

Minutes - Livingston Township Council Conference Meeting #17—October 7, 2019

Present: Mayor Anthony; Councilmembers Fernandez, Klein, Meinhardt, Vieira; Township Manager Lewis; Township Attorney Weiner; Township Clerk Turtletaub

The Conference meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m. The Mayor stated that all the requirements of the “Open Public Meetings Law” had been met. “Annual Notice” was faxed to the *West Essex Tribune and the Star Ledger* on January 2, 2019.

The Council approved the **Conference and Closed Minutes** of the September 16, 2019 meetings.

The Council approved the **Legal Fees** of McCarter & English (August 2019) and Murphy McKeon (August 2019).

Livingston Public Broadcasting Committee Chair Rick Diamond, Frank Sheehan, Patty Arnold and Steve Milano met with the Council, presenting their request for funds for Broadcast Channel Automation Supplies, New Tripods for LTV cameras, and a New Switcher for Community Center Studio. Mr. Milano distributed copies of the 2019 Town Capital Improvements Purchase Request, updated with price increases which had occurred since the request had been submitted with last year’s budget request.

Alan Karpas and Steve Kroll, **Vision 2020 Committee** discussed the Committee’s plans to distribute the 2019-2020 Survey. Specifically, the purpose was to learn from departments, “what would you like to learn from the public that will help you do your job better?”

Livingston Township Engineer Jeannette Harduby provided an update on the Township’s **Water Utility** highlighting items set forth in her October 2, 2019 memo to Township Manager Lewis. She noted the savings of half a million dollars per year, and specifically addressing the Water Utility Background, the Commodity Demand Agreement with ANJAW (New Jersey American Water), and Water Capital Improvements.

Township Attorney Weiner discussed the Proposed Ordinances 19-2019 (regarding purchase of the **Strahman Property**) and Ord. 20-2019 (regarding **membership in the Livingston Fire Department**). Both Ordinances will be introduced this evening.

The Council approved the recommendation by Township Manager Lewis and Township Engineer Harduby for approving an award of an emergency contract to Shauger Property Services, Inc. for **Storm Sewer Repairs** in an amount not to exceed \$70,000. The item is listed on this evening’s Regular Agenda for a vote.

The Council approved the recommendation by Township Manager Lewis and Township Engineer Harduby for an award of contract to ischia Corp. for **Two Inch Milling and Paving** of Chestnut St.—North Section. The item is listed on this evening’s Regular Agenda for a vote.

The Council approved the recommendation by Township Manager Lewis and Utilities Engineer Nathan Kiracofe for an award of contract for **Professional Engineering Services for design and development of construction documents for 2020 Water Main Improvements**. The item is listed on this evening’s Regular Agenda for a vote.

The Council discussed a draft of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 170 to add **Prohibited Uses to Zoning Regulations, addressing Marijuana**. The Council discussed changes, and Attorney Weiner will prepare a revised Ordinance to be introduced on October 21.

The Council agreed to the request of Homestead Steaks to hold a **tent sale/event** at the Livingston Mall parking lot from October 18 to November 10, 2019 during normal mall hours.

Billy Fine discussed the timing and need for lights of the **Pan American flag rising** on October 16.

At 7:45 p.m., the Conference meeting adjourned so the Council could attend the Regular meeting.

At 8:25 p.m., the Conference meeting resumed with everyone previously in attendance present.

Resolution Authorizing Closed Session - Open Space Acquisition; Appointment

At 8:45 p.m., the following Resolution was considered:

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 7th day of October, 2019, that the Township Council of the Township of Livingston will go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Open Space Purchase, Appointment, 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.

At 9:15 p.m., the Closed Session ended.

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Respectfully submitted,

GLENN R. TURTLETAUB
Township Clerk