

BOROUGH OF LAVALLETTE(minutes)
CAUCUS/REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
LAVALLETTE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
Monday, June 17, 2019-7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Walter G. LaCicero, presiding

ROLL CALL: Council Members Borowski, Lamb, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Filippone

Also present: Robert Brice, Borough Administrator
 Phil George, Borough Attorney
 Donnelly Amico, Municipal Clerk

READING OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT: Notice of this meeting was published in the Ocean Star on January 4, 2019. Notice was also posted on our municipal website and bulletin board.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: The Mayor asked for a moment of silence for Maria Arpia who is the mother of Anna Crivelli on West Point Island.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilman Stogdill led us in the Salute to the Flag.

MAYOR'S WELCOMING STATEMENT: The Mayor welcomed everyone to tonight's meeting. He stated the weather has been cooperating so far. Let's hope we all have a great summer season. He stated that if anyone wished to comment on any items that were not on the agenda or if they could not stay for the remainder of the meeting they could do so now.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC (Items not listed on agenda / not staying for remainder of meeting)

No one wished to comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of Caucus/Regular Meeting of June 3, 2019
Minutes of Executive Session of June 3, 2019

A Motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Lamb. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Stogdill. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

ON CONSENT AGENDA/OFF CONSENT AGENDA, AND VOUCHERS:

RESOLUTIONS – ON CONSENT:

- 2019-179 approving the renewal of the plenary liquor license for the license year 2019-2020 to J. Ralph, Inc. doing business as Cornerstone Wines & Liquors
- 2019-180 approving the renewal of the plenary liquor license for the license year 2019-2020 to Saulwil, Inc. doing business as The Crab's Claw Inn
- 2019-181 approving the renewal of the plenary liquor license for the license year 2019-2020 to White Whale, Inc. doing business as Lavallette Liquors
- 2019-182 awarding a contract to Cherry Hill Winner Ford for the purchase of a Ford F-150 under state contract in the amount of \$42,848.70-Mayor stated that this is the second suv for the police department. They are now starting to update their fleet.
- 2019-183 approving 7 summer seasonal employees for the Department of Public Works effective June 17, 2019
- 2019-184 authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute the service contract renewal with TRANE for the continued maintenance on the BAS and mechanical HVAC systems for a term of one year in the amount of \$11,482.06-Mayor stated that this is the heating/cooling system in the municipal building that requires maintenance yearly or when needed.
- 2019-185 approving a facilities use application to Surfing the Dream to hold surf lessons on the Bryn Mawr Avenue beach from June 17th through September 4th 2019 on various days and times
- 2019-186 approving a facilities use application to Noelle Dwyer to hold meditation instruction on the Philadelphia Avenue beach starting June 27th through August 29th 2019 on Thursdays from 7:30am to 8:30am and Sundays from 6:30pm to 7:30pm
- 2019-187 approving the renewal of the inactive plenary liquor license for the license year 2019-2020 to Lenny's Pizzeria Restaurant, Inc.

A Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Stogdill.

The Mayor opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone wished to comment on the consent agenda.

No one wished to comment. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on the consent agenda.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted yes. The Motion Passed.

RESOLUTIONS - OFF CONSENT:

2019-187A denying the renewal of the plenary liquor license for license year 2019-2020 to Sherman Hospitality, LLC doing business as Capriccio's By The Sea

Mr. George stated that the Chief did a background check last year and made a list of conditions that needed to be met within a certain time period which were not done. These conditions still have not been met so the Chief has recommended that this liquor license be denied for this year. Also, we still have not heard back from the State ABC as to what the outcome was regarding the charges they filed against Sherman Hospitality, LLC last year.

A Motion was made to deny this liquor license for year 2019-2020 by Councilman Lamb. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Stogdill.

The Mayor opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone wished to comment on this resolution.

No one wished to comment. The Mayor closed the floor to the public and asked Council for a vote on this resolution.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

2019-188 Bills List in the amount of \$334,852.71

A Motion to approve the bills list was made by Councilman Borowski. The Motion was Seconded by Councilwoman Filippone. Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion Passed.

ORDINANCES ON FOR PUBLIC HEARING/FINAL ADOPTION:

BOND ORDINANCE 2019-06 (1196) Bond Ordinance of the Borough of Lavallette, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Providing for Various Capital Improvements in and for the Borough, Appropriating \$760,000 Therefor, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$506,250 in General Improvement Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Same

Mr. Brice stated that this Bond Ordinance is for the purchase of a front end loader for public works, the bulkhead/ramp project and also any additional funds needed for Philadelphia Avenue road project.

A Motion to open the public hearing was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Finter. Vote: All of Council was in favor. The Motion Passed.

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to comment on this bond ordinance.

No one wished to comment.

The Mayor closed the public hearing and asked Council for a vote on the bond ordinance.

