

BOROUGH OF LAVALLETTE(minutes)
CAUCUS/REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
LAVALLETTE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
Tuesday, February 20, 2024-7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Walter G. LaCicero, presiding

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

Also present: Bill Burns, Borough Attorney
Donnelly Amico, Municipal Clerk
John Bennett, Borough Administrator

READING OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT: Notice of this meeting was published in the Ocean Star on January 10, 2024. Notice was also posted on our municipal bulletin board and municipal website.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: The Mayor stated that there were no locals who have passed away. Keep your loved ones in your thoughts.

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

MAYOR'S WELCOMING STATEMENT: The Mayor thanked everyone for coming to tonight's meeting. He stated hopefully we won't have to much longer of winter weather. Public Works received one of our new garbage trucks and the 2nd one is scheduled to come in two more weeks. The new playground was installed at Washington Avenue and the one at Reese Avenue will be installed next week. The Feds re-advertised effective yesterday for the beach replenishment bids again. We will have one more summer only hopefully with no replenishment. We did receive bids for our well project but had to reject since they came in substantially higher than anticipated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Reorganization Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2024.
Caucus/Regular Meeting of January 16, 2024.

A Motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Finter. The Motion was Seconded by Councilwoman Filippone.

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

ON CONSENT AGENDA/OFF CONSENT AGENDA, AND VOUCHERS:

RESOLUTIONS – ON CONSENT:

2024-65 approving a facilities use application to Sherri Paris to hold her annual Marine Science Camp on the bay front starting June 17th through August 30th 2024 from 9am to 2pm

- 2024-66 amending the 2024 temporary budget
- 2024-67 approving a facilities use application to Soccer Shots to hold a children's soccer program on Chandler Field on Mondays, March 25th through May 27th 5pm to 7:10pm
- 2024-68 awarding a contract to Stewart Business Systems for the lease of a Xerox Copier for a term of 60 months
- 2024-69 approving a facilities use application to Shore Stallions Baseball to hold baseball games on Chandler Field starting May 22nd through July 20th 2024 on various days and times (schedule attached to application)
- 2024-70 awarding a contract to Deschamps Mats Systems, Inc. for the purchase of a mobi mat for the Philadelphia Avenue ADA Handicap Accessible beach walkover in the amount of \$33,403.00
- 2024-71 awarding a contract to Kingz Transportation for the one day rental of a Coach Bus for the Lavallette Seniors Club in the amount of \$1,750.00
- 2024-72 authorizing the renewal of the service contract agreement with Trane in the amount of \$17,489.74 for a period of 1 year
- 2024-73 approving two raffle licenses to the Lavallette PTO
- 2024-73A rejecting the bid for the Construction of Replacement Well No. 6 and Replacement of the Water Treatment Plant and Well Electrical System in the amount of \$5,177,730.00
- 2024-73B awarding a contract to Kinsley Power Systems, Inc. for the purchase of a Kohler Generator for Well #6 in the amount of \$170,552.25

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

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

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

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

RESOLUTIONS - OFF CONSENT:

There were no resolutions off-consent.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

2024-74 Bills List in the amount of \$604,291.36

A Motion to approve the bills list was made by Councilman Stogdill. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter.

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

ORDINANCES ON FOR FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance No. 2024-02(1253) An Ordinance of the Borough of Lavallette Amending, Revising and Supplementing Certain Sections of Chapter 20 of the Borough Code

Mr. Bennett stated that these are mostly some construction fees that needed to be increased since they haven't been reviewed in a while.

A Motion to introduce this ordinance was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter.

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

Public Hearing and Final Adoption is scheduled for March 4, 2024.

Ordinance No. 2024-03(1254) An Ordinance of the Borough of Lavallette Amending, Revising and Supplementing Certain Sections of Chapters 24, 52 and 63 of the Borough Code

The Mayor stated that there was reviews of current ordinances regarding all the fees we have and it was decided that some of these fees needed to be increased since they haven't been for many years.

A Motion to introduce this ordinance was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter.

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

Public Hearing and Final Adoption is scheduled for March 4, 2024.

Ordinance No. 2024-04 (1255) An Ordinance of the Borough of Lavallette Amending, Revising and Supplementing Certain Sections of Chapters 3,6,7,25,50 and 89 of the Borough Code

A Motion to introduce this ordinance was made by Councilman Finter. The Motion was Seconded by Councilwoman Filippone.

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

Public Hearing and Final Adoption is scheduled for March 4, 2024

Ordinance No. 2024-05 (1256) An Ordinance of the Borough of Lavallette Amending, Revising and Supplementing Ordinance 2005-17 and Chapter 65, Entitled, “Wildlife Feeding” of the Borough Code

Mr. Bennett stated that we needed to amend this ordinance to acknowledge the TNR program and to establish that the feeding is okay unless causing issues with the program.

A Motion to introduce this ordinance was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Council Finter.

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

Public Hearing and Final Adoption is scheduled for March 4, 2024

Ordinance No. 2024-06(1257) An Ordinance of the Borough of Lavallette Setting Forth Requirements for Outdoor Cooking Facilities and Amending Various Sections of the Borough Code

Mr. Burns stated that there has been a few issues with regards to outdoor cooking facilities in back yards. It has been amended to include freestanding no higher than 42 inches with no roof and within bulk setbacks and 10 feet away from other structures.

Councilwoman Filippone stated that with the current ordinance it connects to structure. Sinks have also become a big issue due to new FEMA guidelines. This will have to go to Planning Board for their input before it can be adopted so there may be some changes before adoption.

A Motion to introduce this ordinance was made by Councilwoman Filippone. The Motion was Seconded by Councilman Finter.

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

Public Hearing and Final Adoption is scheduled for March 18, 2024.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Bennett stated that the estimate for the new calendars to be printed and mailed is roughly \$13,000 which is a lot of money. Next year we might want to decide to limit the inserts of 16 pages in center, maybe look into businesses advertising on some pages and maybe think about not mailing them at all and just have the residents pick them up.

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:

There were no comments.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no comments.

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 7:30pm.

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 20th day of February 2024.

Donnelly Amico
Municipal Clerk