

June 21, 2023
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A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of West Long Branch was held on the above date and time in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 965 Broadway, West Long Branch, N.J.

Mayor Janet W. Tucci presided.

Mayor Tucci reported that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 adequate notice of this meeting of the Mayor and Council has been provided.

PRESENT: BRAY, CIOFFI, GOMEZ, NEYHART, PENTA
ABSENT: SNIFFEN

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Neyhart moved the approval of the minutes of the June 7, 2023, caucus meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bray and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, NEYHART, PENTA
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: SNIFFEN
ABSTAIN: GOMEZ

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AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, NEYHART, PENTA
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: SNIFFEN
ABSTAIN: GOMEZ

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Mayor Tucci reported that she received a letter stating that the Borough's jail cells are in excellent condition and thanked the Chief of Police.

Councilman Bray stated that the capital ordinance introduction is set for the August 2nd council meeting.

Councilman Cioffi reported that portable radios have been ordered for the summer recreation counselors. Councilman Cioffi reminded everyone that the farmer's market will commence in July. Councilman Cioffi reported that two members of the Shade Tree Commission have resigned and extended his gratitude for their services.

Councilman Gomez read the EMS and Fire Department report for May 2023. Councilman Gomez asked the Chief of Police if EMS and Fire could have their own area allocated to them at Franklin Lake during the summer concerts; the Chief of Police said yes.

Councilman Neyhart had nothing to report.

Councilman Penta reported that Golf Street, Primrose Lane, and Judith Place are all undergoing construction with paving to commence soon.

Councilman Sniffen was absent.

The Borough Administrator reported, on behalf of Councilman Sniffen, that a date has yet to be set for the contractor to do the roof repairs at Borough Hall.

The Acting Borough Clerk had nothing to report.

The Borough Attorney had nothing to report.

The Borough Engineer was absent.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Tax Collector’s Monthly Report – May 2023
- 2. EMS Membership Application – Bashaar Ismail – Active Membership
- 3. EMS Membership Application – Isaac Srour – Auxiliary Membership

Councilman Bray moved to approve the above EMS membership applications. Seconded by Councilman Gomez and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, GOMEZ, NEYHART, PENTA
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: SNIFFEN
ABSTAIN: NONE

Both applicants had a favorable background check.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. O-23-11

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2-8.4b
REGARDING THE CHAIN OF COMMAND IN THE
WEST LONG BRANCH POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ordinance No. O-23-11 was read on its **second reading** by title only.

Councilman Bray moved the ordinance be passed on **second reading** by title only. Seconded by Councilman Penta, and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, GOMEZ, NEYHART, PENTA
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: SNIFFEN
ABSTAIN: NONE

Ordinance No. O-23-11 was published in the Asbury Park Press in the issue of June 13, 2023, and proof of publication stating that a public hearing on said ordinance would be held at this time is on file.

Mayor Tucci declared the public hearing open.

There being no one wishing to speak, Councilman Neyhart moved the public hearing be closed. Seconded by Councilman Bray and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. O-23-11

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2-8.4b
REGARDING THE CHAIN OF COMMAND IN THE
WEST LONG BRANCH POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ordinance No. O-23-11 was read on its **third and final reading** by title only.

Councilman Bray moved the ordinance be adopted on **third and final reading** by title only. Seconded by Councilman Penta, and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, GOMEZ, NEYHART, PENTA
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: SNIFFEN
ABSTAIN: NONE

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RESOLUTIONS:

Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF
ONE (1) 2023 CHEVY MALIBU VEHICLE FOR THE WEST LONG BRANCH POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Borough has the need to purchase a 2023 CHEVY MALIBU VEHICLE for use by its Police Department; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-3, et seq., the Borough may award a contract without publicly advertising for bids when purchasing under the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Police Chief that this equipment will meet the Division of Police needs, and that it is in the Borough's best interest to award a contract to this company for said equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of West Long Branch has certified, in accordance with the Certification of Funds Form attached hereto, that funds are available for this purchase from the Appro. Line Item #03-01-25-240-000-251, in the amount of \$29,059.04.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that a contract be awarded to Gentilini Motors for purchase of one (1) 2023 Chevy Malibu in accordance with the terms and conditions of the attached quote for a cost not to exceed \$29,059.04.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary documents pursuant to said award.

Seconded by Councilmember NEYHART and carried upon the following roll call vote:

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| AYES: | BRAY, CIOFFI, GOMEZ, NEYHART, PENTA |
| NAYS: | NONE |
| ABSENT: | SNIFFEN |
| ABSTAIN: | NONE |

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Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION RENEWING LIQUOR LICENSES FOR 2023-2024

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that the following liquor licenses be renewed subject, however, to the rules, regulations, and ordinances affecting the same, said licenses to expire on June 30, 2024.

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>LICENSE NUMBER</u> |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Ravi Randal Corporation | <i>Inactive</i> | 1353-32-003-003 |
| Rodeio Grill Bar & Restaurant, LLC T/A: Rodeio Grill Bar & Restaurant | 78 Oceanport Avenue | 1353-33-002-015 |
| Neamoni, Inc. T/A: Zachary's Restaurant | 67-71 Oceanport Avenue | 1353-33-005-008 |
| Myway B and G, Inc. T/A: Myway Bar & Grill | 823 Broadway | 1353-33-006-005 |
| Branches Catering, LLC | 123 Monmouth Road | 1353-33-001-005 |

PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>LICENSE NUMBER</u> |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Ravi Randal Corporation T/A: Paddock Liquors | 145 Monmouth Road Suite 8 | 1353-44-004-006 |

CLUB LICENSE

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>LICENSE NUMBER</u> |
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| Monmouth University Pub Association T/A: Monmouth College Pub Association | 400 Cedar Avenue | 1353-31-008-004 |

HOTEL/MOTEL EXCEPTION LICENSE

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>LICENSE NUMBER</u> |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|
| WLB Empire LLC La Quinta Inn by Wyndham | 109 Route 36 | 1353-36-010-001 |

Seconded by Councilmember NEYHART and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, GOMEZ, NEYHART, PENTA
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: SNIFFEN
ABSTAIN: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Neyhart asked if everyone would be on board with allowing the community center to honor a student volunteer and present them with an award at the July council meeting; no one was in opposition.

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BILLS AND CLAIMS:

Councilman Bray moved to approve the bill list. Seconded by Councilmen Neyhart and carried upon the following roll call vote:

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| AYES: | BRAY, CIOFFI, GOMEZ, NEYHART, PENTA |
| NAYS: | NONE |
| ABSENT: | SNIFFEN |
| ABSTAIN: | NONE |

PUBLIC HEARING:

There being no one wishing to speak, Councilman Neyhart moved to adjourn the Council meeting and to enter Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman Bray and carried unanimously.



ACTING BOROUGH CLERK