

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
July 8, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Ralph Paolone called the meeting to order at 6:11 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act and reiterated his statement from Caucus Meeting that in light of the Governor's issuance of Executive Order 107, tonight's City Council meeting is being live streamed through Zoom. A notice appeared in the Press of Atlantic City on July 3, 2020 advising the public that tonight's meeting would be live streamed and referred the public to the City's web site that includes information on how to attend the meeting on Zoom.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Darren Matik; Councilwoman June Byrnes; Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis (via live stream); Councilman Eric Ford; Councilman Todd Gordon (via live stream); Councilman Brian Heun; Councilman Matt Levinson (via live stream); and Council President Ralph Paolone.

Absent: None.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING

Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2020 Regular meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

PRESENTATION

Paul J. Miola, Executive Municipal JIF Strategist for the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund reviewed and discussed Linwood's membership and performance in the JIF. (A copy of the presentation is attached as Exhibit B)

ORDINANCES

6 OF 2020 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 41 LAND USE PROCEDURES, ARTICLE IV APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURES 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. 6 of 2020 by title only. Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Byrnes, to approve Ordinance No. 6. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion approved.

7 OF 2020 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 277 ZONING, ARTICLE X USES AND SUPPLEMENTAL STANDARDS 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. 7 of 2020 by title only. Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve Ordinance No. 7. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion approved.

8 OF 2020 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 52 PERSONNEL AND PERSONNEL PROCEDURES, EMPLOYEE MANUAL, 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. 8 of 2020 by title only. Councilwoman Byrnes motioned, seconded by Councilman Ford, to approve Ordinance No. 8. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion approved.

ORDINANCES (continued)

- 9 OF 2020** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 263 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE I GENERAL REGULATIONS, SECTION 263-4, PROHIBITED PARKING; STOPPING OR STANDING; TIME LIMIT PARKING; SNOW EMERGENCIES; VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES 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. 9 of 2020 by title only. Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve Ordinance No. 9. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion approved.

RESOLUTIONS

- 124-2020** A Resolution requesting approval of items of Revenue & Appropriation NJSA 40A: 4-87 with regard to a Clean Communities Grant

The Clerk read Resolution No. 124 of 2020 by title only. Councilman Levinson motioned, seconded by Councilman Heun, to approve Resolution No. 124. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion 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.

- 125-2020** A Resolution approving an amendment to Bingo License No. 2020-04-A for Muckdogs, Inc.
- 126-2020** A Resolution approving an amendment to Raffle License No. 2020-10-A for Muckdogs, Inc.
- 127-2020** A Resolution approving an amendment to Raffle License No. 2020-11-A for Muckdogs, Inc.
- 128-2020** A Resolution approving an amendment to Raffle License No. 2020-12-A for Muckdogs, Inc.
- 129-2020** A Resolution to adopt procedures for Administration and Inspection of Federal Aid Highway Projects
- 130-2020** A Resolution certifying the review of the annual Audit by the Governing Body
- 131-2020** A Resolution authorizing the refund of taxes paid and the cancellation of 2020 taxes due to tax exempt status for Block 150 Lot 2 C1313 located at 550 Central Avenue #M-13 in the City of Linwood
- 132-2020** A Resolution authorizing the issuance of a Raffle License, #2020-22, to Our Lady of Sorrows church
- 133-2020** A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Contract renewing membership in the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
- 134-2020** A Resolution awarding the contract to Trius Inc. for the purchase of two (2) Henke Road Warrior Snow Plows for the City of Linwood under the Sourcewell Cooperative #080818-HEN
- 135-2020** A Resolution approving temporary signage for Relax Massage Heaven
- 136-2020** A Resolution of support from the City of Linwood authorizing the Sustainable Jersey Grant Application

Council President Paolone asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. No items were removed. Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve Resolution No. 125-136 of 2020. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$2,703,440.96

Councilman Heun motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Byrnes, 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 Paolone 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 Paolone closed the floor.

FINAL REMARKS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Matik – The Mayor read a letter from the Governing Body to Chief Hamilton thanking the Police Department. (letter is attached as Exhibit C)

Councilman Gordon – Councilman Gordon thanked the Police Department noting that the letter the Mayor read is spot on.

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis reported that Public Works has been working to put up new signs in the City.

Councilman Levinson – Councilman Levinson announced that the bond sale went very well for the City and again thanked the Police Department.

Councilwoman Byrnes – Councilwoman Byrnes also thanked the Police Department.

Councilman Ford – Councilman Ford reiterated that the Chief and his staff in the Police Department do a great job. At this time with so much political unrest, it is nice there is so much synergy on Council.

Councilman Heun – Councilman Heun echoed the letter to the Police Department. He appreciates all they do.

Council President Paolone – Council President Paolone also thanked the Department.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to adjourn at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk