

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
February 10, 2016**

**FLAG SALUTE:**

Councilman Todd Gordon led the flag salute.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Councilman Elliot Beinfest called the meeting to order at 6:25 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Councilman Ralph Paolone; and Council President Tim Tighe.

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING**

Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2016 Regular meeting without formal reading. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**41-2016** A Resolution honoring Robert Coffey

The Clerk read Resolution No. 41 of 2016 by title only. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Resolution No. 41. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved. The Mayor and each member of Council congratulated Mr. Coffey.

**43-2016** A Resolution requesting permission for the Dedication by Rider for outside employment of off-duty municipal officers

The Clerk read Resolution No. 43 of 2016 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Matik to approve Resolution No. 43. A roll call vote was heard with five in the affirmative, and Councilman Paolone and Council President Tighe absent. 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.

**38-2016** A Resolution authorizing the issuance of a Raffle License, #2016-02, to Court Appointed Special Advocates CASA for Children of Atlantic and Cape May Counties

**39-2016** A Resolution awarding a Non-Competitive Contract for Professional Services to Scott Hafetz for Insurance Broker Services for employee health benefits

**40-2016** A Resolution awarding the Contract to AE Landscaping for lawn treatment services of City owned properties for the City of Linwood

**42-2016** A Resolution authorizing the refund of funds for an over payment of Uniform Construction Permit Fees for Construction of new home located at 114 Berkshire Avenue

**44-2016** A Resolution rejecting proposals for Emergency Medical Services for the City of Linwood

**45-2016** A Resolution adopting the Atlantic County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Councilman Beinfest asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. Resolution No. 39 was removed. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilman Heun, to approve Resolutions No. 38, 40, 42, 44-45 of 2016. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

The Clerk read Resolution No. 39 of 2016 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon to approve Resolution No. 39. A roll call vote was heard with four in the affirmative, one abstention by Councilman Matik, and Councilman Paolone and Council President Tighe absent. Motion was approved.

**APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$1,582,036.72**

Councilman Heun motioned, seconded by Councilman Matik, to approve the bills for payment. A roll call vote was heard with five in the affirmative and Councilman Paolone and Council President Tighe absent. Motion was approved. (The bill list is attached as Exhibit A)

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Councilman Beinfest opened the floor to the public for discussion on any topic.

Paige Vaccaro 609 Brandywine Court, Linwood

Mrs. Vaccaro indicated that she is currently renting a home in Linwood, but did put an offer on a home to purchase. She read a prepared statement to the governing body regarding the Linwood schools, presented her resume and offered to volunteer on any board or committee of the City.

Bharat Patel, Linwood Smoke Shop, 1201 New Road, St. 129, Linwood

Mr. Patel just opened the Linwood Smoke Shop at the Cornerstone Commerce Center. He requested approval for a temporary sign advertising the opening of the business. All present members of Council were in favor of approving a banner measuring 36"x120" for a period of thirty days.

Seeing and hearing no other members from the public wishing to be heard, Councilman Beinfest closed the floor.

**FINAL REMARKS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

Mayor DePamphilis – The Mayor thanked Mrs. Vaccaro for her input.

Councilman Gordon – Councilman Gordon congratulated Coach Coffey and thanked Mrs. Vaccaro for attending the meeting.

Councilman Matik – Councilman Matik congratulated Coach Coffey. He also thanked Mrs. Vaccaro for attending the meeting. He explained that City Council is working the best they can with regard to taxes. Unfortunately, enrollment in the schools is dropping and teachers are affected. Council is always looking to share services to save money. He discussed the numerous ongoing shared services that Linwood maintains.

Councilman Heun – Councilman Heun also thanked Mrs. Vaccaro for attending the meeting.

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis indicated that tonight's meeting is the kind of meeting she likes where the City gets a new volunteer, a new business, and honors a member of the community who has been a great influence to so many.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Heun, to adjourn at 6:44 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC  
Municipal Clerk