

**BOROUGH OF LONGPORT REORGANIZATION MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 2305 ATLANTIC AVE
LONGPORT, NJ 08403
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023 – 4:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order with the flag salute at 4:00 pm.

Municipal Clerk Kyle read the Opening Statement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act. A notice of this meeting was emailed to the Press of Atlantic City and The Ocean City Sentinel on December 30, 2022. In addition, copies of notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and filed in the office of the municipal clerk. Notices on the bulletin board have remained continuously posted. Official action may be taken at this meeting.

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

Borough Solicitor Affanato, Administrator Porter, Engineer Dennis, CFO Kelly, and Municipal Clerk Kyle also present. Fire Chief Levon Clayton and Building Department Head and MEL JIF Fund Commissioner Richard Hirsch also present.

Emergency exits and public comment information provided by Mayor Russo.

Mayor Russo recognized Atlantic County Board of Commissioners Chairman John Risley, Jr., and Atlantic County Commissioner Ernest Coursey and invited them to speak. Commissioner Risely and Commissioner Coursey discussed their commitment to the residents of Longport as members of the Atlantic County Board of Commissioners.

Proclamation – presented to Richard B. Hirsch, Jr., for 29 years of service to the Borough of Longport.

Approval of Minutes:

Municipal Clerk Kyle requested a motion to approve the minutes from the December 21, 2022, Workshop and Regular Commission Meetings. Mayor Russo made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lawler, to approve the minutes from the December 21, 2022, meeting. ALL AYES- none opposed. Commissioner Leeds - absent.

Mayor Russo made a motion to amend Resolution 2023-10 to add Al Maiorano as an Alternate MEL JIF Fund Commissioner, seconded by Commissioner Lawler. ALL AYES – none opposed. Commissioner Leeds – absent.

First Reading/ Introduction of Ordinance O2023-01 – An Ordinance Authorizing the Salaries, Wages and Compensation in Year 2023 for Employees Not Covered by Previous Ordinance or Union Contracts. *A second reading and public hearing will be held at the January 18, 2023, Regular Commission Meeting that will follow the 4 pm workshop meeting.*

ORDINANCE:

Number	Title
2023-01	An Ordinance Authorizing the Salaries, Wages and Compensation in Year 2023 for Employees Not Covered by Previous Ordinance or Union Contracts
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is to establish the salaries, wages and compensation for employees who are not covered by previous ordinances or union contracts for the year 2023
Motion	Motion – Mayor Russo, seconded by Commissioner Lawler to Introduce Ordinance #O2023-01.
All in Favor	ALL AYES. None opposed. Commissioner Leeds – absent.

Public Comment or questions on listed resolutions:

There were no comments or questions on the listed resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA (R2023-01 through R2023-11):

Number	Title
2023-01	Resolution Designating Depository Banks for Funds of the Borough of Longport and Authorizing Officials of the Borough to Sign Necessary Banking Documents MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent.
2023-02	A Resolution Authorizing a Cash Management Plan MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent
2023-03	A Resolution Designating Official Borough of Longport Newspapers for the Year 2023 MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent
2023-04	A Resolution Authorizing the Borough of Longport through the Longport Police Department to Participate in the Defense Logistics Agency, Law Enforcement Support Office, 1033 Program to Enable the Longport Police Department to Request and Acquire Excess Department of Defense Equipment MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent
2023-05	A Resolution Authorizing Payment of Accumulated Sick, Vacation and Comp Time MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent
2023-06	Temporary Budget for Year 2023 MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent
2023-07	Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund Resolution Appointing Claims Coordinator MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent

2023-08	Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund Resolution Appointing Safety Coordinator MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent
2023-09	Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund Resolution Appointing Fund Commissioner MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent
2023-10	Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund Resolution Appointing Alternate Fund Commissioner MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent
2023-11	Resolution Authorizing an Agreement for Shared Emergency and Non Emergency Dispatch Services for the Municipalities of the Borough of Longport and the Township of Egg Harbor MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent

BILL LIST

Commissioner Lawler asked if there were any questions on the Bill List. There were none. MOTION – LAWLER, SECOND – RUSSO. ALL IN FAVOR - ALL AYES. NONE OPPOSED. LEEDS – absent.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

Nothing further to report.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

Nothing further to report.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

Engineer Dennis provided an update regarding several ongoing construction projects in the Borough. He said that the Monmouth Avenue project had approximately two weeks of work left before stopping. He explained that warmer weather is needed for repaving. He added that Atlantic Avenue work is scheduled to begin January 16th with completion in the spring.

He added that that the well house project is nearing completion and is almost ready for submission of a permit to operate. He provided an update on the water tank, adding that the containment system is being worked on as well as work on top of the tank.

He explained that the 36th Avenue bulkhead project permit application has been submitted and that the NJ Department of Environmental Protection will try to expedite the project. He said he hoped to award a bid for the work at the February meeting. He anticipated having the work completed before Memorial Day.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:

MAYOR RUSSO

Mayor Russo discussed the upcoming March 7, 2023, special event to celebrate the Borough’s 125th Anniversary of Incorporation. He also discussed a summer Town Party to be held on July 22, 2023.

COMMISSIONER LEEDS

Commissioner Leeds - absent.

COMMISSIONER LAWLER

Commissioner Lawler – asked Engineer Dennis about the paving schedule for Monmouth Avenue. He wanted to know how long it would take. Engineer Dennis explained that warmer weather is needed for paving and that there is a possibility that the weather will be warm enough in February, although, it would most likely occur in March. He added that paving would take about a week to complete.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION – COMMISSIONER LAWLER, SECOND – MAYOR RUSSO. All AYES- none opposed. LEEDS – absent. Adjournment – 4:20 pm.