

**BOROUGH OF LONGPORT COMMISSION MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 2305 ATLANTIC AVE
LONGPORT, NJ 08403
WEDNESDAY, June 21, 2017 – 4:30 PM**

Meeting was called to order and the flag salute was conducted.

Municipal Clerk Strawder read the Opening Statement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL:	Nicholas Russo	present
	James P. Leeds, Sr.	absent
	Daniel Lawler	present

Solicitor Agnellini was absent. Clerk Strawder, CFO Kelly and Engineer Carter in attendance

Emergency exit/fire drill/ public speaking limit – announced by Mayor Russo.

Approval of minutes- Commissioner Lawler made a motion, and seconded by Mayor Russo to approve the minutes for the June 7, 2017/regular meeting. ALL AYES- none opposed. (Leeds absent)

Ordinances – Second Reading/ Public Hearing:

Number	Title
15	An Ordinance Amending Subchapter 167-11 Building Projections Pertaining to Steps Within the Front and Side Setbacks of Chapter 167-Zoning of the Code of the Borough of Longport
Purpose	Define setback footage for steps/stairs in yard
Public Comment	None
Motion	Motion- Mayor Russo, seconded by Commissioner Lawler to approve ordinance #2017-15.
Roll Call Vote	Russo – YES, Leeds – ABSENT, Lawler – Yes. All AYES – none opposed
16	An Ordinance Amending Subchapter 147-3 Duties of the Excavator and Subchapter 147-5 Fees, Deposits and Escrows Pertaining to Pavement, Restoration Fee of Chapter 147-Streets and Sidewalks of the Code of the Borough of Longport
Purpose	To clarify duties of the excavator as defined in Paragraph C and D of Subchapter 147-3 and to change Fees/Paragraph A (2)
Public Comment	None
Motion	Motion- Commissioner Lawler, seconded by Mayor Russo to adopt ordinance #2017-16.

Roll Call Vote	(Ordinance 2017-16) Russo – YES, Leeds – ABSENT, Lawler – Yes. All AYES – none opposed
17	An Ordinance Amending Chapter 161-Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the Borough of Longport as it Pertains to NO PARKING on Atlantic Avenue
PURPOSE	To remove the Seasonal Restriction on No Parking on the South Side of Atlantic Avenue between May 15 and Sept 15 and permit parking on the South side at all times
PUBLIC COMMENT	None
MOTION	Mayor Russo made the motion and seconded by Commissioner Lawler. Commissioner Leeds absent.
ROLL CALL VOTE	Russo-YES, Leeds-ABSENT, Lawler- YES. All Ayes- none opposed

FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION

Number	Title
(NONE)	

The public was asked if anyone had any questions or comments on any resolutions listed on the agenda:

No one had any comment on the resolutions listed.

RESOLUTIONS

Number	Title

BILL PAY LIST

In the absence of Commissioner Leeds, Commissioner Lawler asked if anyone had any questions regarding the bill pay list. Hearing none, Commissioner Lawler made motion to approve the bill pay list and seconded by Mayor Russo. All AYES- no opposed. Commissioner Lawler read the Financial Report Summary into record and asked if anyone had any questions about that report. Hearing none, Commissioner Lawler made motion to approve the Financial Summary Report and seconded by Mayor Russo. ALL AYES- none opposed

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Mayor Russo- last of the Social Luncheons was held today sponsored by the Grossman Family. The Mayor read a letter of gratitude from the attendees for the 2016-2017 luncheons. Farmer's Market starts this Saturday and will be held every Saturday. Annual Longport Fireworks will be August 12 with a rain date of August 19. Donations are still needed to pay for the event since taxpayers money is never used. Dates for the July Commission & Workshop meetings announced. American Mile and Open House for the Police & Fire Dept will be held on July 4. Library is doing well with new furniture coming in and interviews for staff being held. The mayor received a request for a donation of two beach tags to be included in a basket for a fundraiser. Different ideas were discussed which resulted in two beach tags being paid for by the mayor and engineer to be donated to the fundraiser. Chief Clayton advised the mayor to recommend to anyone interested in participating in the American Mile run to register BEFORE 6:30 pm as that is the time the run starts.

Commissioner Lawler had nothing to add.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer Carter noted that equipment will be delivered within the next two weeks. It will be here over the 4th July and the American Mile might have to adjust their start location.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor not in attendance-no report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tim O'Connor, 3206 Monmouth Ave, Longport stated he attempted to contact neighbor regarding the bird feeders. Howard Blum also tried to help. He is requesting a solid decision on what type of ordinance to offer regarding the bird feeding. The Mayor explained that there is so much to consider when composing an ordinance such as this i.e. excessive feeding definition, etc.

Tim Giannini of 124 N. Yarmouth could law be written with exceptions (hummingbirds)

Paul Venesz, 2900 Longport Drive, proposed a ban on wildlife. Does not believe a blanket bird feeding ban is the right way to go. He suggested an excessive bird feeding is the way to go.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION- LAWLER, SECOND-RUSSO. All AYES- none opposed. (5:09 pm)