. I cannot count the number of times I have asked them to represent the City in meetings, and they have always been there to make sure our voices and concerns are met.

I'd also like to thank Councilwomen Asaro and Warner and Clerk Ege, Police Director Bruce Cocuzza, Acting Public Works Director Lester Myers and Bambi Kuhl for their continued commitment to this body. This group here truly represents the City and its residents, and I couldn't be prouder of this team.

We meet together at this time every January 1, to reorganize City government, take stock of the year just passed, and commit ourselves to the year ahead.

And in that sense, this is much more than just a meeting of the Governing Body. It is a town meeting, an opportunity to come together as a community and recommit ourselves to our neighbors and our City, to reconnect with those things that we love about Lambertville so that we can continue to improve our lives here.

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Our city is a success not because of me, or because of the people on this dais, but because of all of you.

You, ultimately, are the ones who make our community welcoming to the thousands of people who travel here to shop our stores, dine in our restaurants, or simply walk our streets.

You are the ones who sit on your front porches and hand out Halloween candy to friends and perfect strangers. You are the ones who line our streets each Memorial Day for our parade. And you are the ones who, despite the inconveniences, welcome tens of thousands of people here for each spring for Shad Fest with smiles and warm greetings.

When Forbes Magazine named Lambertville the 8th prettiest town in America ... although, as we all know, we are a city ... we all swelled with pride. Because that recognition, years in the making, was the result of what you all do everyday as residents, as we share in this together.

And for that, I begin this address by thanking you for all you do to make Lambertville what it truly has become. So let me say, officially, on behalf of the Governing Body, thank you.

As we know, aside from the Forbes designation, we had plenty to celebrate throughout 2013.

First, and foremost, Mother Nature spared us from crippling storms and power outages!

But that doesn't mean we will let our guard down, and we are taking concrete steps to enhance our City's preparedness for when ... not if ... the next storm hits.

We are installing a new gas electric generator in City Hall, to ensure that the City has a functioning hub of government at all times, and especially in times of emergency.

And, we have taken the initial steps to ensure reliable power generators can easily be installed at both the Free Public Library and in this building should the need arise. Not only would this allow the city to have multiple heating and cooling centers and charging stations available to you, but it will also allow us to have a more structured and capable emergency response plan in place.

We saw after Superstorm Sandy how important it was to our residents to know they could go to City Hall to warm up, charge a cell phone, and get information, and we think it's just as important that there be multiple sites.

We are currently working with the State and with FEMA in hopes to get funding to offset the investments we are making in emergency preparedness, and we are hopeful they will agree that these investments are the right ones for our community.

As part of our storm preparedness, last year saw the completion of our flood prevention measures along Ely Creek, and we are extremely grateful to the work of one of our own residents, and

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hydro-engineer, John Miller, in making this project a reality. Now, for numerous residents on North Union Street, heavy rains don't have to come with the fears of flooded streets, yards, or worse.

In addition, we continue to work towards a resolution for funding for a floodwater pumping station along Swan Creek. The City is working closely with Senator Menendez on this project, and we thank the Senator and his staff for their responsiveness and commitment. It is our hope that we will soon have what we need to get shovels in the ground in earnest, and protect the southern part of our City from flooding.

Last year, the City joined with West Amwell in an innovative project called Community Energy Aggregation. Under community aggregation, the City and Township worked as one, pooling the ratepayer bases of our municipalities to attract third-party energy providers, who outbid each other to provide electricity to all ratepayers at a cost lower than we have been provided by JCP&L.

Just last month, we awarded a contract to FirstEnergy Solutions for this program. Starting in March, all residences that currently receive their electricity from JCP&L will begin to see something spectacular -- lower electric bills. Over the next 15 months, it is anticipated that the power provided by FirstEnergy Solutions, through community aggregation, will save the average residence roughly \$100 off their energy bills. In addition we offered an attractive green energy component at a reduced cost. The total overall savings to the residents of both communities is estimated at \$270,000.

And the best part, there is no paperwork to sign, nothing you have to do, except save money.

We are one of the first communities in the state to enter into a community aggregation program, and, as with many things, we hope to be a model for others to follow.

We also hope to be a model when we begin rolling out our community composting program.

This year, Lambertville has already broken its previous record for recycling, but that doesn't mean we are going to take anything for granted. The less we can send to the landfill is not only good for our environment, but also good for our City's fiscal future.

We have already received a \$10,000 grant from Sustainable Jersey, and we continue to compile community input. We are committed and hopeful that in 2014 we will be able to roll out a pilot curbside composting program. Councilwoman Asaro, Emily Goldman, Julia Taylor and Brad Campbell have been working together with the Acting Public Works Director on a pilot program.

This year the City also closed on the purchase of the Music Mountain hillside behind North Union Street, which now puts the entirety of the bluff in public hands, where it will be protected



from development. This is a singular achievement for the City, and ensures the hillside views we see now will remain the same for generations.

With the help of both the Recreation and Environmental commissions, we have begun a City-wide discussion on the future of the land behind the CVS. Last month, the commissions held a public working session to get ideas from the community on what they would like to see done with the lot, and are currently in the process of narrowing down that input for final proposals that will be presented to the Governing Body.

We do not yet know what those plans will entail, but we are hopeful that soon we will be able to cut the ribbon on a new public space that all residents can enjoy and which will further beautify the northernmost part of our City.

We will also continue our work on reconstruction Cavallo Park.

As you know, during the Summer we learned that the soils in Cavallo Park contained chemicals that were part of our past as an industrial City. While the levels did not, and do not, create an immediately public health hazard, the City took every precaution to alert the public to the findings. We made a conscious decision for full transparency, knowing that the community has a basic right to know.

We currently are working with the State on the best way to mitigate the soil situation at Cavallo Park. We are committed to cleaning up the site and moving forward with the plans to expand the play options available to families. And, as has been practice, we will continue to do so with the greatest levels of openness and transparency.

Finally, while not a direct function of the Governing Body, we must take a moment to recognize one of the historic moments that happened in our community in 2013, the regionalization of our schools.

Ever since I became mayor ... and I'm sure for years before that ... there had been talk of turning our four independent school systems into one single entity. But talk is that was all it ever had been. For many of us, we thought we'd never see the day when Lambertville, Stockton and West Amwell would come together and agree to educate all our children as one.

How wrong we were. On September 24, our communities overwhelmingly voiced their support for a single school district. In Lambertville alone, regionalization received over 90 percent of the vote. The decision wasn't a landslide, it was a mandate.

Council President Stegman and I were present two weeks ago when the new regional school board was sworn into office. And I know they all share the same commitment to making regionalization work ... for our kids, our communities, and our taxpayers.

I would like to recognize the new members of the board from Lambertville: Board President Dan Seiter, Nicole Claus, Anne Nicolas, Derek Roseman and Laurie Weinstein. They have volunteered for the tough task of creating one functioning, efficient school system from scratch. They are, in every sense of the word, trailblazers, not just for our community but for the state.

For all of us on the governing body, we pledge our support and counsel, when needed, to help make the idea of One South Hunterdon work. And I hope you all will, as well.

Finally, I would like to close with what was, for many of us, the highlight of our 2013.

At the stroke of midnight, as October 20th became October 21st, many of us gathered here in this room to see history, as our friend and neighbors Beth Asaro and Joanne Schailey become one of the first same-sex couples in our state to be entered in a legal marriage.

That night showed the state, the nation, and indeed, the world, what Lambertville is about. We are about community. We are about tolerance. And we are about love.

What we are no longer about is labels. When people ask if Lambertville recognizes "same sex marriage," the answer, truthfully is "no." We recognize "marriage," period.

In the weeks since Beth and Joanne exchanged vows, Judge Pittore, Council President Stegman and I have performed dozens of marriages. And each one is as personally satisfying as the one before it.

And it is made even more satisfying knowing that Lambertville, once again, is leading the way.

Because that is what we do.

We have never been content to just be content. This community strives every day to make it better, to make the community stronger, to find new ways to innovate.

I hope we never lose that desire to be a model City.

And, with your support and commitment, we won't.

Again, on behalf of the City, I wish you all a happy and fruitful new year!

## **REMARKS BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

*Council President Stegman:* Thank you Mayor DelVecchio. In Lambertville a marriage is a marriage, not gay marriage, and I was honored to be a part of this historical event. After Beth and Joanne's wedding, I preserved a historic document from that day. I wanted to make sure that

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the vows the Mayor had written and edited were preserved and displayed at this building (Note: The four panel frame of the vows and a photo of Beth and Joanne was unveiled). It is my honor and pleasure to be a part of this Council. I will continue to be proactive, to work together and finding common ground. Thanks to Ward, Beth, Elaine, Mayor DelVecchio and to City Clerk Ege for your continued support.

Councilman Sanders: I am honored and humbled to have taken the oath of office to represent the citizens of Lambertville for a third time. I don't take the oath to support the federal and State Constitutions lightly. As you know start each Council meeting with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence for those serving in our armed forces. Its' important to start each meeting with that basic appreciation for how fortunate we are.

I know that some people view more multiple terms in office as a detriment to effective governance, but I believe that experience is important in helping to navigate the increasingly more complex operation of local government. And, I look forward to continuing to serve with my colleagues on the governing body. I have a great deal of respect for each one of them and the different skill sets each bring.

