

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
March 19, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council President Ralph Paolone called the meeting to order at 5:08 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

**FLAG SALUTE:**

Councilwoman June Byrnes led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Darren Matik; Councilwoman June Byrnes; Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis; Councilman Eric Ford; Councilman Todd Gordon (via live stream); Councilman Matt Levinson; and Council President Ralph Paolone (via live stream).

Absent: None

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

**RESOLUTIONS**

Council President Paolone announced that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:16-11, the Municipal Vacancy Law, the Republican Committee submitted to City Council three nominees for consideration to fill the vacancy created by Brian Heun for Council Member, Ward 2. The nominees were Junetta Dix, Karen Garcia, and Todd Michael. A roll call vote was heard with five members for Todd Michael and Councilman Ford for Karen Garcia.

**65-2021** A Resolution to fill the Vacancy on Linwood City Council created by the resignation of Brian Heun

The Clerk read Resolution No. 65 of 2021 by title only. Councilman Levinson motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Byrnes to approve Resolution No. 65 appointing Todd Michael to Council Member, Ward 2 for the City of Linwood. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

**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**

Mayor Matik – The Mayor congratulated Todd Michael.

Councilwoman Byrnes – Councilwoman Byrnes congratulated Todd Michael and is looking forward to working with him.

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis welcomed Todd Michael to City Council.

Councilman Gordon – Councilman Gordon also looks forward to working with Todd Michael. He thanked the other nominees for their commitment and for wanting to get involved.

Councilman Ford – Councilman Ford congratulated Todd Michael. Linwood is lucky enough to have three very good candidates. All three are fabulous and would have been a good fit on Council.

Councilman Levinson – Councilman Levinson thanked all three nominees for putting their names forward. It is not an easy job. He is happy that people want to do it. He congratulated Todd Michael and is looking forward to working with him. He thanked Councilwomen Byrnes and DeDomenicis, and Councilman Ford for their efforts in the process.

Council President Paolone – Council President Paolone congratulated Todd Michael and is looking forward to working with him.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilman Levinson, to adjourn at 5:13 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC  
Municipal Clerk