

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
July 9, 2014**

FLAG SALUTE:

Councilman Ralph Paolone led the flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Tighe called the meeting to order at 6:15 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; Councilman Darren Matik; Councilman Ralph Paolone; and Council President Tim Tighe.

Absent: None.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING

Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2014 Regular meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

PRESENTATION

118-2014 A Resolution honoring the Mainland Regional High School Baseball Team

The Clerk read Resolution No. 118 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Paolone motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon to approve Resolution No. 118. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved. The Mayor and each member of Council congratulated the team.

Swearing In – Chief Colin F. Hickey, Linwood Police Department

Mayor DePamphilis administered the Oath of Office to Police Chief Colin F. Hickey.

Paul Forlenza, Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

Mr. Forlenza discussed the renewal process for the City's membership in the Atlantic County Municipal Insurance Fund and provided a program update for same (Attached as Exhibit B).

ORDINANCES

10 OF 2014 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 277 ZONING, ARTICLE IV ZONING MAP, SECTION 277-5 BOUNDARIES OF ZONES ESTABLISHED OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LINWOOD AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 10 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Gordon motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Ordinance No. 10 for final reading. Council President Tighe opened the floor for discussion on Ordinance No. 10. Seeing and hearing no members of the public wishing to be heard, Council President Tighe closed the floor. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

13 OF 2014 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 99 BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LINWOOD AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 13 of 2014 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon to approve Ordinance No. 13 for final reading. Council President Tighe opened the floor for discussion on Ordinance No. 13. Seeing and hearing no members of the public wishing to be heard, Council President Tighe closed the floor. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

- 14 OF 2014** A BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NINE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$950,000) IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF LINWOOD FOR GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE CITY OF LINWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY.

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 14 of 2014 by title only. Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Ordinance No. 14 for final reading. Council President Tighe opened the floor for discussion on Ordinance No. 14. Seeing and hearing no members of the public wishing to be heard, Council President Tighe closed the floor. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. 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.

- 122-2014** A Resolution approving a limited waiver of the Attorney Client Privilege
- 123-2014** A Resolution encouraging the Boards of Education of Mainland Regional High School, Somers Point, Linwood, and Northfield to thoroughly examine an opportunity for a shared service which has presented itself as a result of the fact that Somers Point currently has an Interim Superintendent and the Superintendents of Mainland Regional High School, Linwood and Northfield have announced their intent to retire; and to schedule a joint meeting to receive public comment on such a proposal
- 124-2014** A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Contract renewing membership in the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
- 126-2014** A Resolution awarding the Contract to Calmar Associates, LLC for the removal of an underground storage tank located at 23 Elm Avenue in the City of Linwood

Council President Tighe asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. Nothing was removed. Councilman Tighe announced that Resolution No. 127 referring a Street Vacation Application for a portion of Belhaven Avenue to the Linwood Planning Board was unanimously approved at the Caucus meeting to be included on the regular agenda. Councilman Heun motioned, seconded by Councilman Beinfest, to approve Resolutions No. 122-124 and 126-127 of 2014. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$2,597,217.61

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

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Council President Tighe 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 Tighe closed the floor.

FINAL REMARKS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor DePamphilis – the Mayor reminded everyone of the Hi Neighbor Hop on Friday, July 11 at 7:00 at the Linwood Country Club.

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis announced that this Sunday, July 13 is the Alcove Center’s annual event at Memorial Park from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. There is also a garden tour on Sunday beginning at the Linwood Arboretum at 11:00 a.m.

Councilman Gordon – Councilman Gordon announced the Historical Society’s city wide yard sale on Saturday, July 19.

Councilman Matik – Councilman Matik discussed the paving project along Woodlyne Boulevard.

Councilman Heun – Councilman Heun noticed a lot of kids and families walking and riding bikes through the City and reminded everyone to drive safely.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilman Paolone motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to adjourn at 6:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk