

1 **Council Meeting/Work Session**
2 **Minutes**
3 **March 5, 2012**
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5 *A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, Bergen County,*
6 *New Jersey, was held this evening in the Borough Hall Annex, commencing at 7:30 pm.*

7 Mayor DeSimone called the meeting to order.

8 Mayor DeSimone asked everyone to stand while Council President Knott led in the Pledge
9 of Allegiance.

10 **Council Present:** *Mayor DeSimone, Councilperson; Knott, Choi, Hawkins, Pak,*
11 *Salmon, Whitter*

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13 **Council Absent:** *none*

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15 **Also Present:** *Brian Giblin, Borough Attorney, Fran Lehmann, Borough Clerk,*
16 *Lynn Hemmer, Deputy Borough Clerk Borough, Administrator*
17 *Terhune, CFO Becker*

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20 **Absent:** *none*

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22 **OPEN MEETING STATEMENT**

23 Conditions of the Open Meeting Act have been met by Notice placed on the Bulletin
24 Board at Borough Hall and notices sent to the Official Newspaper.

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26 **APPOINTMENT**

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28 **PRESENTATION**

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30 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

31 No one spoke.
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33 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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35 **Special Council Meeting February 17, 2012** – Councilman Salmon, seconded by
36 Councilman Whitter, made a motion to approve the Minutes of, February 17, 2012. Roll
37 call vote; all in favor none opposed. Minutes approved.

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39 **Council Meeting February 22, 2012** - Councilman Whitter, seconded by Council
40 President Knott, made a motion to approve the Minutes of, February 22, 2012. Roll call
41 vote all in favor none opposed. Minutes approved.
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43 **Closed Session Minutes February 22, 2012** – Councilman Choi made a motion to
44 approve the Closed Session Minutes of February 22, 2012, seconded by Councilman
45 Hawkins. Roll call vote; all in favor none opposed. Minutes approved.

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47 At this point in the Meeting Mayor De Simone explained that Ordinance 05-12 needed to
48 be introduced before the Resolutions could be acted on.

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50 Introduction of Ordinance 05-12 entitled
51 **ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET**
52 **APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK**
53 **(N.J.S.A. 40a:4-45.14)**

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55 **Borough Clerk Read the Ordinance by Title.**

56 A motion was made by Councilperson Hawkins, Seconded by Council President Knott to
57 approve on first reading, Ordinance 05-12

58 Councilman Choi asked for an explanation. Mrs. Becker explained the Ordinance.

59 Councilman Whitter asked what would be considered an emergency. Mr. Terhune
60 explained to all what would constitute an emergency.

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62 **ROLL CALL** Councilperson, Knott, Choi, Hawkins, Pak, Salmon, Whitter voted yes.
63 Ordinance 05-12 introduced.

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65 **RESOLUTIONS**

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67 **Resolution 12-108** – Councilman Hawkins asked for a separate vote 12-108.

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69 **Resolution 12-109** – Councilman Choi asked what was changed from the ones approved
70 previously. Mr. Giblin explained the changes that were made.

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72 **Resolution 12-119** – Council President Knott read a report regarding the 2012 Municipal
73 Budget.

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75 **Resolution 12-122** Councilman Hawkins reported the PBA contract is under the 2% CAP
76 for the next four years. Councilman Hawkins thanked the Committee, Officer Eric Goodell
77 from the Leonia Police Department and Mr. Terhune.

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79 **Resolution 12-116** – Councilman Whitter asked for an explanation. Mrs. Becker explained
80 that this is for funding for some of the ordinances.

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82 **Resolution 12-108** – A motion was made by Council President Knott, Seconded by
83 Councilman Whitter to approve Resolution 12-108. Roll call vote, councilpersons Knott,
84 Choi, Pak, Salmon and Whitter voted yes. Councilman Hawkins abstained. Resolution
85 approved.

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87 **Resolutions 12-109 through 12-123** – A motion was made by Councilman Whitter
88 seconded by Councilman Hawkins to approve the Resolutions. Roll call vote All in favor
89 none opposed. Resolutions approved.

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INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

Introduction of Ordinance 06-12 entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 46 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA, ENTITLED "PERSONNEL POLICIES"

Borough clerk read by Title.

A motion was made by Councilperson Whitter, seconded by Councilperson Hawkins to approve on first reading, Ordinance 06-12

ROLL CALL Councilperson, Knott, Choi, Hawkins, Pak, Salmon, Whitter voted, yes. Ordinance 06-12 introduced.

Introduction of Ordinance 07-12 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A NEW CHAPTER 64 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA TITLED "VOLUNTEER COACHES."

A motion was made by Councilperson Hawkins, seconded by Councilperson Choi to approve on first reading, Ordinance 07-12

ROLL CALL Councilperson, Knott, Choi, Hawkins, Pak, Salmon, Whitter Voted, yes. Ordinance 07-12 introduced.

Introduction of Ordinance 08-12 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 123 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA TITLED "FEES."

A motion was made by Councilperson Hawkins, seconded by Council President Knott to approve on first reading, Ordinance 08-12.

ROLL CALL: Councilperson, Knott, Choi, Hawkins, Pak, Salmon, Whitter voted, yes. Ordinance 08-12 introduced.

Introduction of Ordinance 09-12 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 123 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA TITLED "FEES."

A motion was made by Councilperson Hawkins, seconded by Councilperson Whitter, to approve on first reading, Ordinance 0912

ROLL CALL: Councilperson, Knott, Choi, Hawkins, Pak, Salmon, Whitter Voted, yes. Ordinance 09-12 introduced.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

Adoption of Ordinance 04-12- entitled:

137 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 02-12, SALARIES,**
138 **WAGES AND/OR COMPENSATION AND TO ESTABLISH SALARY &**
139 **WAGE RANGES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND**
140 **PUBLIC SERVANTS OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA, IN THE**
141 **COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE**
142 **YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2012**

143 **Public Hearing**

144 A motion was made by Councilperson Hawkins, seconded by
145 Councilperson Whitter to approve on final reading, Ordinance 04-12

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147 **ROLL CALL:** Councilperson, Knott, Choi, Hawkins, Pak, Salmon, Whitter
148 voted, yes. Ordinance 09-12 introduced.

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150 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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152 **NEW BUSINESS**

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154 **CORRESPONDENCE**

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156 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

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158 Theresa Tietjen, 134 Palisades Avenue – Mrs. Tietjen’s husband reported a car fire on
159 Grand and Fort Lee Road. The dispatcher had no idea where Grand Avenue & Fort Lee
160 Road was. Councilman Hawkins will find out what the response time was.

161 Mrs. Tietjen inquired about the Sima Project. Mr. Giblin explained the hearing was
162 adjourned, as the attorney was ill.

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164 Mayor De Simone thanked the Finance Committee, Mr. Terhune and Mrs. Becker for their
165 work on the 2012 Budget.

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167 **CLOSED SESSION C**

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169 **ADJOURN**

170 Council President Knott made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman
171 Hawkins. All in favor none opposed.

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173 As there was no further business before the Governing Body, the meeting was adjourned at
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177 Respectfully submitted,

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180 Fran Lehmann
181 Borough Clerk