

**LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
October 25, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council President Eric Ford called the meeting to order at 6:15 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

**FLAG SALUTE:**

Councilman Todd Michael led the flag salute.

**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; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING**

Councilwoman Albright motioned, seconded by Councilman Michael, to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2023 Regular meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor with one abstention from Councilman Walcoff. Motion was approved.

**ORDINANCES**

**11 OF 2023** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 277, ZONING, ARTICLE VI SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL ZONES, SECTION 17.01 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LINWOOD AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED, THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT THEREWITH.

The City Clerk read Ordinance No. 11 of 2023 by title only. Councilwoman Albright motioned, seconded by Councilman Michael, to approve Ordinance No. 11 for first reading. A roll call vote was heard with seven in the affirmative. 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.

- 157-2023** A Resolution authorizing the refund of a Disabled Veteran 2023 tax payments for Block 102, Lot 6 located at 228 Van Sant Avenue in the City of Linwood
- 158-2023** A Resolution authorizing the placement of a lien on Block 16.01, lot 9 (2254 Shore Road) in accordance with Chapter 99, Section 3 of the Code of the City of Linwood
- 159-2023** A Resolution authorizing submission of a Grant Application for the Linwood Municipal Alliance Grant for FY 2025
- 160-2023** A Resolution authorizing the hiring of Kyle Reitzel as a Laborer in the City of Linwood Public Works Department
- 161-2023** A Resolution authorizing the City of Linwood to advertise for bids for Lawn Maintenance Services for the City of Linwood
- 162-2023** A Resolution authorizing the City of Linwood to advertise for bids for Snow Removal Services for the City of Linwood
- 163-2023** A Resolution authorizing the issuance of a Raffle License, #2023-30, to Mainland Performing Arts Parent Organization

### **RESOLUTIONS WITHIN CONSENT AGENDA (continued)**

Council President Ford asked if any member of Council would like to remove any other items from consent. Councilwoman DeDomenicis removed Resolution 160 of 2023. No other items were removed. Councilman Levinson motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Albright, to approve Resolutions No. 157-159 and 161-163 of 2023. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

The City Clerk read Resolution No. 160 of 2023 by title only. Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Albright, to approve Resolution No. 160. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

### **APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: \$2,657,286.44**

Councilwoman Byrnes motioned, seconded by Councilman Walcoff, to approve the bills for payment. A roll call vote was heard with six in the affirmative, and one abstention from Councilwoman Albright. Motion was approved. (The bill list is attached as Exhibit A)

### **MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Council President Ford 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 Ford closed the floor.

### **FINAL REMARKS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

Mayor Matik – The Mayor welcomed Kyle Reitzel as a new employee with the City of Linwood. He commended the Recreation Board and Park Director on a great Fall Fest.

Councilman Michael – Councilman Michael welcomed Mr. Reitzel and is looking forward to working with him. Councilman Michael has been seeing the new Special Class II Officers at the schools and interacting with the students. He believes they are making a very positive impact in the community.

Councilman Walcoff – Councilman Walcoff welcomed Mr. Reitzel and echoed the Mayors comments about the Fall Fest. It was a very nice event.

Councilwoman DeDomenicis – Councilwoman DeDomenicis reminded everyone about the Farmers Market this Saturday at Central Square and a Trunk or Treat event on Sunday, also at Central Square.

Councilman Levinson – Councilman Levinson also sees the new Special Class II Officers at the fields and agrees it is nice to see them throughout the City. He congratulated and welcomed Mr. Reitzel. He also congratulated and thanked the Public Works Committee, along with Chip and Joe, for all their hard work getting the lawn and snow bid packets together.

Councilwoman Byrnes – Councilwoman Byrnes congratulated Mr. Reitzel and also congratulated the Recreation Board and Park Director on the Fall Festival. They are already planning the next holiday events. The Christmas Tree lighting will be on December 5 and the Menorah lighting will be on December 13.

Councilwoman Albright – Councilwoman Albright welcomed Mr. Reitzel. She congratulated everyone on the Fall Festival and thanked Public Works for cleaning up after the fall fest.

Council President Ford – Council President Ford congratulated Mr. Reitzel. He also congratulated the Mainland boys soccer team on their win in the first round of the playoffs. He also reminded everyone of Election Day on November 7.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilwoman DeDomenicis motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Albright, to adjourn at 6:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC  
Municipal Clerk