

**BOROUGH OF LONGPORT COMMISSION MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 2305 ATLANTIC AVE
LONGPORT, NJ 08403
WEDNESDAY, May 15, 2019 – 4:30 PM**

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

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

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

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

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

Approval of minutes- Municipal Clerk Kyle requested a motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2019, Workshop Commission Meeting and the April 17, 2019, Regular Commission Meeting. Commissioner Leeds made a motion, seconded by Mayor Russo, to approve the minutes for the April 4, 2019 workshop meeting and the April 17, 2019 regular meeting. ALL AYES- none opposed.

Mayor Russo made a motion to add Ordinance O2019-11 to the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Lawler. All in Favor – Yes. None Opposed.

Ordinances – First Reading/ Introduction. Second Reading/ Public Hearing scheduled for 4:30 pm, June 5, 2019.

Number	Title
10	An Ordinance Authorizing Signage at Street Ends for Public Access to Tidal Waters
Purpose	The purpose of this Ordinance is to notify the public of access points to tidal waters at street ends and to periodically review the signs for adequateness.
Motion	Motion- Mayor Russo, seconded by Commissioner Lawler to introduce Ordinance #O2019-10.
All In Favor	ALL AYES. None opposed.
11	An Ordinance Authorizing Execution of a Deed of Dedication and Perpetual Public Access Easement Over Street Ends for Public access to Tidal Waters in the Borough of Longport, Atlantic County, New Jersey
Purpose	The purpose of this Ordinance is to authorize the execution of a deed of

Motion	dedication and perpetual public access easement over street ends for public access to tidal waterways.
All In Favor	Motion- Mayor Russo, seconded by Commissioner Leeds to introduce Ordinance #O2019-11. ALL AYES. None opposed.

Ordinances – Second Reading/ Public Hearing.

Number	Title
6	An Ordinance Amending Chapter 161 – Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the Borough of Longport, Atlantic County, New Jersey as it Pertains to Handicapped Parking
Purpose	The purpose of this Ordinance is to correct, add, and delete certain designated handicapped parking spaces for improved disabled person access at various locations within the Borough.
Public Hearing	No one wished to speak.
Motion	Motion- Commissioner Lawler, seconded by Commissioner Leeds to approve Ordinance #O2019-06.
Roll Call Vote	Mayor Russo - Yes Comm. Leeds – Yes Comm. Lawler - Yes. ALL AYES. None opposed.

Number	Title
7	An Ordinance Amending the Salaries, Wages, and Compensation in Year 2019 for Seasonal Employees and Certain Temporary Employees
Purpose	Authorizes salaries, wages and compensation for year 2019 for seasonal employees and certain temporary employees
Public Hearing	No one wished to speak.
Motion	Motion- Commissioners Leeds, seconded by Commissioner Lawler to approve Ordinance #O2019-07.
Roll Call Vote	Mayor Russo - Yes Comm. Leeds – Yes Comm. Lawler - Yes ALL AYES. None opposed.

<p>8</p> <p>Purpose</p> <p>Public Hearing</p> <p>Motion</p> <p>Roll Call Vote</p>	<p>A Bond Ordinance for Providing Various Water and Sewer Utility Capital Improvements in and by the Borough of Longport and Appropriating \$2,140,500 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,140,500 in Bonds or Notes for the Financing Thereof</p> <p>Construction of various improvements to the Borough’s Water and Sewer Utility systems, including without limitation, a new well and wellhouse building and sewer main replacement; and Purchase of Water/Sewer Jet. Appropriation: \$2,140,500 Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$2,140,500 Grants (if any) Appropriated: N/A Section 20 Costs: \$425,000 Useful Life: 36.69 years</p> <p>No one wished to speak.</p> <p>Motion- Commissioner Lawler, seconded by Mayor Russo to approve Ordinance #O2019-08.</p> <p>Mayor Russo - Yes Comm. Leeds – Yes Comm. Lawler - Yes ALL AYES. None opposed.</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Purpose</p> <p>Public Hearing</p> <p>Motion</p>	<p>A Bond Ordinance Appropriating \$1,625,000 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,543,000 in Bonds or Notes for Various Capital Improvements of Purposes Authorized to be Undertaken by the Borough of Longport</p> <p>Construction of various improvements to municipal roads, public buildings, Public Works Office, recreation areas, and purchases of vehicles and equipment for the Public Works Department; Purchase of various equipment for the Fire Department, Beach Patrol, and Police Department. Appropriation: \$1,625,000 Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$1,543,000 Grants (if any) Appropriated: N/A Section 20 Costs: \$325,000 Useful Life: 13.20 years</p> <p>Mary Nugent of 2604 Oberon Avenue, asked for clarification regarding what was being bonded in the ordinance. Commissioner Lawler and CFO Kelly addressed Ms. Nugent’s question, noting that the new well is being funded as well as sewer mains.</p> <p>Motion- Commissioner Leeds, seconded by Commissioner Lawler to approve Ordinance #O2019-09. <i>*Mayor Russo briefly left commission chambers to take an important phone call.</i></p>

Roll Call Vote	Mayor Russo – Absent* Comm. Leeds – Yes Comm. Lawler - Yes ALL AYES. None opposed.
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There were no comments or questions on the resolutions listed on the agenda. No public comment.

