

**BOROUGH OF LONGPORT COMMISSION MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 2305 ATLANTIC AVE
LONGPORT, NJ 08403
WEDNESDAY, March 20, 2019 – 4:30 PM**

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

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

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

Engineer Carter, CFO Kelly, Chief Culmone, and Municipal Clerk Kyle also in attendance.

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

Approval of minutes- Municipal Clerk Kyle requested a motion to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2019, Borough of Longport Commissioners Workshop meeting and the February 20, 2019 Board of Commissioners Meeting. Commissioner Leeds made a motion and seconded by Commissioner Lawler to approve the minutes for the February 7, 2019 and February 20, 2019, meetings. ALL AYES- none opposed.

Discussion on Short Term Rentals:

Mayor Russo read a note from Solicitor Agnellini (Solicitor Agnellini could not attend the meeting due to a conflict) into the record:

Commissioner Leeds and I met last week regarding revisions to the existing ordinance to bring it in line with current requirements and to develop recommended revisions. We will meet again next week and will keep you advised of the progress. You may want to consider advising the public that no changes will be made, or at least effective, until after the 2019 summer season to provide some stability for the rental market since the summer rentals have already begun. You may also want to consider a mechanism for obtaining input from the community.

Commissioner Leeds also discussed short term rentals. Sheila Stone, manager for the Seaview Condominium Association discussed her concerns regarding short-term rentals. Mayor Russo requested that Ms. Stone memorialize her concerns and suggestions into writing and to present it to the governing body.

Ordinances – Second Reading/ Public Hearing.

Number	Title
2	An Ordinance Amending Article VII – Design Standards as it Pertains to Sidewalk Construction in Chapter 167 - Zoning
Purpose	The purpose of this Ordinance is to update and coordinate the construction of sidewalks as currently stated in both Chapter 147 – Streets and Chapter 167- Zoning. The further purpose of this Ordinance is to require the installation of

	<p>specific sidewalk brick within what is referred to as the ‘Governor’s Strip’ for the properties fronting on 22nd Avenue with the intent to maintain a historical appearance in the Block. The brick within the ‘Governor’s Strip’ will also apply to the corner properties at Atlantic and 22nd Avenue permitting the sidewalk brick to be constructed along the frontage along Atlantic Avenue for those corner lots.</p>
Public Comment	None.
Motion	Motion- Commissioner Lawler, seconded by Mayor Russo to approve Ordinance #O2019-02.
Roll Call Vote	Mayor Russo - Yes Comm. Lawler - Yes Comm. Leeds – Abstain TWO AYES. One Abstained. None opposed.
3	An Ordinance Amending Article VI – Street Construction Curblineline to Property Line as it Pertains to Construction Along 22 nd Avenue and Part of Atlantic Avenue in Chapter 147 – Streets and Sidewalks of the Code of the Borough of Longport, Atlantic County, New Jersey
Purpose	The purpose of this Ordinance is to coordinate construction within the sidewalk with the requirements as stated in Chapter 167-39 C. The additional purpose of this Ordinance is to require the installation of specific sidewalk brick within what is referred to as the ‘Governor’s Strip’ for only the properties fronting on 22 nd Avenue with the intent to maintain a historical appearance in the Block. The brick within the ‘Governor’s Strip’ will also apply to the corner properties at Atlantic and 22 nd Avenue permitting the sidewalk brick to be constructed along the corner lot frontage with Atlantic Avenue.
Public Comment	None.
Motion	Motion – Commissioner Lawler, seconded by Mayor Russo to approve Ordinance #O2019-03.
Roll Call Vote	Mayor Russo - Yes Comm. Lawler - Yes Comm. Leeds – Abstain. TWO AYES. One Abstained. None opposed.
4	An Ordinance Authorizing the Salaries, Wages and Compensation in Year 2019 for Employees Not Covered by Previous Ordinance or Union Contracts
Purpose	The purpose of this Ordinance is set the salaries, wages and compensation for borough employees that are not covered by a previous ordinance or union

Public Comment	contract for the year 2019 None.
Motion	Motion – Commissioner Leeds, seconded by Mayor Russo to approve Ordinance #O2019-04.
Roll Call Vote	Mayor Russo - Yes Comm. Lawler - Yes Comm. Leeds – Yes ALL AYES. None opposed.

Ordinances – First Reading/ Introduction. Second Reading and Public Hearing scheduled 4/17/2019.

Number	Title
5	An Ordinance To Exceed Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (NJSA 40A:4-45.14)
Purpose	Authorizes Municipality to Increase its CY 2019 Budget by up to 3.5% Over the Previous Year’s Final Appropriations
Motion	Motion- Commissioner Leeds, seconded by Commissioner Lawler to introduce Ordinance #O2019-05.
All in Favor	ALL AYES. None opposed.

There were no comments or questions on the resolutions listed on the agenda.

RESOLUTIONS

Number	Title
2019-25	Resolution Establishing an Emergency ‘No Parking’ Area on Sections of Atlantic Avenue for the JCC April Fool’s Half Marathon Event MOTION - RUSSO, SECOND- LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-26	Resolution Authorizing the Donation of a Police Department Older Model AED to the Margate Riptides MOTION-RUSSO, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-27	Resolution Authorizing the Budget to be Read by Title Only MOTION-LEEDS, SECOND-LAWLER, All AYES- none opposed.
2019-28	Resolution to Authorize Introduction of Year 2019 Municipal Budget <i>THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE BOROUGH OF LONGPORT, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2019</i> SECTION 1.

	<p><i>The Municipal Budget of the Year of 2019:</i></p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for 2019;</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said budget shall be published in the Press of Atlantic City.</p> <p><i>The Governing Body of the Borough of Longport does hereby approve the following Budget for the Year of 2019.</i></p> <p><i>Recorded vote:</i></p> <table> <tr> <td><i>Mayor</i></td> <td><i>Russo - YES</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Commissioner</i></td> <td><i>Lawler - YES</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Commissioner</i></td> <td><i>Leeds – YES</i></td> </tr> </table> <p>A hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at Borough Hall, 2305 Atlantic Avenue on April 17, 2019 at 4:30 PM at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the Year of 2019 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons. MOTION - LEEDS, SECOND-LAWLER, Roll Call Vote: Comm. Lawler - Yes Comm. Leeds – Yes Mayor Russo - Yes ALL AYES. None opposed.</p>	<i>Mayor</i>	<i>Russo - YES</i>	<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Lawler - YES</i>	<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Leeds – YES</i>
<i>Mayor</i>	<i>Russo - YES</i>						
<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Lawler - YES</i>						
<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Leeds – YES</i>						
2019-29	<p>Resolution Authorizing Local Unit Budget Examination MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND-LAWLER. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>						
2019-30	<p>Resolution Appointing a Deputy Municipal Clerk for the Borough of Longport MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND – LEEDS. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>						
2019-31	<p>Resolution Appointing an Alternate Deputy Registrar for the Borough of Longport MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND – LEEDS. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>						
2019-32	<p>Resolution Appointing an Alternate Deputy Clerk for the Borough of Longport MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND – LAWLER. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>						
2019-33	<p>Resolution Authorizing Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission’s “Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964” MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND-LAWLER. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>						
2019-34	<p>Resolution Authorizing A Tax Refund Due to Overpayment MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND – LAWLER, ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>						
2019-35	<p>Resolution Authorizing Appointment of a Local Registrar for the Borough of Longport</p>						

2019-36	<p>MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND – LAWLER. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p> <p>Resolution Authorizing Appointment of a Local Deputy Registrar for the Borough of Longport</p> <p>MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND – LAWLER. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>
2019-37	<p>Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to S. Hughes Electric Company, LLC., of Pleasantville, NJ</p> <p>MOTION – RUSSO, SECOND – LAWLER. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>
2019-38	<p>Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Temporary Appropriation 2019 (with an amendment by CFO Kelly - remove health benefits waiver.)</p> <p>MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND – LAWLER. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>
2019-39	<p>Resolution Adopting Rules and Regulations for Beach Vending, Adopting Terms and Conditions of Licensure and Giving Notice for the Sale of a Beach Vending License</p> <p>MOTION – LAWLER, SECOND – RUSSO. ALL AYES – none opposed.</p>

BILL PAY LIST & Financial Summary Report

Commissioner of Finance and Revenue, Jim Leeds, Sr. asked if there were any questions on the bill pay list. There were none. Commissioner Leeds made a motion to approve the bill pay list, seconded by Commissioner Lawler. ALL IN FAVOR – ALL AYES/ NONE OPPOSED. Commissioner Leeds read the financial summary report into the minutes. Commissioner Leeds asked if anyone had any questions regarding the financial summary report. There were none.

MOTION – LEEDS, SECOND – LAWLER. ALL IN FAVOR - ALL AYES/ NONE OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Mayor Russo discussed a letter he received from the fire chief regarding the need for a fire boat dock facility. Mayor Russo noted that money has been budgeted for this purpose in an upcoming bond ordinance. Engineer Carter also discussed the boat dock.

Mayor Russo also discussed adding parking spaces near 16th Avenue. Engineer Carter discussed the addition of two handicapped parking spaces and regulating the time limit if permissible. There was further discussion on this topic.

Mayor Russo requested that the municipal clerk add a resolution to the next meeting for HUMVEEs through the LESO program.

There were no additional Commissioners’ reports.

ENGINEER’S REPORT

Engineer Carter noted that the borough would soon accept bids for improvements to 29th Avenue.

Engineer Carter discussed several bulkheads that were being repaired.

Engineer Carter also discussed the beach maintenance plan and noted the need to discuss NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife restrictions on the beach at the next workshop meeting.

Mayor Russo announced that the Clean Ocean Action Beach Sweep scheduled for April 13th had been canceled. There was further discussion on this topic.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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