

**BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 8, 2005**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey, was held on the above date in the Denby Annex of the Medford Lakes Colony beginning at 7:30pm. Mayor Wasson presided. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Wasson read the Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. This is to announce that adequate notice in the form of Notice of Meetings was (1) posted on the Administration Building bulletin board, (2) mailed to The Central Record, Medford, NJ, (3) mailed to the Burlington County Times, Willingboro, NJ, (4) mailed to the Courier Post, Cherry Hill, NJ, and (5) filed with the Municipal Clerk. Advance written notice of this meeting was mailed to all persons who requested such notice according to the Clerk of the Municipality.

Answering Roll Call for Borough Council were Mayor Dave Wasson, Councilman Timothy Casey and Councilman Gary Woodend. Also present were Manager Rich Knight, Deputy Clerk Mark McIntosh, Solicitor James Vogdes, and Colony representative Paul Weiss.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment at this time.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Wasson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Casey, to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on November 10, 2005.

VOTE TO APPROVE MINUTES

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Minutes for November 10, 2005 are approved

**ORDINANCES**

Councilman Woodend made a motion, seconded by Councilman Casey, to remove Ordinance 510 from the table, where it was put at the Regular Council Meeting on October 13, 2005.

VOTE TO REMOVE ORDINANCE 510 FROM THE TABLE

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Motion carries

**ORDINANCE NO. 510**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 452, AS AMENDED, THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes that the Borough hereby amends Chapter One, Article V, section 519, of the Medford Lakes Land Development Ordinance, by deleting the language therein, and providing as follows:

I. **Purpose:** The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Ordinance Number 452, as amended, to add a provision regarding commercial signs, and adding provisions regulating temporary signs.

II. Amendment: Section 519, paragraph A, Chapter One, Article V, general zoning provisions, entitled "Signs," is hereby amended as follows:

i. Subsection A, paragraph 6, "commercial signs," is hereby amended by adding the following:

Commercial signs shall not be permitted in any area other than in the Lakes Commercial Zone. This includes signs or advertisements on any athletic or recreation field or facility.

ii. Subsection A, paragraph 7, "temporary signs," is hereby deleted.

iii. There is hereby added a new subsection 7, as follows,

under A, 'Types of Signs':

7. Temporary Signs.

a) Definitions. As used in this subsection 7, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

PERSON – Any individual, partnership, association profit or nonprofit corporation or other entity.

TEMPORARY SIGN – Any exterior poster, sign, billboard, handbill, advertisement or other material which is not intended to remain permanently at a particular location.

b) Temporary signs shall be permitted only as hereinafter provided. All temporary signs are subject to the following requirements;

(1) Only one temporary sign shall be permitted at any time.

(2) The size of the sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet, and it shall not exceed four (4) feet in height.

(3) Said sign(s) shall not be illuminated, and shall have no moving parts.

(4) The sign shall be set so that same shall not encroach upon the public right-of-way.

(5) The sign shall be set back at least ten (10) feet from the roadway and fifteen (15) feet from the side property line.

(6) The period of time during which any such temporary sign is permitted shall not exceed 45 days.

c) The following temporary signs shall be permitted:

(1) Temporary signs announcing any educational, charitable, civic, religious, community or like event.

(2) Election signs. Temporary election signs (political or community) shall not be erected prior to thirty (30) days before any election, and shall be removed not more than forty-eight (48) hours after the election. The name and address of the person or organization responsible for the sign shall be printed on the sign, in accordance with N.J.S.A.19: 34-38.1. Election signs shall not exceed 6 square feet in area. No permit or fee shall be required for their installation. The signs must be erected fifteen (15) feet from the roadway, and at least fifteen (15) feet from adjoining property.

(3) Garage and Yard Sale Signs, and Directional Signs

(a) Temporary directional signs shall be permitted providing directions to a garage or yard sale, real estate open houses, or other similar event.

(b) Such signs shall not exceed six (6) square feet in size, and shall only be displayed during a period beginning at 6:00 p.m. Friday to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, after which time they must be removed. Such signs shall not be permitted more than twice per year per property.

(c) There shall be no more than three (3) directional signs and one (1) sign at the garage or yard sale, or property location.

(d) Signs must be located on the property of persons who authorize same.

- (e) Any garage or yard sale, or other directional sign not conforming to this article shall constitute prima facie evidence that the addressee shown on the sign has violated this article.
- (4) Real Estate Signs
  - (a) Signs indicating premises for sale or rent shall be no larger than six square feet in area, set back at least ten (10) feet from the roadway, as well as fifteen (15) feet from the side yard, and shall not be illuminated.
  - (b) Such signs shall not remain for more than 45 days from the date of erection. The sign shall have marked thereon, clearly visible from the roadway, the date of the erection thereof. Signs shall be removed within forty-eight (48) hours of a binding agreement of sale for the subject premises. There shall be no more than one sign erected in any six (6) month time period. The erection of said signs shall be deemed permission of the person or persons erecting said sign to permit the removal thereof in the event of non-compliance with the terms of this ordinance.
- (5) Truck, automobile, and other vehicles or water craft for sale or rent signs, subject to New Jersey Motor Vehicle Code laws and regulations, shall be permitted for a period of time not exceeding 21 days. The signs must be affixed in the window of the vehicle. Such vehicles must be located on the property or the front portion of the owner's property. Such signs shall not be permitted more than twice per year per property.
- d) The Zoning officer shall have the discretion to prohibit the erection, and/or to remove or order the removal of any temporary sign he or she deems to present a hazard to the public, or to be in non-compliance with this Ordinance, and he or she shall have the authority to remove such sign.
- e) The Borough of Medford Lakes Police Department is given the authority, in addition to the Zoning Officer, to enforce the provisions of this Subsection relating to signs.
- f) Mobile signs of any kind are expressly prohibited.
- g) Sandwich board or small freestanding signs of any type are expressly prohibited in all zones.
- h) The provisions of this ordinance shall be enforceable against the owner of the property bearing a non-conforming sign, the person responsible for erecting a non-conforming sign, and the person or persons advertising the subject matter of a non-conforming sign.
- i) Signs shall not be affixed to any tree or utility pole. They shall be mounted on their own stakes or stanchions along any public street in a safe manner, without projecting over the Borough right-of-way. Said signs shall not be located in a sight triangle, and said sign shall be placed in such position so as to not interfere with safe passage for pedestrian traffic, and so as to not interfere with safe vehicular traffic.

III. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication according to law.

IV. Violations and Penalties. Any person, association or corporation installing any temporary or permanent sign without being properly licensed therefore, or who or which shall violate any of the other terms and regulations of this Subsection 7 shall, upon conviction, be fined no less than fifty dollars (\$50.00), nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each violation. Each day that such installation of any temporary or permanent sign shall continue without being duly licensed shall be considered a separate violation.

Solicitor Vogdes explained to the public that Council is in the process of updating the Borough's sign ordinance, which is confusing and somewhat unenforceable. Mr. Vogdes obtained real estate sign ordinances from other towns for comparison; such signs cannot be prohibited, they can be regulated.

Several residents asked about restrictions on signs, including time limits and permitting. Council discussed the public's suggestions and added their own.

Councilman Woodend thanked the public for their input.

Council directed Manager Knight to have copies of the ordinance available for the public in the Borough office.

Councilman Casey made a motion, seconded by Mayor Wasson, to adopt Ordinance 510, with changes and amendments.

VOTE TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 510

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Ordinance 510 is approved

Mayor Wasson introduced Ordinance 513, seconded by Councilman Woodend, on First Reading.

**ORDINANCE NO. 513**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS COVERED BY THE MEDFORD LAKES POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEARS 2005, 2006, 2007, AND 2008 IN THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, BURLINGTON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, Burlington County New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The following annual salaries for the positions as noted are herein fixed on an annual basis. The Officers shall be paid on a bi-weekly basis in accordance with the current payroll cycle at the annual salary as indicated on the below salary grid:

<u>RANK</u>	<u>1/1/05</u>	<u>7/1/05</u>	<u>1/1/06</u>	<u>1/1/07</u>	<u>1/1/08</u>
Sergeant Year 1	\$ 60,838	\$ 62,055	\$ 64,537	\$ 67,118	\$ 69,803
Sergeant Year 2	\$ 62,462	\$ 63,711	\$ 66,259	\$ 68,909	\$ 71,665
Sergeant Year 3	\$ 64,233	\$ 65,518	\$ 68,139	\$ 70,865	\$ 73,700
Sergeant Year 4	\$ 66,006	\$ 67,326	\$ 70,019	\$ 72,820	\$ 75,733
Sergeant Year 5	\$ 67,779	\$ 69,135	\$ 71,900	\$ 74,776	\$ 77,767
Corporal	\$ 58,782	\$ 59,958	\$ 62,356	\$ 64,850	\$ 67,444
Patrolman 8 Year	\$ 57,264	\$ 58,409	\$ 60,745	\$ 63,175	\$ 65,702
Patrolman 7 Year	\$ 55,295	\$ 56,401	\$ 58,657	\$ 61,003	\$ 61,181
Patrolman 5 Year	\$ 51,458	\$ 52,487	\$ 54,586	\$ 56,769	\$ 59,040
Patrolman 4 Year	\$ 46,990	\$ 47,930	\$ 49,847	\$ 51,841	\$ 53,915
Patrolman 2 Year	\$ 41,976	\$ 42,816	\$ 44,529	\$ 46,310	\$ 48,162
Completed Academy and Field Training	\$ 34,863	\$ 35,560	\$ 36,982	\$ 38,461	\$ 39,999
Untrained	\$ 27,181	\$ 27,725	\$ 28,834	\$ 29,987	\$ 31,186

Section 2. Members of the Police Department entitled to additional compensation for authorized duty in excess of the hours of ordinary duty or for allowances of expenses and promotion of officers shall be paid for such excess hours, expenses and promotions in accordance with the agreement made between the Borough of Medford Lakes and the Medford Lakes Police Officers Association. Such compensation however, shall not be less that permitted by applicable State and Federal Law.

Section 3. Shift Differential. Members of the Police Department who are regularly assigned to continuous operations shifts or twenty-four rotating shift-work, shall be paid a shift differential equal to two percent (2%) of the employee's base wages for the year. Shift differential shall be payable bi-weekly with pay, and shall be included in the officer's gross salary.

Section 4. Longevity. All full time officers shall be entitled to a longevity payment in which the second anniversary of continuous employment occurs, and each year thereafter. The longevity payment, upon entitlement, shall be calculated at the rate of \$100 per year of continuous employment ending in that calendar year provided however, that the annual longevity payment shall not exceed 7% of the current year's salary. Longevity shall be paid in the officer's bi-weekly gross salary.

Section 5. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final adoption and publication according to law, but the rate of compensation shall become effective as of January 1, 2005, for the annual salary as noted in this column and increase according to the salary grid as provided herein.

Manager Knight explained the status of the negotiations.

VOTE TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 513 ON FIRST READING

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Ordinance 513 is approved on First Reading

**RESOLUTIONS**

Councilman Casey introduced Resolution 147-05, seconded by Mayor Wasson.

**RESOLUTION 147-05**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BOROUGH BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2005.**

**WHEREAS**, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

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

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Medford Lakes has received a check for a technology grant from State of NJ, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Highway Traffic Safety in the amount of \$2,000 and wishes to amend its 2005 Budget to include this amount as a revenue;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2005 in the sum of \$2,000, which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services:

Private and Public Programs Off-Set with Appropriations:

Buckle Up South Jersey Grant and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$2,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

(a) Operations Excluded from 5% "CAPS"

Public and Private Programs Off-Set by Revenues

Buckle Up South Jersey;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk of the Borough of Medford Lakes forward two copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government

VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 147-05

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Resolution 147-05 is approved

Mayor Wasson introduced Resolution 148-05, seconded by Councilman Woodend.

**RESOLUTION 148-05**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH MANAGER TO APPLY FOR A NJ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GRANT TO FUND STORMWATER ACTIVITIES**

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of Borough of Medford Lakes desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of \$6,822.00 to fund storm water activities as described in the Scope of Services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes that Richard A. Alaimo, of Richard A. Alaimo Association of Engineers and David D. Wasson or the successor to the office of Mayor is authorized (a) to make application for such a grant, (b) if awarded, to execute a grant agreement with the State and (c) to execute any amendments thereto which do not increase the Grantee's obligations.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable federal, State and municipal laws, rules, and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

**VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 148-05**

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Resolution 148-05 is approved

Councilman Casey introduced Resolution 149-05, seconded by Councilman Woodend.

**RESOLUTION 149-05**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN BUDGETARY TRANSFERS**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes did adopt a budget for the year 2005 in accordance with the Municipal Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4 et seq.); and

**WHEREAS**, it has become necessary to transfer certain funds among the various line items as contained within the aforementioned adopted municipal budget; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 allows for the transfer of funds among line items of an adopted municipal budget during the last two months of the fiscal year; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Medford Lakes is hereby authorized to make the transfers as listed below among the various line items.

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
1. <i>Engineering-OE</i>	<i>Sanitation-OE</i>	\$6,000.00
2. <i>Engineering-OE</i>	<i>Employee Pensions</i>	\$ 50.00
	Total	\$6,050.00

**VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 149-05**

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Resolution 149-05 is approved

Councilman Casey introduced Resolution 150-05, seconded by Mayor Wasson.

**RESOLUTION 150-05**

**A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL CERTAIN UNEXPENDED BALANCES IN THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND, IN THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, the following balances of unexpended capital funds in the General Capital Fund are not needed for the original intended projects as the projects are deemed complete:

<b>ORD. NO</b>	<b>PROJECT NAME</b>	<b>UNEXPENDED BALANCE</b>
412	Improvements to Tabernacle Road	\$ 28,288.94 (unfunded)
487	2003 Road Program	128,529.17 (unfunded)
488	Construction of Cell Tower	7,767.17 (unfunded)
493	Acquire Police Utility Vehicle	2,542.64 (unfunded)

and;

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has recommended that these balances be canceled as the projects are complete and all bills related to the projects have been paid;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, Burlington County New Jersey, that the above mentioned unexpended General Capital Balances be and are hereby cancelled; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the balances cancelled herein are unfunded balances, and therefore, such cancellation shall be cause to reduce the deferred charges to future taxation, unfunded, in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices.

VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 150-05

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Resolution 150-05 is approved

Councilman Casey introduced Resolution 151-05, seconded by Mayor Wasson.

**RESOLUTION 151-05**

**RESOLUTION TO CANCEL CERTAIN UNEXPENDED BALANCES IN THE WASTE WATER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND, IN THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, the following balances of unexpended capital funds in the Waste Water Utility are not needed for the original intended projects as the projects are deemed complete;

<b>ORD. NO</b>	<b>PROJECT NAME</b>	<b>UNEXPENDED BALANCE</b>
457/469	Extension of Nahma Trail Sewer Line	\$ 1,449.04
463	Sewer Line Replacement	816.48
494	Rehabilitation of Stokes Road Sewer Line	6,083.65
2003-1	Purchase of a Sewer Dump Truck	3,344.38

and;

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has recommended that these balances be canceled as the projects are complete and all bills related to the projects have been paid;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, Burlington County, New Jersey, that the above mentioned unexpended Waste Water Capital Balances be and are hereby cancelled to Waste Water Capital fund balance as appropriate.

VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 151-05

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Resolution 151-05 is approved

Councilman Woodend introduced Resolution 152-05, seconded by Councilman Casey.

**RESOLUTION 152-05**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING CERTAIN QUALIFIED ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP INTO THE NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION**

**WHEREAS**, certain qualified members of the Medford Lakes Fire Department are applying for membership in the New Jersey State Fireman's Association; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the Borough of Medford Lakes supports the application of qualified active members within the Fire Department admittance into the NJ State Fireman's Association;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes that the following qualified active members of the Medford Lakes Fire Department are approved to apply for membership in the New Jersey State Fireman's Association:

Jay W. Smits  
Steve R. Heiklen

VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 152-05

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Resolution 152-05 is approved

Mayor Wasson introduced Resolution 153-05, seconded by Councilman Casey.

**RESOLUTION 153-05**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES WITH UPPER FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Upper Freehold employs an Animal Control Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Medford Lakes is in need of an Animal Control Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Upper Freehold is agreeable to providing the service of an Animal Control Officer to various municipalities for a fee and upon certain specified conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq. permits local units of this State to enter into a contract with any other local unit for such services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Upper Freehold agrees to provide animal control services to the Borough of Medford Lakes on the terms and conditions in this agreement;

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough of Medford Lakes authorizes the Mayor and the Clerk to enter into an interlocal services agreement for an Animal Control Officer (ACO) with Upper Freehold Township.

VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 153-05

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Resolution 153-05 is approved

**OLD BUSINESS**

**DAM RESTORATION** – the Borough’s application has been sent to DEP and Pinelands for permitting. Colony representative Paul Weiss reported the Colony is virtually in “lock step” with the Borough; the Colony’s application has also been sent.

Council directed Manager Knight to investigate for a definitive answer as to the easements on Lower Aetna Dam.

**SEWER VAC** – bid specs are ready for pick up for bid proposals. Manager Knight took this opportunity to compliment the Department of Public Works for leaf removal.

Council directed Manager Knight to follow up on procuring additional leaf removal signs.

**OAKS HALL** – Project Manager Jim Madden had previously given Manager Knight an engineer’s report, advising the footings would be satisfactory. However, a report from the Borough’s engineer, Lippincott, disagreed. Code Official Tom Heck will not approve them as is; they will be removed and redone. Bid packets have been prepared and are due back on December 19, 2005, for the removal of the new footings at the site.

**BOB MEYER PROPERTY** – the Borough has received a check for \$44,000 from the Meyer Company; however, Council had questions about the funds should the project not proceed.

Councilman Casey made a motion, seconded by Councilman Woodend, to have Solicitor Vogdes contact Timothy Prime, solicitor for Medford Township, to determine the status of the check and to consider the \$44,000 as compensation for an Medford Lakes expenditures out of pocket.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to discuss at this time.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no additional correspondence to discuss at this time.

**REPORTS**

**MANAGER KNIGHT** – Mr. Knight advised Council that the department heads from police, wastewater and public works are scheduled to meet to discuss the process for street openings.

**COUNCIL** – members discussed “Pay to Play” as it affects the Borough.

Council directed Manager Knight to confer with Colony Representative Paul Weiss and provide information as to the ownership of Aetna Way.

**SOLICITOR VOGDES** – Mr. Vogdes continues interviews with regard to the flood and it’s ensuing lawsuits. He sited former Manager Paul Thomas and former Councilman Mike Keating for their help. It was decided that Mayor Wasson will sign the “Answers to Interrogatories.”

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Mayor Wasson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wasson, to pay the bills on the Bill List.

VOTE TO PAY BILLS

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Bill List is approved for payment

**ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Woodend made a motion, seconded by Councilman Casey, to adjourn to Executive Session. No official action will be taken.

**RESOLUTION 154-05**

**A RESOLUTION EXCLUDING THE PUBLIC FROM A PUBLIC MEETING**

**WHEREAS**, Section 7.a of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, otherwise known as the “Open Public Meetings Act” states that, except as provided by in Section 7.a, all meetings of a public body, such as the Borough Council, shall be open to the public at all times; and.

**WHEREAS**, Section 7.b provides that the Borough Council may exclude the public only from the portion of a meeting at which Borough Council discusses certain subjects which are listed in the aforementioned Section; and.

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council desires to discuss certain subject(s) which are listed in the aforementioned section and desires to exclude the public from the portion of the meeting at which the Borough Council will discuss said subject(s); and,

**WHEREAS**, Section 8 of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 states that no public body shall exclude the public from any meeting to discuss any matter described in Section 7.b until the public body shall, at a meeting to which the public shall be admitted, first adopt a resolution making certain statements with respect to the subject(s) to be discussed;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Borough Council hereby declares that the general nature of the subject(s) to be discussed by the Borough Council in closed session is as follows:

solicitor's contract  
construction manager's contract  
litigation

2. That the Borough Council hereby declares that it's discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Borough Solicitor advised the Borough Council that the disclosure will not detrimentally affect any right, interest, or duty of the Borough or any other entity with respect to said discussion.
3. That the Borough Council for the aforementioned reasons hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the Borough Clerk to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

VOTE TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

Councilman Woodend made a motion, seconded by Councilman Casey, to return to the regular meeting. No official action will be taken at this time.

VOTE TO RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Motion carries

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilman Woodend made a motion, seconded by Councilman Casey, to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE TO ADJOURN

Ayes: Wasson, Casey, Woodend

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Knight  
Borough Manager