

LINWOOD COMMON COUNCIL
CAUCUS MINUTES
December 11, 2013

Council President Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:10 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 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; Hank Kolakowski, Public Works Superintendent; Anthony Strazzeri, CFO; and Leigh Ann Napoli, Municipal Clerk.

2. Approval of Minutes Without Formal Reading

Councilman Beinfest motioned, seconded by Councilman Paolone, to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2013 Caucus meeting, without formal reading. All present members of Council were in favor with three abstentions from Councilwoman DeDomenicis, and Councilmen Gordon and Matik. Motion was approved.

3. Councilman Beinfest

A. Neighborhood Services

1. Councilman Beinfest reported that the Recreation Board held a committee meeting to discuss 2014 budget requests. He also discussed the annual tree lighting that was held last Friday. It was a huge success even having to be held indoors due to the inclement weather.

4. Councilwoman DeDomenicis

A. Public Works

1. Councilwoman DeDomenicis reminded everyone that as of January 20, 2014 recyclables will be collected the same day as trash every other week.

5. Councilman Gordon

A. Engineering

1. Councilman Gordon advised that Mr. Mazur will be doing the annual stormwater presentation at the regular meeting.

6. Councilman Paolone

A. Revenue & Finance

1. Councilman Paolone discussed a Resolution on the agenda appointing Glenn Insurance as the Risk Management Consultant. This is a requirement as a member of the JIF. They are allowed by law to receive up to 6% commission, and Glenn Insurance is doing it for 3.25 % of the annual JIF assessment. Councilman Paolone advised that it is a good rate and they do a great job for the City.
2. A Resolution is on the agenda canceling appropriation balances. Councilman Paolone advised that this is routinely done at the end of the year so that the funds can be credited to surplus.
3. Councilman Paolone reported that he, Mrs. Napoli, and Mr. Strazzeri met with the ACUA for the annual budget meeting. The recycling and yard waste contracts for 2014 are increasing by .25% and trash collection will increase by 1.07%.

7. Councilman Tighe

A. Planning & Development

1. Councilman Tighe advised of an Ordinance on the agenda for final reading for the purchase of property identified as Block 1, Lot 49, Q Condo Unit 5, located at 1201 New Road. This is the north woods at Cornerstone. The money used for the purchase will be grant money.

8. Mr. Youngblood

- A. Mr. Youngblood advised of a Resolution on the agenda approving a Limited Waiver of the Attorney Client Privilege pertaining to pending litigation. This was based on agreement between attorneys.

At 6:16 P.M., Council President Taylor called a recess.

Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Ann Napoli, RMC
Municipal Clerk