

LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
CAUCUS MINUTES
December 9, 2020

Council President Ralph Paolone called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act. And read the following statement: In light of the Governor's issuance of Executive Order 107, tonight's City Council meeting is being live streamed through Zoom. Instructions on how to attend the meeting via Zoom are posted on the City's website.

FLAG SALUTE

Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis led the flag salute.

1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Darren Matik; Councilwoman June Byrnes; Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis (via live stream); Councilman Eric Ford (via live stream); 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; Vince Polistina, City Engineer; Anthony Strazzeri, CFO; Lieutenant Steve Cunningham, Police Department; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

2. Approval of Minutes Without Formal Reading

Councilwoman Byrnes motioned, seconded by Councilman Ford, to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2020 Caucus meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

3. Councilwoman Byrnes

A. Neighborhood Services

1. Councilwoman Byrnes discussed a Resolution approving Change Order No. 1-Final with Kupex Exteriors, LLC with regard to the Roof Restoration of the Leedsville Schoolhouse.

4. Councilman Ford

A. Planning & Development

1. Councilman Ford discussed an Ordinance on the agenda for final reading authorizing the purchase of property from the Linwood Volunteer Fire Company. This includes the Fire House property and the parking lot on Wabash Avenue across from Jessie's.
2. Councilman Ford advised of an Ordinance on the agenda for final reading authorizing a Lease Agreement with the Linwood Volunteer Fire Company for the Fire House.
3. Councilman Ford discussed an Ordinance on the agenda for final reading authorizing the acceptance of an Easement from GLB Management, LLC located at 2110 New Road. The City was awarded grant money to extend the bike path through the South Jersey Industries property to The Exchange. The easement allows the City access to a portion of property owned by GLB Management, LLC.
4. Councilman Ford advised of a Resolution authorizing the refund of a dumpster permit.

5. Councilman Heun

A. Public Safety

1. Councilman Heun advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing the advertisement for proposals for EMS services.
2. Councilman Heun advised of a Resolution authorizing the re-appointment of Special Class III Officer Anthony Disciascio. He works at Mainland Regional High School.
3. Councilman Heun discussed a Resolution appointing Jason Weber as Acting Chief of the Linwood Police Department.

- A. Public Safety (continued)
 - 4. Councilman Heun advised of a Resolution appointing Steve Cunningham as Acting Captain of the Linwood Police Department
- 6. Councilman Levinson
 - A. Revenue & Finance
 - 1. Councilman Levinson advised of a Resolution authorizing 2020 budget appropriation transfers
 - 2. Councilman Levinson advised of a Resolution on the agenda canceling appropriation balances.
- 7. Council President Paolone
 - A. Administration
 - 1. Council President Paolone advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing 2021 paid holidays.
 - 2. Council President Paolone advised of a Resolution on the agenda rescinding Resolution No. 184 of 2020.
 - 3. Council President Paolone discussed a Resolution awarding a non-competitive contract to Vanessa James for legal services.
 - 4. Council President Paolone discussed a Resolution scheduling the 2021 Reorganization Meeting. The meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2021.

At 6:11 P.M., Council President Paolone adjourned the Caucus meeting and began the Regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk