

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
August 12, 2015**

FLAG SALUTE:

Councilman Ralph Paolone led the flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Tim Tighe called the meeting to order at 6:34 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; Vincent Polistina, City Engineer; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING

Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2015 Regular meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

SWEARING IN

The Mayor administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant Steve Cunningham. Chief Carman commended Sergeant Cunningham and each member of Council extended their congratulations.

ORDINANCE

8 OF 2015 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. 8 of 2015 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon to table Ordinance No. 8. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

9 OF 2015 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 83 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, SECTION 83-9, PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES FEE, 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. 9 of 2015 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Paolone to approve Ordinance No. 9 for first reading. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative and one abstention by Councilman Matik. Motion was approved.

10 OF 2015 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1 of 2015, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AND ESTABLISHING SALARIES, COMPENSATIONS AND SALARY RANGES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES 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 2015 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Paolone to approve Ordinance No. 10 for first reading. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. Motion was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

129-2015 A Resolution authorizing the City of Linwood to advertise for bids for a Linwood liquor license

The Clerk read Resolution No. 129 of 2015 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Beinfest to approve Resolution No. 129. A roll call vote was heard with five in the affirmative, Councilman Paolone in the negative, and one abstention by Councilman Matik. Motion was approved.

135-2015 A Resolution awarding the Contract to Arawak Paving Company for the Woodlynne Boulevard Resurfacing Project

The Clerk read Resolution No. 135 of 2015 by title only. Councilman Gordon motioned, seconded by Councilman Paolone to approve Resolution No. 135. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative and one abstention by Councilman Matik. 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.

126-2015 A Resolution honoring Arthur Amonette on retirement

131-2015 A Resolution authorizing the issuance of a Raffle License #2015-11 to the ARC of Atlantic County

132-2015 A Resolution authorizing membership in an Atlantic County Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement with Participating Units

134-2015 A Resolution authorizing an Alliance Agreement with the County of Atlantic for a Drug Abuse and Alcohol Education and Prevention Program

Council President Tighe asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. Nothing was removed. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve Resolutions No. 126, 131-132 and 134 of 2015. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$2,554,042.61

Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Matik, 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.

Stan Turner 1551 Woodlynne Boulevard, Linwood

Mr. Turner discussed the new ordinance prohibiting left hand turns from Patcong Avenue to Shore Road during school hours. He believes that most traffic will turn right on Shore and left on Patcong to Woodlynne Boulevard. He discussed the location of the stop sign and the design of the intersection noting that most cars do not stop and have trouble seeing oncoming traffic. Councilman Gordon advised that the Engineer will inspect the intersection as a part of the upcoming Woodlynne Boulevard resurfacing project and could make possible recommendations to correct the issues.

Seeing and hearing no other members from the public wishing to be heard, Council President Tighe closed the floor.

CLOSED SESSION

The Clerk read Resolution No. 133 of 2015 by title only. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to approve Resolution No. 133. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative and Councilman Paolone absent. Motion was approved.

133-2015 A Resolution closing the meeting of August 12, 2015 for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter for the employment of a prospective employee

The meeting was closed at 6:57 p.m. and reopened at 7:21 p.m.

FINAL REMARKS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

No comments

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilman Beinfest, to adjourn at 7:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk