

April 3, 2019  
7:01 PM

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, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
ABSENT: PENTA

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Bray moved the approval of the minutes of the March 6, 2019, caucus meeting. Seconded by Councilman Cioffi and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: MANGO, MIGLIACCIO

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Councilman Bray moved the approval of the minutes of the March 6, 2019, executive session meeting and approved the release of all pages except page 5. Seconded by Councilman Cioffi and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: MANGO, MIGLIACCIO

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Councilman Bray moved the approval of the minutes of the March 6, 2019, council meeting. Seconded by Councilman Cioffi and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: MANGO, MIGLIACCIO

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Councilman Bray announced that the 2019 municipal budget was scheduled to be introduced this evening. He also reported that Ordinance No. O-19-6, which permits the Borough to exceed the municipal budget appropriations limits and establish a CAP bank, was on tonight's agenda for introduction.

Councilman Cioffi reported that the First Aid Squad honored Judy Wortman for forty years of continuous service on the Squad at their monthly meeting last night. Further, he added that there were approximately ten members who have been recognized under the Presidential Volunteer Service Award, which was based on yearly volunteer hours. He recommended inviting those members to an upcoming meeting to be recognized.

Councilman Cioffi stated that the West Long Branch Fire Department was awarded a grant through New Jersey American Water Company. He commented

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that this grant would be used to purchase a thermal imaging camera to be placed in the Fire Chief's vehicle.

Councilwoman Mango had nothing to report this evening.

Councilman Migliaccio stated that his Committee was making progress.

Councilman Neyhart reported on the following items:

- The West Long Branch Police Department would be participating in the DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day at Peter Cooper Village on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, and at Police Headquarters on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
- Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, was the opening day of trout season and a fishing license would be required for anyone sixteen years of age or older.
- The Recreation Commission would be hosting the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.
- The West Long Branch Community Center would be having an indoor garage sale on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Neyhart read the following Police Report for March 2019.

Motor Vehicle Stops	373	Alarms (Burglary)	28
Motor Vehicle Crash	38	Alarms (Fire)	12
Traffic Citations – Non Parking	213	School Details – BME, FAS, SRHS	157
Traffic Citations – Parking	31	School Details include: Bus escorts, walk throughs, building security checks/contacts	
Drunk Driving Arrests	3	Fire Calls (Structure)	0
Assist Motorists	17	EMS Calls	38
Municipal Code Violations	15	Arrest Total	15

Crimes & Offenses to include: *Endangering Welfare of a Child; Fraud; Simple Assault; DWI; Possession of CDS; Possession of paraphernalia; Contempt of Court; Disorderly Conduct; Violation of Restraining order*

**March - Total Calls for Service: 2,033**

**Busiest Day of Week – Friday**

**Busiest Time of Day – 08:00 – 09:00**

**Professional Development**

DATE	Training/Class	Officers	Hours
3/1/2019	Handgun Qualification	Ellis, Botti, Ferrugiaro, Moore, Buono, Knott, Buck	42
Various	DRE Certification (2 Days)	Brennessel	20
3/5 & 6/2019	PER 335	Ellis	20
3/5/2019	Special Needs Registry Update	Brosonski	4
3/7/2019	Joint Terrorism Task Force	Ellis	5
3/8/2019	DRE Instructor	Hanlon	10

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3/8/2019	Handgun Qualification	Ellis, Gomez, Kampf, Moore, Osborn, Knott	30
3/11/2019	Document Fraud	Kampf & Knott	16
3/13/2019	Jail Cell Management, National Incident Based Reporting System, Handgun Maintenance, Fentanyl Exposure Protection	Entire Department	88
3/14/2019	Monmouth County Traffic Officers	Burton	4
3/15/2019	Rifle Qualification	Ellis, Kampf, Moore, Knott, Buck, Szatkowski	33
3/17, 18, 19/2019	Law Enforcement Against Drugs (LEAD)	Gomez, Moore, Szatkowski	48
3/21/2019	DRE Meeting	Hanlon	8
3/22/2019	Overdose Mapping Software Training	Moore, Osborn	6
03/23/2019	Water Safety (Instructor)	Brosonski	8
03/25/2019	SRHS Drug Alliance Meeting	Gomez	1
03/26/2019	Child Abduction Response Team Training	Hanlon	32
03/27/2019	Central Monmouth Active Shooter Partnership @ SRHS	Moore, Osborn, Buck, Brennessel, Hanrahan, Farrell, Miller	56
3/28/2019	Traffic Engineering	Buono	8
3/28/2019	New Jersey Marathon Traffic Mtg @ LBPD	Gomez, Burton	2
		Total Training Hours	441

The Borough Administrator had nothing to report.

The Borough Clerk advised the Mayor and Council that their 2019 Financial Disclosure Statement was due by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Borough Attorney had nothing to report.

There was nothing to report on behalf of the Borough Engineer.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

The Borough Clerk made reference to the following letter, dated March 21<sup>st</sup>:

To Whom It May Concern,

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March 29<sup>th</sup> (Friday) will be my last day as an employee of the Boro of West Long Branch. All of my uniforms will be returned the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Michael D. Davido

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The Borough Clerk made reference to the following undated letter:

I Paul Shanahan last day will be 3/26/2019.

Paul Shanahan

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The Borough Clerk made reference to the following letter, dated March 25<sup>th</sup>:

Dear Mayor Tucci:

I am pleased to inform you that West Long Branch has been selected to receive funding from the New Jersey Department of Transportation's (NJDOT) Fiscal Year 2019 Municipal Aid Program for the Wall Street Sidewalk Improvements Project in the amount of \$225,000.

NJDOT's Municipal Aid Program is a very competitive program. This year the Department received 681 applications requesting more than \$377.9 million. There is \$161.25 million available in funds from the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) supported by the State gas tax.

As part of the Department's Commitment to Community, NJDOT provides statewide assistance for local governments for improvements to and preservation of the local transportation network, this network makes up about 90 percent of New Jersey's roadways. The successful completion of your project will help achieve this goal and provide your constituents and everyone that uses local roads a transportation system that provides the mobility they deserve.

Should you have any questions regarding your grant, please contact the NJDOT Local Aid District Office in your area.

District 1 – Mt. Arlington – 973-601-6700	District 3 – Trenton – 609-530-5271
District 2 – Newark – 973-877-1500	District 4 – Cherry Hill – 856-486-6618

Again, thank you for your support of this program and good luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti  
Commissioner

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ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. O-19-4

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O-18-1  
REGARDING SALARIES OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES  
AND SETTING THE 2019 SALARIES OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL  
OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTEES

Ordinance No. O-19-4 is read on its second reading by title only.

Councilman Cioffi moved the ordinance be passed on its second reading, seconded by Councilman Bray, and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART



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NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

Ordinance No. O-19-4 was published in the Asbury Park Press in the issue of March 23, 2019, and proof of publication stating that a public hearing on said ordinance will be held at this time is on file.

Mayor Tucci declares the public hearing open.

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

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ORDINANCE NO. O-19-4

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REGARDING SALARIES OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES  
AND SETTING THE 2019 SALARIES OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL  
OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTEES

Councilman Bray moved the ordinance be passed on its third and final reading, seconded by Councilwoman Mango, and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

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ORDINANCE NO. O-19-5

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ESCROW FEE SCHEDULE  
FOR BOARD APPLICATIONS IN THE  
BOROUGH OF WEST LONG BRANCH

Ordinance No. O-19-5 was carried for further investigation.

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ORDINANCE NO. O-19-6

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET  
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit an increase in said budget to 2.5% or the cost of living adjustment, whichever is less, unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of West Long Branch, in the County of Monmouth, finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2019 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$301,102.48 of the increase in final

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appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to the final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of West Long Branch in the County of Monmouth, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2019 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of West Long Branch shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5% amounting to \$301,102.48 and the CY 2019 municipal budget for the Borough of West Long Branch be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said director within 5 days after such adoption.

Councilman Bray moved to approve the above ordinance on its first reading and to set the public hearing on this ordinance for April 17, 2019, at 7:00 PM. Motion was seconded by Councilman Cioffi and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

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RESOLUTIONS:

Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION  
EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS  
(R-19-61)

WHEREAS, the temporary appropriations heretofore adopted will be inadequate to the point when the 2019 Budget will be finally adopted and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides for the making of emergency temporary appropriations to supplement the temporary appropriations already made;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that the following emergency temporary appropriations, in addition to the temporary appropriations already adopted, be adopted, and is stated that these emergency temporary appropriations shall be included in the 2019 Budget when adopted.

ADMINISTRATIVE & EXECUTIVE:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$50,000.00
Other Expenses-----	\$8,000.00

MUNICIPAL CLERK:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$30,000.00
Other Expenses-----	\$3,000.00

FINANCE:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$20,000.00
Other Expenses-----	\$10,000.00

AUDIT:

Other Expenses-----	\$7,000.00
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ASSESSMENT OF TAXES:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$5,500.00
Other Expenses-----	\$5,880.00

COLLECTION OF TAXES:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$1,000.00
Other Expenses-----	\$4,300.00

LEGAL SERVICES AND COSTS:

Other Expenses-----	\$31,500.00
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ENGINEERING SERVICES AND COSTS:

Other Expenses-----	\$20,000.00
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PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Other Expenses-----	\$22,000.00
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PLANNING BOARD:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$1,500.00
Other Expenses-----	\$6,000.00

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$1,500.00
Other Expenses-----	\$4,500.00

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$250.00
Other Expenses-----	\$5,000.00

SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$250.00
Other Expenses-----	\$250.00

SHADE TREE COMMISSION:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$150.00
Other Expenses-----	\$2,000.00

INSURANCE:

Group Plans – Hospitalization/Dental-----	\$350,000.00
Other Premiums-----	\$158,500.00

FIRE:		
Fire Hydrant Service-----		\$21,000.00
Other Expenses-----		\$21,000.00
POLICE:		
Salaries and Wages-----		\$720,000.00
Other Expenses-----		\$55,000.00
TRAFFIC LIGHT MAINTENANCE:		
Other Expenses-----		\$2,100.00
FIRST AID ORGANIZATION CONTRIBUTION-----		\$8,000.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICE:		
Other Expenses-----		\$1,000.00
PUBLIC WORKS:		
Salaries and Wages-----		\$158,000.00
Other Expenses-----		\$47,000.00
MUNICIPAL COURT:		
Salaries and Wages-----		\$7,000.00
Other Expenses-----		\$850.00
PUBLIC DEFENDER:		
Salaries and Wages-----		\$2,250.00
SERVICES OF MONMOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION-----		\$22,500.00
REGISTRAR:		
Salaries and Wages-----		\$840.00
Other Expenses-----		\$600.00
DOG REGULATION:		
Other Expenses-----		\$2,500.00
BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS:		
Salaries and Wages-----		\$500.00
Other Expenses-----		\$10,000.00
TRANSPORTATION OF CHILDREN:		
Other Expenses-----		\$5,000.00
LIBRARY:		
Salaries and Wages-----		\$200.00
Other Expenses-----		\$6,065.00
UTILITIES		
Electricity-----		\$23,000.00
Street Lighting-----		\$21,000.00
Telephone-----		\$10,000.00
Water-----		\$3,600.00
Natural Gas-----		\$9,200.00

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Sewer-----	\$1,100.00
Gasoline/Diesel-----	\$40,000.00
LANDFILL DUMPING FEES-----	\$57,000.00

STATE UNIFORM CODE:

Code Enforcement Official:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$9,000.00
Other Expenses-----	\$600.00

Zoning Official:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$9,000.00
Other Expenses-----	\$210.00

Life Hazard Fire Protection:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$7,000.00
Other Expenses-----	\$1,000.00

Housing Inspector:

Salaries and Wages-----	\$2,250.00
Other Expenses-----	\$500.00

MUNICIPAL COURT SHARED SERVICE-----	\$37,000.00
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION SHARED SERVICE-----	\$17,500.00
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SHARED SERVICE-----	\$5,000.00
CONTINGENT-----	\$315.00

STATUTORY EXPENDITURES:

Other Expenses:

Social Security & Medicare-----	\$43,000.00
DCRP-----	\$2,000.00
SDI-----	\$2,700.00

MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE

Green Trust Loan Repayments -----	\$10,000.00
Payment of Principal -----	\$115,000.00
Interest on Bonds -----	\$25,000.00

CONDO SERVICES-----	\$2,300.00
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Seconded by Councilmember MANGO and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

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Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION APPROVING LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH  
185 MONMOUTH PARKWAY ASSOCIATES FOR USE OF A PORTION  
OF THE MONMOUTH PARK CORPORATE CENTER I PARKING LOT

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(R-19-62)

WHEREAS, the West Long Branch Police Department has requested permission from 185 Monmouth Parkway Associates, L.P., the owner of Monmouth Park Corporate Center I, located at 185 State Highway 36, West Long Branch, to use a designated section of the parking lot at Monmouth Park Corporate Center I on May 24, 2019, from 10:00 PM through May 25, 2019, at 3:00 AM, to conduct Roadside Alcohol Impairment Inspections; and

WHEREAS, 185 Monmouth Parkway Associates, L.P. wishes to grant permission for this activity and has submitted the attached LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR USE OF A PORTION OF PARKING LOT AT MONMOUTH PARK CORPORATE CENTER I for approval by the Borough of West Long Branch; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney and the Borough's insurance carrier representative have reviewed said Agreement and find it to be in order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that the attached LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR USE OF A PORTION OF PARKING LOT AT MONMOUTH PARK CORPORATE CENTER I for the use of a portion of the parking lot from May 24, 2019, from 10:00 PM through May 25, 2019, at 3:00 AM to conduct Roadside Alcohol Impairment Inspections is hereby approved, and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the same.

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

AYES:	BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART
NAYS:	NONE
ABSENT:	PENTA
ABSTAIN:	NONE

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Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING 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"  
(R-19-63)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply 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," *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

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

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

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Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE  
OF NEW JERSEY FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED  
BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE,  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
(R-19-64)

WHEREAS, the Borough of West Long Branch wishes to apply for funding of approximately \$27,417 with a match of \$98,317 for an approximate project total cost of \$125,732 for a project under the State of New Jersey Safe & Secure Communities Grant Program 19-1353, which will be in effect from February 3, 2019, to February 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of West Long Branch has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and Borough of West Long Branch for the purpose described in the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that:

1. The Borough of West Long Branch wishes to apply for funding of approximately \$27,417 with a match of \$98,317 for an approximate project total cost of \$125,734 for a project under the State of New Jersey Safe & Secure Communities Grant Program 19-1353, which will be in effect from February 3, 2019, to February 2, 20120; and
2. As a matter of public policy the Borough of West Long Branch wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
3. The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
4. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
5. The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to the applicant as authorized.
6. The appropriate Borough officials are hereby authorized to sign and forward the Safe & Secure Communities Grant Program Application No. 19-1353.
7. The Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the subaward for this funding.

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

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA

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ABSTAIN: NONE

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Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-19-55  
REGARDING THE FIVE-YEAR EXTENSION OF  
SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT  
WITH OCEAN TOWNSHIP FOR MUNICIPAL COURT  
(R-19-65)

WHEREAS, the Township of Ocean entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of West Long Branch on March 20, 2014, by which the Township would provide all municipal court services to West Long Branch for a five-year period from April 1, 2014, through March 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Borough of West Long Branch and the Township of Ocean to extend this Shared Services Agreement for an additional five-year term commencing on April 1, 2019, or the date of approval by the Monmouth County Assignment Judge, whichever is earlier; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of West Long Branch adopted Resolution No. R-19-55 on March 6, 2019, which resolution approved a five-year extension of the Shared Services Agreement with Ocean Township for municipal court services; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-19-55 incorrectly stated the fee to be paid to the Township of Ocean by the Borough of West Long Branch for 2019 as \$142,292.00 and that amount will increase by 2% for each subsequent year of said Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the actual amount due for 2019 is \$146,291.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch that Resolution No. R-19-55 be amended to reflect that the correct amount to be paid to the Township of Ocean by the Borough of West Long Branch in 2019 is \$146,291; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the balance of Resolution No. R-19-55 shall remain the same.

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

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

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Mayor Tucci read the following statement:

The 2019 budget that is being introduced tonight is the result of budget hearings with each department head, as well as numerous meetings with the Finance Committee, Council and myself. I would like to thank all parties involved for their hard work and cooperation in the development of this budget.

The total 2019 budget of \$12,088,379 has been increased by \$344,851 over the 2018 budget of \$11,743,528.

This budget provides funding to maintain staffing and equipment for our important public safety functions. It maintains our ability to keep public facilities and roads in a state of good repair. We continue to invest in our facilities and roadways through capital improvement projects. An annual inspection is made of all



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Borough roadways to prioritize those most in need of attention.

Tax Rate

The 2019 tax levy, which is the entire amount of money to be raised by direct taxation, provides a municipal tax rate of 67.3 cents which is a 1.0 cent increase, or 1.4% higher, from the prior year tax rate of 66.3 cents. The Borough is actually back to the same tax rate as it was in 2017 as we had a decrease in tax rate for the 2018 budget. Taxes on an average home in West Long Branch assessed at \$481,791 will be \$3,242.45 for municipal purposes. The balance of your taxes are for the local and regional schools and the county.

Revenue

Revenues for the Borough have remained stable throughout the 2018 budget year and we have anticipated similar amounts for the 2019 Budget.

The amount of State Aid anticipated from the State of New Jersey remained the same at \$796,169. And the amount of surplus utilized also remained the same as in the 2018 budget of \$944,600.

Appropriations

The Finance Committee has worked very diligently to control expenditures within the departments. Most of the departments were held at the same appropriation levels as in 2018.

A note of appreciation is due to both our taxpayers and our tax collector for achieving a tax collection rate of 97.90%.

The public hearing on the 2019 Municipal Budget is set for May 1, 2019.

Councilmember BRAY offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember CIOFFI.

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE  
(R-19-66)

Section 1.

Municipal Budget of the Borough of West Long Branch, County of Monmouth for the Year 2019;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2019;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Budget be published in the Asbury Park Press in the issue of April 9, 2019.

The Governing Body of the Borough of West Long Branch does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2019:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the GOVERNING BODY of the BOROUGH OF WEST LONG BRANCH, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, on April 3, 2019. A hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at the Municipal Building on May 1, 2019 at 6:30 o'clock (p.m.) at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2019 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NONE

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NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Neyhart moved to authorize the Mayor to electronically sign the 2019 Click It or Ticket Grant in the amount of \$5,500. Seconded by Councilman Bray and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

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Councilman Bray moved to approve Raffle License 19-14 – Lions Club of West Long Branch and Raffle License 19-15 – ARC Monmouth. Seconded by Councilwoman Mango and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, MIGLIACCIO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: NONE

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Councilman Cioffi reported that Governor Murphy recently signed a bill which established a “rain tax” that some say would provide a much needed tool to manage flooding and water runoff. He explained that this bill allowed municipalities and counties to impose a fee or tax on property owners to fund upgrades to antiquated stormwater systems based on how much the property owner contributed to the runoff. Even though the properties that would most likely be affected would be shopping centers and office complexes with large parking lots, residential properties were not excluded. Councilman Cioffi indicated that he would be investigating this issue further since there were already regulations in place to deal with stormwater runoff, that this type of tax could cause property owners to raise rents causing businesses to move out of town, as well as the fact that the municipalities and counties would be responsible for enforcement.

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BILLS AND CLAIMS:

Councilman Bray moved to approve the following bill list:

March 29, 2019 07:34 PM			BOROUGH OF WEST LONG BRANCH Bill List By P.O. Number			Page No: 1		
P.O. Type: All			Include Project Line Items: Yes			Open: N	Paid: N	Void: N
Range: First to Last						Rcvd: Y	Held: Y	Aprv: N
Format: Condensed						Bid: Y	State: Y	Other: Y Exempt: Y
PO #	PO Date	Vendor	PO Description	Status	Amount	Void Amount	PO Type	
18-01275	09/20/18	N0035	NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	DPW EMPLOYMENT AD	Open	115.00	0.00	
18-01555	11/20/18	N0035	NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	TAX COLLECTOR EMPLOYMENT AD	Open	115.00	0.00	
18-01691	12/16/18	T0088	TEAM GREEN LAWN SPRINKLERS	PARK MAINTENANCE	Open	90.00	0.00	
18-01726	12/31/18	N0035	NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	DPW EMPLOYMENT AD	Open	45.00	0.00	
18-01752	12/31/18	T0088	TEAM GREEN LAWN SPRINKLERS	PARK MAINTENANCE	Open	250.00	0.00	
18-01786	12/31/18	P0112	PROVANTAGE	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT - ANIMAL	Open	903.04	0.00	
19-00022	01/30/19	N0058	WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS &	POLICE - EQUIPMENT	Open	418.01	0.00	
19-00050	02/02/19	C0053	CITY OF LONG BRANCH	PUBLIC BLDG-IT MNTHLY SERVICES	Open	8,000.00	0.00	
19-00143	02/01/19	J0011	JOHN GUIRE COMPANY	DPW - EQUIP REPAIRS & MAINT	Open	857.98	0.00	
19-00147	02/19/19	I0019	MUTT MITT	ENVIRON-PROJECTS @ LARGE	Open	885.38	0.00	
19-00149	02/19/19	G0005	GANN LAW BOOKS	POLICE-SUBSCRIPTION	Open	404.00	0.00	
19-00151	02/19/19	80021	BORO PRINTING	P,D SUPPLIES-PRINTED SUPPLIES	Open	28.00	0.00	
19-00155	02/21/19	G0002	GALL'S INC.,	P,D UNIFORM - 2019 HABERMANN	Open	129.60	0.00	
19-00191	03/03/19	S0027	SIP'S PAINTS AND HARDWARE	PUB BLDGS - MAINTENANCE POLICE	Open	48.98	0.00	
19-00245	03/16/19	N0035	NJ LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	ADMINISTRATION EMPLOYMENT AD	Open	160.00	0.00	

