

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
January 25, 2017**

FLAG SALUTE:

Councilman Darren Matik led the flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Paolone called the meeting to order at 6:38 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Council President Paolone called for a moment of silence for former Councilman John Brick who recently passed away. Mr. Brick served on Linwood City Council for twelve years, from 1993 to 2004.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Councilman Eric Ford.

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, Jr., City Solicitor; Craig Hurless, Engineer's Office; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING

Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2016 Regular meeting and the January 5, 2017 Reorganization Meeting without formal reading. All present members of Council were in favor. 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.

- 29-2017** A Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Linwood Bike Path Extension – Phase 2 project
- 30-2017** A Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the resurfacing of Bartlett, Van Sant, Marie and Richards Avenues project
- 31-2017** A Resolution authorizing payment of accrued time off to Anne Marie Fox
- 32-2017** A Resolution authorizing the award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract to Willis F. Flower as Planning Board Solicitor
- 33-2017** A Resolution awarding a Non-Competitive Contract for Professional Services to Vincent Polistina as Planning Board Engineer
- 34-2017** A Resolution authorizing the City of Linwood to release unused Planning Board Application Fees with regard to Block 57, Lots 9 & 10 (13 Somers Avenue) and Block 52 Lots 1 & 5 (Belhaven Avenue) in the City of Linwood
- 35-2017** A Resolution confirming the appointment of Talia Preissman to the Linwood Board of Recreation
- 36-2017** A Resolution opposing the proposed Water Quality Management (WQM) Plan Amendment, (Program Interest No. 435445, Activity No. AMD160001), entitled "Poplar Avenue Linwood" (PULLED)

Council President Paolone announced that Resolution No. 36, 2017 was pulled from the agenda. Council President Paolone asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. Nothing was removed. Councilman Gordon motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve Resolutions No. 29-35 of 2017. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$2,542,520.12

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

PRESENTATION: Verizon Wireless

William Flanagan, a Project Manager for Tilson Technologies, addressed City Council on behalf of Verizon Wireless who is seeking the City's consent to locate and operate small network nodes in the public right of way by attaching to existing and new utility poles. Once consent is granted, Verizon will apply for all required permits. City Council agreed to provide consent. A Resolution authorizing same will be on the February 8, 2017 Council agenda.

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

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis commended the efforts of the Public Works Department on the cleanup from the storm.

Councilman Gordon – Councilman Gordon welcomed the new Recreation Board member.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilman Gordon motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to adjourn at 6:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk