

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
October 23, 2013**

FLAG SALUTE:

Councilwoman Stacy DeDomenicis led the flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:28 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 Darren Matik; Councilman Ralph Paolone; Councilman Tim Tighe; and Council President Donna Taylor.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Joseph L. Youngblood, City Solicitor; Steve Mazur, Dixon Associates; 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 October 9, 2013 Regular meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

142-2013 A Resolution honoring William R. Irwin

The Clerk read Resolution No. 142 of 2013 by title only. Councilman Paolone motioned, seconded by Councilman Tighe, to approve Resolution No. 142. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved. Councilwoman DeDomenicis presented the Resolution to Mr. Irwin.

143-2013 A Resolution honoring Christine A. Desch

The Clerk read Resolution No. 143 of 2013 by title only. Councilman Paolone motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve Resolution No. 143. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved. Councilman Paolone presented the Resolution to Mrs. Desch.

144-2013 A Resolution honoring Joseph P. Olden

The Clerk read Resolution No. 144 of 2013 by title only. Councilman Tighe motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, to approve Resolution No. 144. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved. Councilwoman DeDomenicis presented the Resolution to Mr. Olden.

145-2013 A Resolution honoring Harold T. Hannum, Jr.

The Clerk read Resolution No. 145 of 2013 by title only. Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilman Tighe, to approve Resolution No. 145. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved. Council President Taylor advised that as Mr. Hannum was not in attendance, the Resolution will be presented to him at a future meeting.

The Mayor and each member of Council thanked and congratulated Mr. Irwin, Mrs. Desch, and Mr. Olden. Mr. Kolakowski also thanked and congratulated the employees.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$954,588.38

Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilwoman DeDomenicis, 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.

Kevin Lajiness 104 Garfield Avenue, Linwood

Mr. Lajiness congratulated the employees on their awards, noting that the Public Works employees are great guys. He would like to have solar panels installed on his garage roof to help reduce energy costs. The roof on his home has a pitch that would prove difficult for the panels. He asked why solar panels are only allowed to be installed on the primary structure. Councilman Tighe confirmed and explained why solar panels are only allowed on primary

roof structures. He believes that Mr. Lajiness's situation is unique as his garage faces Hartshorne Park and the panels would not affect the neighbors or the public. He advised Mr. Lajiness to apply to the Zoning Board for a variance. Mr. Lajiness asked about a Resolution on a previous Council agenda regarding an application to the County for the diversion of parkland. Mr. Mazur advised that the application was a requirement from Green Acres as part of the diversion process with regard to the Seaview School parking lot. Mr. Lajiness asked if this would change the alignment of the driveway to Garfield Avenue. Mr. Mazur confirmed that Green Acres does want the driveway realigned across from Garfield Avenue. Mr. Lajiness indicated that neither he nor his neighbors are in favor of the realignment.

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

Councilman Beinfest – Councilman Beinfest reminded everyone that the Halloween Parade is this Sunday, October 27 beginning at 5:00 pm. He also announced that the Historical Society is hosting a guest speaker on the Marine Corp for Veteran's Day, November 11 at the Library.

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis announced that the fall leaf program begins this Monday.

Councilman Matik – Councilman Matik announced that Halloween trick-or-treating is 6:00 to 8:00 pm and asked everyone to be careful.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilman Matik motioned, seconded by Councilman Paolone, to adjourn at 6:54 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk