

1 **Council Meeting/Work Session**
2 **Minutes**
3 **March 2, 2009**

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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*

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8 Mayor Heveran called the meeting to order.

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10 Mayor Mary Heveran asked the assembly to stand as Council President Choi led in the
11 Pledge of Allegiance.

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13 **Council Present:** *Mayor Heveran, Councilpersons, Choi, Hawkins, Norgaard,*
14 *Puzzo, Raspa-Gore, Raucci*

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16 **Council Absent:** *none*

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18 **Also Present:** *Brian Giblin, Borough Attorney, Jack Terhune, Borough*
19 *Administrator Fran Lehmann, Borough Clerk*

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21 **OPEN MEETING STATEMENT**

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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 Mayor Heveran noted the Fire Exit.

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28 **PRESENTATION**

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30 Don Smartt – Mr. Smartt gave an in depth report on the progress of the Economic
31 Development Committee.

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33 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

34 Mr. Steve Hutnick, Historian for the American Legion Post 1, 262 Leonia Avenue – Mr.
35 Hutnick reported that all the fire violations have been addressed. Mr. Hutnick also told
36 the Governing Body of fund raising plans.

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38 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

39 Council Meeting – February 18, 2009 – Councilman Norgaard made a motion to approve
40 the minutes as amended, seconded by Council President Choi. Roll Call vote;
41 Councilpersons Choi, Norgaard, Puzzo, Raspa-Gore and Raucci voted yes. Councilman
42 Hawkins abstained. Minutes approved.

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44 Closed Session – February 18, 2009 – Council President Choi made a motion to approve
45 the Closed Session Minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Raucci. Roll Call

46 vote; Councilpersons Choi, Norgaard, Puzzo, Raspa-Gore and Raucci voted yes.
47 Councilman Hawkins abstained. Minutes approved.

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49 **RESOLUTIONS**

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51 Resolution 09-65 – 09-76 – A motion was made by Councilman Hawkins to approve the
52 Resolutions, seconded by Councilman Norgaard. Roll Call vote; Councilpersons Choi,
53 Hawkins Norgaard, Puzzo, Raspa-Gore and Raucci voted yes. Resolutions approved.

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55 **Introduction of Ordinance**

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Introduction of Ordinance 03-09 entitled:

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 40 OF THE CODE OF THE
BOROUGH OF LEONIA, COUNTY OF BERGEN, ENTITLED “POLICE”**

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Motion made by Council Hawkins, seconded by Council Norgaard to adopt on
61 first reading Ordinance 03-09

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ROLL CALL Councilperson, Choi Hawkins, Norgaard, Puzzo, Raspa-Gore
64 Raucci voted yes. Ordinance 03-09 introduced.

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Adoption of Ordinance

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Adoption of Ordinance 02-09 entitled:

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**AN ORDINANCE TO FIX OR REPORT SALARIES, WAGES, OR
COMPENSATION AND TO ESTABLISH SALARY & WAGE RANGES
OR CERTAIN OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC SERVANTS OF
THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING AND
RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2009 AND AMENDING ORDINANCE
NO. 11-06**

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Public Hearing – no one spoke.

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Motion made by Councilman Norgaard, seconded by Councilman Hawkins to
77 adopt on final reading Ordinance 03-09

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ROLL CALL Councilperson, Choi, Hawkins, Norgaard, Puzzo, Raspa-Gore
79 Raucci voted yes. Ordinance 03-09 adopted

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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a) Linden Terrace and Hawthorne Terrace – Mayor Heveran reviewed the
83 discussion held at the previous meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS

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93 **CORRESPONDENCE**

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95 Mr. Terhune brought to the Governing Body a copy of a Loss Control Report from the
96 Risk Manager. The report noted an observation was conducted of a garbage crew and all
97 members were following the necessary safety precautions.

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99 Councilman Raucci brought the Governing Body up to date on the Lt. Commander
100 McCloy dedication scheduled for April 11, 2009.

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102 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

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104 No comments.

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106 **CLOSED SESSION**

107 A motion was made by Council Norgaard, seconded by Councilman Raucci to go into
108 Closed Session to discuss Budget, Negotiations Police Table of Organization and Fire
109 Prevention. All in favor none opposed

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111 **OPEN SESSION**

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113 **Resolution 09-77** – Councilman Puzzo made a motion, seconded by Councilman Raucci
114 to authorize the Borough Administrator to reduce by one, the number of Fire Officials.
115 All in favor none opposed.

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117 **ADJOURN**

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119 Councilman Norgaard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Raucci. All
120 in favor none opposed.

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122 As there was no further business before the Governing Body, the meeting was adjourned
123 at 8:50PM

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125 Respectfully submitted,

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129 Fran Lehmann

130 Borough Clerk