

Livingston, New Jersey
Regular and Conference
Meeting
April 13, 2020

The Regular and Conference Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Livingston was held via Livestream from Facebook @facebook.com/LivingstonTownshipNJ on the above date at 7:00 p.m. The Mayor stated that notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Law", and that Annual Notice was faxed to the West Essex Tribune and the Star Ledger on January 2, 2020, and that "48-hr. notice" was faxed and emailed to these same publications and posted on the Livingston Township website (livingstonnj.org) on April 7 2020 and posted on the Livingston Township website (livingstonnj.org).

Present (via Livestream): Mayor Fernandez, Deputy Mayor Klein, Councilmember Anthony, Councilmember Meinhardt, Councilmember Vieira, Township Manager Lewis, Deputy Township Manager Jones, Township Clerk Turtletaub, Deputy Township Clerk Mazzucco,

Absent: None

Mayor Fernandez asked everyone to stand for a Moment of Silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Council approved payment of the following Legal Fees:

- a) Genova Burns (February 2020)
- b) Murphy McKeon (March 2020)

Resolution—Consent Agenda Includes All Items Marked "*" R-20-112

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Livingston has determined that certain items on its agenda which have the unanimous approval of all Councilmembers and do not require comment shall be termed the "Consent Agenda"; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has determined that to increase its efficiency, the Consent Agenda shall be adopted with one resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that the items on the Regular Agenda for April 13, 2020, attached hereto, which are preceded by an "*" are the Consent Agenda and are hereby accepted, approved and/or adopted.

On roll call vote, all members present voted YES.

Approval of Minutes

- a) March 23, 2020—Combined Regular and Conference
- b) March 30, 2020—Combined Regular and Conference
- c) April 6, 2020—Combined Regular and Conference
- d) April 6, 2020—Closed Session

New Business—Coronavirus/COVID 19

Township Manager Lewis gave an update of the Township's responses to the Coronavirus pandemic, including continuance of the Township's Social Distancing, and split shifts for

employees. He noted the Township was working with Executive Beth Lippmann and the Business Improvement District, and that he was continuing to monitor revenues and was finalizing a draft Budget, anticipating presenting a draft Budget for the Council's consideration at the April 27 meeting. He pointed out that the Township was continuing to provide essential services

Township Health Officer Anello provided an update of the Health Department cases, responses, and statistics, and acknowledged the hard work of his staff. He thanked SBMC volunteers, and noted that everyone should be covering their faces "when they go anywhere".

Livingston Fire Chief and OEM Coordinator Chris Mullin gave an update on the actions of his Department. He noted that the OEM is "stable with PPE", that he received and reviews twice daily the County Situation report's, and noted that there had been a decrease in the number of calls attributable to fire.

Livingston Police Chief Gary Marshuetz reported that equipment remained steady with PPEs. He noted that his department had responded to service calls at a level consistent with prior numbers. And that his Department had responded to the new Executive Orders 122 through 126. He added that the Department was still responding to calls pointing out violations of social distancing requirements, and that the LPD was still responding to calls as often as before. He reminded that walkers around the Oval were required to walk in a counterclockwise direction so as to ensure sufficient Social Distancing.

Essex County Update/Questions

Public Comments on Agenda Items

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Approval of Licenses

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Final Hearing Ordinances

Proposed Ordinances

Resolutions

a) R-20-113 Awarding Contract for Purchase of a 2020 Ford F-150 Truck for Livingston Police Dept.

WHEREAS, the Township of Livingston Police Department is in need of a utility pick-up truck for the purposes of towing message boards, transporting barricades and other special equipment and for other purposes; and

WHEREAS, Chas S. Winner, LLC Ford Dealer has available a 2020 Ford F-150 Crew Cab Truck under New Jersey State Cooperative Purchasing Contract #88728 which will meet the needs of the Department; and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager and the Police Chief have reviewed the truck specifications from Winner Ford and have recommended that the Township Council authorize the purchase of the truck from Winner Ford, and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager, Acting CFO, has certified that funds are available in Account C-04-55-017-004-013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Livingston, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that it hereby awards, and authorizes the Township Manager to enter into, a Contract for the purchase of a 2020 Ford F-150 Crew Cab pick-up truck for the Livingston Police Department from Chas S. Winner, LLC Ford Dealer under N.J. State Contract #88728 in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.

Exhibit A

N.J. Contract #88728

Chas S. Winner, LLC

2020 Ford F150 4X4 Crew Cab

Standard Equipment

145" Wheelbase

5.0L V8 Engine

6 Speed Automatic Transmission

40/20/40 Vinyl Front Seat

4X4 with Electronic Shift of the Fly

265/70/17 Tires

Power Steering

3.31 Axle

AM/FM Stereo

Air Conditioning

Tilt Steering Wheel

7000 GVWR

655 Extended Range Fuel Tank

Included

85A Power Equipment Group

Included

57Q & 924 Rear Defroster

Included

Total Cost

29239.00

b) R-20-114 Authorizing License Subscription Agreement with Gold Tone Business Machines, for "Info-Cop" E-Ticketing

WHEREAS, the Township of Livingston Police Department is in need of renewing its E-Ticketing software for the Livingston Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the LPD has reviewed the features and performance of a number of E-Ticketing software programs and determined that the "Info-Cop" program offered by Gold Tone Business Machines, Inc. (GTBM) as an authorized reseller under the SHI International Cooperative Purchasing Contract under the Bergen County Cooperative, would best meet the needs of the; and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager and the Police Chief have recommended that the Township Council approve the attached Info-Cop E-Ticketing License Subscription Agreement with GTBM, and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager, Acting CFO, has certified that funds will be available in the current fund operating budget of the Police Department for the years covered by the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Livingston, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that it hereby awards, and authorizes the Township Manager to enter into, an Info-Cop E-Ticket Software License

Subscription Agreement with GTBM for the Livingston Police Department under Bergen County Cooperative Purchasing Bid # 19-34.

On roll call vote of R-20-113 and R-20-114, all members present voted YES.

Township Clerk Turtletaub and Deputy Clerk Mazzucco read questions received via email from Township residents directed to the Council, and each was responded to by the Council and Township officials.

Atharva Pisupati, 25 Mansfield Ct., asked “what is the overall plan to stop the spread of coronavirus in Livingston?”

Keith Hines, 156 East Cedar Street, stated he would “like to plan something to give support and thank you for the nurses at Saint Barnabas Hospital. He stated that he had been “turned down by the hospital” but asked whether there was anything he could do “to shape the celebration Community Township town wide”.

Helen asked for clarification of how many of the Township’s COVID deaths were from Nursing/Assisted Living facilities, and how many are from the general public, specifically “how many of the 227 people are in facilities”.

Soma Chaudhuri addressed the social gatherings which were still occurring and asked how could the Township “effectively remind folks that this is not acceptable”.

Jamie Feldman, 8 Camelot Drive, asked whether a special committee or plan was in place “focused on the Mall and plans if it were to close.”

Stephen Gilberg, 39 Baker Road, addressed Deputy Mayor Klein’s post on “Ltown Lowdown” regarding the importance of giving young children peanut exposure.

Pranav Mukkavilli asked about the Memorial Day Parade.

At 8:17 p.m., the following Resolution was read:

Resolution Authorizing Closed Session—Attorney Client privilege; Personnel

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting; and

WHEREAS the Governing Body of the Township of Livingston has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public; and

WHEREAS, the Conference meeting of the Governing Body will reconvene, and

BE IT RESOLVED that this 13th day of April, 2020, that the Township Council of the Township of Livingston will go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Attorney-Client privilege, Personnel, and such matters as may come before the council and that are exempted from the public as outlined in n.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters discussed in closed session will be made public upon disposition.

On motion duly made and seconded, and by voice vote, all members present voted YES.

The Closed Session adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

RUFINO FERNANDEZ, Jr. Mayor
GLENN R. TURTLETAUB, Township Clerk