

1 **Council Meeting/Work Session**
2 **Minutes**
3 **April 5, 2010**
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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 7:30pm.*

7 Mayor Heveran called the meeting to order.

8 Mayor Mary Heveran asked everyone to stand while Council President Norgaard led in the
9 Pledge of Allegiance.

10 **Council Present:** *Mayor Heveran, Councilpersons, Norgaard, Brennan, Choi,*
11 *Hawkins, Knott, Raucci*

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13 **Council Absent:** *none*

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15 **Also Present:** *Brian Giblin, Borough Attorney, Jack Terhune, Borough*
16 *Administrator, Fran Lehmann, Borough Clerk*

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18 **Also Absent:** *none*
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20 Mayor Heveran asked for a moment of silence for David Boyd and Eleanor Bell.
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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 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
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28 Danilo Torres – 107 Christie Street – Mr. Torres inquired if there was anything that can be
29 done about the underage smoking on Ray Avenue by the High School. Mr. Giblin
30 explained it is against the law to sell to minors, but it is not illegal for them to smoke.
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32 Roland Weimer – 329 Moore Avenue – Mr. Weimer spoke about the resolutions for the
33 appointments to the Website Committee. Mr. Weimer asked what the Committee’s plan of
34 action would be. Mayor Heveran responded to Mr. Weimer’s questions. Councilman
35 Hawkins also responded to Mr. Weimer’s questions.
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37 **APPOINTMENT**

38 Mayor Heveran appointed Barbara Genese and Doug Salmon to the Mayor’s Website
39 Advisory Committee.
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41 **PRESENTATION**
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43 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

44 Council Meeting Minutes, February 17, 2010 - Council President Norgaard made a
45 motion, seconded by Councilman Choi to approve the minutes of February 17, 2010. All
46 in favor none opposed.

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48 Council Meeting Minutes March 1, 2010 – Council President Norgaard made a motion,
49 seconded by Councilman Choi to approve the minutes of March 1, 2010. Roll call vote
50 Councilpersons Norgaard, Brennan, Choi, Knott and Raucci voted yes; Councilman
51 Hawkins abstained. Minutes approved.

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53 Closed Session Minutes, March 1, 2010 - Council President Norgaard made a motion,
54 seconded by Councilman Choi to approve the Closed Session Minutes of, March 1, 2010.
55 Roll call vote Councilpersons Norgaard, Brennan, Choi, Knott and Raucci voted yes;
56 Councilman Hawkins abstained. Minutes approved.

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58 Council Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2010 – Councilman Hawkins, seconded by
59 Councilman Raucci made a motion to approve the minutes of March 15, 2010. All in favor
60 none opposed.

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62 Closed Session Minutes of March 15, 2010 – Councilman Hawkins, seconded by
63 Councilman Choi made a motion to approve the Closed Session Minutes of March 15,
64 2010. All in favor none opposed.

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66 **RESOLUTIONS**

67 **Resolution 10-139** – Councilman Hawkins requested a separate vote on this resolution.

68 **Resolution 10-143** – Mr. Giblin requested a separate vote on this resolution.

69 **Resolutions 10-130, 10-134 - 10-138; 10-140 – 10-142** – Council President Norgaard,
70 seconded by Councilman Choi made a motion to approve the aforementioned resolutions.
71 All in favor none opposed.

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73 **Resolution 10-139** – Council President Norgaard, seconded by Councilman Raucci made
74 a motion to approve Resolution 10-139. Roll call vote – Councilpersons Norgaard,
75 Brennan, Choi, Knott and Raucci voted yes; Councilman Hawkins abstained because his
76 son works for the pool. Resolution 10-139 approved.

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78 **Resolution 10-143** – Council President Norgaard made a motion to approve Resolution
79 10-143, seconded by Councilman Raucci. All in favor none opposed.

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81 **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE**

82 Introduction of Ordinance 04-10 entitled:

83 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A PORTION OF CHAPTER 290 OF THE**
84 **ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA TITLED “OB OFFICE**
85 **BUILDING ZONE”**

86 **Borough Clerk read the Ordinance by Title**

87 **A motion** was made by Council President Norgaard, seconded by Councilman Raucci to
88 adopt of first reading Ordinance 04-10.

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90 Roll call vote: all in favor none opposed.

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92 Introduction of Ordinance 05-10 entitled:

93 **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA BY**
94 **AMENDING EXISTING SECTION 290-63A**

95 **Borough Clerk read the title.**

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97 **A motion** was made by Council President Norgaard, seconded by Councilman Raucci to
98 adopt of first reading Ordinance 05-10.

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100 Mayor Heveran explained this ordinance will help with the illegal conversions. Mr. Giblin
101 explained the fee structure.

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103 Roll call vote: all in favor none opposed.

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105 **ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE**

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107 Adoption of Ordinance 02-10 entitled

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109 **MUNICIPAL BUDGET COLA INCREASE ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAP**
110 **BANK**

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Borough Clerk read the title
PUBLIC HEARING - no one spoke

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114 **A motion** was made by Council President Norgaard, seconded by Councilman Raucci to
115 approve Ordinance 02-10 on final reading.

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117 **Roll call** vote: all in favor none opposed. Ordinance adopted.

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119 Adoption of Ordinance 03-10 entitled

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121 **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 11-06 AND TO**
122 **ESTABLISH THE POSITION OF TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AND**
123 **TO SET THE SALARY RANGE THEREOF**

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Borough Clerk read the title
PUBLIC HEARING no one spoke

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127 **A motion** was made by Council President Norgaard, seconded by Councilman Raucci to
128 approve Ordinance 03-10.

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130 Councilwoman Brennan requested that someone with EMS background be considered.

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132 **Roll call** vote: all in favor none opposed. Ordinance adopted.

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136 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

137 a) Leonia Website – Councilwoman Brennan stated her questions were answered
138 earlier in the meeting.

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140 **NEW BUSINESS**

141 a) Review of Ordinance Regarding Leaf Blowers – Mayor Heveran explained why
142 this was placed on the agenda. Mayor Heveran asked for the Environmental
143 Commission and Laws and Ordinances to review.

144 b) Fines for Illegal Conversion – Mayor Heveran. The Ordinance was introduced.

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146 c) Solar Panels – Councilman Hawkins would like to have a resolution prepared for
147 the next meeting to be sent to the BPU regarding the request for the Grant
148 Extension for the Solar Panels.

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150 **CORRESPONDENCE**

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152 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

153 Leonel Morales – 189 Grand Avenue – Mr. Morales asked if the tenants in an illegal
154 conversion are left without a place to live, who is responsible. Mr. Giblin explained it is a
155 State Law that the landlord or person responsible for the illegal conversion.

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157 Roland Weimer – 329 Moore Avenue – Asked if the landlord loses the C.O. for an illegal
158 conversion. Mr. Giblin responded to his question.

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160 Leonel Morales – 189 Grand Avenue – Mr. Morales asked if it is true a Senior Citizen may
161 rent a room in their home to a single person. Mr. Giblin explained the State law.

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163 **CLOSED SESSION**

164 Council President Norgaard made a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss Yamato
165 and finance, legal and personnel, seconded by Councilman Raucci. All in favor none
166 opposed.

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168 **ADJOURN**

169 Councilman Hawkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman
170 Choi. All in favor none opposed.

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172 As there was no further business before the Governing Body, the meeting was adjourned at
173 9:16 PM.

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175 Respectfully submitted,

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177 Fran Lehmann
178 Borough Clerk