

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
June 25, 2014**

FLAG SALUTE:

Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis led the flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Tighe called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Rick DePamphilis; Councilman Elliot Beinfest; Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis; Councilman Todd Gordon; Councilman Brian Heun; Councilman Darren Matik; Councilman Ralph Paolone; and Council President Tim Tighe.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, Jr., City Solicitor; Vince Polistina, City Engineer; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING

Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2014 Regular meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

116-2014 A Resolution amending the 2014 Capital Budget

The Clerk read Resolution No. 116 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Paolone motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Resolution No. 116. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

119-2014 A Resolution extending the Agreement between the City of Northfield and the City of Linwood to share a Police Chief/Share Police Chief Services for a period of one year

The Clerk read Resolution No. 119 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Gordon motioned, seconded by Councilman Matik to approve Resolution No. 119. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative and one abstention from Councilman Paolone. Motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Council President Tighe advised that the Mayor has made an appointment to the position of Chief of Police of the Linwood Police Department which requires Council's consent. The Mayor announced that he was not involved in the interview process of the testing for the Chief's position. He thanked Councilmen Matik and Gordon for participating on the committee in his place. The Mayor's selection of the successful candidate was based on the test scores with a recommendation from the committee. The Mayor has appointed Colin Hickey as Chief of Police of the Linwood Police Department. Council President Tighe asked if there is a motion to approve a Resolution consenting to the Mayor's appointment. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Colin Hickey to the position of Chief of Police of the Linwood Police Department. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative and one abstention from Councilman Paolone. Motion was approved.

ORDINANCES

11 OF 2014 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 10 OF 2013, ADOPTED ON JUNE 12, 2013, BY THE CITY OF LINWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, WHICH BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDES FOR VARIOUS SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE CITY OF LINWOOD.

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 11 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Paolone motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Ordinance No. 11 for final reading. Council President Tighe opened the floor for discussion on Ordinance No. 11. Seeing and hearing no members of the public wishing to be heard, Council President Tighe closed the floor. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

12 OF 2014 A BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$638,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SIX HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$606,000) IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF LINWOOD FOR DEMOLITION OF POPLAR AVENUE SCHOOL AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE CITY OF LINWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY.

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 12 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Ordinance No. 12 for final reading. Council President Tighe opened the floor for discussion on Ordinance No. 12. Seeing and hearing no members of the public wishing to be heard, Council President Tighe closed the floor. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

13 OF 2014 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 99 BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LINWOOD AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 13 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilman Heun to approve Ordinance No. 13 on first reading. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

14 OF 2014 A BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NINE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$950,000) IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF LINWOOD FOR GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE CITY OF LINWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY.

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 14 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Paolone motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon to approve Ordinance No. 14 on first reading. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

RESOLUTIONS WITHIN CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under item, **Consent** Agenda, are considered to be routine by City Council, and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. Any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of Funds and any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed separately. All Consent Agenda items will be reflected in full in the minutes.

113-2014 A Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to substitute two mailings in lieu of advertising of the tax sale to be held October 15, 2014

114-2014 A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Settlement Agreement on behalf of the City of Linwood with the Mainland PBA Local No. 77 (Linwood Rank & File)

115-2014 A Resolution authorizing the discharge of treated groundwater into the City Sanitary Sewer system at 114 E. Balfour Avenue

117-2014 A Resolution approving temporary signage for the Alcove Center for Grieving Children and Families

121-2014 A Resolution authorizing an Amendment to the Agreement for a Shared Police Chief/Share Police Chief Services with the City of Northfield

Council President Tighe asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. Resolutions No. 114 and 121 were removed. Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilman Paolone, to approve Resolutions No. 113, 115-117 of 2014. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

The Clerk read Resolution No. 114 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Resolution No. 114. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative and one abstention from Councilman Paolone. Motion was approved.

The Clerk read Resolution No. 121 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilman Beinfest to approve Resolution No. 121. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative and one abstention from Councilman Paolone. Motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$1,022,306.16

Councilman Gordon motioned, seconded by Councilman Paolone, to approve the bills for payment. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved. (The bill list is attached as Exhibit A)

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Council President Tighe opened the floor to the public for discussion on any topic.

Seeing and hearing no members from the public wishing to be heard, Council President Tighe closed the floor.

FINAL REMARKS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor DePamphilis – the Mayor congratulated Colin Hickey noting that he will continue to do a great job.

Councilman Beinfest – Councilman Beinfest also congratulated Colin Hickey.

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis congratulated Colin Hickey and wished him luck.

Councilman Gordon – Councilman Gordon congratulated Colin Hickey and wished him luck.

Councilman Paolone – Councilman Paolone congratulated the 2014 graduating class from Mainland Regional High School.

Councilman Matik – Councilman Matik congratulated Colin Hickey and is looking forward to working with him.

Councilman Heun – Councilman Heun congratulated Colin Hickey and the 2014 graduating class from Belhaven Middle School.

Council President Tighe – Council President Tighe congratulated Colin Hickey and thanked Councilmen Matik and Gordon for their efforts in the process.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilman Gordon motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to adjourn at 6:44 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk