

LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
CAUCUS MINUTES
March 14, 2018

Council President Paolone called the meeting to order at 6:06 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 Eric Ford; Councilman Todd Gordon; Councilman Brian Heun; Councilman Darren Matik; and Council President Ralph Paolone.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, Jr., City Solicitor; Vince Polistina, City Engineer; Anthony Strazzeri, CFO; Chief Doug Carman, Police Department; Captain John Hamilton, Police Department; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

2. Approval of Minutes Without Formal Reading

Councilman Heun motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2018 Caucus meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

3. Mayor DePamphilis

A. The Mayor advised that he would like to appoint Ronald Bradly to the Recreation Board to fill a vacancy and asked for Council's confirmation. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilman Heun, to add a Resolution to the agenda confirming said appointment. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

B. The Mayor reported that he attended and participated in the ribbon cutting ceremony of AtlantiCare's new offices on the second floor of The Exchange. He believes it is a nice addition to Linwood and wishes them much success.

4. Councilman Ford

A. Planning & Development

1. Councilman Ford reported that at the last Council meeting, discussion was had on combining the Planning & Zoning Boards. There was an Ordinance prepared regarding this matter and he asked that all Council members review it for introduction at the next Council meeting. Council President Paolone asked if anyone had any objections to it. No comments were made.

2. Councilman Ford advised of a Resolution on the agenda adopting the Atlantic Cape Multi-Jurisdictional Program.

3. Councilman Ford advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing the release of unused Planning Board application fees for 2 Gail Avenue.

4. Councilman Ford advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing a temporary banner for the Farmers Market on Shore Road.

5. Councilman Ford and Councilman Gordon met with Jim Rutala regarding the list of properties for potential Blue Acres funding. They advised Mr. Rutala which properties will meet the City's criteria and put together a game plan for tackling the issue. It would be a nice corridor along the Patcong Creek.

5. Councilman Gordon

A. Engineering

1. Councilman Gordon advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with the ACIA for 2015-2017 CDBG funds. The City has been working on installing ADA improvements throughout the City.

2. Councilman Gordon advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing a grant application to the ACIA for 2018 CDBG funds. The ACIA will allow the City to consolidate the funds if needed.

3. Councilman Gordon discussed a Resolution on the agenda awarding a Contract to William McLees Architecture, LLC for designs to rehabilitate the buildings at All Wars Memorial Park. They will work on a master plan of the park and focus the attention to determine the high and best use of the buildings.
 4. Mr. Polistina reported that the concrete work is ongoing and the paving will begin in another week.
 5. Mr. Polistina reported that the City received another DOT grant for roadway improvements. Council President Paolone discussed the paving the City did in conjunction with the gas company's projects. The streets in Linwood are all recently paved full width and look much better than the streets in other municipalities where the gas company only paved half width.
6. Councilman Matik
- A. Revenue & Finance
 1. Councilman Matik advised that the budget is on the agenda for introduction tonight.
 2. Councilman Matik advised that the salary Resolution for non-contractual employees is on the agenda.
 3. Councilman Matik discussed the Ordinance on the agenda to exceed the CAP.
 4. Councilman Matik discussed a Resolution on the agenda certifying compliance with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's guidelines.
7. Council President Paolone
- A. Administration
 1. Council President Paolone advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing a Bingo License to Linwood Nursey School.
 2. Council President Paolone advised of a Resolution on the agenda honoring Alyssa Aldridge.

At 6:17 P.M., Council President Paolone called a recess.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk