

LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
CAUCUS MINUTES
September 22, 2021

Councilwoman June Byrnes called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 Darren Matik; Councilwoman June Byrnes; Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis; Councilman Eric Ford; Councilman Todd Gordon; and Councilman Todd Michael.

Absent: Council President Ralph Paolone; and Councilman Matt Levinson.

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, Jr., City Solicitor; Jen Heller, Engineer's Office; Anthony Strazzeri, CFO; Chief Jason Weber, Police Department; Lieutenant Steve Cunningham, Police Department; Lieutenant Austin Martin, Police Department; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

2. Approval of Minutes Without Formal Reading

Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2021 Caucus meeting without formal reading. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

3. Mayor's Report

4. Councilwoman Byrnes

A. Neighborhood Services

1. Councilwoman Byrnes advised of a Resolution on the agenda recognizing October 6, 2021 as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day. This is the second year the City has recognized the day.
2. Councilwoman Byrnes reviewed a Resolution authorizing an Agreement with Atlantic County for the Alliance Grant.

5. Councilwoman DeDomenicis

A. Public Works

1. Councilwoman DeDomenicis advised of an honorary Resolution on the agenda for Tony Hare for twenty-six years of employment with the City.

6. Councilman Ford

A. Planning, Engineering, & Development

1. Councilman Ford discussed an Ordinance on the agenda amending Chapter 277, Zoning, Prohibited Uses to clean up some language.

7. Councilman Gordon

A. Planning, Engineering, & Development

1. Councilman Gordon discussed a Resolution on the agenda awarding a Contract to American Pipe Cleaning for the 2021 Video Inspection & Main Cleaning, Contract No. 34. This is the second phase of this project. The first phase was 64,000 feet. This phase will include 70,000 feet. When the project is completed the information will be in a GIS format and the Engineer will give a presentation on the project.
2. Councilman Gordon advised of a Resolution supporting Application for the NJDOT Safe Routes to School Program. This is to interconnect sidewalks in and around Belhaven School.

8. Councilman Michael

A. Public Safety

1. Councilman Michael discussed a Resolution awarding a Contract to Safeware, Inc. for the purchase of public safety and emergency preparedness equipment. Surveillance cameras

A. Public Safety (continued)

will be installed in the wooded section of the bike path between Patcong and Seaview Avenues. Councilman Ford asked if there have been issues. Councilman Michael explained that the Chief has received a number of complaints. The Police recently spent a lot of time investigating a situation where cameras would have saved time. The Police will monitor the video feed. He explained that the Engineer is also looking into lighting solutions.

9. Council President Paolone

A. Administration

1. Councilwoman Byrnes advised of Resolutions on the agenda authorizing a Raffle License to Mainland Performing Arts Parent Organization and a Bingo License to Contact Cape Atlantic.

At 6:08 P.M., Councilwoman Byrnes called a recess.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk