

LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
CAUCUS MINUTES
February 27, 2013

Council President Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:09 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; Councilman Elliot Beinfest; Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis; Councilman Todd Gordon; Councilman Darren Matik; Councilman Tim Tighe; and Council President Donna Taylor.

Absent: Councilman Ralph Paolone.

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, City Solicitor; Steve Mazur, Dixon Associates; Hank Kolakowski, Superintendent of Public Works; Chief Robert James, Police Department; Chief Chick Kisby, Fire Department; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

2. Approval of Minutes Without Formal Reading

Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2013 Caucus meeting, without formal reading. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

3. Mayor's Report

A. The Mayor reported that a Resolution is on the agenda confirming his appointment of Stacey Venneman to the Recreation Board.

B. A Resolution is on the agenda honoring Tim Glenn for his award from the Linwood Education Foundation.

4. Councilwoman DeDomenicis

A. Public Works

1. Councilwoman DeDomenicis pulled from the agenda the Resolution awarding a Contract to Bishop Mechanical Services for HVAC services.

2. Councilwoman DeDomenicis advised of a Resolution authorizing submission of a Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Application.

5. Councilman Gordon

A. Engineering

1. Councilman Gordon discussed a Resolution requesting Atlantic City Electric to relocate one street light pole at 334 Ocean Heights Avenue.

6. Councilman Matik

A. Public Safety

1. Councilman Matik advised that Ordinance No. 2 has been amended to include additional language that makes it clear the City is not preventing the use of sports equipment in the streets, but only provides a mechanism for enforcement during times of snow removal, trash pick-up, and a state of emergency. Due to the additional language, the Ordinance must be re-introduced.

7. Councilman Paolone

A. Revenue & Finance

1. Councilman Matik advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing a refund of taxes for Block 70, Lot 4 located at 209 E. Berkshire Avenue.

2. The salary Ordinance is on the agenda for final reading. The Ordinance provides for ranges only.

3. Councilman Matik discussed a Resolution on the agenda amending Resolution No. 6 of 2013 setting a services charge for checks returned for insufficient funds. The amendment provides for additional reasons for returned checks.
 4. Councilman Matik advised of an Ordinance on the agenda authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Utilities Authority for the collection of solid waste.
8. Councilman Tighe
 - A. Planning & Development
 1. Councilman Tighe advised that Mr. Youngblood reviewed the City Code for unsafe structures and the Construction Official is appropriately designated.
9. Council President Taylor
 - A. Administration
 1. Council President Taylor advised of an Ordinance on the agenda amending fees for municipal court discovery to remain consistent with the State's fees.

At 6:15 P.M., Council President Taylor called a recess.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk