

LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
CAUCUS MINUTES
September 27, 2023

Council President Eric Ford called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Darren Matik; Councilwoman Blair Albright; Councilwoman June Byrnes; Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis; Councilman Matt Levinson; Councilman Todd Michael; Councilman Adam Walcoff; and Council President Eric Ford.

Absent: None

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, Jr., City Solicitor; Jen Heller, Engineer's Office; Lieutenant Chet Brown, Police Department; Lieutenant Austin Martin, Police Department; Anthony Strazzeri, CFO; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

2. Approval of Minutes Without Formal Reading

Councilwoman Byrnes motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Albright, to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2023 Caucus meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

3. Mayor's Report

1. The Mayor announced his appointment of Suzanne Marino to the Library Board.

4. Councilwoman Albright

A. Planning, Engineering, & Development

1. Councilwoman Albright discussed a Resolution authorizing supporting submission of application for the NJDOT Safe Routes to School Program for pedestrian improvements to the schools including sidewalks, crosswalks, and pedestrian beacons.
2. Councilwoman Albright reviewed an Ordinance on the agenda for final reading amending Chapter 263 Vehicles and Traffic to add a stop sign on Maple Avenue.
3. Councilwoman Albright advised of a Resolution approving temporary signage for Twist Pretzel & Ice Cream.

5. Councilwoman Byrnes

A. Neighborhood Services

1. Councilwoman Byrnes discussed an Ordinance on the agenda for first reading amending Chapter 197 park and Recreation. This includes operation hours of the park and prohibiting certain vehicles and bikes in the park.
2. Councilwoman Byrnes advised of a Resolution on the agenda authorizing an Alcoholic Beverage Permit for the Linwood Board of Recreation Fall Festival.
3. Councilwoman Byrnes advised of a Resolution on the agenda recognizing October 6, 2023 as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day.

6. Councilwoman DeDomenicis

A. Public Works

1. Councilwoman DeDomenicis discussed an Ordinance on the agenda for first reading authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Utilities Authority for Solid Waste Collection.
2. Councilwoman DeDomenicis advised of Resolutions on the agenda hiring Kenneth Brummett and Ryan Diefenbeck as Laborers in the Public Works Department. The positions were advertised and interviews were held. Council President Ford agrees they will both be assets to the Department.

7. Council President Ford

A. Administration

1. Council President Ford advised of a Resolution on the agenda honoring the U10 Mainland Baseball District Team.
2. Council President Ford advised of Resolutions authorizing a Bingo License and Raffle Licenses to Contact Cape Atlantic.

At 6:08 P.M., Council President Ford called a recess.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk