

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
August 11, 2010**

FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor for the Day, Mary Ellen Cetrone, led the flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:09 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 Matt Levinson; Councilman Alex Marino; Councilman Ralph Paolone; Councilman Tim Tighe; and Council President Donna Taylor.

Absent: None.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING

Councilman Levinson motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2010 regular meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

PRESENTATION:

The Mayor introduced Mary Ellen Cetrone as the Mayor for the Day, as a result of an auction item at the Linwood Education Foundation's Annual Gala for Education. Ms. Cetrone read a prepared speech thanking the Mayor, Council and City employees for allowing her to participate as Mayor for the Day.

ORDINANCES

11 OF 2010 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 140 FEES, ARTICLE II FEES FOR COPIES OF PUBLIC RECORDS 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. 11 of 2010 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Levinson to approve Ordinance No. 11 for final reading. Council President Taylor opened the floor for discussion on Ordinance No. 11. Seeing and hearing no members of the public wishing to be heard, Council President Taylor closed the floor. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

12 OF 2010 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 20, 2004 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE PRUDENTIAL AND BLOOM SITES IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT AND APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THOSE AREAS AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 12 of 2010 by title only. Councilman Tighe motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Ordinance No. 12 for first reading. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative and Councilman Paolone in the negative. 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.

134-2010 A Resolution funding the preservation of the Leedsville Schoolhouse in the City of Linwood

- 135-2010** A Resolution authorizing the issuance of a Raffle License, #2010-05, to the EHT Home and School Association
- 136-2010** A Resolution confirming a Mayoral appointment to the Linwood Environmental Commission
- 137-2010** A Resolution authorizing an Escrow Refund with regard to a Linwood Road Opening Permit
- 138-2010** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with Teamsters Local #331, Blue Collar Employees

Council President Taylor asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. Nothing was removed. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Marino, to approve Resolutions No. 134-138 of 2010. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$2,255,942.26

Councilman Paolone motioned, seconded by Councilman Marino, 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 Taylor opened the floor to the public for discussion on any topic.

Larry Lhulier, 1300 Woodlynne Boulevard, Linwood

As Chairman of the Linwood Planning Board, Mr. Lhulier questioned the introduction of Ordinance number 12 and when it becomes officially referred to the Planning Board. Mr. Youngblood advised that the Ordinance is referred automatically upon introduction. Mr. Lhulier questioned the time line of the Planning Board. Mr. Youngblood advised that the Board has forty five days to forward their recommendations to Council. Mr. Lhulier advised that the Board would like to hold a special meeting on the matter as well as have the Zoning Board review the documents. They will need time to review the documents completely and compare them to the old agreement as well as the reexamination of the Master Plan. He feels forty five days from now is a tight schedule. Councilman Marino agrees that forty five days is a short time period. However, this is just the beginning of the process. Seeing and hearing no other members from the public wishing to be heard, Council President Taylor closed the floor.

FINAL REMARKS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor DePamphilis – The Mayor thanked Mary Ellen Cetrone for attending the meeting.

Councilman Beinfest – Councilman Beinfest thanked Ms. Cetrone and hopes that everyone enjoys the rest of their summer.

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis thanked Ms. Cetrone and her family for attending the meeting.

Councilman Marino – Councilman Marino thanked Ms. Cetrone for being Mayor for the Day and thanked her and her family for attending the meeting.

Councilman Paolone – Councilman Paolone congratulated Ms. Cetrone as Mayor for the Day. He also indicated that it is not a bad thing that Council disagrees. That's why we have a democracy.

Councilman Levinson – Councilman Levinson congratulated Ms. Cetrone noting that she did a good job. He agrees with Councilman Paolone that there is just a disagreement on the process. They are all on the same page for what they want to happen.

Councilman Tighe – Councilman Tighe thanked Mayor for the Day Cetrone. The Linwood League Team is doing very well and advised that this is the furthest a team has gone. Councilman Tighe witnessed a fire call and was very pleased to see the company's response as well as being impressed by how Mr. Kisby handled the situation. Councilman Tighe agrees with Councilman Levinson that everyone is concerned with the project. He does not think the Ordinance will be adopted on September 22. The process may take a while and may have to be re-introduced. It is important to get the issue out to the public.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilman Marino motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to adjourn at 7:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk