

**BOROUGH OF LONGPORT COMMISSION MEETING  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 2305 ATLANTIC AVE  
LONGPORT, NJ 08403  
WEDNESDAY, January 17, 2018 – 4:30 PM**

Meeting was called to order and the flag salute was conducted.

Municipal Clerk Conlon read the Opening Statement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL:	Nicholas Russo	present
	James P. Leeds, Sr.	present
	Daniel Lawler	present

Engineer Carter, Solicitor Agnellini, CFO Kelly, Municipal Clerk Conlon, Chief Culmone, and Deputy Municipal Clerk Kyle also in attendance.

Emergency exit/fire drill/ public speaking limit – announced by Mayor Russo.

A motion was made by Mayor Russo, seconded by Commissioner Lawler to go into executive session. ALL IN FAVOR – YES. None Opposed.

The resolution authorizing the executive session is R2017-135 and was approved at the December 20, 2017, regular commission meeting. A recess was taken starting at 4:31 pm.

**A REDACTED SET OF MINUTES HAS BEEN CREATED FOR THE EXECUTIVE SESSION. THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT A FUTURE DATE ONCE THE SUBJECT OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION CEASES TO BE CONFIDENTIAL. THESE MINUTES WILL BECOME PUBLIC WHEN THE LITIGATION CONCERNING PARKING ON ATLANTIC AVENUE IS RESOLVED.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Lawler, seconded by Commissioner Leeds to reconvene the regular meeting. ALL IN FAVOR – YES. None opposed. The meeting resumed at 5:09 pm.

Solicitor Agnellini explained that the executive session was held to discuss pending litigation regarding a former parking ordinance pertaining to the Atlantic Avenue Point area. Agnellini updated the governing body regarding discussions held on that matter. He noted that no decision has been made at that time.

Approval of minutes- Municipal Clerk Conlon asked if there were any questions regarding the minutes from the January 2, 2018, Regular Commission meeting. Commissioner Leeds made a motion and seconded by Comm. Lawler to approve the minutes for the January 2, 2018, regular meeting. ALL AYES- none opposed.

Ordinances – First Reading/ Introduction. Second Reading and Public Hearing scheduled 2/21/2018.

Number	Title
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1	An Ordinance Amending Article IX, §161-16, Schedule 4: Through Streets
Purpose	Amends Through Street Schedule for health, safety and welfare of community
Motion	Motion- Mayor Russo, seconded by Commissioner Lawler to introduce ordinance #2018-01.
All in Favor	ALL AYES. None opposed.
Number	Title
2	An Ordinance Amending Chapter 61 - Beaches, Parks, and Recreational Areas Section 52(c)(4) of the Code of the Borough of Longport as it Relates to Designated Dune Crossovers
Purpose	Amends Chapter 61 to designate dune crossover areas for beach access
Motion	Motion- Commissioner Lawler, seconded by Commissioner Leeds to introduce ordinance #2018-02.
All In Favor	All AYES – none opposed.

There were no comments or questions on the resolutions listed on the agenda.

#### RESOLUTIONS

Number	Title
2018-08	Resolution Appointing Police Officer Alessandro Morelli MOTION - RUSSO, SECOND- LEEDS, All AYES- none opposed.
2018-09	Resolution Appointing SLEO II Joshua Sikoryak MOTION-RUSSO, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2018-10	A Resolution Awarding Allied Elevator of Pennsauken the Municipal Hall Elevator Remodeling and Modernization Contract MOTION - LEEDS, SECOND-LAWLER, ALL AYES- none opposed.
2018-11	A Resolution Designating the Construction and Maintenance of a Dune Crossover at Seaview Condominium MOTION- LEEDS, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2018-12	A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of Grants for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND-LAWLER, ALL AYES – none opposed.

#### LIBRARY REPORT

Library Manager, Ricky Gerhardt, was not available for the report. Mayor Russo provided an update on his behalf noting a concert kickoff on 2/9/18, the next food & film on 2/16/18, and several other upcoming events.

#### **BILL PAY LIST & Financial Summary Report**

Commissioner of Finance and Revenue, Jim Leeds, Sr., asked if anyone had any questions regarding the bill pay list for December 29, 2017. NO ONE CAME FORWARD

MOTION-LEEDS, SECOND-LAWLER. ALL AYES/NONE OPPOSED. Commissioner Leeds read the Financial Summary Report into the record. He asked if there were any questions. There were none. MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND – RUSSO. ALL AYES/ NONE OPPOSED.

#### **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

Mayor Russo commended Building Department Head Richard Hirsch for his recent appointment as Chairman of the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, he was also appointed as Chairman of the following AC MEL-JIF Committees: the Management Committee, the Marketing Committee, and the Claims Review Committee. He added that the borough is very proud of the work Mr. Hirsch is doing and how well he represents the municipality.

Mayor Russo noted that there was a recent photograph featured on the national news of one of Longport's police officers shoveling snow during the recent winter blizzard.

Mayor Russo also noted that the borough received an email regarding making charitable SALT payments in lieu of property taxes. Solicitor Agnellini indicated that he was not aware of any program that would substitute charitable contributions in lieu of mandatory tax payments. Clerk Conlon will respond to the email.

Commissioner Leeds noted that the borough will need to address the issue of legalized marijuana if it passes. Solicitor Agnellini discussed some of the issues surrounding legalized marijuana.

Commissioner Lawler asked about the ice cream vending license. The current vendor has withdrawn and he would like to discuss this at the next workshop meeting.

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Engineer Carter noted that the borough went out to bid for the concrete wall at 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and discussed several other bulkhead head projects in the borough. He added that the beach fill meeting scheduled for the next day had been canceled. He also noted that he was approached by a member of the beach patrol who expressed concerns with the handicap ramp at 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

#### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Solicitor Agnellini asked Clerk Conlon if he needed any information from him for the workshop discussion on the ice cream bid. Clerk Conlon noted that we would need to rebid and do a new resolution pursuant to the ordinance.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION- LAWLER, SECOND-LEEDS. All AYES- none opposed. (5:29 pm)