LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
October 28, 2026

CALL TO ORDER
Council President Eric Ford called the meeting to order at 6:20 P.M., noting that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

FLAG SALUTE:
Councilwoman Blair Albright led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Mayor Darren Matik; Councilwoman Blair Albright; Councilman Ken Kelly; Councilman Matt Levinson; Councilman Todd Michael; Councilman Michael Salerno; Councilman Adam Walcoff; and Council President Eric Ford.
Absent:	None.
Also Present:	Joseph L. Youngblood, Jr., City Solicitor; CJ Kaenzig, Engineer's Office; and Leigh Ann Napoli, City Administrator/Municipal Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES WITHOUT FORMAL READING
Councilwoman Albright motioned, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2026, Regular meeting without formal reading. All members of Council were in favor. Motion approved.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY
Mayor Matik administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Gianna Childs, Police Officer Dylan Dill and Police Officer Anthony Ortiz. Each member of council congratulated and welcomed them.

ORDINANCES

14 OF 2026 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 52A, EMPLOYEE MANUAL, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LINWOOD AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED, THE PROVISIONS OF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH

The City Clerk read Ordinance No. 14 of 2026 by title only. Councilwoman Albright motioned, seconded by Councilman Walcoff, to approve Ordinance No. 14 for a final reading. Council President Ford opened the floor for discussion on Ordinance No. 14. Seeing and hearing no members of the public wishing to be heard, Council President Ford closed the floor. All members of council were in favor. 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.

174-2026 A Resolution authorizing the refund and cancelation of taxes of a disabled veteran for Block 148.02 Lot 6 located at 12 Fischer Road in the City of Linwood

175-2026 A Resolution authorizing the refund and cancelation of taxes of a disabled veteran for Block 150 Lot 2 Qualifier C0810 located at 550 Central Avenue, H-10 in the City of Linwood

176-2026 A Resolution authorizing the refund and cancelation of taxes of a disabled veteran for Block 29.01 Lot 7.07 located at 23 Georgetown Court in the City of Linwood

177-2026 A Resolution authorizing the hiring of Leonard Cianfrani as a Substitute School Crossing Guard for the City of Linwood

178-2026 A Resolution authorizing the refund of a Construction Permit Application C-26-00342 to ACE Hardware Home Solutions

Council President Ford asked if any member of Council would like to remove any items from consent. No items were removed. Councilwoman Albright motioned, seconded by Councilman Levinson, to approve Resolutions No. 174-178 of 2026. All members of Council were in favor. Motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: $409,699.92
Councilwoman Albright motioned, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to approve the bills for payment. A roll call vote was heard with five in the affirmative, and two abstentions by Councilwoman Albright and Councilman Levinson. 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 THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
Councilwoman Albright – Congratulated the three newly appointed police officers and congratulated the Belhaven Field Hockey team for its undefeated 12-0 season.
Councilman Kelly – Commended the Police Chief and Council President Ford for their recruitment efforts with the new police officers.
Councilman Salerno – Encouraged residents to get out and vote.

ADJOURNMENT
With no further business to be addressed by Council, Councilwoman Albright motioned, seconded by Councilman Walcoff, to adjourn at 6:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
City Administrator
Municipal Clerk