RESOLUTIONS

Number	Title
2019-60	A Resolution Establishing No Parking Area and Detouring Traffic During the 2019 Memorial Day Parade MOTION - LAWLER, SECOND- RUSSO, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-61	A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Property on GovDeals.com MOTION-RUSSO, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-62	A Resolution Awarding a Beach Vending License for the 2019 Season MOTION-LAWLER, SECOND-LEEDS, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-63	A Resolution Determining the Form and Others Details of \$7,940,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019 MOTION-LEEDS, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-64	A Resolution Providing for the Combination of Certain Issues of General Obligation Bonds or Notes for the Borough of Longport into a Single Issue of General Obligation Bonds in an Aggregate Principal Amount of \$7,940,000 MOTION-LAWLER, SECOND-RUSSO, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-65	A Resolution Establishing a Temporary No Parking Area Along Atlantic Avenue for the Kenny Wayland Memorial Scholarship Run MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND-LEEDS, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-66	A Resolution Appointing SLEO I Officers for the Borough of Longport MOTION-RUSSO, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-67	A Resolution Establishing an Emergency No Parking Area, Closure and Detour During the July 4, 2019 American Mile Race MOTION-RUSSO, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-68	A Resolution in Support of the Path to Progress Recommendations made by the New Jersey Economic and Fiscal Policy Workgroup MOTION-RUSSO, SECOND-LEEDS, All AYES- none opposed.

2019-69	A Resolution Authorizing The Borough's Participation in the Sourcewell CO-OP for Contract #062117-DAC, Grounds, Maintenance Equipment/ Attachments/ Accessories, With Deere & Company MOTION-LAWLER, SECOND-LEEDS, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-70	A Resolution Authorizing a Grant Agreement between the Borough of Longport and the NJ Department of Environmental Protection for an Electric Vehicle Workplace Charging Grant MOTION-RUSSO, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.

BILL PAY LIST & Financial Summary Report

Commissioner of Finance and Revenue, Jim Leeds, Sr. asked if there were any questions on the bill pay list. There were none. MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND – LAWLER. ALL IN FAVOR- ALL AYES/ NONE OPPOSED.

Commissioner Leeds read the financial summary report into the minutes. Commissioner Lawler asked if anyone had any questions regarding the financial summary report. NO ONE CAME FORWARD.
MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND – LAWLER. ALL IN FAVOR- ALL AYES/ NONE OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Mayor Russo thanked today's Social Luncheon sponsor McAllister Fuels.

Commissioner Leeds briefly discussed R2019-53 and noted that it was previously voice-amended.

Commissioner Lawler none

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer Carter discussed problems with the Borough's HVAC system and noted that he and Pat were working on having it corrected. He noted that he was working with the contractor to fix a Freon leak in the system.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Agnellini no further reports.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Nugent of 2604 Oberon Avenue asked about the right-of-way on the beach between 25th and 26th avenues. Solicitor Agnellini discussed that the homeowner has asked to enter a licensing agreement to maintain the area with plantings, but he added that the owner must maintain a walkway. Ms. Nugent requested that the licensing agreement contain a revocable clause.

Ms. Nugent asked about the bills the borough was paying to the Cooper Levenson law firm. Solicitor Agnellini noted that the law firm was an employment attorney. Ms. Nugent asked who was the borough's attorney regarding the Seaview Harbor's interest in seceding from Egg Harbor Township. Solicitor Agnellini noted that, at this time, the borough did not have an attorney for this matter. Ms. Nugent discussed Seaview Harbor's potential incorporation into Longport. Mayor Russo stated that if Seaview Harbor receives a favorable ruling to secede from Egg Harbor Township that Longport would put this issue up for a referendum for the people of Longport to decide. He stressed that it was a long

process and that there were numerous factors to consider and that it would be up for the voters to decide. Mayor Russo did note that incorporating Seaview Harbor as part of Longport could favorably affect Longport's ratables. Ms. Nugent was concerned about the large amount of gasoline that was stored there and the fire danger it posed and how this could negatively impact Longport. Commissioner Lawler and Commissioner Leeds both stated that this issue would be a referendum for the voters to decide. Ms. Nugent discussed how property taxes for Seaview Harbor residents would be affected by secession. Ms. Nugent wanted to know if the issue had to be decided by a referendum. Solicitor Agnellini noted that the Governing Body could decide on this issue, but this Governing Body had stated previously that it would be decided by a referendum.

Ms. Nugent noted that Ventnor City is providing an audio of its meetings online. CFO Kelly noted that the court is looking into a new recording system and that the Governing Body could use it to provide audio of its meetings. Ms. Nugent stated that the current minutes do not accurately convey what transpired at commission meetings, adding that she felt they were not transparent.

Ms. Nugent questioned if the borough was going to vacate street ends. Engineer Carter and Solicitor Agnellini noted that there are no plans to vacate street ends.

Ms. Nugent discussed the beach badge vending machine and credit card usage, noting that she was concerned about the security of using credit cards on this machine. CFO Kelly noted that credit card usage was through a smartphone application and that the beach tag vending machine was no longer in use.

Ms. Nugent discussed a boat lift and wanted to know if it was being donated or if the borough was purchasing it through a bond ordinance. Engineer Carter explained that part of it was being donated, but there was some work involved that the borough would have to fund.

No further comment from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION- LAWLER, SECOND-LEEDS. All AYES- none opposed. (5:14 pm)