

**Minutes - Livingston Township Council Conference Meeting #1—January 14, 2019**

**Present:** Mayor Anthony; Councilmembers Fernandez, Klein, Meinhardt; Township Manager Lewis; Deputy Township Manager Jones; Township Attorney Weiner; Township Clerk Turtletaub, Deputy Township Clerk Mazzucco

The Conference meeting commenced at 7:30 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. "48-Hour Notice" was faxed to these same publication on January 3, 2019.

The Council approved the **Minutes** of December 17, 2018 (Conference and Closed).

The Council discussed moving the Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> Township Council meeting to Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, to accommodate Bob Chilton's Clean Energy Act / Livingston Community **Energy Aggregation** presentation.

The Council approved the November 2018 **Legal Fees** of McCarter & English and the December 2018 **Legal Fees** of Murphy McKeon, subject to questions to be considered in closed session.

The Council approved the **Big L Club** request to hang a banner across from Town Hall through January 25th.

The Council considered the request of Martin Ouellet of **Cirque du Soleil** to give a presentation regarding the tent sale/circus event at Livingston Mall at a future Council meeting. The Council agreed with Township Manager Lewis's suggestion to schedule a conference call with Mr. Ouellet for the January 28, 2019 meeting. Councilmember Fernandez asked if details regarding set-up, lighting, signs and sleeping arrangements had been provided. Councilmembers agreed to compile a list of questions for the conference call.

Township Manager Lewis explained the **Rejection of the Bid** for the LSCC folding doors, as it exceeded the budgeted amount for the project.

The Council reviewed a draft **Trails and Greenways Committee Resolution**.

The Council agreed with Township Manager Lewis' recommendation to accept a bid from Ranco Mechanical, LLC for the **Northfield Fire Station Bathroom Renovations**.

The Council considered a letter from a resident regarding the Township's Court-ordered **Tax Revaluation** process by Appraisal Systems. Township Manager Lewis said he would follow up with the resident and he also discussed target dates for the informational community forum.

The Council considered invitations and dates of importance in February 2019.

The Council considered the Essex County Freeholder Meeting Schedule for 2019 and noted that the Thursday, July 25, 2019 meeting would take place in Livingston Town Hall.

**RESOLUTION—Authorizing Closed Session-Appointments; Contract Negotiations (PBA); Contract Negotiations**

At 8:35 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 14th day of January, 2019, that the Township Council of the Township of Livingston will go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Appointments, Contract Negotiations, 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 9:20 p.m., the Closed Session ended, and the Conference meeting concluded.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLYN MAZZUCCO, Deputy Township Clerk