

**BOROUGH OF LAVALLETTE(minutes)**  
**CAUCUS/REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
**LAVALLETTE MUNICIPAL BUILDING**  
**Monday, November 16, 2020-7:00 pm**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Walter G. LaCicero, presiding

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

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

**READING OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT:** Due to the coronavirus pandemic, this meeting has been closed to the public physically and is being livestreamed via Zoom. Any comments from the public that are received via email no later than 4pm by the Municipal Clerk will be read and discussed by Mayor and Council at the Council Meeting during public comment period. Notice of this remote meeting was posted on our website with instructions on how the public can connect to livestream this Council Meeting.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE:** The Mayor asked for a moment of silence for Alphonse Crisafulli, a resident of West Point Island that passed away from COVID, Allen Kowtko of Bryn Mawr Avenue and Ann MacMaster of Washington Avenue who both passed away recently.

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

**MAYOR'S WELCOMING STATEMENT:** The Mayor congratulated Councilman Finter and Council President Zalom for their win in this year's election. This is Anita's 11<sup>th</sup> term as Councilwoman. Congrats to you both!

**PRESENTATION:** Dr. Stuart Farrell Discussion on Coastal Hesco Baskets

Presentation documents from Dr. Farrell are included in these minutes.

**REPORTS ACCEPTED AS SUBMITTED:**

- a) Construction Report for October 2020-Councilwoman Filippone-read report
- b) Zoning Report for October 2020-Councilwoman Filippone
- c) Municipal Court Report for October 2020-Councilwoman Filippone-no report
- d) Police Overtime Report for September & October 2020-Councilwoman Filippone-read reports
- e) Public Works Report for October 2020-Councilman Lamb-read report
- f) Public Affairs Report for October 2020-Council President Zalom-all the events for November and December have been cancelled.
- g) Tax Account Report for August 2020-Tax Collector
- h) Revenue Transaction Report for September 2020-Chief Financial Officer

A Motion to approve the reports 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:**

- 2020-242 authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute the policy endorsements for Horizon Dental Plan and Horizon Prescription Plans for year 2021
- 2020-243 approving an application for the Lavallette Volunteer Fire Department’s Junior Firefighter Program for Kevin Burns
- 2020-244 authorizing the refund of an electric credit in the amount of \$123.65 due to the property being sold
- 2020-245 authorizing the Municipal Clerk to go receive RFP’s for the positions of Borough Attorney, Borough Auditor, Borough Engineer, Borough Prosecutor and Consulting Engineer for year 2021
- 2020-246 authorizing the refund of solar interconnect escrow fees in the amount of \$1,000.00
- 2020-247 authorizing the cancellation of current fund accounts payable in the amount of \$50.00
- 2020-248 authorizing the cancellation of electric fund accounts payable in the amount of \$3,000
- 2020-249 authorizing the transfer of funds between appropriation accounts in the current fund in the amount of \$14,700
- 2020-250 authorizing the refund of a 2020 tax overpayment in the amount of \$1400.68
- 2020-251 authorizing the refund of a 2020 tax overpayment in the amount of \$1225.01
- 2020-252 authorizing the refund of a 2020 tax overpayment in the amount of \$2375.77
- 2020-253 authorizing the refund of a 2020 tax overpayment in the amount of \$7955.04
- 2020-254 authorizing the refund of a 2020 tax overpayment in the amount of \$2554.95
- 2020-255 temporarily permitting expanded outdoor seating permits during the COVID-19 crisis in conformance with the Executive Order #150 through March 30, 2021
- 2020-256 accepting the donation of a used 8x8 shed from Michael Kaen of 1705 Baltimore Avenue to be utilized by the Lavallette Beach Patrol

2020-256A temporarily suspending tax, water, sewer and electric utility certificate sales scheduled for November 18, 2020, in conformance with Executive Order #190 of Year 2020

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

**RESOLUTIONS - OFF CONSENT:**

There were no resolutions off consent.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

2020-257 Bills List in the amount of \$1,105,495.62

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

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Brice stated that the NY Avenue road project will be starting very soon. All the residents will be notified when the start date will be. The County and the DOT helped with some of the dredging in the channel. The Planning Board has approved the Municipal Access Plan and it will be included into our master plan. Verizon will be submitting a new application for the 5G nodes very soon. Once they submit it we will start the 60-day shock clock and it will first be submitted to the Planning Board for review then we will need to have a public hearing within those 60 days of receiving the application.

Councilman Stogdill stated that the holiday beach badge sale will start December 14<sup>th</sup> through December 23<sup>rd</sup> and you can purchase them at lifeguard headquarters on Philadelphia Avenue between the hours of 11am and 3pm Monday to Friday. These sales will be for the pre-season and senior badges only.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

2020 Discussion on Best Practices Survey

Mr. Brice stated that the passing score regarding the Best Practices survey is 16 and the Borough received 21 so we have no worries there for our State Aid.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

There were no comments.

**COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councilman Finter stated that there will be no flu shot clinic in Lavallette this year so check the Ocean County Health Department website for other locations.

Councilman Borowski thanked Dr. Farrell for giving his presentation tonight on the living shoreline.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that since marijuana has been approved to become legal in New Jersey, we should start taking a look again at the ordinance that we were looking into last year.

Mr. George stated that he will revise the previous draft ordinance for marijuana and send it to Bob to have Mayor and Council review.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was no executive session.

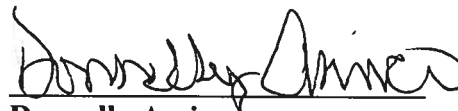
**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

**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 Council meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020.



**Donnelly Amico  
Municipal Clerk**