Vote: Council Members Borowski, Filippone, Zalom, Stogdill, Finter and Lamb voted Yes. The Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman Lamb stated that the fire department is interested in starting a junior firefighters program. We have 8 applicants that are interested but before we start anything he would like Mr. George to look into this and provide guidelines to follow regarding the application process as well as the program itself. Also, if we would require any additional insurance policies. We would like to open it up to kids from 14 to 18 years old.

Mr. George stated that he will start the review process and let him know.

Mr. Brice stated that he has reached out to other towns whose fire departments have this program to get some information as well.

Council President Zalom stated that more donations have been received for the purchase of the swings down by the playground on Kerr Avenue. The Marino family has already donated monies as well as Dunkin Donuts and now Jersey Mike's has donated monies. We should be good to go with the start of the ordering process. Anyone who wishes to donate can still do this.

She stated that Mr. Brice and the Supt. of PW took some of the benches on the streets and put them up in the seating area on the walkovers until our new benches are ordered and delivered. She wanted to thank them both for coming up with that great idea! The Chief took care of painting the yellow lines on Bryn Mawr Avenue for the no parking area. Sgt. LaCicero has been quick with getting our events advertised on the electric sign coming into town. June Schneider who has been the Director of our library since it first opened here is now retiring. They are having a retirement party for her on June 28th and she will be getting a card from Mayor and Council as well as some flowers to wish her well. There are so many events for the summer so get your flyers and event program downstairs and also on our website.

The Mayor stated that the celebration for the residents who have been married 50 years or more was a big hit. Everyone had a great time and were thankful for the acknowledgements. The town allocated \$2,500 under recreation for this event but they did not use all the monies. Whatever is left will be given back to the town. Since this event was a big hit they have decided to do it again next year.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that she wants to give some information on the process that will be done for requesting plaques to be put on the benches up on the walkover areas. Once the benches are ordered and delivered we will start to go over the list that they have downstairs to see how many are on it and what streets everyone is requesting. If there are more than one person requesting the same street, preference will be given to whoever is first on the list with this requested street. We are

hoping to have 56 benches which is two per block. Once everything is in order we will begin to make the phone calls to the people on the list.

Councilman Borowski requested an update on the evaluation of the generator.

Councilman Lamb stated that he wasn't aware if there was any evaluation as of yet but he will check with Ted.

Mr. Brice stated that the mechanic worked on it a bit and was able to get it started. He stated that there are some issues with the rpm's that can be repaired but the engine is still good. We are going to have to get a company to check out the wiring.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council President Zalom stated that the school had their 8th grade graduation last week so congratulations to all the graduates.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Clem Boyers, 20 Kerr Avenue questioned if the Yacht Club received their club license since they were not on the list of approval tonight.

Mayor LaCicero stated that they were approved already back in May.

Joe Palinsky, 122 Washington Avenue stated that he thinks the maintenance on the heating/cooling system should always be monitored more than once a year for more adjustments to the system which will keep it running better.

Mr. Brice stated that the system runs in 4 sections. Some of the sections run too hot at the same time the others are freezing. He was able to get them down in price for the agreement and also to allow us to have more access to system for us to control the temperatures when needed.

Mary Semler, 2407 Grand Central Avenue, thanked Mayor and Council and Mr. George for all their help with rectifying the Capriccio's issue so promptly and smoothly.

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Councilwoman Filippone stated that she received her bill from Optimum and there was a 23% increase which she finds absolutely outrageous. Once they know they are the only game in town for however many years they start to take advantage which is just wrong on so many levels.

Mr. Brice stated that there has been a lot of issues with the garbage being put out way to early before pickup. The Code Enforcement Officer will be sending out warnings and then if they do not follow the regulations they will receive a summons. He stated that he is looking into ordering more beach wheel chairs for the season. We will also be doing the notification soon to all residents giving the peak electric dates so they can scale down on the electric. We have 1 more hurdle to go

through on the State side regarding the reval. We have all the letters and flyers ready to go advising all the residents of when this is going to start and all the information once we get the go ahead.

Mayor LaCicero stated that we have had a number of car thefts in town. Apparently people are leaving their key fobs in their cars and not locking them up. Please make sure you lock your cars up every night to prevent the theft of your car and please if you do leave it unlocked make sure you take your key fob with you.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no executive session.

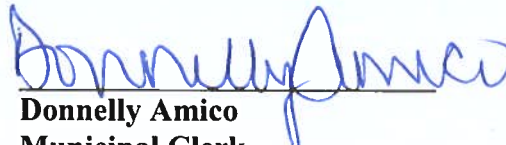
ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by Councilman Lamb. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Stogdill. Vote: All of Council was in favor. The Motion Passed.

The Council Meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, Donnelly Amico, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Lavallette, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, does hereby attest these to be a true copy of the minutes of the meeting held on the 17th day of **June 2019**


Donnelly Amico
Municipal Clerk