

MINUTES

Tuesday, December 20, 2016; Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lodi, New Jersey; TIME: 5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE READ BY BOROUGH CLERK.

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS MADE BY THE BOROUGH CLERK BY PAID LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT ON DECEMBER 2, 2016 IN THE RECORD NEWSPAPER.

THIS MEETING IS BEING TAPE RECORDED.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: (4) CM Martin, CW Licata, Deputy Mayor Cima (Arrived at 5:34PM), Mayor Carafa.

ABSENT: (1) CM DiChiara

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Manager Bruce T. Masopust, Borough Attorney Alan P. Spiniello, Borough Auditor Frank R. DiMaria, Borough Engineer Tom Solfaro, Police Chief Vincent Quatrone.

CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS

Mayor Carafa reported that on December 13, 2016 the Mayor and Council made a presentation honoring Borough resident, Frances Cuccia on the occasion of her 100th Birthday. Mrs. Cuccia was unable to attend so the presentation was given to her son, Charles Cuccia.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 22, 2016 Regular Meeting

MOTION: CM Martin, second CW Licata to approve.

AYES: (3) CM Martin, CW Licata, Mayor Carafa.

ABSENT: (2) CM DiChiara, Deputy Mayor Cima (was late and not present for this vote)

COMMUNICATIONS

REPORT OF THE MANAGER

Borough Manager Bruce T. Masopust reported two additions to the Agenda: an Emergency at the Richmond Street Pump Station and we will be renewing the contract for the 911. Mr. Masopust thanked the Mayor and Council and past governing bodies that he had the privilege of serving with as well as Department Heads & Staff at the Borough . He was proud to have served as both Mayor and Manager and wished the new Manager success. He will still be doing community service for Lodi even though he will be traveling for Moose International. He stated, " I hope when all is said and done that I have made a small difference in this family I call Lodi"

Mayor Carafa thanked Bruce Masopust and said they would comment under Mayor and Council Reports.

RESOLUTIONS

EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday, January 10, 2017; 6 PM

REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, January 17, 2017; 7 PM

CONSENT AGENDA (These resolutions are matters covering operation of government and will be passed by one roll call vote covering all items on the consent agenda.)

1. Resolution No. 16-237 approving Bills for December 2016.
2. Resolution No. 16-238 supporting the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2016 Year End Holiday Crackdown.
3. Resolution No. 16-239 confirming that the Mayor and Council hereby adopt, ratify and affirm the written decision of Bruce T. Masopust, Municipal Manager dated August 11, 2016 regarding Step 2 Grievance.
4. Resolution No. 16-240 confirming that the Mayor and Council hereby affirm in part and modify in part the decision of the Borough Manager dated September 21, 2016 regarding the suspension of David's Towing Service license.
5. Resolution No. 16-241 approving the renewal of inactive Alcoholic Beverage License Number 0231-33-005-008 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 for the 2016-2017 License Term.
6. Resolution No. 16-242 authorizing to enter into an Agreement for Risk Management Consultant with Professional Insurance Associates (P.I.A.) Inc. for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute said Agreement.

7. Resolution No. 16-243 authorizing to enter into an Agreement for Consultant/ Benefits Coordinator with P.I.A. Security Programs, Inc. for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute said Agreement.
8. Resolution No. 16-244 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal in accordance with the Stipulation of Settlement: Nick Pezza, Tax Court Docket No.(s) 016749-2013 and 010502-2016 for the calendar years 2013 and 2016.
9. Resolution No. 16-245 approving Change Order No. 1 in the amount of -\$1,183.93 (-0.34% Decrease) for the project titled "2016 Road Project".
10. Resolution No. 16-246 appointing Lori Grieco as Municipal Alliance Coordinator for the Borough of Lodi for a period of one (1) year commencing on January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017 at the quarterly rate of \$500.00 per quarter which totals \$2,000.00 per year.
11. Resolution No. 16-247 approving transfer within the 2016 Calendar Year Budget Appropriations.
12. Resolution No. 16-248 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal in accordance with the Stipulation of Settlement: JRF Holdings LLC, Tax Court Docket Number(s) 001544-2015 and 006268-2016 for the calendar years 2015 and 2016.
13. Resolution No. 16-249 authorizing the submission of a strategic plan for the Lodi Municipal Alliance grant for the Lodi Municipal Drug Alliance grant for the fiscal year 2018 in the amount of:
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| DEDR: | \$11,677.00 |
| Cash Match Requirement: | \$ 2,919.00 |
| In-Kind Requirement: | \$ 8,758.00 |
14. Resolution No. 16-250 authorizing to enter into a contract with Health Awareness Regional Program Hackensack University Medical Center for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute said Contract.
15. Resolution No. 16-251 authorizing entering into a Shared Service Agreement between the Borough of Lodi and County of Bergen for County Road Resurfacing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute and Borough Clerk to attest said Shared Service Agreement.
16. Resolution No. 16-252 authorizing entering into a Shared Services Consent and Agreement between the Borough of Lodi and the Borough of Little Ferry for Acting Municipal Court Administrator pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute and Borough Clerk to attest said Shared Services Consent and Agreement for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.
17. Resolution No. 16-253 authorizing entering into a Municipal Services Agreement with Terhune Courts Condominium Association, Inc. for Solid Waste 2017, for a period of one year commencing on January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2017 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute said Agreement.
18. Resolution No. 16-254 authorizing entering into a Municipal Services Agreement with Lodi Manor, LLC for Solid Waste 2017, for a period of one year commencing on January 1, 2017 and terminating on December 31, 2017 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute said Agreement.
19. Resolution No. 16-255 authorizing entering into a Municipal Services Agreement with Marlborough House Association, Inc. a Condominium for Solid Waste 2017, for a period of one year commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating on December 31, 2017 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute said Agreement.
20. Resolution No. 16-256 authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute Deed Terminating Easement and State of New Jersey Sellers Residency Certification/Exemption on behalf of the Borough: 328 Church Street, Lodi, NJ a/k/a Block 260, Lot 185.
21. Resolution No. 16-257 authorizing entering into Lease with Option to Purchase Agreement for Digital Copiers with accessories from Ricoh USA, Inc. a/k/a Atlantic Tomorrow's Office pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12.
22. Resolution No. 16-258 authorizing entering into contract with County of Bergen for Shared Services regarding 911 Communications and Public Safety Dispatch Services for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021 and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute and Borough Clerk to attest said Shared Services Agreement.
23. Resolution No. 16-259 authorizing execution of a Quit Claim Deed and State of New Jersey Sellers Residency Certification/Exemption and authorizing Mayor Carafa to execute said Deed and Certification: Block 66.02, Lot 3 & Lot 4 (14 First Street, LLC).
24. Resolution No. 16-260 declaring a Public Emergency and Exigency – Replacement of comminutor at the Richmond Street Pump Station.

MOTION: CM Martin, second Deputy Mayor Cima to approve.
AYES: (4) CM Martin, CW Licata, Deputy Mayor Cima, Mayor Carafa.
 CW Licata abstained on Resolution No. 16-237 (# L0295- P.O. # 16-02981) & Resolution No. 16- 239.
ABSENT: (1) CM DiChiara

ORDINANCES

HEARING & ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 2016-21

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 241. AN ORDINANCE REGARDING SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL IN THE BOROUGH OF LODI AND ESTABLISHING FEES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

Mayor Carafa asked Borough Attorney to clarify this Ordinance. Mr. Spiniello explained that this was amending an old ordinance that had a maximum fine of \$5 for not removing snow after 24 hours. The new ordinance allows for a **maximum fine not to exceed \$500**. He explained that a Senior citizen could be given a warning or a small fine of \$50 but if an absentee landlord was a repeat offender they could be given the maximum fine and this would be left totally to the discretion of the Municipal Judge.

Mayor opened the hearing on Ordinance No. 2016-21.
 Any Citizens in the audience wishing to be heard: none.
 Mayor asked for a motion to close hearing and adopt Ordinance No. 2016-21.
MOTION: CW Licata, second Deputy Mayor Cima to close hearing and adopt Ordinance No.2016-21.
AYES: (4) CM Martin, CW Licata, Deputy Mayor Cima, Mayor Carafa.
ABSENT: (1) CM DiChiara.

HEARING & ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 2016-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 808-13 AND 303-03 ENTITLED "SNOW EMERGENCY ORDINANCE".

Mayor opened the hearing on Ordinance No. 2016-22.
 Any citizens in the audience wishing to be heard: none.
 Mayor asked for a motion to close hearing and adopt Ordinance No. 2016-22.
MOTION: CW Licata, second Deputy Mayor Cima to close hearing and adopt Ordinance No. 2016-22.
AYES: (4) CM Martin, CW Licata, Deputy Mayor Cima, Mayor Carafa.
ABSENT: (1) CM DiChiara.

INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE NO. 2016-23

FISCAL YEAR 2016 SALARY ORDINANCE

MOTION: CM Martin, second Deputy Mayor Cima to approve Ordinance No. 2016-23.
AYES: (3) CM Martin, Deputy Mayor Cima, Mayor Carafa.
ABSTAIN: (1) CW Licata
ABSENT: (1) CM DiChiara

B) RESOLUTIONS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Martin wished the residents Happy Holidays and thanked Bruce Masopust for his years of service.

Mayor Carafa thanked Bruce Masopust for all his dedication. On behalf of the Mayor and Council, Mr. Carafa wished Bruce success in his new endeavor, said he should enjoy the traveling and that Moose International will be better for having someone like him and wished Bruce congratulations and good luck!

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

HEARING OF CITIZENS

1. Bonnie Scrozzo & Joseph Scrozzo – 515 Westminster Place, Lodi, NJ 07644
 Mrs. Scrozzo stated that the parking situation is getting worse by their home. Auto Network parks cars on the street.
 Mr. Scrozzo stated that their property size is 50 X 100 but Auto Network goes over their boundaries. There are still 2 metal pieces sticking up from the ground and this is dangerous.
 Borough Manager Bruce Masopust said he put in a work order for this and he will follow up with the DPW.

- 2. John Schmelz – 73 MacArthur Avenue, Lodi, NJ 07644
Mr. Schmelz stated that he has a problem with his sidewalk. He had asked the town not to plant trees but they did and now it's lifting the sidewalk and it's very dangerous. The manager said he would take a ride and look at the situation.
- 3. Justin Watrel -506 Collins Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604
Mr. Watrel thanked the Mayor and Council for their support and he stated that 2016 was one of the most productive years in Friends history.
- 4. Santo LoCascio – 207 Martha Avenue, Elmwood Park, NJ
Mr. LoCascio stated that he owns several properties in Lodi. One is located at 430 Passaic Avenue – across the street from Roosevelt School. He went to the Planning Board and did everything that the town asked. Non emergency Ambulance vehicles are parked there. "Masters Ambulance Service" is owned by his son and a partner. Mr. LoCascio stated that Dr. Maio made a complaint but the property is oversized. He asked if he would have to go back to the Board to park more vehicles even though there is room for them? He stated that Dr. Maio has three (3) businesses there and does not have CO's. Manager stated that the Zoning Officer went there and he only has five (5) parking spaces.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: CM Martin, second CW Licata to close Hearing of Citizens and to adjourn.
 AYES: (4) CM Martin, CW Licata, Deputy Mayor Cima, Mayor Carafa.
 ABSENT: (1) CM DiChiara.
 TIME: 6:10 PM

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAINED	ABSENT
CM MARTIN	✓			
CW LICATA	✓			
CM DICHIARA	✓			
DEPUTY MAYOR CIMA	✓			
MAYOR CARAFA	✓			

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS
 IS A TRUE COPY AS ADOPTED BY THE
 BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH
 OF LODI, N.J. AT A MEETING HELD
 ON January 17, 2017
 BORO CLERK Carol L. Stumito