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19-00270	03/27/19	C0083	COMCAST	299 MON RD:8499 05 216 0011716	Open	110.85	0.00
19-00271	03/27/19	C0083	COMCAST	LIBRARY: 8499-05-216-0045946	Open	115.51	0.00
19-00274	03/29/19	H0083	JOSEPH G. HUGHES, ESQ.	APRIL, 2019 PROSECUTOR FEES	Open	1,487.50	0.00
19-00275	03/29/19	C0008	CARUSO & BAXTER	PROFESSIONAL ATTORNEY SERVICES	Open	5,491.08	0.00
19-00276	03/29/19	C0055	WEST LONG BRANCH BD OF	G/L-LOCAL SCHOOL TAX	Open	708,738.11	0.00
19-00277	03/29/19	C0058	CUSTODIAN OF SCHOOL MONIES	S.R.H.S. TAX	Open	325,515.00	0.00
19-00278	03/29/19	I0034	MICHAEL IRENE, JR.	ZONING BD ATTORNEY FEES	Open	1,714.00	0.00
19-00279	03/29/19	00044	OCEANSIDE SERVICE INC	BUILDING MAINTENANCE BORO HALL	Open	2,392.00	0.00
19-00280	03/29/19	G0002	GALL'S INC..	P.D. 2019 - UNIFORMS ALLOWANCE	Open	2,403.64	0.00
19-00281	03/29/19	S0139	SHORE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	POLICE-POLICE EQUIP/MAINT	Open	286.20	0.00
19-00282	03/29/19	00047	OLIWA & COMPANY	AUDIT FEES	Open	4,000.00	0.00
19-00283	03/29/19	W0040	WLB HISTORICAL SOCIETY	HISTORICAL PD BOX CHARGES	Open	162.00	0.00
19-00284	03/29/19	C0195	CASA REPORTING SERVICE	FINANCE SUPPLIES	Open	174.90	0.00
19-00286	03/29/19	W0029	NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER CO.	WATER - ALL DEPARTMENTS	Open	1,603.23	0.00
19-00287	03/29/19	C0083	COMCAST	F.A.S 8499 05 216 00048940	Open	9.96	0.00
19-00288	03/29/19	A0023	ASBURY PARK PRESS	ZONING BOARD ADVERTISING	Open	23.04	0.00
19-00290	03/29/19	C0053	CITY OF LONG BRANCH	GAS/DIESEL - ALL DEPTS 02/2019	Open	5,684.67	0.00
19-00291	03/29/19	C0083	COMCAST	ACCOUNT: 8499 05 216 0050458	Open	48.98	0.00
19-00292	03/29/19	C0083	COMCAST	8499-05 216 0041994 379 MON RD	Open	200.73	0.00
19-00293	03/29/19	C0083	COMCAST	965BROAD: 8499-05-216-0043313	Open	111.85	0.00
19-00294	03/29/19	W0034	MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	TAX COLLECTOR-SUPPLIES	Open	70.00	0.00
19-00295	03/29/19	A0170	ACCSES NJ	PUB BLDGS - CLEANING SERVICES	Open	2,224.00	0.00
19-00296	03/29/19	K0048	RON KARPE	RECREATION REIMBURSE SUPPLIES	Open	70.78	0.00
19-00297	03/29/19	L0040	THE LINK NEWS	ZONING BOARD ADVERTISEMENTS	Open	65.88	0.00
19-00298	03/29/19	L0030	LAWMEN SUPPLY CO OF NJ	2018 PD SUPPLIES	Open	130.00	0.00
19-00299	03/29/19	A0038	ALLIED FIRE & SAFETY	PUBLIC BLDG-MAINTENANCE	Open	175.00	0.00
Totals by Year-Fund							
Fund Description	Fund	Budget Rcvd	Budget Held	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total
8-01		1,648.04	0.00	1,648.04	0.00	0.00	1,648.04
9-01		1,073,810.86	0.00	1,073,810.86	0.00	0.00	1,073,810.86
Total of All Funds:		1,075,458.90	0.00	1,075,458.90	0.00	0.00	1,075,458.90

Seconded by Councilman Neyhart and carried upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: BRAY, CIOFFI, MANGO, NEYHART  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: PENTA  
ABSTAIN: MIGLIACCIO

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PUBLIC HEARING:

Richard Warshak, 17 Bridle Drive, appeared this evening to report that he recently moved into his home and has been experiencing a problem with geese. He complained that they were leaving a mess in his backyard and were aggressive and asked if there was anything the Borough could do to help resolve the problem. Councilman Cioffi confirmed that Mr. Warshak’s property backed up to water and informed him that it was currently mating season and the geese were protecting the eggs in the nests. He explained that mating season would end in the near future and the problem would dissipate to some degree at that point. The Governing Body offered some suggestions, such as temporary fencing, use of a motorboat in the water to chase them away, and contacting a geese control company, to assist Mr. Warshak.

Vincent Lepore, 33 Ocean Terrace, Long Branch, commented on the following items:

- He agreed with Councilman Cioffi’s assessment that the “rain tax” was unnecessary bureaucracy since there were stormwater management regulations already in place.
- He commented that Monmouth Beach Commissioner Stickle has expressed concern about the increase in recycling fees. The Borough Clerk, who also serves as the Recycling Coordinator, replied that she and the Public Works Director had an initial meeting with representatives of Atlantic Coast Fibers to discuss a processing facility that they are proposing to build in Monmouth County. She explained that they are currently attempting to obtain commitments from the Monmouth County municipalities to use their facility for the purpose of securing funding for this project.

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- He stated that there was a temporary reprieve on the marijuana issue. He mentioned that the hard work would begin now and asked the Mayor to be proactive.

Jack Kearns, Word on the Shore, advised that the Long Branch Environmental Commission was studying the subject of plastic bags that could be used to make benches.

There being no one else wishing to speak, on motion made by Councilman Migliaccio, seconded by Councilman Bray, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

  
BOROUGH CLERK