As I look back on 2013, I think of three highlights: one national, one regional, and one local. Nationally, *Forbes Magazine* voted Lambertville as one of the 15 prettiest towns in America. Not only is Lambertville the only New Jersey town listed, but considering the other 14 towns noted in the article, you couldn't find a prettier town than Lambertville on the whole east coast north of Ashville, North Carolina and south of Edgartown, Massachusetts.

Regionally, in November South County voters voted overwhelmingly to approve referendum to unify South Hunterdon High School district and its three elementary school sending districts -- from Lambertville, West Am well, and Stockton into a single regional pre-K-12 school district. The consolidation makes sense: our kids already learn together, play soccer, baseball, softball, and Ramblers football together; we socialize together; we share services together; and hopefully we can learn to share more together to make government work better and more efficiently for our residents.

Locally, Lambertville through the leadership of Mayor Del Vecchio proudly took the lead among municipalities in embracing marriage equality, by scheduling and executing the first gay marriage in the State. A fact made much sweeter because one of the brides was Councilwoman Asaro. I was honored to have had the opportunity to introduce at Assemblyman Reed Gusciora, our Assemblyman from the 15<sup>th</sup> Legislative district, and the prime sponsor of the Marriage Equality Act at the wedding of Beth and Joanne. And we did it here, at the Justice Complex now named after former Mayor Phil Pittore.

Nationally, regionally, and locally, Lambertville is a recognized leader, and a great place to work, live, raise children, and marry who you want.

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We have many challenges in 2014 and beyond. I look forward to working with Mayor Del Vecchio, Council President Stegman, and Councilwoman Warner, Councilwoman Asaro and the scores of resident-volunteers that contribute so much to making Lambertville a leader.

Councilwoman Warner: I didn't prepare anything today but as I am sitting here listening to the comments, I am thinking about 2013. Those of you who do not know me, won't know that I talk to everyone; strangers, people on airplanes, in airports, and I was most proud of Lambertville's recognition by Forbes Magazine as one of the prettiest towns in the United States and I shared that with everyone I met. I am proud that Lambertville was the place of the first gay marriage and even happier that it was Councilwoman Asaro. Our town is known for diversity, tolerance, acceptance and I am proud of all of those things. I love living in Lambertville and raising my family here affords them many opportunities through their exposure to so many wonderful people and things. I look forward to working with the Mayor and fellow Council Members and with the residents of the City of Lambertville.

Councilwoman Asaro: I am very proud of the work we continue to do on this Council. It's very satisfying to work with such a thoughtful, smart and caring group of fellow citizens who continue to think out of the box, reach for new ideas, and understand the value of what we do every day.

For me, a personal passion that I fulfilled in 2013 was to kick off a cutting edge Organic Waste collection idea and bring it closer to a reality – by partnering with Emily Goldman, Julie Hajdusek, and the Lambertville Environmental Commission. As most of you probably know, we launched an online survey to check for your interest in creating a local program. With almost 300 residents taking advantage of the survey, almost half of those surveyed offered to take part in an Organic Waste Collection pilot program. With much more to come on that, it's definitely exciting, cutting edge, and will put Lambertville in the forefront of this effort in NJ and beyond.

In 2013 the move to reorganize and consolidate our local school district was a huge achievement and one that my fellow school board members and I had only dreamed about when I was on the LPS board almost 10 years ago. The sharing work that was started then snowballed, and then with a lot of hard work and focus from the current members, came to full fruition in 2013. I am excited to see how the new board moves ahead in 2014.

Last, but not least, thank you all, again, for your support of same sex marriage in NJ in 2013. Our midnight ceremony here was one of the highlights of our lives, and the support of the Lambertville community was overwhelming. As we had hoped (!), the focus that the ceremony's coverage brought to Lambertville was very advantageous for us – tons of weddings were conducted here in the weeks following 10/21. It's of no small importance to note that each wedding represents income to the city, local restaurants, hotels, and more... On a personal note we had 2 dear couples in relationships of over 30 years, who decided to come here to tie the knot, this was so incredibly rewarding. I want to especially, and very publicly again, thank Mayor Dave and our City Clerk, Cindy Ege, who went out of their way, day after day, as the

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clock clicked down with various twists and turns, to ensure that we all had the most up to date information on statutes, forms, rulings and stays. What was so heartwarming was that you could see that, while they were performing their jobs in these roles, they also were truly thrilled to see the history of the event unfold – and they made it all happen behind the scenes. Again, thank you.

It's hard to believe that my 2<sup>nd</sup> term will be expiring at the end of 2014. I hope that you will entrust me to serve you into 2015.

Thank you.

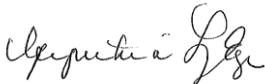
**PUBLIC COMMENT** – none.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 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.

All were invited back to Councilman Sanders home for refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia L. Ege  
CMR, RMC, City Clerk

APPROVED at the regularly scheduled session of Mayor and Council held on January 18, 2014.