# LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL CAUCUS MINUTES September 12, 2018

Council President Paolone called the meeting to order at 6:08 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Rick DePamphilis; Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis; Councilman Eric

Ford; Councilman Todd Gordon; Councilman Brian Heun; Councilman Darren

Matik; and Council President Ralph Paolone.

Absent: Councilman Elliot Beinfest.

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, Jr., City Solicitor; Vince Polistina, City Engineer; Jen

Heller, Engineer's Office; Anthony Strazzeri, CFO; Chief Doug Carman, Police Department; Captain John Hamilton, Police Department; and Leigh Ann Napoli,

Municipal Clerk.

# 2. Approval of Minutes Without Formal Reading

Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2018 Caucus meeting without formal reading. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

#### 3. Councilman Beinfest

## A. Neighborhood Services

1. Council President Paolone discussed an Ordinance on the agenda amending Chapter 83, Consumption in Public to allow for the consumption of alcoholic beverages at special municipal or municipal affiliated events. This matter was discussed during the August 22, 2018 Council meeting.

#### 4. Councilman Ford

## A. Planning & Development

- 1. Councilman Ford discussed an Ordinance on the agenda for final reading prohibiting short term rentals. Council President Paolone discussed a letter from a resident opposing the Ordinance. Councilman Heun discussed a letter he received in favor of it. Council President Paolone indicated that the current City Code does prohibit Airbnb's in residential zones as they are commercial activity which is prohibited in all residential zones. Mr. Youngblood indicated that several people have received violation notices by Code Enforcement.
- 2. Councilman Ford advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing the refund of a Construction Permit.
- 3. Councilman Ford advised of a Resolution authorizing a temporary banner for the Linwood Farmers Market.

## 5. Councilman Gordon

## A. Engineering

- 1. Councilman Gordon discussed a Resolution on the agenda to reject the bids for the resurfacing of Bartlett Avenue, et al due to the bids exceeding the budget. Councilman Gordon motioned to add Resolution 184, 2018 to reject the bids for the Baseball Building Renovation because those bids exceeded the budget. Councilman Matik seconded the motion. All present members of Council were in favor of adding Resolution No. 184 to the Regular agenda.
- B. Councilman Gordon advised of a Resolution on the agenda honoring the Linwood 8 year old Allstar Baseball Team.

## 6. Councilman Heun

# A. Public Safety

- 1. Councilman Heun advised of a Resolution on the agenda to reappoint Special Law Enforcement Officer Class III Belford Rivera. Officer Rivera works at the high school.
- 2. Councilman Heun advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing a Separation Agreement with Pamela Kallen.

## 7. Councilman Matik

## A. Revenue & Finance

- 1. Councilman Matik reported that the City was approached regarding the assignment of certain tax liens. There are seven properties in question. After discussion on each property, Council decided not to take any action on the two properties located at 1201 New Road, the property by the pond, and the property by the meadow. They also agreed not to accept any discounted amounts, but will agree to the remaining properties.
- 2. Councilman Matik advised of a Resolution authorizing the cancellation and refund of taxes for 12 Crossing Drive.
- 3. Councilman Matik advised of a Resolution authorizing a refund of a tax overpayment for M-14 Constitution Court.
- 4. Councilman Matik advised of a Resolution authorizing a refund of a tax overpayment for 411 Danielle Drive.
- 5. Councilman Matik discussed of a Resolution to amend the salary resolution for non-contractual employees.

# B. Emergency Management

- 1. Councilman Matik discussed an Ordinance on the agenda amending Chapter 183 Nuisances to add time limits on noise for commercial establishments. The language added will help Police with enforcement.
- 2. Councilman Matik discussed an Ordinance on the agenda amending Chapter 263 Vehicles and Traffic to add snow emergency no parking areas.

## 8. Council President Paolone

## A. Administration

1. Council President Paolone advised of a Resolutions on the agenda authorizing Raffle Licenses to Mainland Performing Arts Parent Organization, Egg Harbor Township Youth Softball, and the Ruth Newman Shapiro Cancer Memorial Fund. There is also one Resolution authorizing a Bingo License to Egg Harbor Township Youth Softball.

## 9. Mr. Youngblood

A. Mr. Youngblood reported that everything has been submitted for final compliance with regard to the terms and conditions of the settlement details with Fair Share Housing.

At 6:24 P.M., Council President Paolone called a recess.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC Municipal Clerk