

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
September 13, 2017**

FLAG SALUTE:

Councilman Darren Matik led the flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Ralph Paolone called the meeting to order at 6:21 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; and Council President Ralph Paolone.

Absent: Councilman Eric Ford.

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, Jr., City Solicitor; Vince 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 August 9, 2017 Regular meeting without formal reading. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

142-2017 A Resolution honoring Kylee Watson

The Clerk read Resolution No. 142, 2017 by title only. Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve Resolution No. 142 of 2017. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved. The Mayor and each member of Council congratulated Kylee Watson.

HEARING

Hardship Exception from Road Opening Moratorium
Block 14, Lot 6
15 E. Ocean Heights Avenue
Randy Homes, LLC

Council President Ralph Paolone opened the floor for discussion on the Hardship Exception from Road Opening Moratorium. Seeing and hearing no members from the public wishing to be heard, Council President Paolone closed the floor.

148-2017 A Resolution approving a request for a hardship exception from Road Opening Moratorium for Block 14, Lot 6 located at 15 E. Ocean Heights Avenue in the City of Linwood

The Clerk read Resolution No. 148, 2017 by title only. Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilman Heun, to approve Resolution No. 148 of 2017. A roll call vote was heard with four in the affirmative, two abstentions by Councilmen Gordon and Matik, and Councilman Ford absent. 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.

143-2017 A Resolution authorizing the hiring of Arnaldo Lopez as a Part Time School Crossing Guard for the City of Linwood

144-2017 A Resolution authorizing the hiring of Yahaira Hidalgo, Michaela Romano, and Brenda Mucciarone as Substitute School Crossing Guards for the City of Linwood

145-2017 A Resolution closing the meeting of September 13, 2017

RESOLUTIONS WITHIN CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- 146-2017** A Resolution approving the application of Berlin Road Investments, LLC for renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0114-33-001-003 for 2016-2017 and 2017-2018
- 147-2017** A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Separation Agreement with Douglas F. Carman
- 149-2017** A Resolution authorizing the refund of a Tax Overpayment of the 2017 3rd Quarter Tax Payment made for Block 81, Lot 2 located at 1011 Bartlett Avenue in the City of Linwood
- 150-2017** A Resolution authorizing the refund of a Tax Overpayment of the 2017 3rd Quarter Tax Payment made for Block 2, Lot 13.03 located at 505 Kirklin Avenue in the City of Linwood
- 151-2017** A Resolution authorizing the refund of a Tax Overpayment of the 2017 3rd Quarter Tax Payment made for Block 131, Lot 6 located at 300 W. Davis Avenue in the City of Linwood
- 152-2017** A Resolution authorizing the Partial Release of Surety with regard to Block 6 Lot 24 (2110 New Road) in the City of Linwood
- 153-2017** A Resolution authorizing the refund of a Tax Overpayment of 2017 1st & 2nd Quarter Tax Payments made for Block 150, Lot 2 C1302, located at M-2 Constitution Court in the City of Linwood
- 154-2017** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Deed from the City of Linwood to the City of Linwood for Block 1, Lot 49.01 in the City of Linwood
- 155-2017** A Resolution authorizing the hiring of Belford Rivera as a Special Law Enforcement Officer Class III for the City of Linwood

Council President Paolone asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. Resolution No. 146 was removed. Councilman Heun motioned, seconded by Councilman Beinfest, to approve Resolutions No. 143-145, 147, 149-155 of 2017. All present members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

The Clerk read Resolution No. 146 of 2017 by title only. Councilman Heun motioned, seconded by Councilman Gordon, to approve Resolution No. 146 of 2017. A roll call vote was heard with five in the affirmative, one abstention by Councilman Matik, and Councilman Ford absent. Motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$1,405,707.52

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

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

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis announced that the Farmer’s Market will reopen this Saturday for the Fall season.

Councilman Heun – Councilman Heun reminded everyone that school is open and to watch for kids crossing the streets.

CLOSED SESSION

City Council approved Resolution No. 145 to close the meeting to discuss threatened litigation. Councilman Heun motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis to close the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION (continued)

At 7:03 p.m., the meeting was opened.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilman Heun, to adjourn at 7:03 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk