CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Walter G. LaCicero, presiding

ROLL CALL: Council Members Borowski, Zalom, Lamb, Stogdill, Horan and Filippone were present.

Also present: Christopher F. Parlow, Borough Administrator/Municipal Clerk
Philip George, Borough Attorney
Donnelly Amico, Deputy Municipal Clerk

READING OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT: Notice of this meeting complies with the Open Public Meetings Act. Public Notice was given to the Ocean County Gazette and was published in the Ocean Star on January 7, 2011. Notice was also posted on our Municipal Website and the Municipal bulletin board.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: The Mayor asked for a moment of silence for the thirty American soldiers that were killed in Afghanistan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilman Stogdill led the Salute to the Flag

MAYOR’S WELCOMING STATEMENT: Mayor LaCicero thanked everyone for coming out to tonight’s meeting.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC: (Items not listed on Agenda/not staying for remainder of meeting)

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to comment on any items that were not listed on the agenda and that they did not wish to stay for the remainder of the meeting they could do so now.

Bob Storch, 1507 Baltimore Avenue questioned when his road was going to have the additional 25 feet of yellow lines removed. He stated he sees that on some other streets it has already been done and was told that his street would be done before the summer.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that she believes that the additional streets will be completed in the fall but she will check with the Chief.

There were no additional comments made from the public.

The Mayor closed the floor to public comment.
APPROVAL OF CLERK’S MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of July 25, 2011

A Motion was made by Councilman Lamb to approve the Minutes. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Stogdill. Vote: Council Members Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Horan and Lamb voted Yes. Councilman Borowski Abstained. The Motion Passed.

REPORTS:

a) Police Report of July-Councilwoman Filippone-read report
b) Municipal Court Report of July – Councilwoman Filippone-read report
c) Zoning Report of July-Councilwoman Filippone-read report
d) Construction Report of July-Councilwoman Filippone-read report
e) Beach Report for July-Councilman Lamb-Reported that we are already at a total of $800,000 in beach badge sales and last year we had total at the end of season of $820,000. With four more weeks left we should definitely exceed last years figure. He stated since we increased the daily badge price to $7.00 we have had record sales with the season badge which increases our revenue tremendously.

f) Animal Control Report for July-Councilwoman Filippone-read report
g) Public Affairs Report of July-Council President Zalom-The movies on the bay are such a big hit this year. We definitely have bigger crowds and the Fire Department sells popcorn and water so it works. Don’t forget to get your August calendar downstairs in Borough Hall. The Library will hold a Psychic Fair on Wednesday August 10th and you need to pre-register. The LavaWalk on August 7th was fantastic and the rain held out until after we were done. The Fire Department is holding their first Barbeque fundraiser on August 27th. Mr. Peter Sturm a resident who is always at our town meetings received a Dentist Award so congratulations to him. Save Barnegat Bay is looking for our donation so she will send them a check from the Council for $30.00 and the Council can pay her back.

h) Revenue Transaction Report for June-Chief Financial Officer
i) Tax Account Status Report of July-Tax Collector

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Filippone to approve the Reports. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Horan. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Horan and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA/OFF CONSENT AGENDA, AND VOUCHERS:

RESOLUTIONS – ON CONSENT:

2011-192 authorizing the refund of $100.00 to Jennifer Russo of 106 Kerr Avenue for the non participation in the Borough of Lavallette’s Summer Enrichment Activities

2011-193 authorizing the appointment of Brian Sandy to the Beach Badge Office at an hourly rate of $12.00-Mr. Parlow stated that he would like to include the effective date of
July 29\textsuperscript{th} on the resolution. He stated that Mr. Sandy already works for the badge office but we recently had a supervisor leave and Mr. Sandy is being moved up to that position. Councilman Lamb stated that he has been working there for quite a few years and does a fantastic job.

2011-194 opposing Assembly Bill 3285 which would require certain public contract bid advertisements to contain certified cost estimates and specifies grounds for the rejection of all bids-Council President Zalom stated that she is strongly in support of opposing this bill.

2011-195 supporting Assembly Bill A-3412 requiring property tax assessment appeal sharing- Mr. Parlow stated that this is a pending bill that will require that the County and School to absorb their portion of the burden regarding tax appeals instead of just the municipality absorbing the cost of the appeal. Council President Zalom stated that she was in support of this bill also. Councilman Lamb questioned how many appeals we receive a year? Mr. Parlow stated that we receive two or three a year.

2011-196 adopting an amendment to the rules of order for the Mayor and Council for the Year 2011 establishing an absence from meeting policy-Mr. Parlow stated that there is no policy right now within the by-laws. In order to receive a higher score for more state aid regarding the best practices checklist we needed to include this in our by-laws. Mr. George stated that the attached Schedule A is the amendment to the by-laws. The Open Public Meetings Act requires that there should be a vote to approve the absences and the Municipal Vacancy Law states that if you have a medical excuse you can not refuse the absence.

2011-197 authorizing the refund of planning board escrows in the amount of $629.50 to Anthony Saggese from 121 Virginia Avenue

2011-198 appointing Gabriella Vitiello as a badge checker for the end of the 2011 summer season at an hourly rate of $8.00

2011-199 appointing Jamie Lynn Hinshelwood as a lifeguard for the end of the 2011 summer season at an hourly rate of $8.50

A Motion was made by Councilman Horan to approve the Consent Agenda. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Stogdill. The Mayor opened the floor for comments and asked if anyone wished to comment on the consent agenda or the bills list. No one wished to comment at this time. The Mayor closed the floor to comment and asked Council for a vote on the consent agenda. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

RESOLUTIONS OFF-CONSENT

There were no resolutions off consent.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:
A Motion was made by Councilman Stogdill to approve the Bills List. The Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Filippone. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill and Lamb voted Yes. Councilman Horan Abstained on PO#11-00640 and voted Yes to all others. The Motion Passed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Legal:

a) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Stanley Rizzolo v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 8, 2011
b) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/State of New Jersey v. Thomas and Lorie Gatfield Loredo/Received July 11, 2011
c) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/State of New Jersey v. Thomas and Lorie Gatfield Loredo/Received July 11, 2011
d) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Stanley Rizzolo v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 11, 2011
e) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/State of New Jersey v. Thomas and Lori Gatfield Loredo/Received July 12, 2011
f) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Stanley Rizzolo v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 13, 2011
g) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Borough of Lavallette/Appeal of Civil Administrative Penalty Assessment/Received July 13, 2011-Councilman Lamb stated that the DEP Violation is such a waste of our time, money and effort. Mayor LaCicero questioned what the consequences would be if we do not pay? Mr. George stated that once the appeal was final the Judge will order a certain time frame to pay the fine. If the fine is not paid by that date we would have to go to court again to find out why it has not been paid. Councilman Lamb stated that this is just a big joke and such a waste of time. They need to just get rid of the NJDEP. Councilman Borowski stated that the worst part is that we had this all settled and agreed upon with the old Attorney General and then for some reason she left and we had to start all over again. That is really the joke here.
h) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Stanley Rizzolo v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 13, 2011
i) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Richard Gordon v. Township of Toms River/Received July 15, 2011
j) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/In the Matter of Donald Crane/Notice of Tort Claim/Received July 19, 2011
k) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/In the Matter of Donald Crane/Notice of Tort Claim/Received July 19, 2011
l) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Stanley Rizzolo v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 19, 2011
m) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Gustafson v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 19, 2011
n) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Bossett v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 22, 2011
o) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Gustafson v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 25, 2011
p) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Vendors Selling Food and Bottled Water on the Lavallette Boardwalk/Received July 25, 2011
q) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Gustafson v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 27, 2011
s) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Borough of Lavallette/Appeal of Civil Administrative Penalty Assessment/Received July 28, 2011
t) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/In the Matter of Agnes Anderson/Notice of Tort Claim/3 Reese Avenue/Received July 28, 2011
u) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Gustafson v. Borough of Lavallette/Received July 29, 2011
v) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Bossett v. Borough of Lavallette/Received August 2, 2011
w) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Account Clerk/Notice Date June 28, 2011/Received August 2, 2011
x) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Gustafson v. Borough of Lavallette/Received August 3, 2011
y) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George, Esq/Stanley Rizzolo v. Borough of Lavallette/Received August 3, 2011
z) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George/Stanley Rizzolo v. Borough of Lavallette/Received August 4, 2011
aa) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George/Ordinance Banning Smoking on Lavallette Beaches/Received August 5, 2011
bb) Eric M. Bernstein & Associates/Philip G. George/Thomas Loredo v. Borough of Lavallette/Received August 5, 2011

Engineering:

a) O’Donnell, Stanton & Associates, Inc./Michael O’Donnell/NJDOT Municipal Aid Program/Application for Fiscal Year 2012/Received August 2, 2011-Mr. Parlow stated that we are going to propose Westmont Avenue again this year as a priority and see where that gets us. The Superintendent is in the process along with the Engineer reviewing the other streets to see what second street is in need of repair the most. Hopefully Westmont will not be kicked back again. Councilman Lamb questioned if we were going to include that piece of Lavallette Avenue this year? Councilwoman Filippone stated that they are not complete with Construction yet so we should not include the construction is complete.
New Jersey League of Municipalities:

a) S-2795 and A-3835, Inspection of Multiple Dwellings/Received July 11, 2011
b) Announcing the Bonner Scholars Program/Received July 12, 2011
c) House Transportation Reauthorization Bill Slashes Spending and Consolidates Programs/Received July 12, 2011
d) State of CY 2011 Property Tax Bills and Statement of State Aid/Received July 13, 2011
e) A-4126, Statutory Deadline for Municipalities to Act on Defeated School Budgets/Received July 13, 2011
f) 2011 Best Practices Checklist/Received July 14, 2011
g) League Applauds Restoration of Transitional Aid Funding/Received July 18, 2011
h) New League Feature Website Resource/Pie Chart Template Shows Your Constituents Where Their Property Tax Dollars Go/Received July 19, 2011
i) Senior Property Tax Freeze Information/Received July 20, 2011
j) Statements of “State Aid” Posted/Received July 21, 2011
k) Certification of “State Aid” Link Correction/Received July 22, 2011
l) Pensions and Health Benefits Update/Received July 22, 2011
m) Woodbridge Township Will Again Host the 2011 New Jersey Senior Olympic Games/Received July 26, 2011
n) Federal Alert, PACE Legislation Introduced In Congress/Received July 26, 2011
o) Law Requiring Employees to Live In-State Takes Affect September 1st/Received July 26, 2011
p) Supreme Court Decision on Civil Service “Rule of Three” Towns Must Provide a Legitimate explanatory statement of reasons/Received July 27, 2011
q) New Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant Availability/Received July 27, 2011
r) S-2950/A-4128, Allows for Modifications to Land Use Approvals Because of Changed Economics/Received August 1, 2011
s) Civil Service Commission/Recent “Rule of Three” Court Decision/Received August 1, 2011
t) Monmouth Poll Results Confirm Citizen Satisfaction with Local Government/Received August 2, 2011
u) 10th Anniversary of September 11th/Received August 2, 2011
v) Debt Ceiling Deal Reached/Received August 2, 2011
w) Calendar of Statewide Activities to Honor Memory of 9/11 Victims/Received August 4, 2011
x) 17th Annual Mayors’ Hall of Fame/Received August 4, 2011

General With No Action:

a) Old Tappan Police Department/Thomas Shine, Chief of Police/thanking Chief Grant and the Lavallette Police Department for assisting the Northern Valley Regional High School with their parent presentation on May 12, 2011/Received July 11, 2011
b) Ocean County Health Department/Ella Boyd, Assistant Public Health Coordinator/grant eligibility in the amount of $21,000 for the year 2012/Received July 12, 2011-Council
President Zalom stated that she is very happy that we are receiving another $21,000 for our Municipal Alliance this year.

c) League of Municipalities/William Dressel, President/Please Help Municipalities In Need of Transitional Aid/Received July 12, 2011

d) State of New Jersey/Department of Environmental Protection/Division of Parks and Forestry/Lynn Fleming, State Forester/William Pikolycky, Mayor/Southern Pine Beetle Contact Individual Form/Received July 14, 2011

e) State of New Jersey/Department of Community Affairs/Thomas Neff, Director/State of CY 2011 Property Tax Bills and Statements of State Aid/Received July 18, 2011

f) Jersey Central Power & Light/Dorothy Kennedy, Supervisor/notification of discontinuance of service/Received July 19, 2011

g) Congress of the United States/Jon Runyan, Congressman/Debt Ceiling/Received July 19, 2011

h) Ocean County Health Department/John Clayton, Health Educator and Supervisor/Addendum to the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse/Received July 19, 2011

i) Lavallette Beautification Committee/Pat Marrone, President/letter to Freeholder Bartlett thanking him for their prompt attention to the Jersey City Avenue parcel of land/Received July 20, 2011

j) Ocean County Utilities Authority/Keith Marcoon, Planning Engineer/2011 Metered Flow Data/Received July 20, 2011-Mayor LaCicero stated that we are down 25% this year compared to last year. Mr. Parlow stated that is based primarily on last year was a very stormy and rainy season. Right now we are where we should always be.

k) Charles Heimach/24 Bond Avenue/thanking the police department for their rapid response in removing a baby opossum from his property/Received July 20, 2011

l) Township of Woodbridge/John E. McCormac, Mayor/2011 New Jersey Senior Olympics Games/Received July 24, 2011

m) Cablevision/Kevin Drennan, Area Director/IFC Channel Tier and Package Change/Received July 22, 2011

n) Lavallette Board of Education/Alison Zylinski, President/Additional State Aid/Received July 25, 2011

o) Connie and Fred Boos, 131 Newark Avenue/complimenting the electricians for a professional job/Received July 25, 2011

p) Animal Protection League of New Jersey/Angi Metler, Exec. Director/Position on Black Bear Relocation in New Jersey/Received July 25, 2011

q) Mr. & Mrs. William Matthaei/expressing appreciation for the fine job the Beach Clean up crew is doing with supervision of Doug Clinton/Received July 20, 2011

r) State of New Jersey/Office of the Governor/Pension and Health Benefits/Received July 26, 2011

s) Office of the Ocean County Engineer/Frank Scarantino, Engineer/Hazardous Situation at Boat Ramp at West Point Island Bridge/Received July 27, 2011

t) New Jersey American Water/Bill Walsh, Vice President/Rate Filing/Received July 27, 2011

u) State of New Jersey/Department of Transportation/James Simpson, Commissioner/Municipal Aid Program Applications now being accepted/Received July 28, 2011
v) Joan Brennan/118 Brooklyn Avenue/thanking Mayor and Council for the new fence installed at Public Works/Received August 2, 2011

w) Save Barnegat Bay/Jennifer O’Reilly, Exec. Director/40th Anniversary of Speaking the Truth of Barnegat Bay/Received August 2, 2011

x) Congress of the United States/House of Representatives/Jon Runyan, Congressman/Received August 3, 2011

y) Borough of Lavallette Planning Board/Arleen Maglionico, Acting Secretary/Ordinance 2011-05/Review of Ordinance and urging adoption/Received August 5, 2011-Mr. Parlow stated that this is in reference to the Ordinance 2011-05(1095). The Planning Board must review this ordinance and give their input. This letter states that the Planning Board has reviewed the ordinance and is recommending its approval.

z) Ocean County Planning Board/Mark Villinger, Senior Planner/Ocean County Natural Lands Trust Fund Status Report-August 2011/Received August 5, 2011

General With Action:

a) Pete and Elaine Schardien/221 Newark Avenue/curb damage from the snow plows in front of our home/Received July 12, 2011-Mr. Parlow stated that he has communicated with the Schardien’s and told them we would need some additional information if they want to file a claim with our insurance company. Councilwoman Filippone questioned why a claim would be done since it is our policy that the homeowners are responsible for their own curbs regardless. Councilman Borowski stated that is true unless we the Borough, damage those curbs. Mr. Parlow stated that all claims should be forwarded to our insurance company regardless of our policy. The insurance will review the specific claim and make a decision regarding coverage. Councilman Borowski questioned if a private contractor damaged their curbing who would be responsible then? Mr. George stated that in this situation it was the Borough’s plows who they claim damaged the curbs so it would have to be sent to our insurance company. With your situation since it was a private contractor you would put a claim in with his company for the damages.

b) Kim Woodbury/requesting to hold her wedding ceremony on Trenton Avenue and the Ocean on June 2, 2012/Received July 24, 2011-Mayor stated that this is fine as long as they all have badges before 5pm.

c) Friends of Beautification/Pat Marrone, President/purchase of four more snowflakes which makes a total of 42/Received July 25, 2011-Mr. Parlow stated that we already have a resolution for a maximum of forty snowflakes so if we are going to accept these additional four snowflakes that will bring the total to forty-two. In order to do that Council is going to have to do a motion to accept the additional four to bring the total to 42. Councilwoman Filippone stated that she remembers that Council was supposed to relook at the snowflake situation. She stated that she has no objection to the additional four being accepted and the total being forty-two.

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Filippone to accept the donation of the four additional snowflakes which will bring the total of the snowflakes to forty two. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Horan. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Horan and Lamb voted Yes. Councilman Stogdill voted no. The Motion Passed. This will be Resolution 2011-199A.
d) Nina Lepski/Middlesex, NJ/questioning a parking ticket for parking in a clear parking space/Received July 25, 2011-Mr. Parlow stated that he spoke to the Chief and the spot she parked in is not a legal parking space.

e) PNC Bank/501 Grand Central Avenue/requesting to hold their Grand Opening Event on July 27, 2011 from 11am to 4pm/Received July 27, 2011-Mayor stated that approval is not necessary for this because this is being held on their own property.

f) Dan Pollera/401 Bay Blvd/requesting that the overgrowth on the Borough property across the street on Bay Blvd be cut down so his view is not disturbed/Received July 28, 2011/Received July 28, 2011-Mayor questioned if this was the area that we have already addressed and took care of. Mr. Parlow stated that it was. Mayor stated that he will have to check it out again and see what the problem is.

g) Mary Kistler/Christian Kane/requesting to hold a marriage ceremony on the beach at Jersey City and the Ocean on October 7, 2011 at 12 noon/Received August 2, 2011-Mayor stated that this is after our summer season and is fine.

h) Jersey Shore MultiSport/Christopher Wilcox, Managing Member/requesting clarification regarding the 10% fee for profit organizations/Received August 2, 2011-Mr. Parlow stated that he has already sent a letter to Mr. Wilcox with the clarification.

i) Oceanside One Condominiums/requesting one parking space per unit due to impossible parking during the summer months/Received August 4, 2011-Mayor LaCicero stated that what they are asking for is not available

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council President Zalom stated that on New Jersey Avenue and the Ocean there is a new house there and the driveway is encroaching on the other property.

Councilman Horan stated that was all taken care of already.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that she would like Council to give her any of their suggestions about the Ordinance changes on the issues that have been discussed such as the display of merchandise, no solicitation, smoking on the beaches and the garbage can and lid problems. Once she gets some suggestions she will call a meeting of the Ordinance Committee to discuss possible changes.

Councilman Borowski stated that he received comments from both sides of the fence on the selling of things on the boardwalk. Some parents were appalled that we were not allowing there children to do the shells or lemonade; he state that he also heard from some beachgoers that it is nice not to have them there in the pavilion because now they can sit down and get there beach stuff together.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Lamb stated that he has received a lot of complaints about the balls hitting some houses and windows from the ball field. They really want something to be done about it. We need to get some type of netting on both sides to prevent the balls from entering the roadways.
Councilman Stogdill stated that he has received some complaints also and suggests some type of netting on maybe the Jersey City Ave side and the Baltimore side.

Council President Zalom stated that she gets complaints about the basketball courts not being fenced in.

Councilman Borowski stated that he thought the Little League was going to revamp the snack shack to incorporated bathrooms in there.

Council President Zalom stated that she received a check from Tom Tevlin again thanking us for a wonderful Memorial Day Services. Doug Houser is a resident in town as well as a teacher and he is running the CSI Camp at the school this year. He recently used our bus to take the kids down to the bay and was very appreciative for that.

Mayor LaCicero stated that he has a problem with the big yellow signs about junk cars on our telephone poles.

Mr. George stated that the telephone poles are the property of Lavallette and there should be no signs in the right of way.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that this is why we need to make the ordinance stricter restricting the number of signs that are allowed.

Council President Zalom questioned whether we could just limit the signs to just having town approved signs only.

Mr. George stated that the language is very limited but the submission is permissible. He stated that he will research and let us know.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mayor LaCicero opened the floor to public comments.

Herb Hascher, 1301 Bay Blvd stated that he witnessed a golf cart going up and down the road all weekend and thought we had an ordinance not allowing low speed vehicles in Lavallette.

Mayor LaCicero stated that we do have an ordinance banning the low speed vehicles.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that if Mr. Hascher sees anymore low speed vehicles again he needs to call the police immediately so it gets taken care of right away.

There were no additional comments from the public.

Mayor LaCicero closed the floor to public comment.

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:
There were no comments from the Mayor and Council.

ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Filippone to adjourn the Caucus/Regular Meeting. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Horan. Vote: All of Council was in Favor.

The Caucus/Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 8:15pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, Christopher F. Parlow, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Lavallette, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey does hereby attest these to be a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Caucus/Regular Meeting held on the 8th of August 2011

Christopher F. Parlow
Municipal Clerk